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House of Representatives.
Augusta, January. 6. 1864.

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. Drummond of Bath, and upon his motion, Mr. Farwell of Rockland was appointed Chairman of the Convention.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Gierlow of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor,

Messrs. Stetson of Bangor, Little of Auburn, Hussey of Monticello, Parker of Gorham, Russell of Temple, Hopkins of Ellsworth, Hinds of Benton, Conant of Rockland, Blaney of Bristol, Barker of Bethel, Wade of Parkman, Deering of Richmond, Tobey of Athens, Lane of Belfast, Kilby of Eastport and Jellison of Biddeford were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the credentials of members elect and report whether a quorum is present.

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Mr. Stetson from the Committee subsequently reported that they had examined the credentials of Members and that a quorum is in attendance.

Mr. Turner of Augusta 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. Turner reported that the Governor was pleased to say he would attend the Convention forthwith

Whereupon, the Governor, attended by the Executive Council, and Heads of Departments, and preceded by the Sheriff of the County of Kennebec came in, and the Members elect took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and suite then retired.

On motion of Mr. Burgess of Oldtown,

Messrs. Burgess of Oldtown, Webb of Windham Littlefield of Bridgton, Jellison of Biddeford, Thompson of Stockton, and Wallace of Milbridge were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. Burgess from the Committee, reported

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Whole number of votes 128 3
Necessary to a choice 65
Horace Stilson has 128

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

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

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. Clay subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

The House of Representatives was called to order by the Clerk, who presided during its further organization.

On motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor,

Messrs. Peters of Bangor, Clay of Gardiner, Copeland of Calais, Farwell of Lewiston, Vickery of Cape Elizabeth, Davis of Woodstock, and Merrow of Acton, 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 137
Necessary to a choice 69
Arnold Blaney has 24
Nelson Dingley Jr. has 113.

The report was accepted and Nelson Ding-

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ley, Jr. was declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

Mr. Dingley was conducted to the chair by Mr. Blaney of Bristol, and addressed the House as follows:-

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:-

Accept my grateful acknowledgment for the honor conferred upon me by this call to preside over your deliberations. In assuming the position assigned me, I shall look to you for that generous forbearance and cordial co-operation so liberally extended to me under similar circumstances heretofore and so essential to the successful discharge of our respective duties. It will be my earnest endeavor to so administer the rules of the House as to protect the rights of minorities, enforce the regularly expressed will of majorities and promote the public interests intrusted to your care. Permit me to express the confident hope that your deliberations may be conducted with that harmony, wisdom and faithfulness which befits the representatives of the people of a great State and which is especially demanded by the exigencies of the nation. In the great progress which the national cause has made during the past year there is every encouragement to renewed efforts in the defence of a perilled country and abundant cause for thankfulness for the special favor shown our country by the Ruler of Nations. Whatever doubts as to the re-

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sult of this struggle for national existence any may have entertained in the past, the question may now well be regarded as settled that the American Republic is to come forth from the baptism of fire and blood, through which it is passing, preserved and purified, redeemed and disenthralled. Gentlemen, I am ready to proceed with the business of the House.

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A message was sent to the Senate by Mr. Clay of Gardiner and to the Governor and Council by Mr. Turner of Augusta, informing those branches of the Government that the House of Representatives had organized by the election of Nelson Dingley Jr as Speaker, and Horace Stilson as Clerk.

These gentlemen subsequently reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

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A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Josselyn of Franklin, informing the House that the Senate had organized by the choice of Hon. George B. Barrows as President, and Egra C. Brett, Esq, as Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Hicks of Bucksport,

Messrs. Hinks of Bucksport, Barker of Bethel, Rogers of Kittery, Lowell of Standish, Morton of Jackson, Wallace of Milbridge, and Jordan of Danville were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Clerk.

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Having attended to that duty, Mr. Stinks from the Committee reported.

Whole number of votes	123
Necessary to a choice	62
Nelson Dingley, Jr. has	1
Everett R. Drummond has	1
Daniel Richardson has	1
S. J. Chadbourne has	120

The report was accepted and S. J. Chadbourne was declared duly elected assistant clerk for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Ordered that A. L. Norton be chosen messenger and Benjamin F. Leary and H. B. Trafton be chosen Assistant messengers of this House.

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

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered that the rules and orders of the last House of Representatives be adopted as the rules and orders of this House until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Burgess of Oldtown,

Ordered that the Clerk of the House invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner and the clergymen who are members of this House

to officiate in rotation as chaplains.

On motion of Mr. Drummond 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 of the Legislative papers published by the conductors of the Kennebec Journal.

Mr. Talbot of East Machias presented the following order, which on motion of Mr. Lynch of Portland was laid on the table:—

Ordered that the Clerk of this House cause to be supplied to the members and officers of this House, during the session, one copy of the Legislative paper published by the conductors of the Age.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

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 and including residence boarding place, post office address, and political classification and a diagram of the House of Representatives and that six hundred copies of the same be printed.

On motion of Mr. Talbot of East Machias,

Ordered That the Clerk of the House be authorized to distribute one copy of the Tri Weekly Age during the present session

to any members who may desire it, on their certifying the same to him:

Order from the Senate:-

Ordered that the return of votes for Governor, given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the current political year be referred to a joint Committee of seven on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Millikew of Kennebec
Philbrick of Cumberland
Warren of Hancock
Manson of Penobscot
Tenney of Somerset
Talbot of Washington and
Sanborn of York

were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Stone of Kennebunk
Fuller of Livermore
Rogers of Ashland
Stover of Harpswell
Bradbury of Avon,
Hinks of Bucksport
Turner of Augusta
Follansbee of Camden
Day of Damariscotta.
Chapman of Andover
Burgess of Oldtown
Foss of Abbott

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Drummond of Bath
Allen of Fairfield
Knowlton of Liberty
Talbot of East Machias

were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Order adopting the Joint Rules and Orders of last year, came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Ordered that this House meet at ten oclock A.M. until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Kennebunk

Adjourned.

Attest:
Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Thursday, January. 7. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Munger of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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

1st Division, Berry of Unity.
2nd " Follansbee of Camden
3d " Lowell of Saco
4th " Fuller of Livermore
5th " Merrill of Yarmouth
6th " Hinks of Bucksport
7th " Merrow of Acton
8th " Hopkins of Ellsworth.

Mr. Hobbs of Hope informed the House that Mr. Thomas, Representative elect from North Haven was in attendance and ready to take and subscribe the oaths required by law to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Hobbs was appointed to conduct Mr. Thomas to the Council Chamber for the purposes indicated and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

The 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 returned	119042
Necessary to a choice	59522
Samuel Cony Has	68339
Bion Bradbury Has	50687
Scattering	16.

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 Hon. Samuel Cony, Governor elect, and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Milliken of Kennebec
Tenney of Somerset
Beale of Penobscot

were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Barker of Nelson
Lynch of Portland
Turner of Augusta
Jellison of Biddeford
Davis of Woodstock
Blaney of Bristol
Strout of Durham

were joined to said Committee on the

part of the House.

Mr. Barker subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duty assigned and that 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. Peters of Bangor,

The Clerk was charged with a message to the Senate proposing a joint convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives Hall, this day at 11¼ 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.

The Clerk subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

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

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

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In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Spring of Cumberland,

That gentleman was charged with a message to the Governor elect informing him that both branches of the Legislature were in waiting ready to administer to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

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

Whereupon the Hon. Samuel Cony, Governor elect, attended by the Executive Council the Heads of Departments, and preceded by the Sheriff of the County of Kennebec, 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 was pleased to communicate to the Convention by address, information upon the affairs and condition of the State, as follows:—

Gentlemen of the Senate
and House of Representatives,

At no period in the history of Maine, have her appointed law-givers entered on the discharge of their constitutional duties, under circumstances

of graver responsibilities than those by which you are surrounded.

Approaching the termination of the third year of the war, waged in vindication of the authority and integrity of the nation, in the prosecution of which, has been employed a vastness of resources, as amazing to ourselves as incredible to the rest of mankind, the national exigencies continue to demand further contribution from the States and the people.

The fierce enthusiasm kindled by the first outrages upon the flag of our country, has been chastened and sobered by the protraction and vicissitudes of the conflict, but to that have succeeded the settled conviction, that for us there is no national future but in the triumph of the national arms and a stern resolve that that consummation shall be accomplished. You, gentlemen, stand here to day proofs of the truth of this declaration. As Maine has, in the past of this struggle, cheerfully responded to every invocation of patriotism and duty, in sending you here, her people have renewed the pledge of their fidelity to republican institutions and the cause of civil liberty.

The year just closed has been signaliged to the people of Maine by the bounteous benefactions which flow only from the kiver of all good. No desolating pestilence has scourged us but health has reigned through our borders. Generous harvests have rewarded the labor of the husbandman; industry in all its departments

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has received its fitting recompense; no hand willing to toil has been obliged to remain idle for want of remunerative employment.

The toils, the sacrifices and the achievements of the soldiers of Maine composing a portion of the national army, during the year 1863, have been such as to cause the hearts of her citizens to swell with grateful pride. Upon the fields of Pennsylvania, Virginia, Tennessee, Carolina, Louisiana, Florida and Texas, they have participated in all the perills of march and battle; and whatever of advantage has been gained to the national cause, they can proudly claim their share of the glory. The price of military glory is mourning upon many a hearthstone, and among us there are many Rachels refusing to be comforted. If this war were one of mad ambition, glory would afford no compensation for its manifold woes.

Deploring as does Maine, the loss of so many of her gallant sons slain on the field of battle, or perishing in hospitals, of wounds or of disease induced by the hardships and exposures of military life, far away from home and Kindred, it may be in prison, with no voice of affection near to speak a word of cheer or farewell to the soul approaching the dark river, all equally the victims of the strife and martyrs to the holiest of causes, their memories will be enshrined in the hearts of her people as the richest of her treasures, so long as patriotism shall be

esteemed honorable among mankind; and the mention of their names "in song and in story" shall inspire a heroism kindred to that which led them to the sacrifice.

On that spot at Gettysburg made immortal by the successful valor of the national arms and classic by the matchless eloquence of Everett, has been consecrated a cemetery where slumber the mortal remains of warriors, representatives from the land of the "laughing water" from every free State born of the immortal Ordinance of '87, from Maryland, Delaware and Western Virginia, from Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York and from New England, every sister there, not one left out. There, on Cemetery Hill, where the roar of artillery in vain assailed the ear of the peaceful dead, there reposing beneath its surface these gallant heroes, having sealed with their lives their devotion to the unity of that country they had sworn to defend, now sleep, and "no sound shall awake them to glory again."

Upon the invitation of the distinguished chief magistrate of Pennsylvania, whose happy conception of the idea, and active agency in the affair entitle him to our thanks, my predecessor, co-operating with the Governors of the other States represented in those terrible battles, engaged, in behalf of Maine, to contribute her share of whatever expense might be incurred in making this city of the dead worthy of its illustrious occupants.

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Moved as our people are by their sensibilities to do homage to the memories of our fallen soldiers on that spot there will cluster around it in the regards of the citizens of Maine, an added interest arising from the fact that it was chosen and occupied by Howard, their own modest and intrepid soldier, as the ground on which the final fortunes of those memorable days were to be staked, and which, with his heroic troops, he held to the end of the bloody fight. The correspondence of Gov. Curtin and the report of our Commissioner will be duly communicated to you and I shall unhesitatingly ask, what you will with alacrity grant, such an appropriation as shall meet, to the fullest extent, all claims upon our State for this holy purpose. And in this connection I would recommend that provision be made for the erection of monuments commemorative of the patriotism and valor of all of Maine's fallen worthies, and that it be so ample that the name of the humblest private shall not be neglected.

During the past year, ten regiments of Maine Volunteers have been mustered out of the service of the United States, the terms of their enlistment having expired.

Of these the Second Regiment was the first to leave the State on the call of the President in April, 1861, and has borne its part in the battles of the Army of the Potomac while in the service, with distinguished gallantry under its various com-

manders. The Tenth Regiment, largely composed of the First Regiment of three months men entered the field in the autumn of 1861, and on numerous occasions acquitted itself with credit. A portion of the officers of this Regiment since their discharge have been engaged in recruiting a regiment of veteran soldiers which is now nearly ready to leave for the field. The other eight regiments were made up of enlistments for nine months only, which expired the last summer. The service of these was various. Some were not called on to meet the foe in battle; others participated in the severe struggles at Fort Hredson and below; which eventiated in the opening of the Mississippi. All did their duty well.

There now remain in the service of the United States, and in the field, sixteen regiments and one battalion of infantry, one regiment and one company of cavalry, one regiment of heavy, and six batteries of light artillery, and one company of sharpshooters, distributed from the Potomac to the Rio Grande. The limits of this address forbid an extended notice of the gallantry of these various corps, and anything less would do them injustice. I can only say that their conduct has been creditable to themselves, honorable to their State, and some of their achievements of unsurpassed brilliancy mournfully attested by their thinned ranks. For a recital of the history of these gallant

men. I refer to the elaborate report of that able and indefatigable officer, the Adjutant General of this State.

So many enlistments expiring in 1863 compelled the President of the United States to order a draft of three hundred thousand men, under the conscription act. Owing to the commutation clause and the unprecedented list of exemptions, this produced but a comparitively small number of soldiers — in this State it secured about two thousand. Since then another levy of an equal number has been directed, allowing until the fifth of January, instant for the State to fill their quotas with volunteers.

Under the orders of my predecessor, a system of recruiting was put in operation in this State, the quotas of the various cities and towns being duly apportioned. As in 1862, these municipalities — having indeed no legal authority therefor at the time — paid liberal bounties to volunteers called for by the President, which action was subsequently ratified and confirmed by the Legislature, so at this time under like circumstances, they have adopted the same course to provide for the pending call, generally paying larger bounties than before.

Under the rule prescribed by the first orders of the Governor, allowing men to enlist in the quota of any city or town, without regard to the fact that the quota of the place of the volunteer's

residence had or had not been filled a sharp competition sprung up among cities and towns, and much discontent was excited. That order was subsequently modified in consequence of these complaints. Upon the whole, the attempt at securing the quota of this State has been eminently successful reflecting great credit upon the energetic and assiduous efforts of my predecessor. The inducements held out in the form of bounties, national, state and municipal, coupled with the aid furnished to the families of soldiers, have operated most favorably and I have great confidence that the quota of Maine will be obtained in this mode, if a brief suspension of the draft is allowed and the general Government will continue its liberal bounties long enough to enable us to canvass the regiments in the field for the renewal of their enlistments.

Already two veteran regiments of infantry, the twenty ninth, command by Col. Beal formerly of the Tenth, and the thirtieth, by Col. Fessenden formerly of the Twenty fifth, a second regiment of cavalry commanded by Col. Woodman late of the Twenty eighth, an additional company of cavalry (already in the field) commanded by Capt. Cloudman, and a battery of light artillery under Capt. Twitchell, are about full and nearly ready to go forward. In addition to these corps, a considerable number have gone forward

to the regiments now in the field, making between four and five thousand enlisted under the last call of the President.

I respectfully recommend that you supply the needed legislation to confirm the patriotic action of the cities and towns of the State, in the matter of bounties to stimulate the enlistment of soldiers for the service of their country; and that you devise, if practicable some more uniform system of bounties for the future which shall prevent so much collision and contention as has been witnessed under the existing call.

There is one point in which Maine is made peculiarly to suffer by these calls for men. A maratime state, large numbers of her citizens find their vocation upon the sea and very many of them have already entered the service of the United States in its navy, for whose enlistments she has no credit upon her quotas, and the names of those men, still on the rolls which constitute the basis of the requisition for soldiers, enlarge the quotas of both the State and towns. This is unjust and should be rectified. Sailors drafted into the military service of the Government, enter it reluctantly from want of congeniality in the employment with their former habits of life: if, when drafted, they could be allowed to enter the navy, or if such inducements as are held out for soldiers, were offered by the national, state and municipal governments, to sailors, the navy department would not be obliged to complain that that branch

of the service is suffering for lack of men.

The financial condition of the State, influenced by the necessities of the country, while it is not such as would be viewed with complacency in the peaceful times of old, yet, measuring the public debt by the ability of her citizens, and considering the causes which have created it can excite neither apprehension nor regret. Dependent for revenue as is the Treasury of Maine almost exclusively upon taxation, when large calls of an extraordinary character are made upon it, the resort for supply must be either to increased taxation, or loans obtained on the credit of the State.

The Constitution of Maine so limits the power of the Legislature to create a State debt, that except for war purposes, the entire extent of indebtedness which could be legally authorized, would not reach an amount so large as to be an oppressive burden for our citizens to pay by taxation in a single year. For war purposes there is no limit on the authority to hire.

The demands of the present conflict have largely swelled the expenditures of the State, and consequently its debt, but these have been met by the people without grudging a complaint. On the first day of January 1863, the funded debt of the State was one million four hundred and seventy two thousand dollars, increased on the first of January 1864 to two million four hundred and twenty two thousand dollars. This increase was caused by payment of bounties to soldiers and the aid advanced in 1862

to their families. During that year the Executive, upon the calls of the President of the United States for more volunteers, no legal provision having been made for the contingency, offered certain bounties to facilitate enlistments. The banks of the state, at the request of the Governor readily engaged to furnish the necessary funds, relying solely on the good faith of the Legislature to repay. On the first day of March last, these advances with the interest amounted to $343.224,86. In the same year (1862) the amount disbursed by the municipal authorities as aid to the families of soldiers, and under the law chargeable to the State in 1863, reached $231.898,80; making for these two items $575.223,66, for the payment of which and other war purposes a loan of $600.000 was authorized.

On the first of March last, the Treasurer under that authority negotiated the bonds of the State for $525.000, which produced $599.928,88, being a premium of $74.928,88 on the bonds sold: a valuable and substantial tribute to the integrity, prudence and skill with which the finances of Maine have been managed. To furnish means for payment of the bounties ordered by the Legislature of 1863 to soldiers drafted under the Conscription Act another loan of $500.000 was authorized. On the fifteenth day of August last, the Treasurer, to meet the calls of that account negotiated bonds to the amount of $475.111,11 which yield-

ed $503,131.25, being a premium of $28.131.25. At the date of this last sale the United States 5-20 bonds, the interest payable in gold, and selling at par, had become a very popular investment yet your own stocks even by the side of these commanded the very handsome premiums named.

This is the explanation of the increase of the State debt the past year, being $100.000 less than the amount authorized by law, and $50.000 less than the loans, in consequence of the payment of that sum on that portion of the former public debt which matured during the year.

To provide for the payment of the interest of the public debt, and in some part for the other extraordinary charges of the government, the Legislature of 1863 increased the State tax of that year by the addition of a mill on the dollar of valuation to the tax of the previous one. In consequence of this enlargement, and by the aid of the payments from the Land Office there will probably remain, after deducting the sums needful to carry on the government of the State for the year 1864, meeting the ordinary expenses and the interest of the debt as it stands to day, the sum of $100.000; to be applied to the liquidation of the liability of the State to the cities and towns for aid furnished the families of soldiers in 1863, leaving, however, a large balance still due them to be otherwise provided. What that balance will be cannot be precisely known until

the returns are made from all the municipalities, which will be at an early day.

Of the half million loan of the 15th of August last, for the payment of bounties, there remain unexpended two hundred and twenty two thousand four hundred and thirty five dollars ($222,435,11/11) and whatever sum may be demanded beyond that to meet the calls of existing laws for that purpose, or such further laws as may be made, it will be necessary to resort to the credit of the State.

While both justice and necessity compel us to impose upon those who are to succeed us in the advancing generations a portion of the burdens of the conflict in which we are now engaged, sharing as they will the benefits of free government, for the maintenance of which upon the face of the earth we are now struggling, not only for our own posterity, but for the human race exempted as they, we trust, will be from the bloody sacrifices of these days, I conceive it still to be our duty to assume such portion of the great expenditure as we may be able, without oppressing our people. The apprehensions of an entire stagnation of business, excited at the outbreak of the rebellion have been dissipated, and the loyal States, not the theatre of actual war have enjoyed an activity in almost all the pursuits of life, generating a prosperity as marvelous as the tales of the Arabian Nights. It is true that the debts of the nation and States as such have been enormously increased, but probably at no

time in the history of the United States have the debts of the citizens individually been so small, or the business of the people conducted so nearly on a cash basis as at the present time. Though the prices of what our people consume have largely advanced, the price of what they have to sell, whether it be the product of field, forest, ocean, mine or mechanic art, enjoys an equal enhancement and ready demand; and the same is true of the most unskilled labor. As the result of this state of things there never was a time when money was more universally in the possession of, or within the reach of all. In view of which I submit, whether at least for the ensuing year, it is not expedient to make some addition to the State tax, saving to that extent the necessity of a loan.

For the details of the financial condition of the State and the operations of the Treasury, which you will find interesting and instructive, I refer you to the report of the Treasurer of State.

In 1862, the Government of the United States and the banks of the entire country, having by the exigencies of the times been compelled to suspend specie payments, the Legislature of this State passed an act to expire in a year, exempting the banks thereof from the severe penalties imposed in their charters for failure in this respect, not however relieving them from the duty of a faithful performance of their obligations.

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This act was renewed in 1863, the Government of the United States having in the meantime, issued its own circulating notes, and sanctioned the same as a legal tender. As the reason originally existing for this legislation, still abides, enforced by the consideration, that the legal tender notes of the United States will discharge all the pecuniary obligations as well of banks as individuals, I recommend the further extension of the same.

In consequence of the imposition by Congress, of a tax upon the circulation and deposits of the local banks, the Legislature of 1863 conditionally remitted one-half of the State tax imposed upon our banks by their charters. This was clearly and only an act of justice inasmuch as national legislation, by the tax, and the creation of banks, infringed largely upon the special, and heretofore exclusive privileges of the State institutions, for the concession of which the State tax was the consideration.

It is now proposed to add still further to the national burden, upon the circulation and deposit of these institutions. Such additional duty is recommended by the comptroller of the currency and has the sanction of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States. Under the weight of such additional tax, it is clear that the State banks at an early day must retire from business; the remission of the remaining half of the State tax will be insufficient to enable them to continue

in operation. The national tax on circulation and deposits, exceeding two per cent, our domestic taxes, at least two more, the three per cent. deducted from dividends for internal revenue, to all which adding the expenses of managing the institutions, leave so small a residuum for the use of the capital, that it will be withdrawn for some more profitable employment.

That an increase of taxes under the internal revenue act, is demanded, to realize from that source supplies equal to the necessities of the government is not to be doubted; but without further impositions no class of securities is subjected to so heavy a burden as bank stocks. I assume, however, that the object of this proposed levy on the circulation and deposits of the local banks, is in conformity with its probable effect, viz. to cause them to give place to the new national banks, based on the securities of the United States. The design of these banks, is first to provide a uniform currency through the United States; and secondly, by their absorption of the bonds of the government for the basis of their circulation, to furnish supplies to its Treasury.

The circulating notes of the banks in New England have enjoyed such a credit, as to leave little to be desired in that particular. The banks of Maine have well answered the objects of their creation, the per centage of loss by failure has been insignificant and the

community understand their character and confide in the integrity of their managers. With one or two exceptions, the banks now in operation in this State, have been doing business from ten to fifty years in which time they have earned the reputation they enjoy. But if the occasion demands the surrender of the charter of the local banks, to the end that the government may obtain its needful supplies, their stockholders will avail themselves of the right conferred by the Legislature of 1863, to close their several institutions.

That the creation and general employment of these national banks will tend decidedly to strengthen the national credit, and by consequence the national government, by interesting pecuniarily every citizen in its stability, is unquestionable. The diffusion of the national stocks has largely produced that effect, while the circulation of bills, reposing thereon for security by the inevitable law of self interest, will command the aid of every man who holds a five dollar note, in upholding the government.

The finances of the United States have been managed by the Secretary of the Treasury with surpassing ability, during a period more trying, than it was, perhaps, ever the lot of any other people to pass through. The credit of our country stands peerless, commanding its daily millions for the national supply, and the genius which devised the system by which this result has been wrought com-

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mands universal homage. But there is still another element, towering above all financial genius or wisdom, which co-operating with the illustrious financier, has placed the national credit on a rock. It is the unealculating patriotism of the American people, pouring into the national coffers their garnered wealth, which they had stored beyond the computations of the statistician, with a profusion which amazes mankind, trusting their country as a child its father, with a confidence which will not be shaken, while that country needs a dollar for its defence, and they have the dollar to contribute.

At the foundation of our National Government, a deep seated hostility to standing armies existed among our people, and that sentiment was truly represented by the men who framed the Federal Constitution. British regulars had been employed for their oppression, and our fathers took good care that no such effectual instrument of tyranny should exist under the government they created. That sentiment descended to their children, and the standing army of the United States was never large enough to picket the shortest boundary line of the nation.

But with all this feeling these wise men were not blined to the necessity in every well ordered government, of a competent military establishment for national defence, and to arm the magistrate with the power of enforcing the laws. Accordingly the Constitution of the United States

authorizes Congress to "provide for organizing, arming and disciplining the militia", "reserving to the States respectively the appointment of the officers and the authority of training the militia, according to the discipline prescribed by Congress." Article two of the amendments to the Constitution declares "that a well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free State the right of the people to bear and carry arms shall not be infringed". This declaration contains not only a substantial guaranty of a right of the people, but an axiom of practical wisdom, the disregard of which has brought heavy penalties on the nation.

Complying with these constitutional requirements, immediately on the establishment of the government of the United States, Congress and the States made provision for organizing, arming, equipping and training the militia. For many years a lively interest was felt in this branch of the military establishment. Commissions in its service were regarded as objects of an honorable ambition, and its titles, for a long time, as evidences of consideration and worth. European wars, commencing almost immediately after the birth of our nation, and raging so many years, coupled with threatening complications in our own affairs, first with one belligerent and then the other, and finally ending in 1812 in war with Great Britain, kept alive, in the bosoms of the people, a sense of the necessity of a well regulated militia.

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After the pacification of Christendom in 1815, no war upon an extended scale occurred for many years. So large a portion of mankind returning from the pursuits of war to the arts of peaceful life, and continuing therein so long, it seemed as if the world were about to realize the vision of the prophet, and that the ploughshare and pruning hook were destined to supplant the spear and sword. In our own happy country, blessed as was never a nation before, a conviction seized the minds of the people that the iron hoof of war was never again to press her soil. Comparatively secure from foreign attack, by reason of the remoteness of our national position from any power which could menace us with real danger, as well as in our conscious and conceded strength, a sentiment obtained that military preparation on our part was unnecessary and idle and that the military duty exacted of the citizen was a burden attended by no corresponding public benefit. At length military service became so distasteful, that modifications of the law requiring it commenced, and finally the whole system of active militia was abandoned. This is its history in Maine.

The doctrine of the fathers was, that every able bodied citizen, during the period of full manly strength, owed military service to his country. Recognizing this principle, article seven, section five, of the Constitution of Maine, has the following provision; "Persons of

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the denominations of Quakers and Shakers. Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, and ministers of the Gospel may be exempted from military duty; but no other person of the age of eighteen, and under the age of forty five years, excepting officers of the militia, who have been honorably discharged, shall be so exempted unless he shall pay an equivalent fixed by law." Language cannot be found more clearly to assert the universality of the obligation of military service upon the citizen than is contained in this article. The exemptions therein specified are not mandatory but simple permissive, out of tenderness to conscience, regard for the public necessities, and the acknowledged incompatibility of the clerical profession with military pursuits.

During the last summer, when the surges of hostile invasion were heard like the distant note of the ocean, rolling toward the borders of the loyal States, your Chief Magistrate was interrogated by the Secretary of War as to the number of militia Maine could furnish to aid in repelling the impending attack. It is unnecessary for me to say to you what his reply was — what it only could have been. Thus appealed to for help, the people of Maine could only fold their arms, bow their heads in sorrow, if not shame, and await the inevitable shock; they had no power to help their brothers, who had gone out from among them, in the time of their exigent need

so near at hand. This too, gentlemen, when there were at home thousands of stalwart arms and willing hearts utterly unavailable, by reason of an almost criminal neglect of an obvious constitutional duty. Thanks be to God, and the valor of the army of the Potomac, after weary and bloody days, the foe at Gettysburg was baffled and beaten back. The thought of a different result drives the blood to the heart.

Well had it been for our nation, had the teachings and practices of the founders of our government been heeded. Had we enjoyed the blessings of a well regulated militia, the loyal States would not have been so illy prepared to meet the rebellious hosts who sought the nation's destruction.

Admonished by the experience of the past, I have felt compelled to urge upon you the necessity and duty of making legal provision for supplying this deficiency and omission. In all States, necessities for short of actual war, may call for the employment of military force — all States are liable to be plunged into war without notice or time for preparation. It is a wise sentiment, that the preparation for war is the best security against it. Situate as Maine is, a frontier State, contiguous to the territories of a power with whom the shadows of a collision have flitted athwart the horizon more than once since the commencement of our civil war, growing out of circumstances keenly wounding the national sensibil-

ities, but which under the influence of wise and forbearing councils we may hope have passed away, it is nevertheless a duty we owe to ourselves and our State, to see to it that this matter of a well regulated militia shall be no longer neglected.

The subject of education is one which in Maine never falls on an inattentive ear. The duty of making adequate provision for the education of youth is enjoined upon the legislature by the Constitution. The duty is one which continually abides. Pressing as are the calls on the Treasury, the present is no time to indulge in lavish expenditure upon any object, but education is one of the last to be neglected.

A grant of four half townships of land was made by the State the last year for the endowment of two normal schools, to be established one in the Eastern and the other in the western part of the State. Farmington and Castine have been selected by the commission appointed to make the location, as points combining more of the desired advantages than any other of the villages which were competitors therefor - each enjoying a delightful situation, a salubrious climate, and easily accessible, one by rail, and the other under arrangements made, to become so by steamboat, they fairly fulfil the conditions of the law. There is no reason why youth seeking the advantages of these institutions, removed

from the bustle and temptations of larger towns, may not vindicate the wisdom of those who so long have urged their establishment. I refer you to the elaborate report of the Superintendent of Common Schools for further details in relation to these, as well as for information in regard to the educational interests of the State, committed to the charge of that officer.

By act of Congress, July, 1862, was granted to the several States, which should accept the same, and comply with the conditions, an endowment of thirty thousand acres of land for each federal senator and representative, being to this State two hundred and ten thousand acres. The purposes of this grant is declared to be, for "the endowment, support and maintenance of at least one college" (in a State) "where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the legislatures of the States may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions of life. Among the conditions it is required "that the State shall keep the principal of the fund good forever", except that "not more than ten per cent. of it may be applied to the purchase

of lands, for sites or experimental farms, by authority of the Legislature", "but no portion of the fund, or its interest, to be applied for the erection, preservation or repair of buildings." "The annual interest of the fund shall be regularly applied to the declared object of the grant." Five years from the date of the grant are allowed, within which to establish the institution. The Legislature of this State, by resolve, March, 25th 1863, accepted the grant and directed the Governor to notify the President of the United States thereof, and he was also authorized to receive the scrip for the land. A board of thirteen regents was likewise created to take an assignment of the scrip issued to the State, to locate the same in their own names, for the use and benefit of the State, and for the object proposed by the act of Congress. The Governor was authorized to assign the scrip to the regents but not before another session of the Legislature. The regents were likewise authorized to solicit subscriptions and proposals for the location of the College, to deliberate upon and consider the advantages of various locations and examine similar institutions in other States. The regents are to be chosen by the Legislature, on joint ballot, and to receive no compensation for their services.

This is a summary of the leading points of the legislation on this subject. No election of regents having been made,

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there has been no progress in the advancement of the object, and the whole matter is open, without any embarrassment, for you to adopt such measures as you may believe best adapted to fulfil the purpose of the grant. It is evident that while the endowment was intended to be liberal on the part of the National Government, it was also expected that the States, each for itself, were to become the patrons of these institutions. While among the sciences to be taught, it is declared that the leading object is to teach those relating to agriculture and the mechanic arts, the language of the act making the grant, declaring specifically that it is not its purpose to exclude other sciences, is pregnant with the conclusion that the design was to establish institutions of learning of the highest order, for its scope is as comprehensive as its whole spirit is liberal.

Anxious as are the people to secure the benefits of this grant, at the present time, the pressure of taxation weighing heavily and the calls for money for the necessities of the war are so imperative, it is for you seriously to consider and determine in what way this may best be accomplished. I am aware of the emulous rivalries likely to arise among existing institutions, upon the proposition to connect the agricultural college with some one of them. The movement last year in that direction met with very

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slight favor from the Legislature, and it was indeed premature, for the subject was new to the people and had been very little considered.

If Maine is to have the institution which this grant designs, the Legislature will find it necessary, either to endow a new one, with a very liberal amount of funds to start it, to be followed by annual appropriations for its support to the end of time, or avail itself of some one of those already existing, which has been heretofore the recipient of the bounty of the State, securing thereby edifices, library and laboratory - the gathered results of large expenditure and patient effort, indispensable to the proposed institution, demanded by the purposes of the grant, and the first and most expensive to be provided by the State. Without the slightest preference on my own part, as to what institution shall be selected with which to connect the agricultural college, my convictions are very decided that it is expedient to adopt some one of them should the Legislature decide to act definitely on this subject at the present session. The unsettled state of the country, combining with the operation of the national homestead law, to depress the value of the public domain, forbids any undue haste in committing the State beyond recall to either course of procedure.

For a detail of the condition of

the various public institutions, depending in whole or in part on the public treasury, you are referred to the reports of the several officers having the same in charge.

The asylum for the insane, during the past year, has been occupied to the full extent of its capacity. Its history and experience fully vindicate the wisdom of the public favor and private benevolence which founded and has sustained it. As a refuge for those afflicted by the most fearful calamity which waylays a human being, it is worthy of all the aid it may require from the Treasury.

The institution for the reformation of juvenile offenders, however much public opinion may have been divided at the outset as to its utility, has grown in favor under the management of its present head, and I recommend the necessary appropriations to sustain it.

The reports of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison, detailing the operations at that institution for the six months ending December 1. 1863, indicate a more prosperous state of affairs. This has been an exceedingly expensive establishment, and while in other States the labor of convicts has been made largely to contribute to defray the expenses of their subsistence and custody, ours has been a costly

drain on the Treasury. I commend this institution to your special attention, with the hope that under apparently improving circumstances, a system of management may be adopted, which shall result in placing the State Prison of Maine on a footing with those of other States, which have been to a degree, self-sustaining.

For the other charities of the State, for the deaf, dumb and blind, you will of course make the usual appropriations.

The report of the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, bearing the impress of the peculiar ability of that officer, contains much valuable information relating to that predominant interest of our people, and will, I trust, receive a wide dissemination.

In regard to the public lands, I am not aware that any change in the laws regulating their management is at this time demanded. The policy of the State is exceedingly liberal, so far as the promotion of the occupancy of its settling lands is concerned. The conditions to be performed which secure a title to a homestead being the payment of fifty cents per acre in labor on the highways, and the performance of settling duties; or in substance that the settler shall make himself a home on his lot and a road to or across it.

There have been some sales of timber land the past season, the first

In ten years, and at very satisfactory prices, I think that there exists in the public mind a very vague and indefinite idea of the quality and value of these lands. The purchase of Massachusetts added but little to this class. The lands which that Commonwealth had held in severalty, and which Maine acquired by the purchase, came to us for the most part, burdened by permits or licenses to take off the timber, for which Massachusetts had been previously paid. These licenses are, the most of them, determinable when the land shall be needed for settlement, but that time is indefinite, and may be remote, and is not unlikely to give rise to controversies between the State and the parties permitted.

I think it very desirable that the public domain should be classified according to its various qualities, as timber, settling and waste lands and that a report thereof be made, with the quantities of each, and the location and incumbrances, if any, upon every tract, to the end that the Legislature and the public may obtain a more definite idea of the description, value and quantity of those lands, than now prevails. This may be done by a Commission, of which the Land Agent should be one, or perhaps by him alone. The lands all having been surveyed at least into townships, the greater part of the information necessary

to make the classifications may be found in the Land Office.

A practice has prevailed within a few years past in making grants of land, of doing it by parcels, thereby giving a wider range of selection. If the grant is for an equivalent of a township, instead of a township in terms to be located "in solido" it is made a grant of two half townships, which may be located remotely from each other, and absorb the entire value of two townships. Regarding the practice as objectionable, and injurious to the interests of the State it is for you to treat the suggestion with whatever consideration you may regard it entitled to, in the event you shall be called on to make any grants of land.

For an account of the operations of the Land Office you are referred to the report of the Land Agent.

There is another topic which I would gladly avoid, but a sense of public duty forbids silence. I allude to the punishment of capital offences, and the condition of things, which has grown up, in consequence of the omission to execute the laws of the land, in that regard.

In 1837, as the result of a protracted agitation of the proposition to abolish capital punishments, the public sentiment of the State having rejected it, there was added to the laws prescribing the punishment of capital offences, a provision that persons convicted there-

of, should be sentenced to solitary confinement and hard labor, in the State Prison, until the punishment of death should be inflicted, which is forbidden to be executed, within a year after sentence a judgment. From that time to the present no criminal has been executed in Maine, under the laws of the State.

To exempt a magistrate from the necessity of participating in the enforcement of a law which deprives a human being of life, must be grateful to his humane sensibilities. It is not, however, a question of what is agreeable or painful, in official duty, with which we are called upon to deal in this matter, but it is a question of what that duty is. By none of the ordinary rules of interpretation applicable to statutes, can any other conclusion be arrived at, than that the purpose of the modification of the law was to afford the capitally condemned criminal a year of grace, after conviction and sentence, as a period of repentance and preparation for the doom awaiting him, and likewise an opportunity for procuring proofs, if such should exist, that the conviction had been effected by falsehood or mistake.

The duty imposed upon the Chief Magistrate, by the terms of the law, after the expiration of the year of grace, remains prescribed in the same language as it was before the introduction

of that modification. Prior to the change the Governor was required to fix the day and issue the warrant for the execution, the same duty is still imposed upon him in precisely the same terms, except that he shall not do so till the expiration of a year after sentence. If anything more were needed to strengthen this conclusion it is to be found in the legislation of 1840, prescribing by whom execution shall be done upon criminals condemned to death who shall be present as witnesses, and other details, all of which legislation was reiterated and confirmed in the revision of the public laws in 1857. The embarassment in this matter, arises not so much from any difficulties in the law, as from the fact of its non-enforcement for twenty years.

During this period the number of felons convicted of capital offences, has most disproportionately increased over the two previous decades, there being at this time in the State Prison, no less than twelve convicted murderers. One of these has been imprisoned about twenty years, and others for shorter terms. In all these cases, the omission to commute their punishment, leaves the criminals subject to the extreme penalty of the law. Deserving, as they doubtless, were, of its infliction, at this late day to require the Chief Magistrate of the State to issue the warrants for their execution, would be regarded as little short of cold-blooded, vindictive murder. What then

shall be done?

The argument most relied on by the advocates of the abolition of capital punishment, that the safety of society would be as well assured by the imprisonment as by the death of the criminal, in consequence of the increased certainty of conviction and punishment, resulting from its abolition, has been signally negatived by the statistics of crime in this State.

The following is an extract from a communication made to me by the Attorney General of the State:—

"Murder is alarmingly on the increase. During the past year there have been three death sentences; two verdicts of guilty of murder in the first degree in addition, which have not come to sentence; one indicted for murder, died before trial; one indicted for murder in the second degree, admitted to bail; one found guilty of manslaughter on an indictment for murder; one other trial for murder (which was admitted some one had committed,) but the jury disagreed; and two in jail for murder, not indicted."

One of these convictions furnishes melancholy evidence that those to whose custody is committed the criminals condemned to death, are not safe from homicidal assault. A Warden of the State Prison has fallen a victim to brutal violence, and though his life was not taken by a criminal at the time

condemned to death, it equally illustrates the fact, that were imprisonment the extreme penalty, the lives of the officers would have no protection in the law. For it has already inflicted its utmost vengeance. I submit, gentlemen, that this is a fearful record. It is time that the complications which perplex this subject should be unravelled, and that the measure of the punishment for the crime of murder, should be made certain.

With regard to those who have been convicted in former years, and are now in prison, their year of grace having expired, commutation of their punishment to imprisonment for life, would dispose of the embarrassment growing out of their numbers, and the delay to execute the law upon them when the knowledge of their crime was fresh in the public mind, and the justice of the punishment would have been fully recognized. This much would devolve upon the Executive. For other cases, let the Legislature fix a day certain, after the expiration of the year of grace, on which execution shall be done upon the criminal capitally convicted, leaving no discretion in the Chief Magistrate, but to issue the warrant for execution, unless circumstances should demand his interference as an act of justice and mercy.

The justice of extending to our citizen soldiers in the field an oppor-

tunity for exercising the right of suffrage in our elections has been considerably discussed and generally conceded. The experience of other States goes fully to establish the fact that the votes of the soldiers may be so taken as to preclude either fraud or abuse upon the elective franchise. Because a man for the time being becomes a soldier in defence of all that is dear to the citizen, his interest in the welfare of the State and nation is neither changed nor diminished, but rather augmented and intensified by his consecration of himself at the peril of his life to their service. Why, then, should he not be permitted, wherever he may be, upon the happening of an election at his home, to enjoy the consideration of a citizen, and cast his ballot? And why should he be denied the privilege of helping to shape the policy of the government in which his interest is certainly not less than that of those remaining securely at their firesides? On the return of a soldier to his home he finds himself in possession of all the political rights he ever enjoyed. These do not become changed even by a three years absence.

To secure to him during this absence the exercise of the highest of these rights was the subject of favorable recommendation in the annual message of my predecessor. It did not come up for action in the Legislature until a late day, when it failed, not for want

of friends to the object, but because of objection to the particular form in which it was presented; and in the great hurry incident to the close of the session, there was not time to mature the requisite bill and resolutions to accomplish it.

As to the precise mode by which the end is to be attained, the large amount of legal learning which your several bodies comprise will doubtless enable you to frame and adopt such resolutions and bill as will guard well the elective franchise from abuse and at the same time meet all constitutional requirements. So many thousands of our fellow citizens volunteering to leave home and friends and the comforts of peaceful life to defend our common rights, I cannot doubt will be enabled by you, sanctioned by the co-operation of the people, to cast their votes for President of the United States in the election which is to take place in November next.

In the course of the present year expires the term after which the so called Reciprocity Treaty between the governments of the United States and Great Britain may be rescinded, at the pleasure of either party, on giving a year's notice. This treaty from the outset has been regarded as unfavorable to various leading industrial interests of the people of Maine, and the Legislature in 1862 adopted the following resolve;

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"Resolved, As the sentiment of this Legislature that it is the duty of the national Government of the United States to give notice to the British Government that the Reciprocity Treaty so called will be rescinded on the part of the United States at the expiration of the time to which its operation is limited by its terms to the end that, if any, a new arrangement may be made with the British Government, which shall be more just and equal and properly guard and protect the great interests of this State, which are injuriously affected by the present treaty."

In 1854, at the date of the treaty, the lumbering business, a leading branch of the industry of our citizens, enjoyed a great degree of prosperity, but from that time when the markets of the United States were opened to the free importation of Canadian and other provincial woods, that prosperity was smitten as with a frost bite. Many parties employed in that business were utterly ruined, and for years it did not enjoy a single season of fair success. The value of timber lands in Maine, owned as well by the State as by individuals, was greatly diminished. The vast milling property employed in the manufacture of lumber also suffered. It is doubtful if any act of the Government, operating so injuriously upon private interests was ever so uncomplainingly borne.

Of the lands purchased by this

State of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in 1853. and to which it was influenced among other causes by the prosperity of our lumbermen at that period, until the present year, only the most insignificant quantities have been sold. the stagnation in the demand forbidding the offering of public lands for sale. It is true that at the present moment under the influence of a disturbed currency, and probably the closing of the lumber ports of the South, our citizens engaged in bringing the forests to market are enjoying a good degree of prosperity; but with the subsidence of the cause, which peace will bring, must return the former depression.

What is true of the lumberman is likewise true to a large extent, of the agricultural interests of our country. There is no article produced from our farms, that is not met in our own markets by similar articles from Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and other British provinces, reaching those markets under advantages superior to those enjoyed by citizens of the United States. The schedule of articles made reciprocally free by this treaty contains very many which can be produced and are produced by our own citizens equal to any possible demand, of the best quality, and at most reasonable prices. The soil and climate of the United States and of the provinces with which this trade

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is established, are precisely similar, and their productions homogeneous. This treaty in terms gives us another market but in point of fact it is an utter delusion. The whole advantage of the treaty is with our provincial neighbors. It grants to them that ever consuming demand of British Commercial policy, a market - a market for their surplus products of field and forest, giving us in return access to their markets, which our people can never seek for the reason that they are at all times gorged to repletion by the provincials themselves. It is not necessary in this connection to enter into any discussion upon the merits of free trade, or to complain of colonial legislation impairing some of the anticipated advantages of the treaty. For us as a nation, the dream of free trade is ended. Engaged as we are in the prosecution of a war upon a scale of unparalleled magnitude, our financiers and statesmen are perplexed to provide means of supplying the national treasury and sustaining the national credit. The tax gatherer is met at every door, but there is not a loyal man to whom he is an unwelcome visitor, for loyalty greets it not only as a duty but a pleasure to contribute of its substance to the nations need in its time of trial. The range of dutiable articles has been so enlarged as to embrace some coming within the

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category of the necessaries of life almost consumed alike on the tables of the rich and poor, and upon which for a generation the tax gatherer had not laid his finger. While our own people are so taxed, and bearing all this so cheerfully, without a whisper of complaint, because demanded by the necessities of the country, is it not unjust that citizens of foreign states, who contribute not a penny to the support of our government, should be admitted to an equal participation of commercial privileges with our own citizens and to their serious injury?

The terms of the treaty, providing for its abrogation after ten years, clearly indicates that it was regarded as an experiment. As such it has been so sufficiently tested by the people of Maine that a large majority desire neither its continuance nor repetition. In one point it has most signally failed, and that is, in winning for the United States the good will of our territorial neighbors; and the government, in terminating this treaty is relieved of all embarrassments on that account.

I commend this subject to your consideration and that you take such action in the premises as upon an examination of the same, you may believe the interests of your constituents demand.

Upon the call of this State by the resolves of the Legislature, touching

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the defenceless condition of her coast and north-eastern frontier, and the urgent solicitation of my predecessor, the United States, in addition to large expenditures upon the permanent fortifications in the harbor of Portland at the mouth of the Kennebec River, and the narrows of the Penobscot, has constructed earthworks at Rockland, Belfast and Eastport, at each of which places, two batteries of five guns each have been mounted, while both at Castine and Machias-port a single battery of five guns has been supplied. These earthworks are, indeed, but temporary defences, though it is believed that properly manned, they would afford sufficient protection against any mere piratical cruisers, for when sufficiently enlarged they have proved very formidable, as a means of defence against imposing squadrons.

There are still other points on the coast calling for defensive precautions, which the government of the United States will doubtless provide, having already indicated its purpose to do whatever may be needed to render the towns on the seaboard secure from surprise by attacks from the ocean.

In relation to the north-eastern frontier, the only means suggested for its defence, is the construction of a railroad, connecting it with our interior lines of communication, by which an army with its munition and supplies, can be rapidly concentrated on its line or at its

terminus. As yet nothing has been accomplished towards securing the national aid for this great object. Thus far the railways of Maine have been the result of private enterprise, aided in some instances, by the credit of certain municipalities. They have received no aid whatever from the National Government by land grants, nor even by the refunding a remission of duties upon railroad iron, (except perhaps, in a single instance) both of which have been largely enjoyed by other States.

In happier days and as a means of developement, the State, forbidden to use its credit for the purpose, made on certain conditions a grant of the public lands to the Aroostook Railroad Company. The conditions not having been complied with, the grant lapsed. It was then and is now apparent, that the construction of a railroad, whether for defence or developement, to the eastern or north-eastern frontier of the State, within a reasonable time, can only be accomplished, by a combination of private enterprise and government aid, State or National. That under the circumstances, Maine is fairly entitled to call on the Government of the United States to aid in so important a work of defence, the defence itself being a national obligation, is very clear.

The towns upon the St. Croix are liable to isolation and capture by

by land attack, in the event of a rupture with Great Britain. In lack of speedy communication with the more densely populated portions of the State. While the Government of the United States has been erecting its defences at Eastport, the citizens of that section have interested themselves in endeavoring to secure a connection between the railroads on that river and on the Penobscot; and although it is but a common turnpike that is proposed by them, it will reduce very much the time, which is now the measure of distance, from the one point to the other. As a purely defensive measure, in the absence of a better, our fellow citizens in that portion of the State are justly entitled to your favorable consideration.

The very recent alarm on our eastern border, excited by rumors that a raid was being organized in the neighboring province of New Brunswick, under rebel auspices, for the purpose of devastating our cities and towns, is an imputation of inefficiency in the police of that province, so gross as to be incompatible with good faith. As such I should profoundly regret its verification. The incident, however, emphasizes the propriety of establishing, at an early day, some more speedy means of communication, than is at present enjoyed with that frontier.

This war, fruitful as it has been in stimulating the inventive

genius of our countrymen to devise new means of defence and destruction, has also developed a spirit of humanity strangely in contrast with the inevitable barbarities of war. The charities of our people, like everything else connected with the war, have been gigantic in their proportions. The cry that our soldiers are suffering is the "open sesame" that unlocks all hearts, and at its call, no matter how oft repeated, affluence pours forth its abundance, and penury contributes its mite for their relief. The women of the country, in this, as in every labor of beneficence, the first to enter and the last to retire from the field - from city village and hamlet have sent forth a continuous stream of the fruits of their industry, to make comfortable the frame of the suffering soldier, and to cheer his heart by these reminders, that, although far away, he is still the object of their kind regards.

The self-appointed Commissions, [illegible] of the people's benevolence, have nobly done their duty. The opening volley that announces a battle commenced, is the signal for their agents to rally, and the echo of the last gun dies not away, before they, like angels of mercy, have gathered on the field of strife, to administer relief to the wounded and consolation to the dying - to friend and foe alike. They deserve the thanks of every man and woman in

in the country, for these labors of love, and I doubt not, will be enabled to continue them, by the unflagging liberality of the people.

On the scale of recent national events, the fact which most prominently challenges the attention and sympathy of Christendom, is the Proclamation of the President of the United States, declaring the emancipation of the slaves in the States in revolt. Having given timely warning to the rebels to lay down their arms and return to their allegiance and duty, under the penalty of this assault upon their right to hold their fellow men in bondage, the madness which precedes destruction made them deaf to the warning, and this bolt which, but for the rebellion could not have been forged, was hurled at their cherished institution.

No measure of the government has called forth such fierce invective or evoked more constitutional criticism. Those who at the outset of the rebellion, and before any act of war, denied the right or power of the nation to maintain its authority, or in their own stereotyped phrase "to coerce a State," and who at no time since have yielded any moral support to the government in its fierce struggle and extreme need, but for a time were awed to apparent acquiescence by the earnestness of the people, on the issuing of this Magna Charta of freedom to an oppressed and de-

spised race, instantly raised their voices in denunciation of the Administration, for waging a war for the abolition of slavery, and not for the restoration of the Union. The want of constitutional power, that objection which always commands a respectful consideration, is urged against it.

That in time of peace, either the President or Congress, separately or in conjunction, had any authority whatever over slavery in the States where it existed, was never pretended; no attempt to interfere therewith was ever made by either, prior to the outbreak of the rebellion, and that no party in the country desiring such interference in the States, ever commanded the support of any respectable number of persons, is as well known as any other fact in American history. The rights of the States in this regard were under the protection of the solemn guaranties of the Federal Constitution, which the nation never violated. But a portion of the slaveholding States, not satisfied with the religious observance of these obligations and guaranties, and spurning still others which were proffered in good faith and friendship, trampling upon that Constitution, sought to place the institution of slavery, upon a more steadfast foundation, by destroying the government which had been its shield and buckler, and to give it a wider expansion in the national Territories, which they confi-

dently expected to clutch in the rapine of empire.

Thus and for this the war began. At its commencement it was the hope and expectation that it would be of short duration; that the citizens of the States in revolt would become convinced that no invasion of their rights was intended, and that upon sober second thought, they would return beneath the folds of the flag which was the symbol of our common glory. Beyond the punishment of some of the more prominent and flagitious criminals who incited the rebellion, no other thought entered the mind or heart of the loyal people of the country than to welcome back those who were regarded as erring brothers, to the protection of that government which had blessed them so greatly, which they had enjoyed so long, and to the possession of their ancient rights. These expectations have been disappointed, and the progress of the war, while its objects have not been changed, has developed the necessity of a change of instrumentalities, by which it is to be prosecuted to a successful conclusion.

Measures which in the beginning would have been rejected and from which a large proportion of the loyal people of the country would have shrunk, have at length become inevitable. The national necessities have demanded that all the national

resources should be marshalled for this conflict. The decimated ranks of the army demanded fresh recruits; men were needed to work on fortifications; laborers were required to cultivate abandoned plantations; the traitor enemy had these men; and just so far as we could strengthen ourselves by winning them to our side, in that proportion we should weaken our foe. Hence the emancipation proclamation of the President and the cognate legislation of Congress. A people involved in such a war, who should fail to avail themselves of such a resource would be set down as stricken with judicial blindness; to omit to do so would be traitorously to strengthen the foe.

That in addition to these for us vast accessions of strength, and corresponding depletion of the rebels, there comes the other fact that a race whose inheritance for centuries, has been ignominy and oppression, to whom God's word has been a sealed book, hedged in by penal enactments, who are denied all means of enlightment, and all recompense for their toil; among whom marital obligations are not permitted; whose affections are treated with the same tenderness as that accorded the roving herds; for whom there has been no refuge but in the grave, where "the servant is free from the master," "and the weary be at rest"; that such a race should be summoned to the rights of a

common humanity, can excite no emotions but those of satisfaction and thanksgiving in the bosoms of all not dead to a sense of the value of civil liberty.

"Man proposes but God disposes." Opinions, policies and institutions are compelled to give way to the inexorable logic of events, for these are the processes of the Almighty. Invoking for the discharge of our official duties the inspiration of His wisdom and the blessing of His goodness, when the period of our retirement from public station arrives, may we enjoy the consciousness of having endeavored "to do the State some service"; and may the banner which floats over our heads this day then cover with its folds a free, peaceful and united nation.

Samuel Cony.

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

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered That five thousand copies of the Governor's Address be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to Col. Thomas M. White Commander of the 5th Kentucky Mounted

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Infantry, for a lecture tomorrow evening on the State of the Country.

On motion of Mr. Merrill of Yarmouth,

Adjourned.

Attest; Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Friday, January, 8. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stone of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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

On Finance.

Messrs. Drummond of Bath,
Stetson of Bangor,
Williams of Augusta,
Lynch of Portland,
Copeland of Calais,
Stone of Kennebunk,
O'Brien of Thomaston.

On Elections.

Messrs. Barker of Stetson,
Merrill of Yarmouth,
Davis of Woodstock,
Lowell of Saco,
Seavey of Whiting,
Staples of Lyndville,
Watts of Wales.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Commissioner to furnish pure and unadulterated liquors, and on motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond, the same was laid on the table.

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Remonstrance of Eliakim Prescott to the right of Frederick Lowell to a seat in this House.

Refered to Committee on Elections.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives Hall, this day at 11 o'clock for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Adjutant General, Attorney General and Land Agent, also seven Executive Councillors.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

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

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

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Elliot of Cumberland,

Messrs. Elliot of Cumberland, Hale of Piscataquis, Fletcher of Bangor, Knowlton of Liberty, Tobey of Athens, Neale of Waite plantation, and Daggett of Greene were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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Having attended to that duty, the Committee reported,

Whole number of votes	134
Necessary to a choice	68
Ephraim Flint, Jr. has	132
A. P. Gould. has	2.

The report was accepted and Ephraim Flint, Jr. was declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Sanborn of Readfield,

The same Committee were appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

Having attended to that duty, the Committee reported

Whole number of votes	149
Necessary to a choice	75
John L. Hodsdon has	148
Thomas A. Staples has	1

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

On motion of Mr. Beale of Penobscot,

Messrs. Beale of Penobscot, McGilvery of Waldo, Rogers of Ashland, Vickery of Cape Elizabeth, Strout of Durham, Perkins of Wells, and Ingersoll of Columbia, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General,

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported,

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Whole number of votes 143
Necessary to a choice 72
John A. Peters has 133
S. J. Anderson has 4
J. L. Hodsdon has 4
A. Hayden has 1
G. Walker has 1

The report was accepted and John A. Peters was declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Stevens of Oxford,

The same Committee were appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported,

Whole number of votes 137
Necessary to a choice 69
Hiram Chapman has 131
J. W. Moore has 5
James W. Moore has 1

The report was accepted and Hiram Chapman was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Kennebec,

The same gentlemen were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

Having attended to that duty, the Committee reported

Whole number of votes 141
Necessary to a choice 71

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Charles Holden has	136
John J. Perry has	136
Sewall Watson	136
Hanson Starks	136
Joseph Farwell	136
Hiram Ruggles	136
John M. Noyes	136
Israel Chadbourne	5
Sewall C. Strout	5
Rowland H. Bridgham	5
Samuel Taylor	5
S. R. Bray	5
Josiah Bruce	5
Joseph Chase	5

The report was accepted and Messrs. Charles Holden, John J. Perry, Sewall Watson, Hanson Starks, Joseph Farwell, Hiram Ruggles and John M. Noyes 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.

Mr. Kilby of Eastport announced to the House, the presence of Mr. Copeland, Representative elect from Calais, and that he was ready to take and subscribe the oaths required by law to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Kilby was appointed to conduct Mr. Copeland to the Council Chamber for the purpose indicated and subse-

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quently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish for the use of the House of Representatives, nine copies of the Revised Statutes and also nine copies of the Acts and Resolves of 1858, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862 and 1863.

Communications were received from Messrs. Charles Holden, John J. Perry, Hiram Ruggles, Joseph Farwell and John M. Noyes, Executive Councillors elect, severally signifying their acceptance of the office.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, proposing a convention of both branches 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 have signified their acceptance of that office, the oaths required by law to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

On motion of Mr. Merrill of Yarmouth,

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

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

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Kennebec,

The Secretary of the Convention was charged with and conveyed a message to such of the Councillors elect, as had signified their acceptance, that the two Houses are now assembled in Convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and that the Councillors elect were pleased to say that they would attend forthwith upon the Convention for the purposes indicated.

Thereupon Charles Holden, John J. Perry, Hiram Ruggles, John M. Moyes and Joseph Farwell, 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 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.

The Speaker informed the House that Messrs. Henry A. Usher and Henry K. Bradbury had each presented certificates of election to the seat in this House from the representative district composed of the towns of Hollis and Waterboro and referred the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

The clerk was directed to place the name of Henry A. Usher on the rolls as member elect from the representative district composed of the towns of Hollis and Waterboro.

On motion of Mr. Jellerson of Biddeford,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Saturday, January. 9. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ballou of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Turner of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote of yesterday whereby the House directed the Clerk to place the name of Henry A. Usher upon the rolls as member elect from the representative district composed of the towns of Hollis and Waterboro.

The House refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson,

Ordered, That the credentials of members of this House be taken from the files and refered to the Committee on Elections.

A communication was received from John L. Hodsdon, Adjutant General elect, signifying his acceptance of that office.

Remonstrance of Henry K. Bradbury against the right of Henry A. Usher to a seat in this House

Referred to Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty,

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Adjourned.

Attest:
Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Monday. January. 11. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wheeler of the House.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Orders from the Senate;

Ordered. That a joint Select Committee be appointed on the Governor's Address, who shall report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees.

This oder came from the Senate read and passed, and

Messrs. Walker of Knox
Philbrick of Cumberland,
Bradbury of Penobscot,

appointed on the part of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Farwell of Rockland,
Usher of Hollis.
Neal of Waite plantation
Merrile of Falmouth
Cyphers of Ripley
Burnham of Gilead
Small of Lyndon

were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a joint Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may

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join be appointed to contract with some persons to do the State Printing and Binding for the current year, subject to the approval of the Legislature.

This order came from the Senate passed and

Messrs. Bradbury of Penobscot,
Cram of Cumberland,
Wadsworth of Washington

appointed on the part of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Clay of Gardiner
Rogers of Kittery
Allen of Fairfield
Wallace of Millbridge
Thompson of Stockton
Johnson of Dresden
Wade of Parkman

were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish for the use of 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 - "House of Representatives" - and that the same be laid on the Clerk's Desk.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Report of the State Liquor Agent be referred to a Joint

Special Committee.

A communication was received from the Hon. Nathan Dane, Treasurer of State transmitting a statement of the receipts and expenditures of all public money for the year ending December, 31. 1863.

Order from the Senate:

Ordered That the Repot of the Treasurer of State 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.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Spring of Cumberland,
Talbot of Washington
Sanborn of Kennebec

appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate

Read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Drummond of Bath,
Williams of Augusta,
Stetson of Bangor,
Lynch of Portland,
Copeland of Calais,
Stone of Kennebunk
O'Brien of Thomaston

joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Adjourned.

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Attest: Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Tuesday. January. 12. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Gierlow of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The Standing Committees of the House were announced, and are as follows:

On Finance.

Messrs. Drummond of Bath,
Nelson of Bangor.
Williams of Augusta,
Lynch of Portland,
Copeland of Calais,
Stone of Kennebunk,
O'Brien of Thomaston.

On Elections.

Messrs. Baker of Nelson
Merrill of Yarmouth
Davis of Woodstock
Lowell of Saco
Peavey of Whiting
Staples of Swanville
Watts of Wales.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Knowlton of Liberty,
Stover of Harpswell,
Grant of Lebanon
Daggett of Greene
Harden of Mariaville,

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Chapman of Andover,
Webb of Windham.

On Bills in the Third Reading.
Messrs. Norris of Vienna,
Holbrook of Freeport,
Wheeler of Chesterville,
Jordan of Danville,
Butler of North Berwick
Tarbox of Westport,
Norris of Bradley.

On Leave of Absence.
Messrs. Abbot of China
Danforth of Lagrange,
Johnson of Dresden
Burnham of Gilead,
Trafton of Cornish,
Ingersoll of Columbia,
Butts of New Portland.

On Pay Roll.
Messrs. Larrabee of Portland
Hopkins of Ellsworth,
Farwell of Lewiston
Allen of Fairfield,
Carter of Etna
Bradford of Mexico
Lane of Limerick.

On Change of Names.
Messrs. Bradbury of Avon,
Whittle of Greenwood
Kimball of Plantation 5
Waterhouse of Lyman
Cyphers of Ripley

London of Brooksville.
Coombs of Edgecomb.

On County Estimates.

Messrs. Kilby of Eastport,
Cushman of Hebron,
Strout of Durham
Kimball of Hermon
Rogers of Ashland
Parker of Gorham
Stewart of New Vineyard
Fifield of Rome
Hobbs of Hope
Day of Damariscotta
Dunning of Brownville
Hunt of Georgetown
Smith of Starks
Kingsbury of Waldo
Handy of Gouldsboro
Jellison of Biddeford

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 the Judiciary.

Messrs. Stewart of Somerset,
Tenney of Somerset,
Spring of Cumberland
of the Senate;
Peters of Bangor
Williams of Augusta
Smith of Westbrook
Clay of Gardiner,
Goodwin of Biddeford

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Farwell of Rockland
Webb of Portland,
of the House.

On Federal Relations.
Messrs. Tenney of Somerset,
Jewett of York,
of the Senate;
Barker of Belfast,
Ieram of Brunswick.
Nelson of Bangor
Talbot of East Machias
Little of Auburn
Deering of Richmond,
Littlefield of Bridgton,
of the House.

On Militia and Military Affairs.
Messrs. Milliken of Waldo,
Manson of Penobscot,
Elliot of Cumberland,
of the Senate;
Stone of Kennebunk.
Conant of Rockland
Varney of Bangor.
Deering of Richmond,
Larrabee of Portland
Wallace of Milbridge
Stover of Harpswell,
of the House.

On Frontier and Coast Defences.
Messrs. McGilvery of Waldo,
Wadsworth of Washington
Banks of York
of the Senate;

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Lynch of Portland,
Drummond of Bath,
Mayo of Orono,
Kilby of Eastport,
Lane of Belfast,
Rogers of Ashland,
O'Brien of Dimastus,
of the House.

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance,
Messrs. Talbot of Washington
Stevens of Oxford,
of the Senate;
Turner of Augusta,
Cram of Brunswick,
Follansbee of Camden,
Woodman of Portland
Bradford of Mexico
Bradbury of Avon
Berry of Unity,
of the House.

On Education.

Messrs. Josselyn of Franklin,
Philbrick of Cumberland,
Bradbury of Penobscot
of the Senate:
Stone of Jay,
Dillingham of Waterville
Quinnam of Bowdinham
Daggett of Greene
Grant of Lebanon
Hamor of Eden
Manter of Palmyra,
of the House.

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On Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Spring of Cumberland.
Millikew of Kennebec,
M'Gilvery of Waldo.
of the Senate;
Stetson of Bangor,
Patten of Bath,
Copeland of Calais
Little of Auburn
Vickery of Cape Elizabeth
Burleigh of Co. Berwick
Thompson of Stockton,
of the House.

On Incorporation of Towns.

Messrs. Millikew of Hancock.
Talbot of Washington
Hale of Piscataquis,
of the Senate;
Burnham of Gilead
Carlton of Winterport
Kimball of Pl. No. 5,
Shaften of Cornish,
Leypher of Ripley,
Leyp of Grand Isle
Neal of Waite Pl.
of the House.

On Division of Counties.

Messrs. Sanborn of York.
Millikew of Hancock,
Dingley of Androscoggin,
of the Senate;
Dolliver of Kenduskeag
Barker of Bethel,
Millikew of Surry.

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Russell of Temple,
Moody of Windsor,
Smale of Lyndon,
Lane of Limerick
of the House.

On Division of Towns.

Messrs. Beale of Penobscot,
Cram of Cumberland,
True of Kennebec,
of the Senate;
Holbrook of Freeport,
Allen of Fairfield,
Fuller of Livermore
Handy of Gouldsboro,
Jellison of Biddeford
Wadsworth of Manchester,
Nickerson of Orrington,
of the House.

On State Lands and State Roads.

Messrs. Stevens of Oxford,
Cram of Cumberland,
Burleigh of Aroostook,
of the Senate;
Burgess of Oldtown,
Parker of Gorham,
Hopkins of Ellsworth,
Day of Damariscotta,
Peavey of Whiting,
Doty of Athens
Hall of Bridgewater,
of the House.

On Indian Affairs.

Messrs. Burleigh of Aroostook,

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Merrow of Sagadahoc,
Beale of Penobscot.
of the Senate;
Dunning of Brunville,
Day of Pembroke,
Merrill of Falmouth.
Burgess of Oldtown,
Davis of Cushing
Carter of Etna.
Means of Sedgwick,
of the House.

On Agriculture.

Messrs. Philbrick of Cumberland,
Millikin of Hancock,
True of Kennebec,
of the Senate;
Dillingham of Waterville
Rogers of Kittery
Lowell of Standish.
Morton of Jackson
Jordan of Danville.
Kimball of Weiaw.
Osgood of Exeter,
of the House.

On Fisheries.

Messrs. Merrow of Sagadahoc,
Warren of Hancock,
of the Senate;
Thomas of N. Haven,
Hunt of Georgetown
Perkins of Wells,
Coombs of Osterboro',
Green of Deer Isle,
Peirce of Southport,

Barker of Jonesport,
of the House.

On Manufactures.

Messrs. Crane of Cumberland,
Dingley of Androscoggin,
Wadsworth of Washington,
of the Senate;
Farwell of Lewiston,
Lowell of Saco,
Hill of Skowhegan,
Foss of Abbott,
Norris of Vienna,
Allen of Gray,
Deshon of Jefferson,
of the House.

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Messrs. Millikan of Kennebec
Elliot of Cumberland,
Bradbury of Penobscot,
of the Senate;
Hinks of Buckspot,
Patten of Bath,
Knowlton of Liberty,
Woodman of Portland,
Haynes of Mattawamkeag,
Blaney of Bristol,
Hinds of Benton,
of the House.

On Interior Waters.

Messrs. Dingley of Androscoggin
Sanborn of York,
Hale of Piscataquis
of the Senate;

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Davis of Woodstock,
Porter of Burlington,
Barker of Pittston,
Norris of Bradley,
Wade of Parkman,
Nickerson of Limmens
Butler of So. Berwick,
of the House.

On Claims.

Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec,
Josselyn of Franklin,
Warren of Hancock,
of the Senate;
Abbot of China,
Cushman of Hebron,
Kingsbury of Waldo,
Kimball of Hermon,
Dennis of Litchfield
Tarbox of Westport
Butts of New Portland,
of the House.

On Military Pensions.

Messrs. True of Kennebec,
Burleigh of Aroostook,
Warren of Hancock,
of the Senate:
Porter of Burlington
Harden of Mariaville,
Whittle of Greenwood,
Wyman of Cumberland,
Hobbs of Hope
Berry of Bingham,
Watts of Wales,
of the House.

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On Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Walker of Knox
Bradbury of Penobscot.
Jewell of York.
of the Senate;
Wheeler of Chesterville,
Turner of Augusta,
Merrill of Yarmouth,
Merrow of Acton,
Webb of Windham
Ingersoll of Columbia
Jackson of Waldoboro.
of the House.

On Reform School.

Messrs. Beale of Penobscot.
Sanborn of York.
Walker of Knox
of the Senate
Quinnan of Bowdoinham,
Hussey of Monticello,
Libby of Fayette,
Hamilton of Corinna,
Stewart of New Vineyard
Staples of Swanville
Joy of Union.
of the House.

On State Prison.

Messrs. Elliot of Cumberland,
Stevens of Oxford,
Wadsworth of Washington,
of the Senate;
Walker of Hampden.
Allen of Dennysville,
Stout of Durham,

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Talbot of East Machias.
Spring of Brownfield,
Smith of Starks.
Dunn of Dayton,
of the House.

On Public Buildings.

Messrs. Banks of York,
Millikin of Waldo,
Sanborn of Kennebec,
of the Senate;
Chapman of Andover,
Danforth of Lagrange,
Condon of Brookville,
Richardson of Naples.
Johnson of Dresden
Usher of Hollis.
Waterhouse of Lyman,
of the House.

On the Library.

Messrs. Manson of Penobscot,
Stewart of Somerset,
Banks of York,
of the Senate;
Webb of Portland,
Stone of Jay,
Littlefield of Bridgton,
Knowlton of Liberty,
Fifield of Rome,
Barker of Stetson,
Hopkins of Ellsworth,
of the House.

Communications were received from Alanson Starks and Sewall Watson

Executive Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,
The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate proposing a joint Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives Hall, this day at 10½ oclock for the purpose of administering to Alanson Stark and Sewall Watson, Executive Councillors elect, the oaths required by law to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

A message was subsequently received from the Senate, through its Secretary, signifying the concurrence of the Senate 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. Banks of York,
The Secretary of the Convention was charged with a message to Alanson Stark and Sewall Watson, Councillors elect, informing them that the two Houses are assembled in Convention for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by law to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

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The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and that the Councillors elect were pleased to say that they would attend upon the Convention forthwith for the purpose indicated.

Thereupon Hanson Stark and Sewall Watson came in and in presence of the Convention and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths prescribed by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon their official duties.

The Councillors then retired and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the Annual Reports of the Superintendents of the Insane Hospital, State Reform School, Warden of the State Prison and Attorney General for the year 1863.

Also a communication transmitting the Forty Seventh Annual Report of the Directors of the American Asylum at Hartford, for the education of the deaf and dumb.

On motion of Mr. Butler of South Berwick,

Resolved, That while the military service necessarily requires a large

expenditure of the resources, not only of the general Government, but of the people of the States, a rigid application of the rules of economy is demanded in every department of the civil service; and that it is the individual duty of the members of this Legislature to give the public business committed to their trust, undivided attention with industrious application, in the endeavor faithfully and fully to conserve all public interests coming under their consideration, during a session not exceeding fifty days.

This resolve was read and passed and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an Act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the Laws of 1862, concerning specie payments.

Read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

The Speaker announced the Committee on State Liquor Commissioner's Report, as follows:-

Messrs. Parker of Gorham,
Manter of Palmyra,
Copeland of Calais
Libby of Fayette
Knowlton of Liberty
Tobey of Athens
Perkins of Wells.

Petition of Gilbert H. Eldredge for

change of name for himself and children.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered, that the chaplains of the Legislature be allowed the use and privileges of the State Library on the same terms of the members of the Legislature.

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Belfast, for a free bridge over the Passagassawakeag River in Belfast.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of George L. Emerson for lot of land.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of B. P. Gilman & als. for a boom corporation.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of George W. Wentworth for compensation for services as an officer in committing one William M. Jackson to the Reform School.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of John B. Brown & als. for

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charter for Portland and Machias Steamboat Company.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The fregoing order and petitions were sent up for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate;

Petition of Trustees of Maine State Seminary for change of name and alteration of charter.

Referred to Committee on Education in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fuller of Livermore,

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Stilson, Clerk

Wednesday. January. 13. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered. That a Joint Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be directed to inquire into the expediency of the States assuming the liabilities incurred by the several cities and towns in this State in payment of bounties to volunteers and drafted men under the several calls of the President and that they be directed to report by bill or otherwise.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec,
Talbot of Washington,
Spring of Cumberland

appointed on the part of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Drummond of Bath,
Stetson of Bangor,
Williams of Augusta,
Lynch of Portland,
Copeland of Calais,
Stone of Kennebunk,
O'Brien of Thomaston,

were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Order relating to the payment of bounties.
Read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of New Sharon to make valid the doings of said town.
Refered to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill an act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the Laws of 1862 concerning the suspension of specie payments.
This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kilby of Eastport.
Ordered that the Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences be directed to inquire if any action is necessary on the part of the State, to give efficiency to the fortifications recently erected at different points upon the coast.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham.
Ordered, That the Committee to whom was referred the report of the State Liquor Agent, be directed to order the usual number of copies of so much of said report to be printed as they think proper.

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On motion of Mr. Mayo of Orono,

Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law regulating the choice of town officers at their annual Spring election, so that a check list shall be used when one fifth of the legal voters present shall demand it.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Jay,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that all petitions for private legislation which shall be presented to this Legislature after the tenth day of February next, be referred to the next Legislature; and that this order be published three weeks in the Kennebec Journal.

On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws in relation to Savings Institutions, as to require the executive officers of such Institutions to report on the first day of April of each year, the names of persons, the sum of whose deposits shall on that day amount to three hundred dollars or more, with the amount of their deposits, to the assessors of the cities, towns and plantations in which such depositors reside.

The foregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

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Petition of George E. Ross and others of Woodland plantation for lot of land for Mrs. Philbrick.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of School district No 7 in the town of Hartford to set back a portion of said district to the town of Buckfield.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Petition of the Selectmen of the town of Lowell for re-imbursement for aid furnished soldier's families in Plantation No. 1.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of Susan A. DeLaite for lot of land.

Petition of J. D. Teague and others of Lyndon for lot of land for Hazen Keech.

Refered to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing petitions were sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Skolfield and others for change of name of an adopted daughter.

Petition of Stephen Dawson for

change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Banks of York, announcing the death of Hon. George A. Starr, Senator elect from Knox.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Thursday. January. 14. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Stone of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:—

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Glass Company.

Bill an act to authorize the city of Portland to exempt the Portland Glass Company from taxation.

Refered to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of A. B. Sutton and others for a law for the extirpation of the Canada Thistle.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture

Petition of European and North American Railway Company for amendment of its charter and for State aid toward completing the line of its Railway.

Referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

The foregoing petitions were referred in concurrence.

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Order relating to papers and documents referred from the last Legislature.

Order relating to Reports of the several Departments.

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

Report of Joint Select Committee to refer the Governor's Address.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on settlement of the State Treasurers accounts.

These Reports came from the Senate accepted and were accepted in concurrence.

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Address as relates to capital punishment be referred to a joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the Senate with one from each county on the part of the House.

This Oder came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Bradbury of Penobscot
Tenney of Somerset,
Jewett of York,
Cram of Cumberland,
Millikin of Kennebec,
Josselyn of Franklin
Talbot of Washington

appointed said Committee on the part

of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Webb of Portland
Patten of Bath
Lane of Belfast
Farwell of Lewiston
Rogers of Kittery
Conant of Rockland
Peavey of Whiting
Rogers of Ashland
Barker of Bethel
Tarbox of Westport
Hinds of Benton
Wheeler of Chesterville
Handy of Goulsbon
Dunning of Brunswick
Porter of Burlington
Cyphers of Ripley

joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, proposing a Joint Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall this day at eleven o'clock for the purpose of electing a Treasurer of State.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Lewiston,

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

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

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Cram of Cumberland.

Messrs. Cram of Cumberland, Hale of Piscataquis, Burnham of Gilead, Jackson of Waldoboro, Cyphers of Ripley, Ingersoll of Columbia, and Dunn of Dayton, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Treasurer of State,

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported

Whole number of votes	135
Necessary to a choice	68
Nathan Dane has	134
F. J. Littlefield has	1

The report was accepted and Nathan Dane was declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

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

Bill an act to provide for an additional term of County Commissioners Court for Knox County.

Read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Thompson of Stockton,

Ordered, That the Committee on Militia and Military Affairs inquire if further legislation is necessary to secure justice to the families of volunteer soldiers that are entitled to State aid.

On motion of Mr. Little of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 79 chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes by adding thereto the following- "but such parties shall not be excluded as witnesses in suits if final judgment has been rendered previously in a criminal prosecution of the defendant for such offence.

On motion of Mr. Norris of Vienna,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if the public interests do not require the repeal a modification of the laws relative to mortgages given by Railroad Corporations.

Petition of Samuel Lord and others to be set off from Surry and annexed to Ellsworth.

Petition of Erastus Lermond and others for alteration of lines between the towns of Thomaston and Warren.

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent up for concurrence

Petition of the Assessors of Auburn Village Corporation that said Corporation may have the same power to collect taxes that towns have.

Petition of King, Butler, Thurlow and others for an act making warehouse receipts and bills of lading negotiable.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John Pomeroy and others for incorporation of company to build dams at Baskahegan Lake and Falls with Bill accompanying.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Zenas Morton for authority to erect a fish weir at Johnsons Bay.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College for aid.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of Thomas A. Egery and 127 others against granting authority to any railroad corporation to construct a bridge across the mouth of the Kenduskeag River.

Referred to Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing orders and petitions

were sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of Nehemiah Poland & others against the right of Arnold Blaney, to a seat in this House.

Referred to Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Jellison of Biddeford,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Friday. January. 15. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Drew of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:—

Petition of County Commissioners of Piscataquis County for use of jails in Penobscot and Somerset Counties.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Trustees of St. Albans academy for change of name and for aid from the State.

Referred to Committee on Education.

The fregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of S. H. Dale, Mayor of Bangor, and 305 others in aid of the petition of the European and North American Railway Company.

This petition came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

The House nonconcurred and referred the same to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Sletsen of Bangor,

The House reconsidered its vote of yesterday whereby it referred the petition of the European and North American Railway Company to the Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences in concurrence with the Senate, and referred the same to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, informing the House that a vacancy exists in the Twelfth Senatorial District, occasioned by the death of Hon. George A. Starr, and that Edward O'Brien and Elbridge G. Knight are constitutional candidates to fill said vacancy, and also proposing a joint convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representative's Hall this day at 11½ o'clock for the purpose of filling such vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Hicks of Bucksport,

The Clerk was charged with a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the above proposition, - and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

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

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In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Walker of Knox,

Messrs. Walker of Knox, Philbrick of Cumberland, Carlton of Winterport, Wallace of Milbridge, Hill of Skowhegan, Wade of Parkman, and Osgood of Exeter were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the Twelfth Senatorial District.

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported

Whole number of votes	126
Necessary to a choice	64
Elbridge G. Knight has	126

The report was accepted and Elbridge G. Knight was declared duly elected Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the Twelfth Senatorial District.

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

On motion of Mr. Dillingham of Waterville.

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted this evening for a public meeting in behalf of the destitute and suffering Freedmen on the banks of the Mississippi River.

Petition of Mrs. Paulina C. Varney of Township No. 12, R. 4 for lot of land.

Petition of Mrs. Margaret McGlauflin

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for lot of land.

Referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Benjamin Pinkham and others to have the doings of District No. 5. in Steuben made legal, with bill accompanying.

Petition of L. J. Thomas of the Town of Eden for permission to sell meeting house.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John M. Parker and 23 others to be set off from Scarborough and annexed to Gorham.

Referred to Committee on division of Towns.

The pregoing petitions were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Walker of Hampden

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk

Saturday. January. 16. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Libby of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Petition of the Directors of Sandy River Bank, Farmington, for an act reinstating said Bank to its condition, previous to the surrender of its charter.

Referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Governor transmitting the annual Report of the Railroad Commissioners for 1863.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Education on petition of Trustees of Maine State Seminary, reporting Bill an act to change the name of the Maine State Seminary to that of Bates College and to otherwise alter the charter of said corporation.

This Report came from the Senate accepted, the bill amended as per sheets "A." "B." "C." "D" and "E." and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

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

Bill an act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the Laws of 1862, concerning the suspension of specie payments.

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

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Ordered, That the hour of meeting on Mondays be eleven o'clock until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Jay,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to the friends of the destitute and suffering Freedmen on the banks of the Mississippi river to hold a public meeting in their behalf on Thursday evening next.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Ordered, That the committee on agriculture be required to inquire into the expediency of so altering the law regulating the standard weight of oats as to require it to be thirty two pounds to the bushel.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Butler of So. Berwick,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 4 chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes as that all land (except that on which the track is constructed) and including all buildings owned or used by a Railroad Corporation, shall be liable to be taxed in the place in which such land and buildings are situated; also cord wood owned by such corporation to be taxed under the provisions of the first clause of section 11 of such chapter; also the expediency of so amending section 5 of said chapter relating to taxation of the shares of residents in this state in moneyed and Railroad corporations without this state as to exempt such shares from taxation when by the laws of such state a tax is required to be paid on such shares in the place where such corporation is situated or does its business.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an Act to pay bounties to soldiers enlisting into the service of the United States who may be drafted under the conscript Act of Congress.

Presented by leave, by Mr. Williams of Augusta and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Monday. January. 18. 1864

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stone of the House.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers 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 prepare and report a code of Joint Rules and Orders for the government of the two Houses for 1864.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Philbrick of Cumberland,
Mansur of Penobscot,
Talbot of Washington,

appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Stone of Kennebunk,
Farwell of Rockland,
Clay of Gardiner,
Davis of Woodstock,
Knowlton of Liberty,
Daggett of Greene
Kilby of Eastport,

were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

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Remonstrance of Henry Dutch and others against the petition of George N. Bickford and others.

Referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

A communication was received from Ephraim Flint, Jr. accepting the office of Secretary of State.

Bill an act to provide for an additional term of County Commissioner's Court for Knox County.

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

Bill an act to change the name of the Maine State Seminary to that of Bates College and to otherwise alter the charter of said corporation.

Read three times and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading.

Senate amendments A. B. C. D and E. adopted, and as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

The House reconsidered its vote passing to be enacted the bill to provide for an additional term of County Commissioner's Court for Knox County.

On motion of same gentleman,

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The rules were suspended, and the House reconsidered its vote whereby it passed the bill to be engrossed.

The bill was then amended as per sheet A." and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fuller of Livermore

Ordered, that the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of so amending the law regulating the standard weight of oats as to require it to be twenty eight pounds per bushel.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner.

Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary inquire and report whether any further legislation is necessary to give effect to the provisions of chapter 215 of the public laws of 1863.

Petition of Sylvanus Rich and others that no railroad company be allowed to locate or build its road across the Kenduskeag stream in Bangor.

Petition of Asa Smith and 34 others in aid of the European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways & Bridges.

Petition of Willard B. Bates and others for law prohibiting the picking of cranberries in the town of Batter prior to the

tenth of September.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of B. A. Williams and others for a charter for manufacturing purposes.

Referred to Committee on Manufactures

Petition of Jacob Pickard and others for act of Incorporation for Belfast Academy Grant.

Referred to Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

The foregoing orders and petitions were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Thompson of Stockton,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Tuesday. January. 19. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Manter of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order relating to the publication of contested election cases in this State.

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

Resolves relating to the inadequate facilities for travel and transportation of troops between New York and Washington.

These resolves came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland.

Ordered that the Committee on Militia and Military Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending an act entitled An act to provide support for families of volunteers approved March. 25. 1863 that the provisions of said act shall apply to the families of soldiers enlisting and serving in the United States Army from the time the act became effective.

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On motion of Mr. Allen of Fairfield.

Ordered. That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 28 chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes as to allow an assessment of a poll tax not exceeding two dollars.

The foregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an Act to provide for an additional term of the Court of County Commissioners for the County of Knox.

Bill an act to change the name of the Maine State Seminary to that of Bates College and to otherwise alter the charter of said corporation.

These bills having been three times read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of the Directors of the Brunswick Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company for alteration of charter.

Petition of Oscar Davis and others for establishing a uniform measure for all liquids.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

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Petition of Jane S. Thurston for indemnity for mal-administration of her husband's estate.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of Inhabitants of New Limerick and Belfast academy Grant that said town and plantation may be incorporated into a town.

Referred to Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of Robert Pennell and others for aid to Harpswell Academy.

Referred to Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Allerton of Biddeford,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Wednesday, January, 20. 1864

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Dillingham of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:—

Proceedings of the City Government of Bangor on Petition of Thomas N. Egery and als. against bridging the Kendus keag stream.

Bill an Act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the Selectmen of Brunswick for an Act legalizing the doings of said Town in raising money for bounties.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Resolves relating to the inadequate facilities for travel and transportation of troops between New York and Washington.

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This resolve having been thrice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Trillians from the Committee on the Judiciary reported legislative inexpedient an order relating to the use of check lists at Spring elections when demanded by one fifth of the voters present.

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The same gentleman from same Committee on Bill An act to pay bounties to volunteers, drafted men and substitutes reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass....

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Jordan of Danville,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the 5th clause of section 36 chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to exemptions from attachments by adding after the word "them" in the sixth line, "or any commodity manufactured therefrom; Also to amend the sixth clause of same section and chapter by adding after "bushels" in the last line "and all flax or hemp grown upon one half acre of land or any commod-

ity manufactured therefrom."

On motion of Mr. Davis of Woodstock,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether further legislation is necessary relating to the redemption of mortgages of real estate.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire whether any further legislation is necessary relating to actions of review.

On motion of Mr. Peirce of Southport,

Ordered That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the Act of 1862 relating to the inspection of fish.

Petition of Frederick Gardiner and others for repeal of law relating to Railroad mortgages with bill accompanying.

Remonstrance of Isaiah Stetson against petition of Frederick Gardiner and others.

Remonstrance of Ichabod Goodwin and others against the same.

Remonstrance of Esther Shepley and others against the same.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Petition of C. W. Fisk and 15 others in division of the [illegible] of [illegible]

Petition of Royal B. Boynton and others in aid of same.
Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Selectmen of Crown for money paid out to soldier's families
Referred to Committee on Claims

Petition of A. T. Hill and others for reduction of toll on the Buckport and Prospect Ferry.

Petition of Richard Crocker and others of Stockton in aid of same.

Petition of Newton Curtis and others of Buckspoort in aid of same.
Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of S. H. Kimball and others for an Act to authorize the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend their road from the depot in Bath.

Petition of Samuel Libbey and others in aid of the European and North American Railway Company.
Referred to the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

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The foregoing orders and petitions were sent up for concurrence.

Petition of David Cushman of Warren for change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Bradford of Mexico,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk

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Thursday. January. 21. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Quinnam of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Paper from the Senate:-

Memorial of the European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast defences in concurrence.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on Bill an Act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Hinks from same Committee on petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Belfast reported Bill an act to authorize the City of Belfast to build a free bridge.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an Act to pay bounties to volunteers, drafted men and substitutes who shall be credited on the quotas of Maine.

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This bill, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was read three times, amended as per sheets "A" & "B" and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to the powers and duties of Judges of Probate.

Bill an act providing for the change of names of persons.

Presented by Mr. Peters of Bangor.

Bill an act in relation to the use of depositions in certain cases.

Bill an act to prevent enlistments in this State for other States.

Presented by Mr. Webb of Portland.

Petition of the Selectmen of New Vineyard to make valid the doings of said town in raising bounties for volunteers.

The foregoing were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from Hiram Chapman, Land Agent elect, signifying his acceptance of that office.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland and Machias Steamboat Company.

Read three times, rules being

suspended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves relating to the inadequate facilities for travel and transportation of troops between New York and Washington.

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

Petition of Stephen G. Ward and 53 others in aid of the memorial of the European and North American Railway.

Petition of Ira C. Grant & 46 others in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges

Petition of Lafayette Tuck and others for lot of land for Mrs. Eliza C. Prouty.

Petition of M. H. Stewart and others for an appropriation for Bridge over Presque Isle Stream

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Thomas Boyd and 13 others of Boothbay that state aid may be extended to John Decker and his

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family.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of Daniel Small and others of Belfast academy Grant and the town of New Limerick against the incorporation of said plantation with said town.

Referred to Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of Enoch Pond and others of Bangor for grant of land in aid of the Bangor Theological Library.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Petition of J. W. Comins and others for act of incorporation for improving the navigation of the streams from Flood and Spring Ponds with bill accompanying

Remonstrance of Inhabitants of the town of Verona against the petition of N. T. Hill and others.

Remonstrance of Inhabitants of Prospect against same.

Remonstrance of Inhabitants of Bucksport against same.

Remonstrance of the garrison at Fort Knox against same.

Remonstrance of Inhabitants of Orland against same.

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The foregoing were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered. That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the forms of writs in civil actions as to make writs signed by the Clerks of the several Counties returnable to the Courts in any County in the State.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether the Supreme Judicial Court could not hold an additional law term annually for the more speedy determination of law questions - and whether it would not be expedient to increase the salaries of the Supreme Judges.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham.

Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 40 of the Public Laws of 1861 that certain towns may close their polls at an earlier hour than five o'clock in the afternoon on the day of State election and election of President and Vice President of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Butler of No. Berwick,

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Ordered, That the Committee on Militia and Military Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending section 1 of the act approved March 25, 1863 entitled an act to provide support of the families of volunteers, as to extend to and include in its provisions, the family, being inhabitants of this State of any soldier who may have been or is actually engaged in the military service of the United States in any recognized battallion company or regiment of another State. Also that the family of any such soldier who may have moved into this State and become an inhabitant thereof, provided such families cannot receive aid and support from the State in which the soldier entered the United States service.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland

Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing for the payment of bounty by the State to soldiers who may re-enlist under this call of October last and be mustered into the military service of the United States when no town is prepared to pay a bounty to the same. Also to provide that the quota of any town may be assigned from the number whose bounty have been so paid by the State which said town shall deposit with the Treasurer of State for the use of the State the amount paid to said quota.

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On motion of Mr. Berry of Unity,

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Wilson, Clerk.

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Friday, January 22, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Stone of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;

Order relative to exempting Waterville Academy from taxation.

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

Order relative to State Prison.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was on motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor, laid on the table.

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others for increase of pay to County Commissioners in Washington County.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of George W. McLellan for right to build fish weirs at Sandy Cove.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on report of the Railroad Commissioners, recommending that three

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hundred copies of the same be printed.

This report came from the senate accepted and was accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on the Judiciary on Order relating to legalizing the the actions of towns, cities and plantations in raising money to pay volunteers, drafted men and their substitutes reporting Bill an act to legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties for volunteers, drafted men and substitutes.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

A communication was received from Nathan Dane, Treasurer of State elect, signifying his acceptance and transmitting his official bond for approval.

The communication was read and the bond referred to the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts in concurrence.

Mr. Staples of Thomaston moved a reconsideration of the vote of yesterday whereby the House passed the order relating to an additional law term of the Supreme Court.

The House refused to reconsider.

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Bill an act to incorporate the Portland and Machias Steamboat Company.

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

Bill an act to authorize the city of Belfast to build a free bridge.

Having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, this bill was passed to be engrossed

Sent up for concurrence.

Order relative to State Prison, taken from the table by Mr. Peters of Bangor and on motion of Mr. Leram of Brunswick was indefinitely postponed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading; was amended as per sheet "A" and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Bank Com-

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missioners for the year 1863.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to ascertain by circular letter of enquiry and inform this House as soon as practicable the amount of bounties paid by each city, town and plantation in this State, to soldiers furnished by them respectively under the several calls for troops by the President of the United States, since the outbreak of the rebellion, distinguishing the amount paid under each call; and also the amount as near as may be, of aid furnished to families of volunteers and drafted men in the year 1863 by each of said cities, towns and plantations under the act approved March 25, 1863.

On motion of Mr. Leyphers of Ripley,

Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the necessity of limiting by law the amount of money that cities and towns may raise to pay as bounties to volunteers that may hereafter enlist into the service of the United States.

Petition of Eliza C. Prouty for State aid

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of Henry Burns of Long Island R. for his proportion of school fund.

Referred to Committee on Education

Petition of R. H. Green and others of Winslow in aid of petition of Directors of Winslow Bridge for renewal of charter.

Referred to Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of A. & W. T. Thomas for right to build wharf into tide waters.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of Town Clerk of Surry and others against petition of Samuel Lord and G. L. Grant to be set off to Ellsworth.

Remonstrance of T. M. Tibbetts and 34 others of Medway plantation against petition of H. W. Fisk.

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing petitions were sent up for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate:-

Report of the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts on official bond of the Treasurer of State reporting that the bond is in due form of law and that the securities are responsible and sufficient.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the bond approved.

The report was accepted and the

bond approved in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty,

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Saturday, January, 25, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wheeler of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

Petition of Hannah C. Brainard for lot of land.

Referred to the committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Report of committee on Interior Waters on petition of George W. Bickford and others reporting leave to withdraw.

Report accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Education on Resolves making a conditional grant of land to the Maine State Seminary, referred from last Legislature, reporting Resolves making a conditional grant of land to the President and Trustees of Bates College.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the Resolves passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence, Resolves read once and Wednesday next assigned for their second reading.

Mr. Knowlton of Liberty moved a

reconsideration of the vote of yesterday whereby the House postponed indefinite the order relating to the State Prison

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Stockton

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta.

The House reconsidered its vote of yesterday whereby it passed the order directing the Secretary of State to furnish certain information respecting bounties paid to volunteers.

Petition of Francis Cobb and others for a Railroad from the lime quarries to the tide water.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Petition of A. G. Milliken for law for the protection of wool growers.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Jeannette S. Forth for remuneration for injury received from a patient of the Maine Insane Hospital.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester,

Ordered That the committee on Education inquire into the expediency of appropriating a certain portion of the

public lands of the State as the foundation of a fund for our common schools to supply the place of the Bank Tax.

The foregoing petitions and order were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wallace from the Committee on Militia and Military Affairs, on petition of Daniel Bunker, referred from the last Legislature, reported a reference of the same to the Committee on Claims.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Mercur of Sagadahoc, informing the House that the Senate had in the absence of its Secretary, chosen Thomas P. Ricard Esq. as Secretary pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to inform this House as soon as practicable, the amount of aid furnished to families of volunteers and drafted men in the year 1863, by each city, town and plantation in this State under the Act approved March 25, 1863.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Adjutant General be directed to ascertain by circular

letter of inquiries and inform this House as soon as practicable the amount of bounties paid by each city, town and plantation in this State, to soldiers furnished by them respectively under the several calls of the President of the United States for troops, since the outbreak of the rebellion, distinguishing the amount paid under each call.

Bill an Act to legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties for volunteers, drafted men and substitutes.

This bill was read three times and on motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport laid on the table and 500 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester,

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Stilsen, Clerk.

Monday, January, 25, 1864.

Met according to adjournment,

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Bailey of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Agriculture on order relating to change of law regulating the standard weight of oats, reporting legislation thereon inexpedient.

This report came from the Senate accepted and was accepted in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Preacher Lancaster and others against the petition of George W. McLellan.

Referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Order relative to amending section 6 chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes.

Order requesting the Adjutant General to furnish information of the number of men furnished to the military service from the several cities, towns and plantations in this State.

Order requesting the Governor to inform the legislature what action has been

taken under the provisions of a Resolve approved March 25, 1863 relative to a College for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

The foregoing orders came from the Senate read and passed and were passed in concurrence.

Bill An act to amend chapter 121 of the Laws of 1859 relating to attorneys at law.

Presented by Mr. Littlefield of Bridgton and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. J. Comstock and 23 others in aid of the European and North American Railway.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing bill and petition were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be tendered to the friends of temperance on Wednesday, the tenth day of February next in the afternoon and evening for the purpose of holding their annual State Temperance Convention.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Stockton,

Adjourned.

Attest: Horace Wilson, clerk

Tuesday, January 26. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Daggett of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Paper from the Senate:-

Order relative to the collection of taxes assessed by County Commissioners.

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

Mr. Jelleson of Biddeford informed the House that Mr. Goodwin, representative elect from Biddeford was in attendance and ready to take and subscribe the oaths required to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Jelleson was appointed to conduct Mr. Goodwin to the Council Chamber for the purpose indicated and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

Mr. Darker from the Committee on Elections to whom was referred the credentials of Frederick Lowell and the Remonstrance of Eliakim Wescott reported a resolve declaring that Eliakim Wescott is duly elected a Representative in this House from the Representative Dimic

composed of the towns of Standish and Baldwin.

The report was accepted and the order passed.

Mr. Deering of Richmond presented the following order, which on motion of Mr. Thompson of Stockton was laid on the table:—

Ordered, That this House meet at 9 o'clock A. M. on Saturdays and at 12 o'clock M. on Mondays, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Selma

Ordered That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Frederick Lowell for travel and attendance upon this Legislature up to and including tomorrow, Jany. 27th.

Mr. Parker of Gorham announced the presence of Eliakim Hescott, Representative elect from the towns of Baldwin and Standish, and that he was in readiness to take and subscribe the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon his official duties.

Mr. Parker was appointed to accompany Mr. Hescott to the Council Chamber for the purpose indicated and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

Bill An Act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company.

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Bill an Act to authorize the City of Belfast to build a free bridge.

Three bills having been three times read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed were passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

A communication was received from the Governor in reply to the order requesting information of the action taken under the resolve approved March 25, 1863, relative to a college for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

Read and referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Mr. Morton from the Committee on Agriculture on order relative to changing the law regulating the standard weight of oats, reported legislation inexpedient

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Judiciary inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary in relation to the location and construction of cattle guards on Railroads.

Petition of Asa Smith and 25 others for repairs of the ice cutters on the piers

of the Mattawamkeag Bridge.

Petition of Inhabitants of Aroostook District No. 5 in Township No. 18, R. 3 for survey of license of Canal.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of J. S. Bridges and others of Newport for amendment of law passed March 25, 1858, for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

Petition of H. G. O. Cass & others of Riverdale for repeal of act of incorporation

Referred to Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of George P. Sewall & 146 others of Oldtown in aid of the memorial of the European and North American Railroad Company.

Referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

Petition of Woodbury S. Dana & others for act to incorporate the Portland and Damariscotta Steam Navigation Company.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

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Petition of Benjamin N. Fish and 25 others in aid of European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Trays and Bridges.

Petition of Joan Dean and Eliza Johnson for state aid.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Bill an Act additional to chapter 92 Revised Statutes concerning mills and mill dams, to prevent the the waste and retention of water in certain cases.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill an Act to amend chapter 132, section 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to the criminal jurisdiction of magistrates - also section 8 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes concerning the examination of offenders.

Presented by Mr. Stobbs of Berwick.

Bill an Act additional to an Act to preserve the harbor of Portland.

Presented by Mr. Webb of Portland.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

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On motion of Mr. Hicks of Bucksport

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Wilson, clerk.

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Wednesday, January. 27. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. Burgess of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Petition of John Ware and 104 others of Waterville in aid of the memorial of the European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Mr. Chadbourne and others for appropriation for repair of bridge across Molunkus Stream.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of John K. Ames and 79 others for amendment of liquor law passed March 25, 1858.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Resolves making a conditional grant to the President and Trustees of Bates College, having been report-

ed by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were taken up and considered. On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner, the House was resolved into a committee of the whole for the consideration of the same — Mr. Clay of Gardiner in the Chair.

Subsequently the Committee rose, and the Chairman reported to the House the original resolves accompanied by amendment "A."

The resolves were read a second time and amendment "A" adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cram of Brunswick the Resolves were laid on the table and with the accompanying statement of facts ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature and Wednesday next assigned for the further consideration of the Resolves.

The House reconsidered its vote indefinitely postponing the order relating to the State Prison and passed the order in concurrence.

Mr. Dillingham from the Committee on Education on petition of School District No. 7 in the town of Hartford reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to amending section 79 chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes reported legislation

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therein inexpedient.

Also same report on order relative to amending chapter 140 of the laws of 1861.

The fregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Webb from same Committee on Bill an Act to prevent enlistments in this State upon the quota of any other State, reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Turner from Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, on petition of the directors of the Brunswick Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Company, reported bill an Act to amend an Act entitled an Act to incorporate the Brunswick Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The fregoing reports were accepted, bills read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance reported Resolves authorizing a temporary loan.

Report accepted, Resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

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Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of the County Commissioners of Piscataquis County reported Bill an Act additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis.

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolve providing for the removal of the seat of Government to Portland.

Presented by Mr. Lynch of Portland and under rule lies over until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Dunpath of Lagrange,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of amending the law relative to the manner in which County Treasurers are paid so that they shall be paid by a salary.

Petition of Charles Munn and 44 others for amendment to law approved March 25, 1858 relating to drinking houses and tippling shops.

Petition of M. W. Stroud and 237 others for same.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

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Petition of Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Rockland for change of law establishing a municipal court.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

Petition of Inhabitants of the Town of Princeton in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike Company.

Petition of Wm. M. McLelland and 7 others in aid of same

Petition of Inhabitants of Talmadge plantation in aid of same.

Petition of Inhabitants of Traite plantation in aid of same.

Petition of Inhabitants of Baileyville in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of President and Trustees of Richmond Academy for aid

Petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for grant of a township of land.

Referred to Committee on Education.

The foregoing order and petitions were sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Wilson, Clerk.

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Thursday, January, 2, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Davis of Woodstock moved a reconsideration of the vote of yesterday whereby the House laid on the table and assigned Wednesday next for the consideration of the Resolves making a conditional grant to the President and Trustees of Bates College.

The House reconsidered its vote.

And the question recurring on the passage of the Resolves as amended to be engrossed, Mr. Cram of Brunswick moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the Resolves were passed to be engrossed by yeas 92, nays 45, as follows;

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Abbot, Daniel Allen, T. H. Allen, Gideon Barker, John Barker, Lewis Barker, Alfred Berry, Bradbury, Bradford, Burleigh, Burnham, Clay, Conant, Coombs, Copeland, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, Joseph Day, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Dolliver, Drummond, Drew, A. A.

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Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Fifield, Foss, Goodwin, Grant, Hall, Hamor, Harden, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Hunt, Jackson, Jordan, Kilby, John L. Kimball, Knowlton, Daniel Lane, Jr, Larrabee, Libby, Little, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, Nathaniel Merrill, Reuben Merrill, Merrow, Moody, Morton, E. S. F. Nicherson, H. J. Nicherson, Thomas C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Pierce, Porter, Quinnam, David N. Rogers, John Rogers, Spring, Stetson, Stewart, Cornelius Stone, J. M. Stone Strout, Tarbox, Thomas, Thompson, Tobey, Turner, Usher, Varney, Vichery, Wade, Wadsworth, Wallace, Nathan Webb, Wescott, Wheeler, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. Robert A. Allen, C. F. Barker, M. W. Berry, Blaney, Butts, Carlton, Carter, Chapman, Condon, Cram, Cyr, Danforth, H. C. Davis, John Davis, 2nd, Geo. W. Day, Deshon, Dunning, Greene, Handy, Hinks, Hussey, Ingersoll, Jillson, Johnson, Joy, John Kimball, J. L. Kimball, J. C. Lane, Littlefield, Means, Milliken, Neal, J. J. Norris, Osgood, Parker, Peavey, Perkins, Russell, L. G. Smith, Staples, Stover, Trafton, Waterhouse, Watts, Wyman.

Papers from the Senate:—

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Order relating to depositions

Order relating to salary of the Land Agent.

The foregoing orders came from the senate read and passed and were passed in concurrence.

Petition of John Sterling for compensation for transportation of troops.

Referred to Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Mr. Bradbury from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of Gilbert N. Eldridge reported Bill an Act to change the names of Gilbert N. Eldredge and children.

Also on petition of David Cushman reported Bill an Act to change the name of David Cushman.

Also on petition of Thomas Skolfield reported Bill an Act to change the name of Frances Rebecca Perkins and for her adoption.

Mr. Goodwin from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an Act in relation to the use of depositions in certain cases, reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The foregoing Reports were severally accepted, the bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

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Mr. Goodwin from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an Act to amend section 6 chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes relating to the criminal jurisdiction of magistrates, and section 8 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes concerning the examination of Offenders, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Also same report on Bill an Act to amend chapter 121 of the laws of 1859 relating to attorneys at law.

The foregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bill an Act to authorize the use of custom house records in evidence.

Bill an Act giving County Commissioners further power in granting licenses to peddle tin ware

Presented by leave by Mr. Farwell of Rockland, and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport.

The House took from the table Bill an Act to legalize the doings of cities towns and plantations in raising monies for volunteers, drafted men and substitutes and considered the same.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Stockton

The Bill was laid on the table and

tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

Resolves providing for the removal of the seat of Government to Portland.

Read once and on motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor, laid on the table, ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature and Tuesday next assigned for a second reading.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relative to amending chapter 215 of the Public Laws of 1863, reported legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Wm. H. Hayward and 49 others of Fairfield for amendment of liquor law passed March 25, 1858.

Petition of Charles R. Coffin and 43 others of Sidney for same.

Referred to Committee on Legislative Commissioner's Report.

Petition of A. G. Wilson and others of Brewer in aid of the memorial of the European and North American Railway Company.

Petition of John Hazelton and 57 others in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on

Frontier and Coast Defences.

Petition of Elizabeth Brooks for continuance of pension of her deceased husband.

Referred to Committee on Military Pensions.

Petition of Daniel Lord and 31 others for aid to the European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Linni Hunter and others of Clinton for incorporation of Clinton Manufacturing Company.

Referred to Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Ephraim Alley & others for a pier to the Draw in Dresden Upper Bridge.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Charles A. Clark for compensation for land taken by the State of Maine.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to authorize

corporations to commence and maintain suits against the officers of such corporations.

The foregoing petitions and order were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tarbox of Westport

Adjourned.

Attest;
Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Friday, January 29, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Deering of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate: -

Order relating to repairing bridge at Mattawamkeag Falls.

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

Petition of L. N. Prescott & 120 ads. for increase of salary of Register of Probate for Franklin County.

Rejected to Delegation from Franklin County.

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Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Company.

Referred to Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Judson C. Friend & 38 adl & Etna for amendment of liquor law.

Petition of William Collins & 34 adl of Hammond for same.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Manufactures on Bill an Act to incorporate the Portland Glass Company, reporting that the same ought to pass.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Stone from the Committee on Education, on petition of Trustees of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, and Female College, reported Resolve in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College.

The report was accepted, and the resolve read once.

On motion of Mr. Quinnan of Brunswick, the resolve was laid on the table and with the accompanying statement of facts ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading of the resolve.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of John Tomlin et als. reported Bill an Act to incorporate the Kennebago Dam Company.

Also on petition of D. P. Gilman et als. reported Bill an Act to incorpor-

ate the Passadumkeag Boom Company.

The foregoing reports were accepted, the bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Peters from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Leonard J. Thomas & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also an Bill an act providing for the regulation of the change of names of persons reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Farwell from same Committee on petition of Benjamin Pinkham reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The foregoing reports were accepted sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to change the names of Gilbert W. Eldredge and children.

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Bill an Act to change the name of Francis Rebecca Perkins and for her adoption.

Bill an Act to change the name of David Cushman.

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Bill an Act additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis.

Bill an Act in relation to the use of depositions in certain cases.

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These bills having been three times read and referred by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties to be paid to volunteers, drafted men and their substitutes since February 21. 1863, was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Cram of Brunswick recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of William Mc. Scott & 26 als. of Lincoln in aid of the European and North American Railway Company.

Petition of N. Cribner & 49 als in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Railroads. Ways and Bridges

Petition of Wyman Wood & 26 als. that State would reimburse drafted men substitutes and those who paid commutation.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary

Petition of Benjamin Coffin & als of Newport for right to build fish weir.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries.

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On motion of Mr. Staples of Swanville.

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation relative to the preservation of trout in Goose Pond.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Surry.

Ordered That the Committee on Militia and Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 205 of the Laws of 1863, so that State aid shall be afforded to families of soldiers in the regular army, actually engaged in the military service of the United States.

The foregoing petitions and orders were sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Cox for change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

Bill an act to prevent enlistments in this State upon the quota of any other State.

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

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Wells,

adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Saturday, January, 30. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Watson of Stillwater.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Order directing Committee on Manufactures to inquire into the expediency of exempting newly established manufacturing corporations from taxation.

Order directing Committee on Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law to compel town clerks to furnish copies of check lists.

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

Order authorizing Committee on Reform school to visit that institution came from the Senate passed and on motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland, was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act relating to lands adjoining highways.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of S. S. Holmes & als for aid in publishing a work of martial music.

Referred to Committee on Militia and Military Affairs.

Petition of Theodore Lincoln & als. for authority to maintain a dam across the Penamaquan river.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of Joint Special Committee on Joint Rules and Orders.

Report of Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Otis L. Tibbetts, referred from the last Legislature, reporting that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

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

Mr. Stone of Kennebunk moved a reconsideration of the vote of the House concurring with the Senate in rejecting the petition of S. S. Holmes & als. to the Committee on Militia and military affairs.

The House refused to reconsider.

The Speaker announced that a vacancy existed in the Committee on Agriculture on the part of the House, occasioned by the acceptance of the

report of the Committee on Elections and appointed Mr. Prescott of Standish to fill the vacancy.

Bill an Act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company.

This having been reported by the Committee on Bills in third Reading was read three times, and on motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Gas Company.

This bill having been read three times and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an Act to incorporate the Baskahegan Dam Company.

This bill was read three times having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading and on motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland was laid on the table.

Bill an act to amend the charter of the Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor.

Presented by Mr. Stetson of Bangor and referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Abbott from the Committee on

claims on petition of F. E. Heath report-
ed that the petitioner have leave to
withdraw.

Also same report on petition
of F. D. Sewall.

Reports accepted

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Kennebunk

Ordered, That this House meet at
nine o'clock in the forenoon on Saturdays
and at two o'clock in the afternoon on
Mondays until otherwise ordered.

Paper from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Banks
and Banking on petition of the Directors
of the Sandy River Bank of Farmington,
reporting Resolve in favor of Sandy River
Bank.

This report came from the Senate
accepted and the Resolve passed to
be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence
Resolve read once and Monday next
assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Morris of Vienna.

Ordered, That the Committee on the
Judiciary inquire into the expediency of
reporting a bill to increase the power
of plantations organized for election pur-
poses only, so that they may have the
right by law to raise, assess and collect
State and County taxes, also to defray

plantation expenses and repair highways, also for state aid, and that all plantations containing one hundred inhabitants shall have the rights of towns in relation to public laws.

Petition of Woodbury Davis & als in aid of the petition of the trustees of Kents Hill Seminary.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Petition of Henry Hill & 45 als. of Bangor in aid of European and North American Railway Company.

Petition of Wm. T. Johnson & als of Augusta in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of George A. Snow & als of Bangor for an act regulating the measure of liquids

Petition of Elizabeth Nickerson & als. of Orington for same.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of J. Gunnison & 246 als. against petition of John M. Parker & als.

Remonstrance of James Larrabee & 38 als. against same.

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill an act to amend chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the trustees of the fund for the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing order, petitions and bills were referred in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Farmers Mutual Insurance Company.

Bill an act to pay bounties to volunteers, drafted men and their substitutes, who shall be credited on the quotas of Maine.

Resolves making a conditional grant to the President and Trustees of Bates College.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each passed to be engrossed and reported by the Committee as Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each

signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Charles H. Harriman & wife for change of name of adopted daughter

Petition of Sophronia M. Cushman for change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester.

Adjourned.

Attest:
Horace Stilson, Clerk

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Monday, February, 1. 1864.

Act according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Morse of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Report of Committee on Judiciary on Bill an Act additional to an act to preserve the harbor of Portland, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Helen H. Everett for State aid.

Referred to Committee on Military Pensions in concurrence.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on the Judiciary reported Bill an act to amend chapter 6 section 28 of the Revised Statutes, an order relating to expediency of amending section 28 chapter 6 of Revised Statutes relative to poll taxes.

Report accepted, Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Resolve in favor of the Sandy River Bank.

This resolve having been twice read and reported by Committee on Bills in third

Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Belcher & als in aid of the petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary.

Petition of Charles P. Branch & als in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Petition of Nathan Walker for compensation as an Officer.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of Thomas Spear & 79 als for authority to extend wharf into tide waters and construct a floating dock in Cape Elizabeth.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty.

Adjourned.

Attest: Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Tuesday, February, 2, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Sargent of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Mo. Chadbourne et als. reporting Resolve for building ice cutters and breakwaters for the protection of the piers and abutments of the Kattawamkeag bridge.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the Resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence, Resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Order relative to making town officers liable for refusing state aid when needed.

Order relative to joint rules and orders.

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

Order authorizing Committee on Reform School to visit that institution was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

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*Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs of Hope,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of the State paying a bounty of three hundred dollars to all soldiers who may volunteer under the call of the President on the first of February.

Petition of D. B. Stuart & als. in aid of the petition of Trustees of Methodist Seminary.

Petition of J. H. Drummond & als, Members of the Superintending School Committee of Portland, in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of Jabez C. Woodman & als. against the repeal of law for foreclosing railroad mortgages.

Petition of Oliver Pope & als. for amendment of 3d & 5th sections of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Josiah Peirce & 122 als in aid of petition of J. M. Parker.

Petition of C. D. McLellan & 39 als. in aid of same.

Petition of Simon Conner & als for

change of name of Kendall's Mills village Corporation.

Referred to committee on division of Towns.

Petition of Isaac L. Lane & als in aid of memorial of European and North American Railway.

Petition of Ai Staples & als for charter for a horse railroad between Hallowell and Augusta.

Bill an act to amend chapter 57 section 19 of the Revised Statutes.

Referred to committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of John Teague & als for the preservation of pickerel and trout in Great and Little Bear Ponds.

Bill an act additional to an act to preserve the harbor of Portland.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter 6 section 28 of the Revised Statutes.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Resolve authorizing a temporary loan.

This resolve having been twice read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed finally, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

A communication was received from the Governor transmitting an Order from the President of the United States calling for 500.00 men.

Read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Farwell of Rockland informed the House that Gen. Oliver O. Howard was in the Executive Chamber, and was appointed to invite the Senate to join with the House forthwith in extending an invitation to Gen. Howard to visit the Legislature of Maine in the Representatives Hall.

The Senate signified its acceptance and came into the Hall.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Messrs. Farwell of Rockland, Spring of Cumberland and Barker of Sletson were appointed a Committee to wait upon Gen. Howard and solicit his attendance in the Representatives Hall.

Subsequently the Committee attended by His Excellency the Governor accompanying Gen. Howard came in.

Gen Howard, by invitation addressed

the Legislature.

The Senate subsequently retired and the House was called to order by the Speaker.

The Resolve providing for the removal of the seat of Government to Portland was taken from the table and read a second time.

Pending the consideration of the resolve the House,

On motion of Mr. Lynch of Portland

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Wednesday. February. 3. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Park of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of J. D. Teague & als. reporting Resolve to authorize the Land Agent to deed Hazen Keech a lot of land.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the Resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence. Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of same Committee on petition of St. Chadbourne & als. reporting Resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Mo-hunkus Stream in Macwahoc plantation

This report came from the Senate accepted and the Resolve passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence, Resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance on petition of Woodbury S. Dana & als reported

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Bill an act to incorporate the Portland and Damariscotta Steamboat Company.

Mr. Vance from same Committee on Bill an act to amend the charter of the Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor, reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to the exemption of flax with the commodities manufactured therefrom from attachment, reported Bill an act to exempt a certain quantity of flax from attachment and execution.

The foregoing reports were accepted the bills severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Petition of Josiah Gelleson & als for an appropriation to finish the bridge at Waynesville.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of E. F. Real & als of Norway and Paris in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Hebron Seminary.

Referred to Committee on Education.

The foregoing petitions were sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for the removal of the seat of Government to Portland was

taken up and considered.
On motion of Mr. Lynch of Portland the Resolve was laid on the table.

Bill an act additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis

Bill an act in relation to the use of depositions in certain cases.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Glass Company.

Bill an act to change the name of Frances Rebecca Perkins and for her adoption.

Resolve in favor of the Bandy River Bank.

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

Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College was taken from the table and read a second time.

And the question being on passing the Resolve to be engrossed, Mr. Staples of Evansville moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and

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and nays, and being so taken, the resolve was refused a passage by yeas 60, nays 63, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Abbot, Daniel Allen, John Barker, Lewis Barker, Burnham, Butler, Clay, Conant, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, H. C. Davis, Joseph Dey, Deering, Dillingham, Drummond, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Foss, Grant, Hinds, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Hunt, Ingersoll, Johnson, Jordan, G. L. Kimball, Daniel Lane, Jr., J. C. Lane, Lanabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, Reuben Merrill, Moody, H. J. Nickerson, Thomas C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Quinman, Russell, Spring, C. Stone, Stover, Strout, Tabor, Tobey, Turner, Usher, Vickery, Nathan Webb, Wheeler, White, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. C. F. Barker, Gideon Barker, Alfred Berry, M. N. Berry, Burgess, Burleigh, Butts, Caiter, Chapman, Coombs, Crosby, Cyr, John Davis, 2d, Dennis, Deshon, Dolliver, Dunn, Dunning, Fuller, Goodwin, Greene, Hall, Hamilton, Hamor, Handy, Harden, Hicks, Jellison, Joy, Kelly, John Kimball, Kingsbury, Knowlton, Little, Littlefield, Means, Nathl Merrill, Millikan, Morton, Neal, E. S. F. Nickerson, John F. Norris, Parker, Peavey, Perkins, David T. Rogers, John Rogers, Small, L. G. Smith, Staples, Stetson, Talbot, Thomas, Thompson, Trafton, Wadsworth, Walker, Wallace, Watts, Jason Webb, Williams, Wyman, Prescott.

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On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Stilson. Clerk.

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Friday, February 11. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Vinton of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:—

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on petition of Isaac Wilder & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

This report came from the Senate accepted and was accepted in concurrence.

Order relating to the inspection of fish came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

Petition of George M. Weston & als for authority to construct a street railroad in the city of Bangor.

Petition of Joshua Chamberlain & als. for authority to construct a branch railroad from Treats Falls in Bangor to Brewer village.

Referred to Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of R. E. Lyon & als of Skowhegan in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Kents Hill Seminary.

Referred to Committee on Education.

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Petition of Eliza C. Prouty for State aid.
Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of Isaac Wilder for aid to construct a bridge over the Aroostook River at Salmon Brook.

Petition of Mary J. McGuier for lot of land.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Mr. Williams of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote of yesterday whereby the House passed a passage to the Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, and on his motion, Wednesday next was assigned for the consideration of the motion.

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Bill an act to change the name of Gilbert H. Eldredge and children.

Bill an act to change the name of David Curtiman.

These bills having been three times read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to authorize the Land

Agent to deed Hazen Keech a certain lot of land.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland and Damariscotta Steamboat Company.

Bill an act to amend the charter of the Union Fire Insurance company of Bangor.

Bill an act to exempt a certain quantity of flax from attachment and execution.

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

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Grant from the Committee on Education on petition of Robert Pennell asking for aid to Harpswell Academy, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hanson from same Committee on petition of Henry Burns reported Resolve in favor of Henry Burns.

Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday assigned.

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Mr. Dillingham from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of Willard B. Cates et als. reported Bill an act to prohibit gathering cranberries in the town of Cutler before the first day of September of each year.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to amending chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, reported Bill an act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes in relation to writs in civil actions.

Mr. Williams from same Committee on Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal Church reported that the same ought to pass.

The foregoing reports were accepted the bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Petition of Samuel H. Royal for change of name.

Petition of Elizabeth A Brown for same.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Daggett of Greene,

Ordered, That the Committee on Militia be directed to inquire into the expediency of securing the retirement of a United States General Hospital

in this State for the cure of our sick and wounded soldiers.

On motion of Mr. Lane of Lewiston,

Ordered, That all papers relating to the establishment or endowment of Lincoln Academy, be taken from the files of 1854, 1858, & 1862, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. H. Drummond & 885 als. for amendment of liquor law of 1858.

Petition of M. L. Stevens & als for same.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

Bill an act authorizing constables to issue processes in cases of forcible entry and detainer.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Petition of William D. Orr for grant of land.

Referred to Com. on State Lands & Roads.

Petition of Portland Five Cents Saving Institution for change of name.

Referred to Com. on Banks & Banking.

Petition of Oliver Moses & als in aid of petition of Trustees of Northwood Seminary.

Petition of Franklin Smith & 55 als in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Education.

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Petition of Charles O. McKenney for compensation for injuries received in arresting Chas. F. Knowles v Isaac M. Grant.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Quinnam of Bowdoinham.

Ordered. That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of altering section 2 of chapter 106 Revised Statutes relative to preparing lists of jurors, so that no person may be selected whose qualifications in all respects shall not entitle him to the confidence of the board as a juror in cases involving their own rights and interests.

The foregoing petitions and orders were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Nelson from the Committee on Finance reported Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned

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Resolve providing for the removal of the seat of Government to Portland, was taken from the table and considered.

On motion of Mr. Isley of Gardiner, the Resolve was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

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On motion of Mr. Lynch of Portland

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Wilson, Clerk.

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Friday, February 5. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Munger of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to amending chapter 6. section 28. of the Revised Statutes reporting Bill an act to amend section 28 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes.

This report came back from the Senate recommitted with instructions to the committee to report a bill making the poll tax two dollars.

The House concurred in recommitting and non concurred in the instructions.

Petition of John M. Wood. for extension of time to close the affairs of the Atlantic Bank.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of John M. Deshon & als in aid of petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary.

Petition of William R. French & als. in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Education.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order authorizing the Committee on Indian Affairs to visit the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

This order came from the Senate read and passed.

The House refused the order a passage.

On motion of Mr. Grant of Lebanon,

Ordered. That the vote upon the Resolve providing for the removal of the seat of Government to Portland be taken this day at twelve and one half o'clock; and that in the debate upon the same, no member shall speak longer than ten minutes at one time nor more than once, without the consent of the House.

Mr. Whittle from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of Charles H. Varnum et al. reported Bill an act to change the name of Alpha M. Varnum

Mr. Holbrook from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Erastus Leimond et als. reported Bill an act to change the town line between Thomaston and Warren.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act to prohibit gathering cranberries in the town of Exeter before

first day of September of each year.

Bill an act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes in relation to writs in civil actions.

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

The foregoing bills having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Quinnam of Bowdoinham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the importance of greater uniformity of text books for use in the common schools of this State.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire what alteration, if any, is necessary in section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes in relation to divorce.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson

Ordered That the Committee on Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending

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the law regulating testimony, as to permit respondents to testify in criminal proceedings.

The foregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to preserve the harbor of Portland.

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

Petition of William A. Titcomb & 13 als for aid to Westbrook Seminary.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Petition of Selectmen of Richmond for injuries.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of Ebenezer Otis & als. for permission to sell the Marine Railway.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Baptist Society of Waldoboro to have their doings made legal.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Petition of the Selectmen of Princeton that certain mills may be set off to Princeton.

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

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The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Resolve providing for the removal of the seat of Government to Portland, was taken from the table and considered.

The question being on the passage of the Resolve to be engrossed, Mr. Turner of Augusta moved that the Resolve be postponed indefinitely and on his motion, the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the Resolve was postponed indefinitely by yeas 68, nays 63, as follows:—

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, T. H. Allen, G. Barker, A. Berry, M. H. Berry, Burgess, Butts, Carter, Clay, Conant, Coombs, Copeland, Cyphers, Cyr, Daggett, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunning, Fifield, Follansbee, Hall, Hamilton, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Hobbs, Hunt, Ingersoll, Johnson, Joy, John Kimball, Kingsbury, Knowlton, Lane, Jr. Libby, Manter, Mayo, Moody, Morton, Neal, E. S. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, Thos. C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Quinnam, D. A. Rogers, Russell, Smale, L. G. Smith, Staples, Stetson, Stewart, Talbot, Thompson, Tobey, Turner, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, Walker, Watts, Williams.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. R. A. Allen, C. F. Barker, J. Barker, Lewis Barker, Burnham, Chap-

man, Cram. Cushman. Danforth, H. C. Davis. John Davis 2nd, G. W. Day. Joseph Day, Dunn. N. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Foss. Fuller. Goodwin. Grant. Greene Hamm. Hardy. Harden. Hinks; Holbrook. Hopkins, Jackson, Jellison, Kilby, John L. Kimball, Saml. L. Kimball, J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Little, Littlefield, Lowell, Lynch Means, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Millikin Parker, Peavey, Perkins, Richardson, J. Rogers, Spring, James M. Stone, Stover, Strout, Tabor, Thomas, Trafton, Usher, Vickery, Wallace, J. Webb. A. Webb. Whittle, Woodman, Wyman, Wescott.

On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Gilson clerk

Saturday. February. 6. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Tilby of Eastport

Ordered, That during the absence of the Speaker, James M. Stone, Esq. of Kennebunk, be declared Speaker pro tempore.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Ballou of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckspot.

That gentleman was charged with a message to the Governor and Council informing that branch of the Government that in the absence of the Speaker, James M. Stone, Esq, had been chosen Speaker pro tempore.

Mr. Hinks subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate;

Report of Committee on Judiciary

on order relative to amendment of chapter 18, section 33 of the Revised Statutes, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of committee on claims on petition of the Selectmen of Orono, reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also same report on petition of Daniel Bunker.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act to legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties to pay volunteers, drafted men and substitutes, reporting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and Monday assigned for its third reading.

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Bill an act authorizing the county Commissioners of the County of Somerset to re-assess certain taxes.

This bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed. Bill read twice and Monday assigned for a third reading.

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On motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor,

Ordered. That the report of the attorney General be referred to Committee on the Judiciary to report such legislation, if any, upon its recommendations as may be deemed.

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expedient.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson

Ordered. That the Committee on Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation relative to Trial by Jury in cases in Chancery.

On motion of Mr. Rogers of Ashland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire whether the provisions of chapter 176 of the Public Laws of 1863, exempting certain Kinds of property from taxation ought not to be repealed.

Petition of William G. Crosby & als. of Belfast in aid of petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary.

Petition of Wm. T. Johnson & als of Augusta in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Petition of Red Beach Plaster Company for authority to construct a canal to connect the waters of Eastern Lake with Beaver Lake Stream.

Petition of J. Putnam & als in aid of petition of J. H. Kimball & als.

Petition of James Wood & als for charter for Swift River and Black Brook Improvement Company.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

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Petition of H. W. Danforth & 40 als in favor of the European and North American Railway company.

Petition of Samuel F. Harrison & 37 als in aid of same.

Referred to committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Joseph Doane & als for uniformity in measures.

Petition of Albert P. Smith & als for same.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

Petition of A. C. Cotton of Bangor for compensation for damages to his premises by regiments stationed at Camp John Pope.

Referred to committee on Claims.

Petition of Directors of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company for amendments of charter.

Referred to committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Inhabitants of Township No. 18, R. 3 for aid to build a road.

Referred to committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill an act in aid of blind persons exempting their property from taxation.

Presented by Mr. Copeland of Calais and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

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

Mr. Peters from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act to amend chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to the powers and duties of judges of Probate, reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of J. W. Comins & als. reported Bill an act to incorporate the Flood's Pond Dam Company.

Reports accepted, Bills read twice and Monday assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act to change the town line between Thomaston and Warren.

Bill an act to change the name of Alpha M. Varnum.

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

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Nelson,

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be required to give the exclusive use of the stand now occupied by him in the rotunda of the Capitol to Charles E. Kendrick, during the present session of the Legislature.

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On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Ordered, That 12 o'clock M. be the hour of meeting of this House on Mondays until otherwise ordered.

Resolve to authorize the Land Agent to deed Hazen Keech a certain lot of land.

This Resolve having been twice read and passed to be engrossed, reprinted by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed finally, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor,

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Monday, February. 8. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Young of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Order authorizing Committee on Military Affairs to employ a clerk.

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

Petition of James C. Bennett + 183 als. of Brunswick, for amendment of liquor law.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioners Report in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Banks and Banking, on order relating to Savings Institutions reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckfield.

Ordered That the Committee on Finance inquire into the expediency and justice of repealing so much of the fourth specification of the sixth section of chapter six of the Revised Statutes as relates to exempting property held by religious societies from taxation; and also the repeal or modification of chapters 132 & 191 of the Public

Laws of 1860, exempting certain property from taxation.

Petition of Mary Chace Patten for change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

Bill an act to amend chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to the powers and duties of Judges of Probate.

Bill an act to incorporate the Wood's Pond Dam Company.

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

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Andrew Woodman & als of Burlington in aid of the memorial of the European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

Petition of Selectmen of Dexter that the doings of said town may be made valid.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Petition of John Kilby & 41 als for more stringent law for preservation of salmon in Denny's River, with bill accompanying.

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Petition of Josiah Crosby & 16 ors in aid of European and North American Railway Company.

Remonstrance of William E. Drummond & 132 ors. of Minister against renewal of charter of Sebasticook Bridge in Winslow.

Remonstrance of George Haler & 151 ors of China against same.

Remonstrance of E. J. Roberts & 57 ors. of Vassalboro against same.

Remonstrance of H. G. Abbott and 87 ors of Vassalboro against same.

Referred to Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The pregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Tarbox of Westbrook

Adjourned.

Attest,
Horace Stilson, Clerk

Tuesday, February, 9, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Penney of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;

Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin Telegraph Company.

Bill an act relating to the compensation and duties of the Secretary of State.

Petition of E. K. Smart & als of Pembroke that the powers of the constables of said town may be increased.

The foregoing were referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

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Report of Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of J. M. Wood reporting Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Atlantic Bank.

Report of Committee on Military Affairs on order relative to the establishment of a United States General Hospital, reporting Resolve in relation to the establishment of a United States General Hospital in this State.

These reports came from the Senate

accepted and the bill and resolve passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, laying before the Legislature the County Estimates for the several counties for the year 1864.

Referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Also a communication transmitting the returns of the several cities, towns and plantations, of aid furnished to families of volunteers and drafted men for the year 1863.

Referred to Special Committee on States assuming the liabilities of towns in paying bounties, and sent up for concurrence.

Also a communication transmitting for distribution an abstract of the semi-annual returns of the several Banks.

A communication was received from the Governor transmitting the proposal of Hon. Francis O. J. Smith to donate a site for the establishment of an Agricultural College.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta, the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an Act authorizing the County Com-

missioners of the County of Somerset to reassess certain taxes.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of cities towns and plantations in raising bounties to pay volunteers, drafted men and substitutes.

This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was read three times.

Mr. Glover of Harpswell moved to amend as per sheets A. B & C.

Pending the consideration of these amendments, on motion of Mr. Jordan of Danville, the bill was laid on the table and to-morrow assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington

Ordered That the Railroad Commissioners Report be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges and that the Committee, if expedient, report a bill giving said Commissioners enlarged powers.

Petition of John Smith & als. for State aid

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of William Pitkin to be set off from the town of Hebron and annexed to Minot.

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of W. R. Miller & 31 als. of Howland in aid of the European and North American Railway

Referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

Petition of D. F. Adams for deed of a lot of land

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Nathan Weston for the correction of a mistake in regard to stumpage on Township No. 8 in Range 7.

Referred to Committee on claims.

Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy.

Presented by Mr. Burleigh of South Berwick and referred to Committee on Education.

Bill an act relating to the records of the town of Shippsburg

Petition of William C. Foster that his adopted son may have the right of inheritance.

Memorial of the Board of Trade of the City of Portland for repeal of law taxing bank stock owned by non-residents

Petition of Sumner Whipple & als of Solon

for further legislation in regard to constitutional rights.

Petition of William B. Grant & 39 als. for power to call a meeting of the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company.

The foregoing were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of J. T. Grant & als. of Benton against re-charter of Winslow Bridge. . .

Petition of Josiah Leroby & als in aid of Railroad between Newport and Dexter.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Directors of Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company for further extension of time to close up its affairs.

Petition of A. E. Stephens & als of Portland for act of incorporation for Forest City Iron Works.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock Company.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter 251

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section 7 of the Special Laws of 1863.

Resolve establishing the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook County.

Presented by Mr. Williams of Augusta, and referred to Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Waterhouse of Lyman,

Adjourned.

Attest: Horace Gilson, Clerk

Wednesday. February. 10. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved:

Papers from the Senate:-

Remonstrance of John Ware & 302 als. against the re-charter of the Winslow Bridge.

Remonstrance of Ephraim Hatch & 28 als of Burnham against same.

Remonstrance of Samuel Kimball & 130 als against same.

Remonstrance of David Hunter & 114 als against same.

Remonstrance of Going Hathorn & als against same.

Petition of Directors of Norridgewock Bridge for an extension of charter.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Bill an act providing for the publication of names and residence of magistrates.

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Petition of William Atkinson & als. to make available the constitutional rights of the people.

Referred to committee on Judiciary.

Bill an Act to incorporate the Forest city Sugar Refining Company.

Referred to committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Adaline Chandler for a certain lot of land.

Referred to committee on State Lands & State Roads.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

The communication from the Governor transmitting the proposition of Hon Francis O. J. Smith, was taken from the table and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Petition of David Guptill & als of Winslow in aid of petition of Directors of the Winslow Bridge corporation.

Remonstrance of H. C. Newhall & 70 als. against the rechartering of Winslow Bridge.

Referred to committee on Railways Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Fletcher of Bangor.

The House suspended its rules and reconsidered its vote whereby it passed to be engrossed the Bill an act to amend the charter of the Union Fire Insurance Com

pany of Bangor, and recommitted the same to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance on Bill an act to amend chapter 251 section 7 of the special laws of 1863 reported that the same ought to pass.

Also on Resolve establishing the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook County reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Turner from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of the Directors of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, reported Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company and to amend an Act in addition thereto approved by the Governor June, 27. 1849.

Mr. Goodwin from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Charles A. Clark reported Resolve for the benefit of Charles A. Clark of Phipsburg

Reports accepted, resolves read once, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the second reading of the resolves and third reading of the bills.

Resolve in relation to the establishment of a United States General Hospital in this

State.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Atlantic Bank.

The foregoing resolve having been twice read, the bill three times read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Keziah Morrison for change of name for adopted son

Petition of Alvah Gibson for change of name.

Petition of John Moers for same.

Petition of Lavinda Geer for same.

Referred to Committee on change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Larabee of Portland,

Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 124 section 20 of the Revised Statutes so that the prohibitions of said section shall be extended to midnight succeeding the Lord's Day.

On motion of Mr. Mayo of Orono,

Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what change, if any, are necessary, in the statutes of fraud and of

limitations in order to protect those states from working injustice.

Credentials of Peol Sawkeis, delegate from the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

Credentials of Nicola Andrew Dana, delegate from Passamaquoddy Indians.

Petition of Lewy Sockabasin & als of Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, for aid in repairing Governor's house.

Petition of Gov. Joseph Attean & als of Penobscot tribe of Indians for aid for the support of schools.

Remonstrance of Lieut. Gov. John Neptune & als. of Penobscot Indians against any change in the treaties with the States of Maine and Massachusetts and said tribe.

Referred to Committee on Indian affairs....

Petition of John Matthews & als of Waterville to be set off from Waterville Village Corporation.

Petition of N. N. Edwards & als of Waterville that a part of Ticonic Village Corporation may be exempted from taxation.

Referred to Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of James Mc. Buzzell & als for act of incorporation.

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Petition of Thomas D. Robinson & 21 als. for an act authorizing the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company to call a meeting for choice of Directors and other officers.

Memorial of George M. Preston in relation to chapter 370 of the Resolves of Maine

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John B. Brown & als. for repeal of law taxing bank stock owned by non-residents.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Winslow Morse & als for an act of incorporation.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance.

Petition of J. Putnam & als that the franchise of the proprietors of Merry Meeting Bridge may be vested in the city of Bath.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Robert H. Manly for extension of time in performing settling duties.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of B. C. Sewall & als for amendment of liquor law.

Referred to Committee on Liquor

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Commissioners Report.

Petition of Cynthia R. Carpenter for State aid.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

Petition of Trustees of Presque Isle Academy for continuance of state aid.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Petition of J. N. Dyer & als. of Portland for act of incorporation.

Referred to Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Dexter Merrill & 41 als. in aid of petition of European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

Petition of Joseph H. Thayer & als for an act establishing a uniform measure for liquids.

Memorial of B. F. Tefft relative to the encouragement of foreign emigration by this State.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta,

The House reconsidered its vote of January 29th whereby it refused a passage to the Resolve in favor of Maine Hockey and

Seminary and Female College.

The resolve was taken from the table and the question recurring on the passage of the same to be engrossed, Mr. Hinks of Buckport moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken, the resolve was refused a passage by yeas 56, nays 66, as follows.

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, John Barker, Lewis Barker, Bradbury, Bradford, Burleigh, Butler, Conant, Copeland, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, N. B. Davis, Joseph Day, Deering, Dillingham, Drummond, A. K. Farwell, Fifield, Foss, Grant, Hinds, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hunt, Ingersoll, Johnson, Jordan, S. L. Kimball, Larrabee, Larrabee, Libby, Lowell, Mayo, Nathl Merrill, Reuben Merrill, Merrow, Moody, H. J. Nickerson, Thos. C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Porter, Quinnam, Spring, C. Stone, Strout, Tarbox, Tobey, Turner, Usher, Wade, Walker, Wheeler, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were

Messrs. David Allen, R. A. Allen, T. W. Allen, Gideon Barker, Alfred Berry, M. T. Berry, Blaney, Burgess, Butts, Carter, Chapman, Coombs, Cram, Cyr, Davis, S. W. Day, Dennis, Deshon, Dolliver, Dunn, Dunning, Follansbee, Fuller, Goodwin, Hall, Hamilton, Hamor, Handy, Harden, Haynes, Hinks, Hussey, Jellerson, Joy, Kelly, John Kimball, Kingsbury, Knowlton, Little, Means, Millikan, Morton, Neal, E. F. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, O'Brien, Osgood, Parker, Peavey, Perkins, Peirce, Richardson,

Small, L. G. Smith, Staples, Stetson, J. M. Stone, Stover, Talbot, Thomas, Wadsworth, Waterhouse Watts, Jason Webb, Nathan Webb, Wyman.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Adjourned.

Attest Horace Gilman Clerk

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Thursday, February. 11. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;—

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the Reports of the Superintending School Committees of Oldtown and Perry.

Referred to Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bill an act to incorporate the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Rokomeka Company.

Referred to committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of Robert R. Drummond & als. of Winslow against re charter of Winslow Bridge.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Bill an act relating to marriage and its solemnization

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

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The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order relative to taxation of bank stock owned by non-residents.

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

Order authorizing the Committee on Reform School to visit that institution came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote.

The House receded and concurred in the passage of the order.

Report of Committee composed of the Delegation from Franklin County, on petition of L. A. Prescott & als. reporting Bill an Act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Franklin.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolve for building Ice Cutters and breakwaters for the protection of the piers and abutments of the Mattawamkeag Bridge.

Resolve for the repair of the Bridge over the Molunkus Stream in Macwahoc Plantation.

These resolves having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be

engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company and to amend an act in addition thereto approved by the Governor, June 27, 1849.

Bill an act to amend chapter 251 section 7 of the Special Laws of 1863, relating to expenditures of school money in Madawaska township.

Resolve for the benefit of Charles A. Clark of Shipsburg.

Resolve establishing a valuation of certain towns and plantations in the County of Aroostook.

Resolve in favor of Henry Burns.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

Ordered, That the Joint Special Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report be instructed to inquire whether any change is necessary in the law passed in 1862 establishing said Commission.

On motion of Mr. Sumner of Augusta,

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Ordered. That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether chapter 81 section 92 of the Revised Statutes should not be amended so as to extend the limit of personal actions.

On motion of Mr. Cyphers of Ripley.

Ordered That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to protect the public lands of the State from strip and waste.

Resolve appropriating money to repair Rocky Rips Bridge

Referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads

Bill an act to incorporate the Parks Pond Dam Company.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill an act to furnish relief in certain cases in the making of roads.

Petition of James Thompson for leave to build wharf over tide waters in Bristol.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John S. Kimball & 174 others for amendment of liquor law

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

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Petition of Peleg Thomas and 69 als. of North Warren for repeal of law creating inspector general of fish.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes in relation to writs in civil actions.

Bill an act to exempt a certain quantity of flax from attachment and execution.

Bill an act to prohibit gathering cranberries in the town of Cutler before the first day of September of each year.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland and Damariscotta Steamboat Company.

Bill an act to change the town line between the towns of Thomaston and Warren.

Bill an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the County of Somerset to reassess certain taxes.

Bill an act to change the name of Alpha M. Varnum.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

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

Mr. Cyphers from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of H. G. O. Cass & als reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted; sent up for concurrence.

Also on petition of John Soury & als, reported Bill an act to incorporate the town of Bancroft.

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company, was on motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington, taken from the table, amended as per sheets A & B, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Abbot from the Committee on Claims on petition of Eliza C. Prouty, reported resolve in favor of Eliza C. Prouty.

Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

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Bill an act to legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties to pay volunteers, drafted men and substitutes was taken from the table and considered. Amendments A & B were rejected. Mr. Jonkins of Danville moved to amend as per sheet D.

On motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor the bill was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Jellerson of Biddeford,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Friday, February. 12. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Ingraham of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;--

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of John A. Poor, President of European and North American Railway Company, reporting Bill an act authorizing the further extension of the European and North American Railway.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and Wednesday next assigned for its third reading.

Petition of Joseph Clark Jr o 33 als. for law regulating the width of sleds used on highways.

Petition of George H. M Kechnie o als that the doings of the town of Alton may be made valid.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Daniel K. Matthews o 12 als.

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of Southport for amendment of liquor law.

Petition of Grand Division of Sons of Temperance of Maine for same.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of Margaret G. Jones for change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. Webb from Committee on Judiciary on order relative to the payment by the State of a uniform bounty of three hundred dollars to volunteers, reported Bill an act providing for bounties to soldiers.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford, the rules were suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Banks of York, informing the House that in the absence of the President, Hon. David D. Stewart had been chosen President of the Senate pro tempore.

Bill an act to incorporate the Baskahegan Dam Company was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor and passed to be engrossed.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of

Bancroft.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing bills were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Turner from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance on Bill an act to amend the charter of the Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Bangor, reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Abbot from the Committee on claims on petition of the Selectmen of the town of Lowell, reported Resolve in favor of the town of Lowell.

The foregoing reports were accepted, bill read twice, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolve.

Mr. Burgess from Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Isaac Wilder reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Porter from the Committee on Interior Waters made same report on petition of A. T. Hill et als.

Also same report on petition of J. Putnam et als.

The foregoing reports were accepted

and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Drummond of Bath.

The House suspended the rules and reconsidered its vote referring the petition of J. Putnam et als to the Committee on Interior Waters and referred the same to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill an act additional to an act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maine.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Atlantic Bank.

Resolve for building ice cutters and breakwaters for the protection of the piers and abutments of the Mattawamkeag Bridge in Mattawamkeag and for other necessary repairs

Resolve for the repair of the bridge over the Molunkus stream in Macwahoc plantation.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed by the Speaker

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and sent to the Senate.

Bill an Act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Franklin.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee as Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of A. P. Sawyer & 44 als for amendment of liquor law.

Referred to Committee on Liquor Commissioner's Report.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary governing and relating to the rules of evidence.

On motion of Mr. Jordan of Danville,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any further legislation is needed in governing cities, towns and plantations in restraining assessors in assessing taxes in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. Staples of Swanville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Division of Towns inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 226 of the special laws of 1863, entitled an act to set off certain lands from the town of Frankfort and annex the same to the town of Monroe.

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On motion of Mr. Fuller of Livermore,

Ordered That the Judiciary Committee inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary to secure a more complete registration of births, marriages and deaths.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Sidney,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relative to the competency of witnesses, that in any action by an executor, administrator, or other legal representative of a deceased person, where the account books or other memoranda of such deceased party are used as evidence, to prove any account or claim embraced in such action, the defendant party in such action, shall be a competent witness to testify in regard to such account a claim, a in regard to any account in set off to such account or claim filed in such suit.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Berwick,

Ordered That the Committee on Railroads, Ways & Bridges inquire whether legislation is expedient, additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relative to the repair of ways and for injuries so that towns shall not be liable to indictment for want of repairs for damages received upon ways laid out by selectmen or County Commissioners as private ways, nor upon ways when the necessity for public use has been superseded by the location of other ways, but which are allowed to remain open for

private use and convenience, provided that suitable signs are placed at the entrances of such ways with the words "Private way," painted thereon.

The foregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties to pay volunteers, drafted men and substitutes was taken from the table and considered.

Amendments b. & d. were rejected.

Mr. Wyman of Cumberland moved and the House ordered that the question on adopting amendment b. be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the same was rejected by yeas 9 nays 83, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were.

Messrs. Butts, Joshua B. Lane, O'Brien, Perkins, Richardson, Russell, Watts, Jason Webb, Wyman.

Those who voted in the negative were.

Messrs. Abbot, David Allen, Gideon Barker, Lewis Barker, Alfred Berry, Bradford, Burnham, Butler, Carlton, Carter, Conant, Coombs, Copeland, Crane, Cushman, Cyphers, Cyr, Daggett, Dauphin, Herrick B. Davis, George M. Day, Joseph Day, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunning, Fifield, Follansbee, Fuller, Grant, Hall, Handy, Harden, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Hinks, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hunt, Ingersoll, Jordan, Kilby, John Kimball, L. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Knowlton, Libby

Little. Lowell, Manter, Mayo. Nathl. Merrill,
Reuben Merrill, Merrow. Moody, Morton, Neal,
E.S.F. Nicherson, H. J. Nicherson, Jas. J. Norris,
Thos. C. Norris, Osgood, Parker, Patten. Peters,
Porter, Quinnam, David A. Rogers. Small,
Staples. Stetson. Stewart C. Stone, Thomas,
Tobey, Turner, Wadsworth. Nathan Webb,
Wheeler. Woodman.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Bean of Brunswick,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Gilson. Clerk.

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Saturday, February, 13, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Ballou of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order relative to exempting certain property from attachment and execution.

Passed in concurrence.

Petition of N. Hunton & als. of East Livermore that the property of the Rokomeka Company may be exempted from taxation.

Referred to committee on Manufactures, in concurrence

Report of committee on Manufactures on Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Company reporting that the same ought to pass.

Also same report on Bill an Act to incorporate the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company.

Also same report on Bill an Act to incorporate the Forest City Sugar Refining Company.

Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and Monday assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act providing for bounties

to soldiers.

Bill an act to amend chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to the powers and duties of Judges of Probate.

Bill an act to incorporate the Flood Pond Dam Company.

Resolve in relation to the establishment of a United States General Hospital in this State.

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

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to cause to be printed and distributed to the several cities, towns and plantations in this State, the act legalizing the doings of towns, and the act providing a uniform bounty of $300 to soldiers to be paid from the State Treasury.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Woodstock,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to cause a Map of the State of Maine to be hung in room No. 6. for the use of the Committee on Interior Waters and Railroads, Ways & Bridges.

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Petition of A. & P. Coburn & als. of Skowhegan for an act of incorporation.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of James Richards & als of Lyndon for lot of land.

Referred to Committee on State Lands & State Roads.

Petition of A. E. Prentiss & als for change of law relating to tax titles.

Referred to Com. on Judiciary.

Petition of Benj. Reed & als for law regulating liquid measures.

Petition of E. H. Gibbs & als. for same.

Referred to Com. on Agriculture.

The foregoing orders and petitions were sent up for concurrence.

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Bill an act to amend the charter of the Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Bangor.

Resolve in favor of the town of Lovell.

The foregoing bill having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wadsworth from the Committee

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on Division of Towns, on petition of Samuel Lord & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted; sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Bradbury from the Committee on Change of Names on petition of Stephen Dawson, reported Bill an act to change the name of James H. Jordan and for his adoption.

Also on petition of John Moers, reported Bill an act to change the name of Harriet Wells and for her adoption.

Mr. Stetson from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of Benjamin Kingsbury, Jr. President of the Portland Five Cent Savings Institution, reported Bill an act to change the name of the Portland Five Cent Savings Institution.

Mr. Dinning from the Committee on Indian Affairs on credentials of Nicola Andrew Dana, reported Resolve in favor of Nicola Andrew Dana.

The foregoing reports were severally accepted, bills read twice, the resolve read once and Monday assigned for the second reading of the resolve and third reading of the bills.

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On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Monday, February, 15. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Libby of the House.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Order relative to increasing the compensation of Registers of Deeds.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Manufactures on petition of Zimri Hunter & als. reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of Committee on Education on petition of Enoch Pond & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Farmington Manufacturing Company.

This bill having been read three times and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Cornelius T. S. B. Pride for

change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

Bill an act to incorporate the Forest City Sugar Refining Company.

Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Company.

Bill an act to change the name of the Portland Five Cent Savings Institution.

Bill an act to change the name of Harriet Wells and for her adoption.

Resolve in favor of Andrew Nicola Dana.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by the Committee as Bills in the Third Reading were passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hicks of Bucksport

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing for the payment of a State bounty to drafted men and volunteers who may go into the United States navy, if they shall be allowed on the State's quota.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of L. H. Downs & als of Brewer in aid of petition of Gen. M. Heston.

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Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Petition of John D. King + 30 als. for law establishing uniform measure for liquids.

Petition of Ephraim Royal + als for same.

Referred to Com. on Agriculture.

Petition of Samuel Taylor + als. in aid of the memorial of the European and North American Railway Company.

Referred to Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty.

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Tuesday. February. 16. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Deering of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;-

Report of Committee on Agriculture on petition of A. B. Sutton & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted in concurrence.

Petition of C. S. Jenks & 52 als. of Bath for repeal of the law establishing a State Liquor Commissioner.

Referred to Com. on State Liquor Commissioner's Report in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Bancroft.

This bill came back from the Senate read twice and postponed indefinitely.

The House receded from its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed and concurred with the Senate.

Mr. Barker from the Committee on Elections on Remonstrance of Henry K. Bradbury against the right of Henry A. Usher to a seat in this House, reported Resolve declaring Henry K. Bradbury

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elected Representative from the classed towns of Hollis and Waterboro.

The report was accepted and the Resolve passed.

Mr. Jellison of Biddeford informed the House that Henry K. Bradbury, representative elect from Hollis and Waterboro, was in attendance and ready to take and subscribe the oaths required by law to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Jellison was appointed to conduct Mr. Bradbury to the Council Chamber for the purpose indicated, and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

The House reconsidered its vote accepting the report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of A. B. Sattin & als. in concurrence, and recommitted the same.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Caroline B. A. Coffin for change of name.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Skelton,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Henry A. Usher, for travel and attendance as a Member of this House, up to, and including tomorrow.

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Bill an act to incorporate the Baskahegan Dam Company.

Resolve establishing a valuation of certain towns and plantations in the County of Aroostook.

Resolve in favor of Henry Burns.

Resolve for the benefit of Charles A. Clark.

The foregoing bill having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bill was passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to Rev. Dr. Tefft this evening for the purpose of addressing the Legislature and citizens upon the subject of promoting European immigration to our State.

Bill an act to incorporate the Glenburn Manufacturing Company.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Robert Long & als. for per-

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mission to extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of St. George.

Referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of James Blackpole against re-charter of Minslow Bridge.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of Benjamin Norwood & als. against the petition of Benjamin Capen 2 als.

Referred to Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Miles Wilson for amending of chapter 253 of the Special Laws of 1863, relative to claim of Penobscot County.

Referred to Com. on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Hanson of Eden.

Ordered, That the committee on Education inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Superintendent of Common Schools to compile the School Laws of this State, and cause them to be printed and distributed to the Superintending School Committees and School Agents of the several cities, towns and plantations in the State.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Mt. Chase plantation

Ordered That the Com. on Judiciary inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill entitled an act to allow Mount Chase plantation to have the right and

power by law to raise, assess and collect State and County taxes, also the right to raise money to defray plantation and various other expenses.

The foregoing petitions and orders were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stewart of New Vineyard,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Wednesday. February. 17. 1864.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Manter of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order relative to further legislation respecting the powers and duties of Superintending School Committees.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State transmitting the annual returns of Insurance Companies.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Communication from the Secretary of State laying before the legislature the annual returns of the Cashiers of Banks and clerks of Corporations.

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill an act to repeal chapter 186 of the Special laws of 1862 relating to Registry of Deeds in Cumberland County.

Referred to delegation from Cumberland County.

Petition of Charles S. Weld & 9. als.

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for change of law respecting tax titles.

Referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Military affairs on petition of S. S. Holmes & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee of Indians affairs on credentials of Peol Sockis reporting Resolve in favor of Peol Sockis.

Report of Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of Daniel O'Brien reporting Bill an act extending the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

Reports accepted in concurrence bill read twice, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bill and second reading of the resolve.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland.

The usual number of copies of the Report of the Committee on Elections on Remonstrance of Henry K. Bradbury were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act authorizing the further extension of the European and North

American Railway.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was amended as per sheets A & B. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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

Presented by Mr. Lynch of Portland and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Resolve in favor of Eliza C. Prouty.

This resolve having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to amending chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes respecting jurymen, reported legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted: sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on order relating to compensation of the Land Agent, reported Bill an Act to provide for the payment of clerk hire in the Land Office.

Mr. Parker from the Committee on State Liquor Commissioner's Report on

petition of J. H. Drummond & als. reported Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops approved March 25. 1858.

The foregoing reports were accepted, the bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Petition of H. S. Jackson & 31 als. for law establishing uniform measure for liquids.

Referred to Com. on Agriculture.

Petition of Francis L. Rice & 13 als of Denmark that the doings of said town may be made valid.

Referred to Com. on Judiciary.

The foregoing petitions were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Thursday, February, 18, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Dillingham of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;-

Order requesting the Governor to transmit to the Legislature the reports of the Indian Agents.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Bill an act providing for bounties to soldiers.

This bill came back from the Senate re-committed to the Committee on Judiciary.

The House suspended its rules and reconsidered its votes passing the bill to be engrossed and enacted, and concurred with the Senate in recommitting the bill.

Petition of S. G. Walker & als. for right of said Walker to vote in Brookville.

Petition of Mrs. E. A. McCausland for an act of adoption.

Rule suspended and referred to Com. on Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Fisheries on petition of John Kilgore & als - referred from

last Legislature, reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted in concurrence.

Ordered That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of the proper observance of the coming anniversary of the birth day of the Father of his Country, George Washington.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Tenney of Somerset,
Bradbury of Penobscot,
Elliot of Cumberland,

appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Williams of Augusta,
Webb of Portland,
Goodwin of Biddeford,
Farwell of Rockland,
Peters of Bangor,
Stone of Kennebunk
Dillingham of Waterville,

joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of the Inhabitants of Oldtown, reporting Resolve in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike for a military road.

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This report came back from the Senate accepted, the resolve read twice and postponed indefinitely.

Report accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of Committee on Manufactures on order relative to exempting corporate property from taxation, reporting bill an act to encourage manufactures.

Report of same Committee on Bill an act to incorporate the Kokomeka Company, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on order relating to making assessors personally liable for refusing state aid to families of volunteers, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of same Committee on Bill an act in aid of blind persons exempting their property from taxation reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report of same Committee on petition of Henry E. Prentiss & al. reporting that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

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

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Report of Committee on Printing and Binding on order relative to the printing and binding for the State for the current political year, reporting a contract for the binding for the current year with Messrs. Hartford & Smith.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

The report and contract were laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for their further consideration.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act providing for bounties to soldiers, recommitted to said Committee, reporting back the bill an act providing for bounties to soldiers with an amendment.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Woodstock the bill was laid on the table, ordered to be printed, and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tippling Shops, approved March 25, 1858.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was, on motion of Mr. Kelby of Eastport laid on the table, ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature, and Thursday next assigned for its further consideration.

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Bill an act extending the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

Resolve in favor of Peol Sockis.

The pregoing bill having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Finest City Sugar Refining Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to amend chapter 251 section 7 of the special laws of 1863. relating to the expenditures of school money in Madawaska township.

Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company and to amend an act in addition thereto approved by the Governr June 27. 1849.

Bill an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Franklin.

Bill an act to incorporate the Belmont Manufacturing Company.

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Bill an act to legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties to be paid to volunteers, drafted men and substitutes, since February 21, 1863.

Bill an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Company.

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

Bill an act to provide for the payment of Clerk hire in the Land office.

Read three times and on motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckspot, laid on the table.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance on Bill an act authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes, reported that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Follansbee from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on Bill an act giving County Commissioners further power in granting licenses, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Report accepted; sent up for con-

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currence.

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of John H. Kimball & als. reported Bill an act authorizing the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company to extend their road in Bath.

Also on petition of S Putnam & als reported Bill an act to vest the franchise of the proprietors of the Merry Meeting Bridge in the city of Bath.

Mr. Hinks from same Committee on petition of Francis Cobb & als. reported Bill an act to incorporate the Linie Rock Railroad Company.

Mr. Dillingham from the Committee on Agriculture on petition of A. C. Milliken reported Bill an act to protect wool growers against the depredations of thieves

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on petition of Wm. C. Foster, reported Bill an act to change the name of William Llewellyn Freeman and confer upon him the rights of inheritance.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Ordered, That, the Senate concurring His Excellency, Gov. Cony be and hereby

is requested to invite Maj. Gen. Burnside to visit the Capitol of this State at his convenience.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson
Ordered That the Committee on Judiciary inquire whether further legislation is necessary to define more clearly the powers and authorities of Trial Justices.

On motion of Mr. Staples of Swanville,
Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation is necessary relative to taking depositions and affidavits.

On motion of Mr. Leyp of Madawaska,
Ordered That the Committee on Education inquire into the matter of establishing a library for the advancement of the French language in Grant Isle plantation in the County of Aroostook.

On motion of Mr. Norris of Vienna,
Ordered That the Committee on Claims inquire into the expediency of paying from the Treasury of this State the sum of two hundred dollars to Isabella Fogg for her services rendered the sick and wounded soldiers in the field from Maine.

Bill an act to incorporate Monument Lodge of Free and accepted Masons.
Presented by Mr. Barker of Stetson and referred to Com. on Judiciary

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Petition of Robert Hopkins & als. of Hancock County, that the pay of jurors may be increased.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary

Petition of C. G. Stearns & als. in aid of petition of Joshua Chamberlain & als.

Referred to Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Seth Webb & als. for repeal of act creating general inspector of fish.

Refered to Committee on Fisheries

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

Ordered, That, the Senate concurring, a committee of five on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join be appointed to invite Col. A. G. Taylor of East Tennessee to address the members of the Legislature upon the condition of the loyal people of the rebel States and more particularly of the present situation and sufferings of the loyal citizens of East Tennessee on the evening of Friday, the 19th inst. and that the use of this Hall be tendered him for that purpose.

Read and passed and Messrs. Clay of Gardiner, Barker of Stetson, Drummond of Bath, Lynch of Portland and Talbot of East Machias appointed said Committee on the part of the House.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of David Sage against the right of Alexis Lesp to a seat in this House.

Referred to Com. on Elections.

Resolve establishing the valuation of Columbia and Columbia Falls.

Referred to Com. on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckspot.

Ordered That the Land Agent be requested to inform this House of the number of days he has been employed during the past year on the public lands and how many days in the Land Office, also what services are required of a clerk incompatible with the duties of the Land Agent, and the total expense of the Land Office for the past year, including the services of sub-agents and travelling expenses.

On motion of Mr. Lane of Belfast.

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Stilson. clerk.

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Friday, February, 19, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Quinnam of the House.

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The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Order relative to amending section 11 chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes.

Order relating to legal settlements of illegitimate minn children.

Order relative to change of law of personal estate.

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

Bill an act relating to corporations.

Petition of O. B. Davis & als for change of statute of limitations.

Referred to committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of committee on Judiciary on order relative to increasing the fees of Registers of Deeds, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted in concurrence.

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Report of Committee on Fisheries on petition of John Teague 2ds, reporting Bill an act for the preservation of pickerel and trout in certain waters.

Report accepted in concurrence bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of the Directors of Winslow Bridge reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

This report came from the Senate accepted.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty the report was laid on the table.

Communication from the Governor transmitting the report of the agent of the Penobscot Indians for the year 1863.

Referred to Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

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Mr. Barker from the Committee on Elections on Remonstrance of Nehemiah Poland, Jr, against the right of Arnold Blaney to a seat in this House reported Resolve declaring Nehemiah Poland jr, duly elected a Representative from the classed towns of Bristol and Bremen and Monhegan Island, and entitled to a seat in this House.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland, The report was laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for its con-

sideration.

Bill an act to encourage manufactures.

This bill was read three times, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, and on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta was laid on the table.

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Robert W. Manley reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted: sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Day from same Committee on Resolve to appropriate money for the repair of the Rocky Rips Bridge in Township No. 1 in Penobscot County reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Davis from Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Ephraim Alley et als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted: sent up for concurrence.

Also on petition of Robert Long et als. reported Bill an Act to authorize Robert

Long & others to extend their wharf beyond tide waters.

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to repeal an act entitled an act for the establishment of Normal Schools.

Presented by Mr. Davis of Woodstock, and referred to Com. on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

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

Bill an act to change the name of William Llewellyn Freeman and confer upon him the right of inheritance.

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

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Noah Barker & 107 als. for change of law regulating the sale and purchase of potatoes.

Petition of E. Brown & 90 als. in aid of same.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture. Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act providing for bounties to soldiers, being the special assignment

of the day was taken from the table and considered.

Mr. Davis of Woodstock moved to amend by striking out of the bill as printed, the words - "until the October and February quotas of his town are filled" in the fifteenth and sixteenth lines.

Mr. Norris of Bradley moved and the House ordered that the question of adopting this amendment be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the amendment was rejected by yeas 41 nays 72, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Abbot, Robert A. Allen, Gideon Barker, M. B. Berry, Bradford, Burgess, Carter, Cushman, Daggett, Dauphin, H. C. Davis, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Downing, N. H. Farwell, Fuller, Greene, Hamilton, Hinds, Ingersoll, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Little, Littlefield, Moody, E. S. Nickerson, Jas. J. Norris, Thos. C. Norris, Seavey, Soter, Richardson, John Rogers, Russell, Small, L. G. Smith, Stewart, Wadsworth, Jason Webb.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. Daul. Allen, John Barker, Lewis Barker, Blaney, A. K. Bradbury, N. G. Bradbury, Burnham, Carlton, Clay, Condon, Coombs, Copeland, Cyr, John Davis 2d, G. W. Day, Jos. Day, Drummond, N. A. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Goodwin, Grant, Hall, Hamm, Handy, Haynes, Hinks, Holbrook, Hopkins, Hussey, Jackson, Jellerson, Johnson, Jordan, Kilby, J. L. Kimball, Knowlton, D. Lane, Jr. J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Lowell,

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Lyman, Mayo, Nathl. Merrill, Merrow, M. J. Nickerson, Osgood, Parker, Patten, Quinsnam, D. N. Rogers, Spring, Staples, Nelson, C. Stone, J. M. Stone, Stover, Talbot, Tarbox, Thomas, Thompson, Trafton, Turner, Varney, Wade, Walker, Nathan Webb, Williams, Woodman, Wescott.

The amendment proposed by the Committee was then adopted and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kilby of Eastport

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it assigned Thursday next for the consideration of the bill an act additional to an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tipling shops approved March 25. 1858 and assigned Tuesday next for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Hancock,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson. Clerk.

Saturday. February. 20. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Stone of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:—

Order instructing the Committee on Federal Relations to inquire into the expediency of reporting a Resolve in favor of connecting Lakes Erie and Ontario by a ship canal.

Order requesting certain information from the Quartermaster General.

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

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on Bill an Act to amend chapter 51 section 19 of the Revised Statutes for the better protection of travellers upon public ways, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted in concurrence. Bill read twice and Monday assigned for its third reading.

Report of the Special Committee on order relative to the observance of Washington's birthday, reporting order of accep-

cises for the celebration of that day.

This report came from the Senate accepted and was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, five hundred copies of the report and accompanying order of exercises were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to incorporate the Kokoma-ka Company.

Bill an act for the preservation of pickerel and trout in certain waters.

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

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of James Wood & als. reported Bill an act to incorporate the Swift River and Black Brook Improvement Company.

Report accepted, bill read twice and Monday assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Hopkins from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Josiah Gelleson & als. reported Resolve for the completion of the bridge at Haynesville.

Report accepted, bill read twice and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

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Bill an act to vest the franchise of the proprietors of the Merry meeting bridge in the city of Bath.

Bill an act to protect wool growers against the depredations of thieves.

Bill an act to authorize Robert Long +als. to extend their wharf beyond tide waters.

Bill an act authorizing the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend their road in Bath.

Bill an act to incorporate the Lime Rock Railroad Company.

Bill an act to change the name of James H. Jordan and for his adoption.

The foregoing bills having been read three times read and referred by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Amory Deblois & 107 als. in aid of petition of Isaac F. Sturdivant.

Presented by Mr. Webb of Portland and on motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckfield laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Danforth of Saccarappa,

Ordered, That the Committee on the

Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending the law relative to the mode of balloting for State and County officers, also for Presidential elections, so that each voter shall be required to place his signature upon the back of his ballot.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Ordered That when this House adjourns it be to meet on Monday next at ten oclock A. M.

A communication was received from the Land Agent transmitting the information required in the House order of the 18th inst.

On motion of Mr. Stiles of Buckfield

The communication was laid on the table and with the "Bill an act to provide for the payment of clerk hire in the Land Office" ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to authorize the further extension of the European and North American Railway.

Bill an act to change the name of Harriet Wells and for her adoption.

Bill an act to change the name of the Portland Five Cent Savings Institution.

Bill an act providing for bounties to soldiers.

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Bill an act to amend the charter of the Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Bangor.

Bill an act relating to the charter of the Penobscot Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

Resolve in favor of the town of Lowell.

Resolve in favor of Seth Sockis.

Resolve in favor of Nicola Andrew Dana.

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

On motion of Mr. Fuller of Livermore,

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Gilson, Clerk.

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Monday. February. 22. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Dillingham of the House.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate;—

Report of Committee on Education on petition of the Trustees and Visitors of Richmond Academy, asking that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of same Committee on order authorizing the Superintendent of Common Schools to compile and publish the school laws of the State, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on order relative to making some modification of the law relative to the powers and duties of Supervising School Committees.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding on order directing said Committee to contract for the State printing for the ensuing year, reporting a contract with Messrs. Stevens & Seward.

This report came from the Senate recommitted with instructions to so change it so change the language of the clause

relating to press work as to remove all ambiguity of meaning.

The report was recommitted in concurrence.

Bill an act to encourage manufactures, was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to amend section 19 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes for the better protection of travellers.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Swift River and Black Brook Improvement Company.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to repeal section 3 of chapter 79 and section 5 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fees of the clerks of the judicial courts.

Bill an act additional to chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes concerning elections.

These bills were presented by

Mr. Farwell of Rockland. and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company.

This bill having been three times read and passed to be engrossed reported by the Committee as Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The hour assigned by the Special Committee on the celebration of Washington's Birthday, having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Nelson of Lincoln,

That gentleman was charged with a message to the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments, informing them that the Senate and House of Representatives are in convention in the Representatives Hall, for the purpose of celebrating the anniversary of the birthday of Washington and inviting them to be present and participate in the same.

Mr. Nelson subsequently reported that he had waited upon the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments and delivered the message with which

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he was charged, and that they were pleased to say they accepted the invitation and would attend the Convention forthwith.

Thereupon the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments came in.

After the reading of Washingtons Farewell address and the exercises as reported by the Committee, the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments withdrew and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson. clerk.

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Tuesday, February, 23. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Bailey of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

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 on and receive Maj. Gen. Burnside of the United States Army, and Gov. Taylor of Tennessee, in behalf of the Legislature of this State.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Tenney of Somerset,
Nelson of Lincoln,
Stevens of Oxford

appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Clay of Gardiner,
Williams of Augusta,
Webb of Portland,
Dillingham of Waterville,
Goodwin of Biddeford,
Deering of Richmond,
Kiley of Eastport,

joined to said committee on the part of the House.

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Bill an act additional to an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops approved March 25. 1858, being the special assignment of this hour was taken up and considered. On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the Foreign Emigrant Association of Maine.

Presented by Mr. Farwell of Rockland and referred to Com. on Mercantile affairs and Insurance.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Baskahegan Dam Company.

Presented by Mr. Sleeper of Bangor and referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill an act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes.

Presented in Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford and referred to Com. on Judiciary.

Petition of James Johnson & als of Westbrook for act establishing uniform measure for milk.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

The fregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Copeland from the Committee on Finance on Resolves establishing

the valuation of the towns of Columbia and Columbia Falls, reported that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted, Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner

Ordered, That the Committee on Claims examine the claim of the town of Pittsfield in the County of Lincoln for money paid by said town to the city of Hallowell for the support of the family of Orrin M. Place, a volunteer in the service of the United States, as presented by the Selectmen of said town.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Stockton

Ordered That a joint special Committee be appointed to investigate the causes of neglect on the part of those whose duty it is to prepare food and shelter at Camp Keyes for our returned soldiers in the 14th Regiment of Maine Volunteers, together with such information as may be obtained in connection with the mismanagement connected with said Camp among those who may have the same in charge and report to this Legislature.

Read and passed and Messrs. Thompson of Stockton, Hopkins of Ellsworth, Larrabee of Portland, Hadlock of Manchester, Davis of Woodstock, Kimball of Hermon and Messrs of Acton appointed on the part of the House.

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The foregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for the preservation of pickerel and trout in certain waters.

Bill an act to incorporate the Kokmeka Company.

Bill an act to amend section 19 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to the better protection of travellers upon public ways contiguous to Railroads and at Railroad crossings.

These bills having been three times read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, proposing a joint convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall at 11¼ o'clock this day, for the purpose of tendering a reception to Maj. Gen. Burnside of the United States army and also to Col. A. G. Taylor of East Tennessee.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland

The Clerk was charged with a message to the Senate concurring in the

proposition of the Senate for a joint convention in the Representatives Hall this day at 11¼ o'clock, for the purpose indicated.

The Clerk subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

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

In Convention.

Mr. Tenney from the Committee appointed to wait upon Gen. Burnside and Col. Taylor reported that the Committee had attended to that duty, and that Gen. Burnside and Col. Taylor were in the Executive chamber.

On motion of Mr. Sanborn of Kennebec,

That gentleman was charged with a message to Maj. Gen. Burnside and Col. Taylor, also to the Governor and Council, inviting their attendance in the Representatives' Hall.

Mr. Sanborn subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged and that Maj. Gen. Burnside, Col. Taylor, the Governor and Council were pleased to say that they would attend the Convention forthwith.

Thereupon Maj. Gen. Burnside, Col. Taylor, and the Governor and Council came in.

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Gen. Burnside and Col. Tayler, by invitation, addressed the Legislature.

The Senate then retired and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Kelly of Eastport

Adjourned.

Attest,

Horace Stilson.
Clerk

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Wednesday, February 24. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Leavitt of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford informed the House that Hon Francis C. J. Smith, Representative elect from Westbrook, was in attendance and ready to take and subscribe the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Goodwin was appointed to accompany Mr. Smith to the Council chamber for the purpose indicated and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

Papers from the Senate:-

Petition of Abner Wade for aid from the State

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

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Resolve in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike for a military road.

This resolve having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was read twice and on

of Mr. Kilby of Eastport was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

Resolve for the completion of the bridge at Waynesville.

Resolve to appropriate money for the repair of the Rocky Rips Bridge in township No. 1. Penobscot County.

Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Columbia and Columbia Falls.

These resolves having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Elections on remonstrance of Nehemiah Poland jr. against the right of Arnold Blaney to a seat in this House was taken from the table and considered.

The question being on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Jackson of Haldobon moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays; and being so taken, the report was accepted by yeas 86, nays 20, as follows:-

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, Daniel Allen, Johns Barker, A. Berry, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Carlton, Carter, Condon,

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Coombs, Cram, Cushman, Cyphers, Cyr, Daggett, Danforth, H. C. Davis, G. W. Day, Joseph Day, Deering, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Follansbee, Fox, Fuller, Grant, Haynes, Hewes, Holbrook, Hopkins, Hunt, Hussey, Ingersoll, Jordan, Jon, Kelly, J. Kimball, J. L. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, D. Lane, Jr. Larrabee, Libby, Lowell, Maines, Means, Nathl Merrill, Reuben Merrill, Millikan, Moody, Morton, E. S. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, Thos. C. Norris, Osgood, Parker, Patten, Peirce, Porter, Quinnam, D. W. Rogers, J. Rogers, L. G. Smith, Spring, Staples, Stetson, C. Stone, J. Mc. Stone, Strout, Tabor, Thompson, Turner, Vickery, Wade, Wadsworth, Walker, Nathan Weeks, White, Williams, Woodman, Wescott.

Those who voted in the negative were, Messrs. C. F. Baker, H. K. Bradbury, Butts, John Davis 2d Deshon, Goodwin, Greene, Jackson, Jellison, J. C. Lane, Merrill, O'Brien, Peavey, Russell, F. O. J. Smith, Stover, Thomas, Trafton, Watts, Wyman.

The resolve declaring Nehemiah Poland, Jr, entitled to a seat in this House, was then passed.

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On motion of Mr. Dillingham of Waterville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education consider the propriety of recommending that whenever the State shall grant one township of land to any College or higher seminary of learning, two town-

ships of land shall be set aside for the common schools; and further that when the State shall grant lands for any purposes of internal improvement, twenty per centum of the proceeds of the sale of such lands shall be placed in the Treasury of the State to the credit of the Common School Fund.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson clerk.

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Thursday, February, 25. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Gierlow of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:—

Order directing Committee on State Lands and State Roads to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for a railroad from Limestone plantation to Hamlin plantation.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College.

This resolve came back from the Senate further amended as per sheet B. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Cram of Brunswick.

The resolve was laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Report of Committee on Claims on petition of Cynthia R. Carpenter reporting Resolve in favor of Cynthia R. Carpenter.

Report accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

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Report of Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Theodore Lincoln et als reporting Bill an act to maintain a Dam across Penamaquan river in Pembroke.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of George Mc. Weston reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Street Railroad Company.

Reports accepted, in concurrence, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Resolve in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike for a military road.

Taken from the table, amended as per sheets A & B. and on motion of Mr. Haynes of Mattawamkeag laid on the table.

Mr. Turner from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance on Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock Company, reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Cram from same Committee on petition of A. E. Stevens et als. reported Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Rolling Mills.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act authorizing

the use of Custom House records in evidence reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The fregoing reports were severally accepted, the bills read twice and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Lyman Leach & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also an order relating to amendments of the law respecting salaries of County Treasurers, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. Farwell from same Committee an order relative to publishing contested election cases, reported legislation inexpedient.

Also on Bill an act relating to the records of Phipsburg, reported that the same ought not to pass.

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Mr. Goodwin from same Committee an order relative to further legislation in actions of review, reported legislation inexpedient.

Also same report an order relating to amending chapter 91 of the laws of 1859 relating to the exemption of manufacturing establishments from taxation.

Mr. Webb from same Committee on Bill an act to amend section 17 chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes relating to

the franchises of corporations reported that the same ought not to pass.

The foregoing reports were accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to revive and amend an act to authorize the town of Wiscasset to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad.

Presented by Mr. Farwell of Rockland and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Resolve making an appropriation for the continuance of the scientific survey of the State.

Presented by Mr. Bradbury of Hollis and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Bradbury of Hollis

Ordered, That the Land Agent be directed to prepare and communicate to this House a statement in detail, so far as the same can be made up from the records of the Land Office, of the present condition of the public lands belonging to the State of Maine, exhibiting the whole number of townships and parts of townships and their location; the quantity and quality of growth; the character of the soil; the proportion of waste land and the estimated value of each townships and parts of townships; together with a schedule of lands reserved for public uses, their location, gene-

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ral characteristics as to growth and soil; the number and location of townships assigned for settlement; the number of townships for sale in lots for settlement during the past year and the number of those now remaining unsold.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Petition of James Franklin Matthews for change of name.

Petition of Nathaniel B. Hoar et als for same.

Referred to Committee on Change of Names.

Resolve in aid of schools in Madawaska.

Presented by Mr. Rogers of Ashland and referred to Com. on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Jay,

Ordered That Daniel Richardson member of this House, have leave of absence from this time and that the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up his pay for travel and attendance to the close of the session.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Woodstock,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll make up the pay of Atwood Blaney as a member of this House to and including to day.

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Bill an act additional to an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tipling shops, approved March 25, 1858, was taken from the table and considered.
On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland,
the bill was amended as per sheet A.
On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,
The bill was further amended as per sheet B.

The question being on the passage of the bill as amended, to be engrossed, Mr. Fuller of Livermore moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended, by yeas 72 nays 47 as follows:—

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs: Abbot, D. Allen, R. A. Allen, G. Barker, A. Berry, N. G. Bradbury, Bradford, Butler, Carlton, Carter, Coombs, Cram, Cushman, Cyphers, Cyr, Daggett, H. C. Davis, J. Davis, 2d, G. W. Day, J. Day, Deering, Dennis, Deshon, Dillingham, Dolliver, N. A. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Foss, Fuller, Greene, Harden, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Hunt, Ingersoll, Jordan, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Larrabee, Little, Lowell, Manter, Means, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Moody, Morton, E. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, Osgood, Parker, Poland, Peirce, D. N. Rogers, Russell, L. G. Smith, Spring, Staples, C. Stone, Strout, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Vickery, Wade, Walker, Wheeler, White, Woodman, Wescott.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. G. F. Barker, J. Baker, M. M. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Clay, Condon, Copeland, Dauphin, Drummond, A. K. Farwell, Goodwin, Grant, Hall, Hamor, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jackson, Jellison, Kilby, Kingsbury, Knowlton, Paul. Lane, Jr. Milliken, Neal, O'Brien, Patten, Peavey, Peters, Pater, Richardson, J. Rogers, F. O. J. Smith, Stetson, James M. Stone, Tabor, Tobey, Trafton, Varney, Wadsworth, Walls, Jason Webb, A. Webb, Williams, Wyman.

Mr. Farwell of Rockland informed the House that Jeremiah Poland, Jr. Representative elect from Bristol, was in attendance and in readiness to take and subscribe the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Farwell was appointed to conduct Mr. Poland to the Council Chamber for the purpose indicated and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

Bill an act to incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company.

Presented by Mr. Williams of Augusta and under rule lies over until tomorrow for its first reading.

On motion of Mr. Fuller of Livermore.

Adjourned.

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Attest: Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Friday. February. 26. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Crane of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Fuller of Livermore moved a reconsideration of the vote of yesterday whereby the House passed to be engrossed as amended the bill an act additional to an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, approved March 25. 1858.

The House reconsidered its vote. Amendment B. was adopted, and the question recurring on passing the bill as amended to be engrossed, the bill was refused a passage. Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate:—

Petition of Nathaniel G. Gould & 16 ors. to be set off from Waldo County and annexed to Lincoln County

Referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Education on petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, reporting Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the Resolve passed to be en-

engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester,

The Resolve and accompanying statement of facts were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of Samuel Bucknam recommending that the same be referred to the delegation from Cumberland County.

Report accepted and petition referred in concurrence.

Report of same Committee on petition of A. C. Wilson & als. of Brewer reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Brewer Branch Railroad Company.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and Tuesday next assigned for its third reading.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on petition of the Baptist Society of Waldoboro reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also same report on petition of William Atkinson & als.

Report of same Committee on order relative to amending chapter 11 section 6 of Revised Statutes concerning taxation of Railroads, reporting legislation inexpe-

pedient.

Also same report on order relative to the increase of the powers of plantations organized for election purposes.

Report of same Committee on Bill an act relating to lands adjoining highways, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Reports accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Division of Towns on petition of John Mc. Parker & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

This report came from the Senate amended by substituting the minority report for that of the majority and as amended accepted.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland

The report was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill an act to incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company.

Read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Kilby from the Committee on County Estimates, on estimate of the several Counties, reported Resolve laying a tax on the several Counties in this State.

Mr. Jordan from the Committee on Agriculture on petition of A. B. Sutton and

recommitted to said Committee reported Bill an act to prevent the spread of Canada Thistles.

The foregoing reports were accepted, resolve read once, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for a second reading of the resolve, and third reading of bill.

Petition of Enoch Beckwith for lot of land

Rule suspended and petition referred to Committee on State Lands & State Roads.

Petition of David Haynes for State aid.

Rule suspended and referred to Committee on Claims.

The foregoing petitions were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hopkins from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of John B. Hayes & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted: sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Drummond from the Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences on Memorial of the European and North American Railway, reported Bill an act to provide means for the defense of the North Eastern Frontier.

On motion of Mr. Drummond of Bath.

The report and bill were laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the

use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company.

Bill an act to provide for the building of a wharf in tide waters in the town of Friendship.

Presented by Mr. Norris of Bradley, and refered to Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Saturday, February, 27, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Manter of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Report of Committee on Judiciary on petition of Charles S. Field & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of same Committee on Bill an act relative to collecting money of Towns where assessments are made to build roads, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Reports accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Williams from Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act to amend chapter six section twenty eight of the Revised Statutes relating to assessment of taxes, reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Report accepted and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport

The bill was ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature and Monday assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to prevent the spread of

Canada Thistles.

This bill was read a third time and on motion of Mr. Grant of Lebanon was laid on the table and Saturday next assigned for its further consideration.

A communication was received from the Governor, transmitting a communication from His Excellency, John A. Andrew, Governor of Massachusetts, in relation to a concert of the States in receiving the Land Scrip for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

The communications were laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to payments of bounties to drafted men and volunteers in the Navy, reported legislation inexpedient.

Also on petition of Selectmen of Whitefield reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also same report on petition of Francis L. Rice. ...

Mr. Goodwin from same Committee on order relative to amending section 93 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, reported legislation inexpedient.

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Also same report on order relative to amending the mode of balloting for State and County officers and for Presidential electors.

Mr. Files from same Committee on Bill an act to repeal sections 3 & 79 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Also same report on Bill an act relating to marriage and its solemnization.

Mr. Williams from same Committee on order relating to changes in the statute of frauds and limitations reported legislation inexpedient.

Also on petition of J. G. Walker & als reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also same report on petition of E. K. Smart & als.

Also same report on petition of O. B. Davis & als.

Mr. Kimball from the Committee on Claims on petition of Nathan Walker reported reference of the same to the Governor and Council.

Mr, Abbot from same Committee on petition of A. C. Cotton reported that the

petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Dennis from same Committee made same report on petition of the Selectmen of town of Harrison.

The foregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Goodwin from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act to incorporate the officers and members of the Monument Lodge reported that the same ought to pass.

Also an order relative to amendment of the law for cattle guards on Railroads reported Bill an act additional to the fifty first chapter of Revised Statutes relating to Railroads.

Also on petition of Oliver Pope and als reported Bill an act additional to chapter 22 of Revised Statutes relating to Division Fences.

Mr. Williams from same Committee on order relating to change of law in rules of evidence, reported Bill an act relating to rules of evidence.

Also on Bill an act additional to chapter 14 of Revised Statutes concerning elections reported that the same ought to pass.

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Mr. Farwell from same Committee, on petition of James Thompson reported Bill an Act to authorize James Thompson to build a wharf over tide waters.

Mr. Day from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Geo. E Ross & als reported Resolve in aid of the widow of Himenas Philbrick.

Mr. Butler from same Committee on petition of John Mellvile Comins, reported Bill an Act to incorporate the Parks Pond Dam Company.

Mr. Allen from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Simon Connor & als reported Bill an Act to incorporate the Kendall's Mills Village Corporation.

The foregoing reports were severally accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolve.

Mr. Abbot from the Committee on Claims on order relative to the payment of Isabella Fogg, reported Resolve in favor of Isabella Fogg.

Mr. Parker from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of D. F. Adams, reported Resolve authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to D. F. Adams.

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Reports accepted. Resolves read once and Wednesday next assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham,

Ordered That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the propriety of amending the 17th section of chapter 124 Revised Statutes by adding after the word "ownership" in the fourth line, the words, "or any other proper purpose."

Petition of Thomas Amory Deblois & 1075 others, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Parker of Gorham, and referred to the Joint Delegation from Cumberland County.

Bill an act explanatory of section 17 chapter 71 of Revised Statutes relating to the execution of deeds.

Presented by Mr. Peters of Bangor and referred to Com. on Judiciary.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Mills.

Bill an act to incorporate the Basco Copper Company.

Presented by Mr. Nott of Portland and referred to Committee on Manufactures.

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

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On motion of Mr. Follansbee of Camden.

Voted, That the Committee on Finance inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to pay the salary of the chaplain of the State Prison for the quarter ending Dec. 31. 1863.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Baskahegan Dam Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Street Railroad Company.

Bill an act to maintain a dam across Penamaquan river in Pembroke.

The foregoing bills having been three times read and reported by the Committee as Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Loan Company.

Bill an act in addition to the introduction in evidence of office copies of Custom House records and documents.

Bill an act to incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Rolling Mills.

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Resolve laying a tax on the several Counties in this State.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by Committees on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act authorizing the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company to extend their road in Bath.

Bill an act to change the name of William Llewellyn Freeman and confer upon him the rights of inheritance.

Bill an act to change the name of James H. Jordan and for his adoption.

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

Bill an act to vest the franchise of the proprietors of Merrymeeting bridge in the city of Bath.

Bill an act to incorporate the Little Rock Railroad Company.

Resolve in favor of Elijah C. Poulis of township No 2. R. 2 in the County of Aroostook.

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

On motion of Mr. Kilby of Eastport

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Monday, February, 29, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington,

Ordered, That during the absence of the Speaker, Nathan Webb, Esq., be chosen Speaker pro tempore.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Haleman of Halifax.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

A message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. Kelly of Eastport, and to the Senate by Mr. Turner of Newcastle, informing those branches that in the absence of the Speaker, Nathan Webb, Esq. had been chosen Speaker pro tempore.

These gentlemen subsequently reported that they had delivered the message with which they were charged.

Papers from the Senate:-

Order directing the Committee on State Lands and State Roads to inquire into the expediency of making appropriations for certain roads in Aroostook County.

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

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Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Historical Society.

This bill came from the Senate, read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Red Beach Plaster Company, reporting Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Red Beach Plaster Company.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on petition of Assessors of Auburn Village Corporation, reporting Bill an act to amend chapter 601 of the Special Laws of 1856 incorporating the Auburn Village Corporation.

Reports accepted in concurrence. Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Porter from the Committee on Interior Waters on Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company, approved February 24, 1864, reported that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Petition of A. Webb et als for an appropriation to build a road through Township No. 1. Sixth Division, Penobscot County.

Referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by law for claims of officers of the nine months regiments of Maine.

On motion of Mr. Tobey of Athens

Ordered That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire whether additional legislation is not necessary, to the allowance of aid furnished to soldiers' families by the Selectmen of towns, in cases where the soldier may have deserted, when such aid has been furnished in ignorance of such desertion.

On motion of Mr. Hamor of Eden,

Ordered, That the Committee on the condition of soldiers at Camp Keyes inquire into the expediency of the Legislature recommending the military commander of this post to issue an order prohibiting the sale of ale, porter, strong beer, lager beer, and all other intoxicating liquors within the precincts of his command and that the penalty for violation of such order be such as to effectually prevent the sale of said liquors.

The foregoing orders were sent up for concurrence....

On motion of Mr. Stone of Jay,

Ordered that the use of this Hall be granted to Rev. Dr. Smythe of England for a temperance lecture this evening.

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On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to Mr. Loring Moody, an agent of the New England Educational Commission for Freedmen, for a public lecture tomorrow evening.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing the Resolve approved March 16, 1836, requiring the Treasurer of State to pay the members of the Legislature in gold and silver.

On motion of Mr. Haynes of Mattawamkeag,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Tuesday, March 1. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Morse of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

A communication was received from the Governor, transmitting the Secretary of State, transmitting various papers relating to the national cemetery at Gettysburg.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta, the same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to incorporate the Swift River and Black Diamond Improvement Company.

This bill was read the third time, having been rejected by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading; Senate amendment A adopted in concurrence, further amended as per sheet B. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Bill an act additional to chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes concerning elections.

This bill having been rejected by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was read three times, amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing bills were sent up for concurrence.

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Bill an act to amend chapter 601 of the Special laws of 1856, incorporating the Auburn Village Corporation.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Historical Society.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Red Beach Plaster Company.

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

Bill an act additional to chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes relating to division fences.

Bill an act additional to the 57th chapter of the Revised Statutes relating to Railroads.

Bill an act relating to the rules of evidence.

Bill an act to incorporate the officers and members of Monument Lodge.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company approved February 24. 1864.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Kendalls Mills Village Corporation.

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Bill an act to incorporate the Parks Pond Dam Company.

Bill an act to authorize James Thompson to build a wharf over tide waters.

Resolve in aid of the widow of Hiram Phillbrick.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance on order relative to repeal of the 4th specification 1st section 6 of chapter 6 of Revised Statutes reported Bill an act to amend section 6. chapter 6. of the Revised Statutes and to repeal chapter 191 of the public laws of 1860.

Mr. Bradbury from the Committee on Change of Names on petition of Samuel N. Royal &als reported Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to amending chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the Lords Day, reported Bill an act to define the extent and

duration of the Lords day and to amend chapters 81 and 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Sabbath

Reports accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Abbot from the Committee on Claims on petition of the Selectmen of Richmond, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Delay from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin Telegraph Company, reported that the same ought to pass

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor,

Ordered That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of passing an act to prevent the circulation of counterfeit bank notes.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Delay of Gardiner,

The bill an act to define the extent and duration of the Lords day and to amend chapters 81 and 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Sabbath, was ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

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Bill an act additional to the act to incorporate the Baskahegan Dam Company.

Bill an act to maintain a dam across the Penamaquan river in Pembroke.

Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Columbia and Columbia Falls.

Resolve to appropriate money for the repair of Rocky Rips Bridge in township No. 1. Penobscot County.

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 and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of John M. Parker et als, being the special assignment was taken from the table and considered.

The report was amended by substituting the report of a minority of the Committee for that of the majority, in concurrence with the Senate, and as amended was accepted.

The bill an act to set off a part of the town of Scarborough and annex

the same to Gorham was twice read and [illegible] assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Wednesday, March. 2. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Sargent of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Repot of the Committee on State Prison on Repot of Warden and Inspectors of the same, reporting Resolves in favor of the State Prison.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport the repot and resolves were laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Repot of Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Mr. D. Orr reporting that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Repot accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to protect wool growers against the depredations of thieves.

This bill came back from the Senate recmitted to the Committee on Agriculture and was recommitted in concurrence.

Repot of Committee on State Prison on repot of Warden and Inspectors of same, reporting Bill an act to amend

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chapter 16 of the public laws of 1858 entitled an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of Josiah Crosby & als. reporting Bill an act to extend and amend an act to establish the Dexter and Newport Railroad, approved March, 31. 1853.

Reports accepted in concurrence bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State.

This resolve came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The House recede and concur in adopting Senate amendment and pass the resolve as amended to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of the Directors of Winslow Bridge, was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. Dilling ham of Waterville, and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Larrabee from the Committee on Military Affairs on Governors Address relating to the Militia, reported Bill an act to enroll, organize and discipline the militia.

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On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland,
The Bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to amend section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes and to repeal chapter 191 of the public laws of 1860, additional to said chapter, concerning the assessment of taxes.
This bill was read three times, amended as per sheets A & B. and on motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta laid on the table.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on Mercantile affairs & Insurance, on petition of Oscar Davis & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Crane from same Committee on petition of Miriam Morse reported reference of the same to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. Turner from same Committee on petition of Ebenezer Otis & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to the payment of officers of the nine months regiments reported reference of same to the Com. on Military Affairs.

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Mr. Holbrook from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Royal B. Boynton & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The foregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance on order relative to salary of chaplain of State Prison, reported legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Mayo of Penn.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 63 section 5 of the Revised Statutes relative to wills of deceased persons.

Sent up for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Harbor Commissioners of Portland against petition of H. Spear & als.

Rep'd to Com. on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer of State to procure a steel lined safe.

Presented by Mr. Williams of Augusta and referred to Com. on Finance.

Bill an act to incorporate the Veazie Manufacturing Company.

Presented by Mr. Peters of Bangor and referred to the Committee on

Manufactures.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Tabor from the Committee on Claims on petition of Thomas Boyd & als. reported Resolve in favor of John Decker.

Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance on Resolve in aid of schools in Madawaska territory reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to Trial Justices, reported Bill an act declaring the power and authority of Trial Justices.

Mr. Peters from same Committee on petition of the Selectmen of Dexter, reported Bill an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Dexter.

Also on petition of Miles Wilson reported Bill an act to amend chapter 253 of the special laws of 1863, entitled an act in reference to the claim of Miles Wilson upon the county of Penobscot.

The foregoing reports were accepted bills read twice, resolve once and to-morrow assigned for third reading of

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bills and second reading of resolve.

Resolve in favor of the people of East Tennessee.

Presented by Mr. Farwell of Rockland and under rule, lies over until tomorrow.

Bill an act to incorporate the Beaver Brook Dam Company.

Presented by Mr. Peters of Bangor and referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Wm. H. H. Melcher for change of name.

Rule suspended and referred to Com. on Change of Names.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Mt. Chase.

Presented by Mr. Kimball of Mt. Chase and referred to Com. on Incorporations of Towns.

Bill an act additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to ways.

Presented by Mr. Butler of So. Berwick and referred to Com. on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill an act to incorporate the Cumberland Iron Company.

Presented by Mr. Lynch of Portland and referred to Committee on Manufactures.

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The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the town of Columbia Falls.

Presented by Mr. Smith of Starks and under rule lies over one day.

Bill an act to set off a part of the town of Scarboro and annex the same to the town of Gorham.

Having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, this bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike for a military road, was taken from the table and considered.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington the resolve was amended as per sheet B. Senate amendments A & B. adopted and passed to be engrossed as amended.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company.

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

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On motion of Mr. Butler of North Berwick,
Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 24 chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes by striking out the word "three" in the fourth line of said section and substituting therefor the word "one".

On motion of Mr. Jordan of Danville,
Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire whether additional legislation is necessary in relation to the weight and measure of agricultural products.

On motion of Mr. Butler of North Berwick.
Ordered That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending section 31 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes by striking out all of said section after the word "accordingly" in the fourth line.

The fregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond.

Adjourned.

Attest
Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Thursday. March. 3. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Park of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of S. R. Jackson & als. for lot of land for Miriam Keay.

Rule suspended and refered to Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Bill an act entitled an act relating to actions of review.

Refered to Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Order relating to fraudulent conveyances of property.

Read and passed in concurrence

Report of Committee on Fisheries on petition of Benjamin Capen & als. reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Also same report on petition of Linas Minton & als.

Report of same Committee on petition of George W. McLellan & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to

withdraw.

Report of committee on Interior Waters on petition of Francis Spear & als. reporting that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the committee on Judiciary on memorial of George Mc. Preston reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of committee on Division of Towns on petition of John Matthews reporting reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

Report of committee on Education on Bill an act to repeal an act entitled an act for the establishment of Normal Schools, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of committee on Agriculture on petition of Eliphalet Nickerson & als, reporting Bill an act regulating the measurement and sale of milk.

Report accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Resolve in favor of Robert N. Manly.

Bill an act to amend former acts to incorporate the Penobscot, Lincoln

and Kennebec Railroad Company.

The foregoing resolve and bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Resolve read once, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for the second reading of the resolve and third reading of bile.

Resolve relating to the President and Vice President of the United States.

This resolve came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Cram from the Joint Delegation from Cumberland County on petition of Samuel Bucknam & als. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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Mr. Williams from the Committee on the Judiciary an order relative to amending section 2 chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes in relation to divorce reported legislation inexpedient.

Reports accepted; sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Brewer Branch Railroad Company.

Read three times, having been reported by Committee on Bills in the Third

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Reading and on motion of Mr. Nelson of Bangor, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland.

Ordered, That the Cumberland County Delegation inquire if it is expedient to make any change in the provisions of law for the compensation of the County Treasurer of Cumberland County.

Bill an act to incorporate the Wawenock Steamboat Company.

Presented by Mr. Peirce of Southport and referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill an act amendatory of, and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston.

Presented by Mr. Farwell of Lewiston and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the people of East Tennessee.

Read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in favor of the town of Columbia Falls.

Read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Abbot from the Committee on

on Claims on petition of Charles O. McKinney reported Resolve in favor of Charles O. McKinney.

Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday assigned for its second reading.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Manufactures on Bill an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Mills, reported that the same ought to pass.

Also same report on Bill an act to incorporate the Casco Copper Company.

Mr Stetson from the Committee on Banks and Banking on order relative to preventing the circulation of counterfeit Bank bills, reported Bill an act to facilitate the detection and to prevent the circulation of counterfeit Bank bills.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act authorizing constables to serve certain processes reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Clay from same Committee on petition of George H. McKechnie reported Bill an act authorizing the re-assessment of certain taxes in the town of Alton.

The foregoing reports were severally accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

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Resolve in favor of Cynthia R. Carpenter of Mount Chase Plantation.

Bill an act to extend and amend an act to establish the Dexter and Newport Railroad approved March. 30. 1853.

Bill an act to amend chapter 16 of the Public Laws of 1858, entitled an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

The foregoing resolve having been twice read and the bills three times read, each reported by the Committee as Bills in Third Reading, were each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act declaring the power and authority of Trial Justices.

Bill an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Dexter.

Bill an act to amend chapter 253 of the special laws of 1863 entitled an act in reference to the claim of Miles Wilson upon the County of Penobscot.

Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin Telegraph Company.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

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Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to D. F. Adams.

Resolve in aid of schools in Madawaska Territory.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

Resolve in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College.

The foregoing resolves were taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Resolve relating to the President and Vice President of the United States.

This resolve having been twice read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed finally.

Mr. Farwell of Rockland moved and the House ordered, that the question on the final passage of the resolve be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the resolve was passed finally by by yeas 94, nays 10, as follows:—

Those who voted in the affirmative were

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Messrs. Abbot, Daniel Allen, R. A. Allen, T. W. Allan, G. Barker, J. Barker, A. Berry, W. G. Bradbury, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Butler, Carlton, Chapman, Clay, Codman, Coombs, Copeland, Crum, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, Danforth, G. W. Day, Joseph Day, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunn, Dunny, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Fifield, Folansbee, Foss, Fuller, Grant, Hall, Hamilton, Handy, Harden, Haynes, Hill, Hinks, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Hussey, Johnson, Jordan, Joy, J. L. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Knightly, Knowlton, D. Lane jr. Libby, Little, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, Means, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Milliken, Moody, Morton, E. S. Nickerson, N. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, Thos. C. Norris, Osgood, Parker, Patten, Peters, Pierce, Pater, Quinnam, D. A. Rogers, J. Rogers, Small, L. G. Smith, Stetson, C. Stone, Tabor, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Vickery, Wadsworth, Williams, Woodman, Wescott.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. Butts, John Davis 2nd, Jellerson, J. C. Lane, Littlefield, Merrow, Neal, Perkins, Waterhouse, Watts.

The resolve was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to encourage manufactures was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Rolling Mills.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Historical Society.

Bill an act to authorize Robert Long and others to extend their wharf beyond tide waters.

Bill an act authorizing the introduction in evidence, of office copies of Custom House records and documents.

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

On motion of Mr. Jordan of Danville,

Ordered, That the joint Delegation from Androscoggin County be directed to inquire into the expediency of establishing the compensation of the County Treasurer of said County by salary instead of the compensation now provided by law.

On motion of Mr. Drummond of Bath,

Ordered That John Hunt be excused from further attendance upon the House and that the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up his pay

to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk

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Friday. March. 4. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Gielow of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:-

Report of Committee on Education on order relative to further legislation respecting uniformity of text books. reporting legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on order relative to establishing a library for the advancement of the French language in Madawaska Territory.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on order relative to amending chapter 124 section 17 of Revised Statutes concerning public meetings, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of same Committee on Memorial of Board of Trade of Portland reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of J. G. Walker & als

reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

This report came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee, and was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on Bill an act to incorporate the Foreign Emigrant Association of Maine, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Report of Committee on Manufactures on Bill an act to authorize the city of Portland to exempt from taxation the Portland Glass Company, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of George L Emerson, reporting Resolve authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to George L. Emerson.

Report accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Dillingham of Waterville

The House reconsidered its vote of yesterday whereby it recommitted to the Committee on Education, the Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

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Mr. Kingsbury from the Committee on Claims on petition of David Haynes reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Cushman from same Committee made same report on petition of George H. Trentworth.

Mr. Hopkins from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads made same report on petition of Enoch Beckwith.

Also same report on petition of James Richards et als.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to amending section 36 chapter 81 Revised Statutes reported legislation inexpedient.

The foregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner.

Ordered, That, the Senate concurring, Rev. Dr. Jeffs be invited to address a joint convention of the two Houses in the Representatives Hall, this day at 12 o'clock upon the subject of Immigration.

Sent up. for concurrence.

Mr. Webb from the delegation from Cumberland County on order relative to compensation of Treasurer of said County, reported Bill an act to establish the compensation of the County

Treasurer of the County of Cumberland.

Mr. Jordan from the Committee on Agriculture on order relating to the weight and measure of agricultural products, reported Bill an act establishing the weight of certain agricultural products.

Mr. Norris from the Committee on Interior Waters, on Bill an act to provide for the building of a wharf into the tide waters in the Town of Friendship reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to registration of births, marriages and deaths, reported Bill an act providing for the registration of births, marriages and deaths.

Mr. Farwell from same Committee on petition of Ann E. McCausland, reported Bill an act to provide for the adoption of William Samuel McCausland by Mrs. Ann Elizabeth McCausland.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Mr. Hinks from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of Ai Staples & als. reported Bill an act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Horse Railroad Company.

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Report accepted and bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act relating to the measurement and sale of milk.

Read three times, reported by Com. on Bills in Third Reading, and on motion of Mr. Walker of Hampden laid on the table.

Mr. Dillingham from Committee on Education on petition of Trustees of Limerick Academy, Berwick Academy, St. Albans Academy, and Presque Isle Academy, reported Resolve in favor of Trustees of Limerick Academy, Berwick Academy, St. Albans Academy and Presq. Isle Academy.

Report recommitted with instructions to report separately on the respective petitions.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences on memorial of the European and North American Railway Company, was taken from the table.

The report was accepted, Bill an act to provide means for the defense of the North Eastern Frontier read twice, Resolve inviting the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to co-operate with Maine in extending aid to a military road

from Bangor to the St. John River, and Resolve asking the United States Government to provide proper defences for the North Eastern Frontier of Maine, were read once and Wednesday next assigned for the third reading of the Bill and second reading of the Resolves.

Resolve in favor of Robert H. Manley.

This resolve having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, and read twice, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to facilitate the detection and to prevent the circulation of counterfeit bank bills.

Bill an act to incorporate the Casco Copper Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Mills.

Bill an act authorizing the reassessment of certain taxes in the town of Alton.

Bill an act authorizing constables to serve processes in certain cases.

Resolve in favor of the town of Columbia Falls.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolve twice read,

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each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes and to repeal chapter 191 of the Public Laws of 1860 additional to said chapter, concerning the assessment and collection of taxes, was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend former acts to incorporate the Penobscot, Lincoln and Kennebec Railroad Company.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was amended as per sheets N. B. C. D & E. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to set off part of the town of Scarborough and annex the same to the town of Gorham.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock Company.

Bill an act to amend chapter 601 of the special laws of 1856 incorporating the Auburn Village Corporation.

Resolve laying a tax on the several

Counties of this State.

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

Bill an act relating to prisoners in the County of Sagadahoc.

Presented by Mr. Drummond of Bath and under rule lies over until tomorrow.

Bill an act providing for bounties to soldiers and in relation to the quotas of cities and towns.

Presented by Mr. Pater of Burlington and ordered to lay on the judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Vickery of Lake Cigarette,

Ordered That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire into the propriety of the State refunding to towns the State Bounty for all men furnished over and above their quotas previous to the February call.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Hiram,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education consider the expediency of setting apart for the benefit of the Common School Fund, the proceeds of the sales

of the timber on eight townships of the public land not otherwise appropriated.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Quinnam of Bordentown,

Ordered, That on, and after Tuesday, the 8th inst., until otherwise ordered, the House meet at nine o'clock.

The following gentlemen asked and obtained the permission of the House to have their names entered on the record among the yeas and nays by which the House finally passed the Resolve relating to the President and Vice President of the United States, viz: Messrs. Deering of Richmond, Talbot of Hampden, Spring of Brunswick, Wheeler of Chesterville, and Stewart of New Vineyard in the affirmative, and Bradbury of Hollis in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner,

The Clerk was charged with and carried a message to the Senate proposing a joint Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives Hall this day at 12 o'clock for the purpose of listening to a lecture from Rev. Dr. Tyng on Foreign Immigration.

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

The hour assigned for the Convention having arrived the Senate came in and

and a Convention was formed.

Rev. Dr. Tifft addressed the Convention.

The Senate withdrew and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Adjourned.

Attest:
Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Saturday. March. 5. 1864.

Met according to adjournment

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,
Ordered, That during the absence of the Speaker, Nathan Webb, Esq. be chosen Speaker pro tempore.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Munger of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

A message was sent to the Governor and Council by Mr. Bradbury of Hollis, and to the Senate by Mr. Knowlton of Liberty, informing those branches that in the absence of the Speaker, Nathan Webb, Esq. had been chosen Speaker pro tempore.

These gentlemen subsequently reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Papers from the Senate:-

Communication from the Governor informing the Legislature that the Land Scrip issued for the benefit of the Agricultural Colleges had been received.

Report of Committee on Military Affairs on order relative to recommending the pro-

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of the sale of intoxicating liquors to soldiers at Camp Keyes, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Winslow Morse, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Reports accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of J. G. Hamlin & als. reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Lovell Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Report of Committee on Judiciary order relative to the taking of depositions and affidavits reporting Bill an act additional to chapter 107 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of depositions.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on report of Railroad Commissioners, reporting Bill an act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads passed in the year 1858.

Report of same Committee on Bill an act entitled an act additional to revive and amend an act to authorize the town of Miscasset to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Miscasset Railroad reporting that the same ought to pass.

The foregoing reports were accepted

in concurrence, the bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Resolve to encourage foreign Immigration to Maine.

Presented by Mr. Lynch of Portland, and on his motion ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Patten from the Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of John B. Brown & als reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order relating to appropriations for a road from Limestone plantation to Hamlin plantation reported legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on order relative to further legislation to restrain trespasses on the public lands.

Reports accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to restraining town officers from assessing illegal taxes, reported Bill an act to restrain illegal appropriations of public money.

Report accepted, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Report of Committee on State Prison

on report of Warden and Inspectors of same reporting Resolves in favor of the State Prison, was taken from the table.

Report accepted, Resolves read once and Wednesday assigned for second reading.

Bill an act providing for the registration of births, marriages and deaths.

This bill was read three times, having been reported by Com. on Bills in Third Reading and on motion of Mr. Bradbury of Hollis laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act establishing the weight of certain agricultural products.

Bill an act to authorize the city of Portland to exempt the Portland Glass Company from taxation.

These bills, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were read three times and laid on the table.

Mr. Lynch from the Committee on Finance on Resolve authorizing the Treasurer of State to procure a steel lined safe, reported that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted. Resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Bill an act relating to prisoners in the County of Sagadahoc.

Read three times, rules being suspended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to establish the compensation of the County Treasurer of the County of Cumberland.

Bill an act to provide for the adoption of William Samuel M Causland.

Bill an act to provide for the building of a wharf into the tide waters in the town of Friendship.

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

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Foreign Emigrant Association of Maine.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Staples of Swanville asked and obtained the permission of the House to have his name entered on the records among the yeas by which the House passed the Resolve relating to the President and Vice President of the United States.

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On motion of Mr. Drummond of Bath,
Ordered, That the Committee on Finance consider the expediency of assessing a State tax for the year 1864 amounting to $1.320.00.

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Adaline Chandler reported Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Adaline Chandler.

Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Bill an act to encourage manufactures.

Bill an act to authorize James Thompson to build a wharf over tide waters.

Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company

Bill an act to incorporate the officers and members of Monument Lodge.

Bill an act to incorporate the Parks Pond Dam Company.

Bill an act relating to rules of evidence.

Bill an act additional to chapter 44

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of the Revised Statutes concerning elections.

Bill an act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to Railroads.

Bill an act to extend and amend an act to establish the Dexter and Newport Railroad.

Bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Kendall's Mills Village Corporation.

Bill an act to incorporate the Swift River and Black Brook Improvement Company.

Bill an act additional to chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes relating to division fences.

Resolve in favor of Hiemenas Philbrick.

Resolve in favor of Cynthia R. Carpenter of Mount Chase Plantation.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed by the Speaker and

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sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Burgess of Oldtown.

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Monday. March. 7. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Order relative to further legislation respecting the rights of electns.

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

Petition of F. A. Lewis & als for restoration of the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The forgoing petition and bill were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta,

Ordered That the Committee on Finance inquire what amount will be required to be obtained by loan the present year for the payment of bounties authorized by the Legislature and for the payment of aid to volunteers

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Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance on order relative to a State tax reported an assessment of a tax of eight mills on a dollar of the State valuation amounting to the sum of $1.320.276,44.

Report accepted.

Bill an act allowing office copies of deeds to be used in evidence in all suits where the title to real estate is in controversy.

Bill an act to amend section 83 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court.

Bill an act additional to chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes.

The foregoing bills were presented by Mr. Williams of Augusta and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads passed in the year 1858.

Read three times, reported by Committee on Bills in Third Reading, and on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Dunning from the Committee

on Indian affairs, on petition of Penobscot Indians, reported Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians.

Report accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

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

Reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading and read three times, and on motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland laid on the table.

Bill an act additional to chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of depositions.

Bill an additional act to authorize the town of Wiscasset to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad.

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The foregoing bills having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Bradbury of Hollis presented the following order, which on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, was laid on the table:-

Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed forthwith to report to this House a bill now before

said committee entitled an act relating to the compensation and duties of the Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. Thompson of Stockton,

Adjourned.

Attest;

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Tuesday. March. 8. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Young of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Bill an act to restrain illegal appropriations of public money.

Reported by the Committee as Bills in Third Reading; read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve making appropriation for repair of State Road in Indian Township.

Presented by Mr. Copeland of Calais and referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Mr. Day from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Isaac Lincoln & als. reported Resolve authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to Hiram Keay.

Report accepted, Resolve read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Bradbury of Hollis.

Ordered That the Committee on the Library inquire into the system of

of international literary exchanges, introduced by M. Valtemare of Paris, and the expediency of reviving and carrying forward the same.

Petition of J. W. Knowlton & als. for repeal of section 1 of chapter 264 of the special laws of 1863.

Rule suspended and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Bradbury of Hollis,

Ordered That the Committee on Agriculture inquire whether further legislation is required to carry into effect a Resolve accepting the donation to the State of Maine from the Hon. Francis O. J. Smith for the establishment of a primary agricultural college.

The foregoing orders and petition were sent up for concurrence.

Resolve accepting the donation to the State of Maine from Hon. F. O. J. Smith, of an estate for the establishment of a primary Agricultural College.

Presented by Mr. Bradbury of Hollis and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

- Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Claims examine the claim for aid of the mother and brothers and sisters of E. P. Verrill

who enlisted in Company B. of the 10th Maine Regiment and was credited to the quota of the town of Dresden though a resident of Westbrook.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Lovell Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was taken from the table, amended as per sheet A, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to authorize the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend the track of its road in Augusta.

Presented by Mr. Patten of Bath rules suspended, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act to amend chapter 6 section 28 of the Revised Statutes relating to the assessment of taxes.

Was taken from the table and considered.

Mr. Hinks of Bucksport moved to amend as per sheet A. Mr. Jordan of Danville moved to amend further as per sheet B.

Pending the consideration of the amendments, on motion of Mr. Grant of Lebanon, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stetson from the Committee on

Banks and Banking reported finally.

Report accepted; sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland
Ordered, That the Committee on Military affairs inquire into the expediency of establishing in the city of Portland a Soldiers Home or Lodge for the benefit of our sick and wounded soldiers who may be returning from the Hospital or the field to their homes and without means suitable to provide for themselves.

On motion of Mr. Bradbury of Hollis,
Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation is necessary to perfect and enforce the lien of mechanics and others as provided by chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Grant of Lebanon,
Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of Superintendent of Common Schools.

The pregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to define the extent and duration of the Lords day and to amend chapters 81 and 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Sabbath.

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Bill an act establishing the weights of certain agricultural products.

These bills were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Dillingham from the Committee on Agriculture on report of the Board of Agriculture, reported Bill an act for the protection of sheep.

Report accepted. On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland, the rules were suspended and the bill read three times.

Pending the adoption of amendment C. proposed by Mr. Larrabee of Portland, the House,

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk

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Wednesday. March. 9. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Penney of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Paper from the Senate:

Order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 40 Revised Statutes

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

On motion of Mr. Cram of Brunswick,
Ordered That the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 176 of the public laws of 1863 relating to stock insurance Companies.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act authorizing the extending of a wharf into tide waters at Camden.

Presented by Mr. Fountaine of Camden and referred to Com. on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence

Bill an act to enroll, organize and discipline the militia, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Lawrence of Portland, read twice and tomorrow as-

signed in the third reading.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company.

Presented by Mr Burgess of Aldborough, and referred to Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act for protection of sheep, being under consideration at the hour of adjournment yesterday, was taken up and considered. Amendment rejected and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relative to the law of railroad mortgages reported Bill an act relating to the redemption of Railroad Mortgages by subsiequent mortgagees and for the better protection of bondholders and for other purposes.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, the bill was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Resolve in favor of County Law Libraries.

Presented by Mr. Bradbury of Hollis and under rule lies over one day.

A communication was received from the Adjutant General in answer to the

House order of January 23, transmitting a statement of the amount of bounties paid by each city, town and plantation to soldiers furnished by them.

Referred to committee on State's assuming liabilities of towns in paying bounties, and on motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Dillingham of Waterville, and considered.

Amendments A. B & C. adopted.

The question being on the passage of the resolve as amended to be engrossed Mr. Small of Lyndon moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the resolve was passed to be engrossed by yeas 59 nays 49 as follows.

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, R. A. Allen, Bradford, Butler, Clay, Copeland, Cyphers, Daggett, Danforth, J. Day, Deering, Dillingham, Drummond, Dunning, N. A. Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Follansbee, Foss, Goodwin, Hill, Hinds, Holbrook, Ingersoll, Johnson, Knowlton, Saml. Lane Jr, J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Lynch, Mayo, N. Merrill, R. Merrill, Merrow, Moody, Morton, Neal, H. J. Nickerson, Thos. C. Norris, O'Brien, Poland, Patten, Peters, Pater, Quinnam, Stewart, Tabor, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Vaney,

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Vickery, Wade, Wadsworth, N. Webb, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Messrs. T. W. Allan, G. Barker, A. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, Burgess, Butts, Carlton, Carter, Chapman, Condon, Crawford, J. Davis, 2d, G. W. Day, Dennis, Denham, Dolliver, Dunn, Fuller, Grant, Hall, Hamilton, Handy, Harden, Haynes, Hinks, Hussey, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Little, Littlefield, Means, Millikan, E. S. Nichols, J. J. Norris, Osgood, Parker, Perkins, D. A. Rogers, J. Rogers, Small, Spring, Staples, Stetson, C. Stone, Talbot, Talker, J. Webb, Wheeler, Wyman.

Mr. Stone from the Committee on Education on Resolve in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary, recommitted to said Committee, reported back the same amended as per sheet A.

Report accepted and resolve further amended as per sheet B.

The question being on the passage of the Resolve as amended to be engrossed Mr. Hinks of Bucksport moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the Resolve was passed to be engrossed by yeas 60 nays 42, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, Bradford, Butler, Clay, Conant, Coombs, Cyphers, Daggett, Danforth, J. Davis, J. Day, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Drummond, Dunning, N. A. Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Follansbee,

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Foss, Goodwin, Harden, Hill, Hinds, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Jordan, S.L. Kimball, Knowlton, D. Lane, Jr. J.C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Lynch, Mayo, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Morton, Neal, H.J. Nickerson, T.C. Norris, Poland, Pattee Peters, Porter, Quinnam, D.A. Rogers, Spring, C. Stone, Tabor, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Vickery, Wade, Wadsworth, A. Webb, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were, Messrs. J.W. Allan, C.F. Barker, G. Barker, A. Berry, A.K. Bradbury, Burgess, Butts, Carlton, Carter, Chapman, Cram, Cyp, Deshon, Dolliver, Fuller, Grant, Hall, Hamilton, Handy, Haynes, Hicks, Kingsbury, Little, Littlefield, Means, Millikin, E.F.S. Nickerson, J.J. Norris, Parker, Perkins, J. Rogers, Small, Staples, Stetson, Talbot, Talbot, Walker, Watts, J. Webb, Wheeler, Wyman.

The foregoing resolves were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to provide means for the defense of the North Eastern Frontier.

This bill was read three times, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading.

Mr. Lynch of Portland moved to amend the bill as per sheets A. B & C.

Mr. Dunnith of Lagrange moved to amend as per sheet D.

On motion of Mr. Lynch of Portland

The bill was laid on the table and the amendments ordered to be printed for

the use of the Legislature.

Resolves asking the United States Government to provide proper defences for the North Eastern Frontier of Maine.

Resolve inviting the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to co-operate with Maine in extending aid to a military road from Bangor to the St. John river.

The foregoing resolves were read a second time, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading.

On motion of Mr. Lynch of Portland,

The resolves were laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for their further consideration.

Mr. Jellison from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of George York reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Wadsworth from same Committee made same report on petition of the selectmen of Princeton.

Mr. Allen from same Committee on petition of selectmen of the towns of Monroe and Brooks made same report.

Mr. Nickerson from same Committee made same report on petition of William Brittain.

Mr. Abbot from the Committee on Claims made same report on petition of John Sterling.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act allowing office copies of deeds to be used in evidence, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act to amend section 83 chapter 82 Revised Statutes, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Reports accepted; sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on Indian Affairs on report of Indian Agent, reported Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians.

Mr. Peters from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act additional to chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes relating to personal mortgages, reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Also on Bill an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Mutual Fire Insurance Company reported that it ought to pass.

The foregoing reports were accepted, resolve read once, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for the second reading of the resolve and third reading of the bills.

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Bill an act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on Railroads passed in 1858, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the State Prison.

Resolve authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to George L. Emerson.

These resolves having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to Adaline Chandler.

Resolve in favor of Charles O. McKinney.

Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians.

Resolve in favor of John Decker.

The foregoing resolves having been twice read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third reading, were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Foreign Emigrant Association of Maine.

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Bill an act to establish the compensation of the County Treasurer of the County of Cumberland.

Bill an act to revive and amend an act to authorize the town of Wiscasset to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad.

Bill an act to provide for the adoption of William Samuel McCausland.

Bill an act to amend chapter 16 of the public laws of 1858 entitled an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

Bill an act relating to prisoners in the County of Sagadahoc.

Resolve in favor of Robert T. Mailly.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to B. F. Adams.

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

On motion of Mr. Staples of Lewiston.

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of

donating land or money for the establishment of high schools in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State.

Proposition of George R. Davis & others to sell the State copies of the Revised Statutes.

Referred to Comm. on Judiciary.

Bill an act empowering courts of Probate to authorize executors and other parties to refer or compromise claims in certain cases.

Presented by Mr. Peters of Bangor, and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Ordered, That when this House takes up the Bill to enroll, organize and discipline the militia, the Adjutant General be and hereby is invited to take a seat on the floor of this House for the purpose of answering any questions.

Bill an act to authorize the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend the track of its road in Augusta

Read three times and on motion of Mr. Clay of Gardiner, referred to the Com. on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve relating to an act of Congress for enrolling and calling out

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the national forces passed March 3. 1862 and to acts amendatory thereof.

Presented by Mr. Bradbury of Maine and referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Thursday. March. 10. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of Stephen Young & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of Committee on Military Affairs on order relative to the State refunding to towns the State bounty for men furnished above the quota under February call, reporting reference of the same to the Committee on Finance.

Report of same Committee on order relative to providing for claims of officers of nine months regiments, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on order relative to amending chapter 24 section 24 Revised Statutes, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on order relative to amending section 5 chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to wills.

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Report of same Committee on Bill an act explanatory of chapter 71 section 17 of the Revised Statutes relating to execution of deeds, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted and were accepted in concurrence.

Resolve to appropriate money for the completion of the bridge at Waynesville.

This resolve came back from the Senate read twice and postponed indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Haynes of Mattawamkeag the resolve was laid on the table.

Bill an act to facilitate the detection and to prevent the circulation of counterfeit bank bills.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A and as amended passed to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor the bill was laid on the table.

Bill an act to establish the Bangor Wet Dock Company.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Rules suspended, bill read three times, Senate amendment adopted, and bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Bill an act to amend chapter 6, section 28 Revised Statutes relating to the assessment of taxes. was taken from the table and recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. Charles K. Hutchins for compensation for the services of her late husband.

Rules suspended and referred to committee on Military Affairs.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities, towns and plantations of the amount of state aid when same is ready for distribution.

Presented by Mr. Williams of Augusta and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Bill an act providing for the registration """ of births, marriages and deaths was taken from the table, amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of County Law Libraries.

Presented by Mr. Bradbury of Hollis.

Bill an act relating to Burial Grounds

Presented by Mr. Little of Auburn

Bill an act in addition to chapter

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51 of the Revised Statutes in relation to railroads.

The fregoing were referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act authorizing the Inhabitants of Dennysville and Edmunds to take measures for the preservation of salmon in Dennys river.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Ordered that the use of this Hall be granted this evening to Rev. Loring Moody for a lecture upon the education of the Freedmen of this country.

Bill an act additional to chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes relating to personal mortgages.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Mutual Insurance Company.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians.

The fregoing bills having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed

to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Holbrook from the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of the Selectmen of Brighton, from the last Legislature, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. Goodwin from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to change of law respecting electors, reported legislation inexpedient.

The foregoing reports were accepted sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to provide means of defense for the North Eastern Frontier was taken from the table and considered. Amendments A & B adopted. Amendment to amended as per sheets "a" "b" & "c", amendment D amended as per sheet "d", amendments E. F. & G. also adopted.

The question being on the passage of the Bill as amended to be engrossed Mr. Cram of Brunswick moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the bill was passed by yeas 112 nays 10. as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, Daniel Allen, R. A. Allen, G. Barker, L. Barker, A. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, Burgess, Burnham, Carlton, Carter, Conant, Condon, Cyphers

Daggett, Danforth, J. Davis, 2d, J. Day, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunn, Dunning, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Foss, Goodwin, Grant, Hamilton, Hamm, Handy, Harden, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Hinks, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Jordan, Joy, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Knigbury, Knowlton, D. Lane, jr, J. B. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Little, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, Means, A. Merrill, Milliken, Moody, Morton, E. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, T. C. Norris, O'Brien, Osgood, Parker, Poland, Patten, Peters, Peirce, Pater, Quinnam, D. A. Rogers, J. Rogers, Russell, Small, F. O. J. Smith, Spring, Stetson, C. Stone, Strout, Talbot, Thomas, Thompson, Tobey, Turner, Varney, Vickery, Wade, Wadsworth, Watts, J. Webb, A. Webb, Wheeler, Williams, Woodman, Wyman.

Those who voted in the negative were, Messrs. J. Barker, M. W. Berry, Butts, Cram, Cushman, Cyr, S. W. Day, Fuller, Hussey, L. G. Smith.

Resolve inviting the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to cooperate with Maine in extending aid to a military road from Bangor to the St. John River.

Taken from the table, amended as per sheet A. and passed to be engrossed.

Resolve asking the United States Government to provide proper defenses for the North Eastern Frontier of Maine.

This resolve was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing bill and resolves were sent up for concurrence.

Petition of A. G. Turner for a pension. Rule suspended and referred to Committee on Military Pensions.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Mayo of Orono.

Ordered That the Committee on Pay Roll make up the pay of Isaiah Vickery member of this House from Cape Elizabeth to the end of the session and that he be excused from further attendance at this session.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk

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Friday. March. 11. 1864.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Manter of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Military affairs on order relative to further legislation in aid of families of volunteers who desert. reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to define the extent and duration of the Lords day and to amend chapters 81 & 124 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the observance of the Sabbath.

This bill came back from the Senate recommitted to the committee on the Judiciary and was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Indian affairs on petition of Sockabasin Swassin reporting Bill an act enforcing the provisions of law and treaties relating to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Report accepted in concurrence

and bill read twice.
On motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Resolve in favor of Ped Sockis.
This resolve came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.
Resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Hannah E. Brainard and others, reporting Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to the widows of deceased soldiers.

Report of Committee on Interior Waters on Bill an act to incorporate the Beaver Brook Dam Company, reporting that the same ought to pass.
The pregoing reports were accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for the second reading of the resolve and third reading of the bill.

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Mr. Farwell from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers approved Feb. 20. 1864. reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

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Report accepted, bill read twice and on motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act relating to the charter of Limerick Academy.

Presented by Mr. Grant of Lebanon. Read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Stone from the Committee on Education on Resolve in favor of Limerick, Berwick, St. Albans and Presque Isle academies, recommitted to said committee, reported Resolve appropriating the timber and lumber on a township of land for educational purposes, Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy, Resolve in favor of St. Albans Academy, Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, and Resolve in favor of Presque Isle Academy;

Report accepted, Resolves each read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. Cram of Brunswick,

The House reconsidered its vote of yesterday accepting the report of the Judiciary Committee on order relative to change of law respecting rights of electors and recommitted the same.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Bethel in exempting certain mill property from taxation.

Presented, by leave, by Mr. Barber of Bethel.

Rules suspended, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Bill an act additional to chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes relating to the printing of Maine Reports.

Presented by Mr. Clay of Gardiner and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act establishing the weight of certain agricultural products.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed

Senate amendment adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Manufacturing Company.

Presented by leave, by Mr. Tatter of Burlington.

Rules suspended, bill read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. Leighers from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of the In

habitants of the town of New Limerick and Belfast academy Grant, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted, sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Finance on Resolve directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities and towns of the amount of state aid when the same is ready for distribution, reported that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Order from the Senate:

Order directing the committee on Education to ascertain the amount of all expenses incurred by the Superintendent of Common Schools for the last year, including salary, travelling expenses, printing, stitching and binding.

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

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the forty seventh rule of the Rules and Orders of this House be and the same hereby is suspended during the remainder of the present session.

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Resolve in favor of Isabella Fogg was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland.

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, after Tuesday next no business shall be referred to any joint standing committee of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Quinnan of Brunswick.

Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of requiring some record notice of Insurance liens on real estate.

The fregoing orders were sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Abbot from the Committee on claims on petition of Selectmen of the town of Whitefield reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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Also same report on petition of Nathan Weston.

Mr. Kimball from same Committee made same report on petition of Jane S. Thurston.

Mr. Cushman from same Committee on petition of Jeanneatte S. Smith reported reference to the next Legislature, with an order of notice.

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Mr. Dutton from same committee on order in relation to the claim for aid of the mother and sisters of E. P. Terrill reported legislation inexpedient.

The foregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Leighers from the committee on Incorporation of Towns on petition of Jacob Pickard & als. reported Bill an act to incorporate the town of Ludlow.

Also on Bill an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Mt. Chase reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Peters from the committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Upper Stillwater Bridge reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Also on award and other papers relating to the claim of Allen & O'Brien reported Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Allen and Thomas O'Brien.

Mr. Webb from same Committee on petition of James M. Buzzell & als. reported Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine General Baptist association.

Mr. Farwell from same Committee on Bill an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston reported

that the same ought to pass.

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

Petition of Mayor & 300 als. of Bangor, for immediate action upon the matter of allowing soldiers to vote.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to facilitate the detection and to prevent the circulation of counterfeit bank notes, was taken from the table and considered.

Senate amendment adopted, and bill as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act authorizing the extension of a wharf into tide waters in the town of Friendship.

Bill an act additional to chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of depositions.

Bill an act to amend chapter 253 of the Special Laws of 1863 entitled an act in reference to the claim of Miles Wilson upon the County of Penobscot.

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

Bill an act to incorporate the Lubec Copper Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bordoin Mills.

Bill an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Dexter.

Bill an act authorizing the reassessment of certain taxes in the town of Alton.

Bill an act to change the names of certain persons.

Bill an act declaring the power and authority of Trial Justices.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer of State to procure a steel lined safe.

Resolve in aid of schools in Madawaska Territory.

Resolve in favor of the town of Columbia Falls.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to George L. Emerson.

Resolve in favor of the State Prison.

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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 and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to enroll, organize and discipline the militia.

This bill was taken from the table and read three times, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading.

On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland the Bill was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Nelson of Bangor

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it passed the bill an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Street Railroad to be engrossed.

The bill was then amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dillingham of Waterville

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it assigned for tomorrow the second reading of the Resolve in favor of Limerick academy.

The rules were suspended, Resolve

read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Berwick,

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it assigned for tomorrow the second reading of the Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy.

The rules were suspended, Resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford,

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it assigned for tomorrow the second reading of the Resolve appropriating the timber and lumber on a township of land for educational purposes.

On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester,

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it assigned for tomorrow the second reading of the Resolve in favor of Presque Isle Academy.

Mr. Small of Lyndon moved to amend the resolve as per sheet A.

Pending the adoption of this amendment, the resolve, on motion of Mr. Small of Lyndon was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Leighton of Ripley,

Adjourned.

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Attest:

Horace Stilson. clerk.

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Saturday. March. 12. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Cogswell of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order relating to the appointment of inspectors of gas meters.

Order directing the Committee on Education to report a list of academies in this state deserving of state aid.

Order relating to elections.

Order relating to the sale of public lands in the town of Limerick.

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

Report of Committee on Division of Towns on petition of David Spratt, reporting that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine General Baptist Association.

Reported by the Committee on Bills

in Third Reading, read three times and on motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta laid on the table.

Resolves proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

Presented by leave, by Mr. Smith of Westbrook, and on his motion, laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Resolve in favor of the Lee Normal Academy.

Presented by leave, by Mr. Haynes of Wallawanbeag and referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill an act in addition to chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes relating to the choice of measurers of wood and bark.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of the town of Lisbon for authority to fund the debt of said town.

Rule suspended and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Mr. Chase,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of granting aid in money or land.

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to Patten academy in the County of Penobscot.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Abbot of China,

Ordered That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of paying the sum of one thousand dollars to the trustees of China academy from the sales of timber from the public lands in this State or in money.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Beaver Brook Dam Company.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to the widows of deceased soldiers.

Resolve in favor of Seal Sawkies.

The foregoing bill having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Mr. Chase.

Bill an act amendatory of and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston.

Bill an act to make valid the

dings of the town of Bethel in exempting certain mill property from taxation.

Bill an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Ludlow.

Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Upper Stillwater bridge approved February 19, 1835.

Resolve directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities and towns of the amount of State aid when the same is ready for distribution.

Resolve in favor of Samuel A. Allen and Thomas O'Brien

Resolve in favor of St. Albans Academy.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Presque Isle Academy, was taken from the table and considered.

The resolve was read twice, amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Cyphers of Ripley moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Resolve in favor of St. Albans academy.

The House refused to reconsider.

Bill an act to amend chapter 157 of the public laws of 1855.

Presented by Mr. Williams of Augusta and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve appropriating the timber and lumber on a township of land for educational purposes.

This resolve was taken up, read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Walker of Hampden.

Ordered. That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of granting unto Hampden academy from the proceeds of sales of timber from the public land set apart for educational purposes.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Stone from the Committee on Education on order relative to abolishing office of Superintendent of Common Schools reported legislation inexpedient.

Report accepted; sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Dinsmore from same Committee on order relative to setting apart the timber and lumber on eight townships of land for the common schools, reported Resolve relating to an appropriation for Common Schools.

Mr. Downing from the Committee on Indian Affairs on petition of Sockbasin Swassin & als. reported Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians.

Mr. Gordon from the Committee on Change of Names on petition of William H. M. Melcher reported Bill an act to change the name of William H. M. Melcher.

The pregoing reports were accepted, resolves read once, bill read twice and Monday assigned for second reading of resolves and third reading of bill.

Bill an act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on Railroads passed in the year 1858.

Bill an act to restrain illegal appropriations of public money.

The pregoing bills having been three times read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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Mr. Turner of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote of yesterday whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy, also the Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, and to assign Tuesday next for the consideration of the same.

Mr. Mason of Eden moved, and the House ordered a division of the question.

The vote being taken on the motion to assign Tuesday next for the consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote passing to be engrossed the Resolve in favor of Berwick academy, about yeas 47 nays 19:- no quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckfield,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Monday, March 14, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Gaines of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the Governor transmitting a communication from the Governor of Massachusetts.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin Company.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance.

Petition of A. L. Burbank & als for change of time in holding courts in Oxford County.

Referred to Delegation from Oxford County.

The foregoing were refered in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Education on order relating to donations for the establishment of high schools in the cities, towns and plantations of this State, reporting legislation inexpedient.

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Report of Committee on Interior Waters on Bill an act additional to chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes concerning mills and mill dams, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report of Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of J. J. Speed et als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The pregoing reports came from the Senate accepted and were accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on Resolve appropriating four hundred dollars for repairs of roads in Indian Townships reporting that the same ought not to pass.

This report came from the Senate accepted.

On motion of Mr. Kilby of Eastport the report was laid on the table.

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Bill an act to amend former acts to incorporate the Penobscot, Lincoln and Kennebec Railroad Company.

This bill came back from the Senate, House amendment adopted, further amended as per sheet F. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment adopted and bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Manufac

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ures on petition of Joseph H. Dyer & als. reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Cordage Company.

Report of same Committee on Bill an act to incorporate the Veazie Manufacturing Company, reporting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Report of same Committee on Bill an act to incorporate the Cumberland Iron Company reporting that the same ought to pass.

Report of Committee on Fisheries on petition of Lewis Morton & als. reporting Bill an act authorizing Lewis Morton to construct a fish weir in Johnson's Bay, Lubec.

Report of same Committee on order relative to the preservation of fish in Goose Pond, reporting Bill an act for the preservation of trout in Goose Pond.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on order relative to military roads, reporting Resolve for the repair of the State Roads in Aroostook County.

Report of same Committee on petition of Inhabitants of School District No. 5 in Township 18. R. 3, reporting

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to examine into the situation of the land occupied by settlers in Township 18. R. 3.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted and the bills and resolves passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolves.

Bill an act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in Madawaska township and approved March 9. 1863.

Presented, by leave, by Mr. Levy of Madawaska, and under rule lies over one day.

Mr. Abbot from the committee on claims on petition of Joan Dean and Elgin Johnson, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also reported finally.

The pregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Resolve relating to an appropriation for common schools.

Read twice and on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta laid on the and tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

Bill an act to incorporate the Waweenock Steamboat Company.

Bill an act to change the name of William H. M. Melcher.

Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it passed the Resolve in favor of Berwick academy to be engrossed.

The question recurring on the passage of the Resolve to be engrossed, the resolve was laid on the table and tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

The House also assigned tomorrow for the consideration of the motion to reconsider its vote passing to be engrossed the Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy.

Mr. Turner of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote of Saturday whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Resolve in favor of Presque Isle academy and the Resolve authorizing the timber and lumber on a township of land for educational purposes. On motion of same gentleman, tomorrow

was assigned for the consideration of the motion.

Bill an act to establish the Bangor Hot Dock Company.

Bill an act to establish the weight of certain agricultural products.

Bill an act authorizing the Inhabitants of the towns of Dennysville and Edmunds to take measures for the preservation of salmon in Denny's river.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Mutual Insurance Company.

Resolve in favor of Charles A. McKinney.

Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians.

Resolve in favor of John Decker.

Resolve authorizing the land agent to convey a lot of land to Adaline Chandler.

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 and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed

by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers approved February 20. 1864 was taken from the table and considered.

Amendment A was adopted.

Mr. Leyphers of Ripley moved to amend as per sheet B.

Pending the adoption of this amendment the House,

On motion of Mr. Barker of Nelson,

Adjourned.

Attest: Horace Stilson, Clerk

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Tuesday, March, 15. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Libby of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolve in favor of Harpswell Academy.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Education on order relative to amending section 31 of chapter 11 of Revised Statutes reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of same Committee on order relating to expenses of Superintendent of Common Schools reporting in detail.

Reports accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on Bill an act to authorize the Portland and Kennebec Railroad to extend the track of its road in Augusta.

This report came from the Senate recommitted and was recommitted in concurrence.

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Report of Committee on Interior Waters on Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Also same report on Bill an act authorizing the extending of a wharf into tide waters at Camden.

Report of same Committee on petition of A. & P. Coburn & als. reporting Bill an act to incorporate the Skowhegan Water Power Company.

Report of Committee on Indian Affairs on matters pertaining to Passamaquoddy Indians, reporting Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians.

Report of Committee on Division of Towns on order relative to amending chapter 226 Special laws of 1863 reporting Bill an act additional to an act to set off certain lands from the town of Frankfort and annex the same to the town of Monroe.

These reports came from the Senate accepted and the bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence bills read twice, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the second reading of the resolve.

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Bill an act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Horse Railroad Company, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, and recommitted to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on Resolve appropriating four hundred dollars for repair of roads in Indian townships was taken from the table and recommitted.

The foregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter 143 of the Acts of 1862.

Presented by Mr. Farwell of Rockland and referred to the Com. on Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend chapter 251 of the Laws of 1863, approved March 6, 1863.

Read twice and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Merrill of Yarmouth,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any further legislation is necessary relating to the manner of conducting the annual spring elections and officers to be chosen at the same.

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Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Bondage Company.

Bill an act authorizing Lemuel Morton to construct a fish weir in Johnsons Bay, Lubec.

Bill an act to incorporate the Cumberland Iron Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Veazie Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act for the protection of trout in Goose Pond.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to examine into the situation of the land occupied by settlers in Township 18. R. 3.

Resolves for the repair of the State Roads in Aroostook County.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Morton from the Committee on Agriculture on Resolve making an appropriation of money for the continuance of the Scientific Survey of

the State reported that the same ought to pass.

Report accepted, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. Larrabee of Portland

The clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, proposing a joint convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall this day at 11 o'clock for the purpose of listening to remarks from the Adjutant General on the Bill to enroll, organize and discipline the militia.

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

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

In Convention.

Gen. Hodsdon, by invitation, addressed the Convention.

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

Mr. Drummond from the Com-

mittee on Finance on order relative to a State loan reported Resolves authorizing a loan in behalf of the State.

Report accepted. Resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. Deering of Richmond gave notice of his intention to offer a Resolve in favor of Richmond Academy

Mr. Knowlton of Liberty gave notice of his intention to present a bill authorizing the Herring Gut Marine Railway company to sell and dispose of their corporate property.

Bill an act additional to chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court.

Bill an act changing the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Aroostook County.

Bill an act to incorporate the Penobscot County Fair Ground Company.

Bill an act relating to board of persons in Penobscot County jail.

The foregoing bills were presented by Mr. Peters of Bangor and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Resolve in favor of Elisha M. Shaw and Peley H. Tracey.

Presented by Mr. Farwell of Rockland.

Resolve relating to the location of the Normal School.

Presented by Mr. Grant of Lebanon.

The pregoing resolves, under rule, lie over until tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Lane of Belfast,

Ordered, That no member of the House be allowed to speak more than thirty minutes on any question.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, this Legislature do finally adjourn on Thursday, the 24th inst.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers, approved February, 20. 1864, was taken from the table and considered.

Amendments B. & C. were adopted.

Pending the question on the passage of the bill as amended to be engrossed the bill was laid on the table and on motion of Mr Larrabee of Portland ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

A communication was received from the Governor informing the Legis-

nature of the decease of Hon. Hiram Chapman, Land Agent.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland.

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Wednesday, March, 16. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Dillingham of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing Committee on Education to inquire expediency of making an appropriation for Moulton Academy.

Read and passed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Lewiston Falls Academy.

Resolve in favor of Paris Hill Academy.

Referred to Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Military Pensions on petition of Helen M. Everett, reporting that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Cumberland County Delegation on Bill an act to repeal chapter 186 of special laws of 1862, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report of the Delegation from

from Androscoggin County an order relative to compensation of the County Treasurer of said County, reporting legislation inexpedient.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Fayette Manufacturing Company.

This bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Read three times, rules being suspended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on that part of the Governor's address relating to an Agricultural College, reporting Resolve relating to the establishment of a College for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic arts.

Report accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Resolve relating to an appropriation for Common Schools.

Taken from the table, amended as per sheet A, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Maine Agricultural Society.

Presented by Mr. Dillingham of Waterville.

Bill an act to authorize the collection of a tax in the town of New Sharon.

Presented by Mr. Peters of Bangor.

The foregoing resolve and bill, under rule, lie over one day.

Mr. Woodman from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Company, reported reference of the same to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on petition of selectmen of Lisbon reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted; sent up for concurrence.

Petition of Job Lord & als. for leave to extend wharf in Penobscot river.

Referred to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in Madawaska township and approved March 9. 1863.

Read three times and on motion of Mr. Barker of Nelson, laid on the table.

Resolve to appropriate money for the completion of the bridge at Hampden.

was taken from the table and considered.
On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor the House insisted on its former vote passing the Resolve to be engrossed and Messrs. Stetson of Bangor, Hinks of Bucksport and Hopkins of Ellsworth were appointed a Committee of Conference on the part of the H.....

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve making an appropriation of money for the continuance of the scientific survey of the State.

Read twice and on motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport laid on the table.

Mr. Grant of Lebanon gave notice of his intention to offer a bill to abolish the office of superintendent of common schools.

Resolve relating to the location of the Normal School.

Resolve in favor of Elisha H. Shaw and Isley M. Tracey.

The foregoing resolves were read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill an act to enroll, organize and discipline the militia was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond and considered,
On motion of Mr. Lupien of Lisbon,

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the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers approved February 20. 1864 was taken from the table and considered. Amendment A. proposed by Mr. Hicks of Bucksport was adopted.
On motion of Mr. Stone of Kennebunk, the bill was laid on the table and to-morrow assigned for its further consideration.

Bill an act to incorporate the Skowhegan Water Power Company.

Bill an act authorizing the extending of a wharf into tide waters in Camden.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company.

Bill an act additional to an act to set off certain lands from the town of Frankfort and annex the same to the town of Monroe.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.

The pregoing bills having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills

in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Rogers from the Committee on Agriculture on petition of Noah Barber & als. reported Bill an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes relating to the sale of potatoes, corn, grain and vegetables.

Mr. Cram from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on order relative to amending chapter 176 of the Laws of 1863, reported Bill an act to amend chapter 176 of the public laws of 1863.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act in addition to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes in relation to railroads reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Williams from same Committee on Bill an act additional to chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Peters from same Committee on order relative to electors, reported Bill an act to define where inhabitants set off from one town and annexed to another, may vote in certain cases.

Also on Report of Attorney General

reported Bill an act relating to proceedings in criminal cases in Court.

Also on Bill an act empowering Courts of Probate to authorize executors and other parties to refer or compromise claims in certain cases reported that the same ought to pass.

Also on proposition of George R. Davis and Brother, reported Resolve in the purchase of copies of the revised statutes.

The foregoing reports were accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for the third reading of the resolve and second reading of the resolve.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Hiram Reay.

Read twice, reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolves authorizing a loan in behalf of the State.

Reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, read twice, amended as per sheet A. and amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy, was taken from the table and

on motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta. postponed indefinitely.

Bill an act to incorporate the Franklin Telegraph Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Street Railroad Company.

Bill an act authorizing constables to serve processes in certain cases.

Bill an act to facilitate the detection and to prevent the circulation of counterfeit bank bills.

Bill an act additional to chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes relating to personal mortgages.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to the widows of deceased soldiers.

Resolve in favor of Peor Dawkins.

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

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Paper from the Senate:

"Resolved that the Legislature has received with profound sorrow, the announcement of the decease of Hon. Brian Chapman, Land Agent of the State.

Resolved that the Legislature hereby tender to the widow and family of the deceased, their heartfelt condolence with them in their bereavement.

Resolved, that these resolutions be entered upon the records of the Senate and House and a copy thereof be forwarded to the widow of the deceased."

The preging came from the Senate read and passed and were passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Fuller of Livermore.

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Stilson, clerk

Thursday, March 17, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing the Adjutant General to furnish twenty eight hundred copies of his annual report for 1863, for the use of the Legislature.

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

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Inhabitants of Township 18. R. 3. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of Committee on Fisheries on petition of Silas Thomas et als. making same report.

Report of Committee on the Judiciary on Resolve in favor of County Law Libraries, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report to accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the minor children of Mrs. Mary Hale.

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This resolve came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

-Rules suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians.

This resolve came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment adopted and the Resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Military Affairs on order relating to amendment of law providing for aid to soldiers' families, reporting Bill an act to provide support for the families of soldiers.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on order relating to inspection of fish, reporting Bill an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 40 Revised Statutes and chapter 99 of the Laws of 1862 relating to the inspection of fish.

These reports came from the Senate accepted and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act for the protection of

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sheep.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment A. adopted and further amended as per sheets B. and C.

The question being on the passage of the bill as amended to be engrossed Mr. Cyphers of Ripley moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the bill was passed by yeas 67 nays 54, as follows:-

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. D. Allen, R. A. Allan, T. W. Allen, H. W. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, Burleigh, Burnham, Butler, Carter, Clay, Conant, Coombs, Copeland, Cushman, J. Day, G. W. Day, Dishon, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunn, N. A. Farwell, Follansbee, Foss, Grant, Handy, Harden, Hinds, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Ingersoll, Johnson, Kirby, Kingsbury, D. Lane, Jr, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, Means, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Milliken, Moody, E. S. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, J. A. Norris, T. C. Norris, O'Brien, Osgood, Parker, Poland, Patten, L. A. Rogers, J. Rogers, Spring, Stetson, Turbox, Turner, Wade, Wadsworth, A. Wood, Wheeler, Wilson, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were

Messrs. Abbot, G. Barker, J. Barker, A. Berry, W. G. Bradbury, Burgess, Butts, Chapman, Condon, Cram, Cyphers, Cyr

Danforth, Deering, Dennis, Dunning, N. D. Farwell, Fifield, Fuller, Hall, Hamm, Haynes, Hicks, Jordan, Joy, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Knowlton, J. C. Lane, Little, Merrill, Neal, Peters, Quinnam, Russell, Small, F. O. J. Smith, L. G. Smith, Stables, Stewart, C. Stone, Swan, Talbot, Thompson, Tobey, Trafton, Varney, Walker, Waterhouse, Watts, J. Webb, White, Wyman.

The bill was sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine General Baptist Association.

Taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond postponed indefinitely.

Sent up for concurrence

Resolve for the purchase of copies of the Revised Statutes.

Resolve relating to the establishment of a college for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic arts.

The foregoing resolves were read twice, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, and were laid on the table.

An act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes relating to the sale of potatoes, grain and vegetables.

This bill, having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading was read three times and on motion of Mr. Crane of Brunswick, was laid on the table.

Bill an act to incorporate the Brewer Branch Railroad Company was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor, amended as per sheets A. B. C. D. E. F. G and H. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the redemption of railroad mortgages by subsequent mortgagees and for the better protection of bond holders was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta, amended as per sheets A. B. C. D. E & F. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Quinnam of Bowdoinham,

Ordered, that on and after Monday next, this House hold a session commencing at 2½ o'clock P. M.

The motions to reconsider the votes whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy, also the Resolve in favor of Presque Isle Academy, were taken from the table and considered.

The House refused to reconsider.

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[illegible] in concurrence.

Mr. Willard of Biddeford moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy and on his motion the same was assigned for the consideration of the same.

Mr. Haynes from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of E. K. Harding & als reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on the Judiciary on order relative to actions of review, reported Bill an act to protect parties against the effects of perjury.

Mr. Dunningham from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill an act to protect wool growers against the depredation of thieves, reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Meiklejohn from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on Bill an act to authorize the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend the track of its road in Augusta

reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Paper from the Senate:

Petition of Nelson Herrin for deed of a lot of land.

Rule suspended and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Mr. Tarbox from the Joint Select Committee on Capital Punishment, by leave, presented the views of a minority of said Committee and on his motion, the same was ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Resolve in favor of Elisha H. Shaw and Peleg W. Tracey.

Read twice, having been referred by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to define where Inhabitants set off from one town and annexed to another may vote in certain cases.

Bill an act relating to proceedings

in criminal cases in Court.

Bill an act to amend chapter 176 of the public laws of 1863 relating to Stock Insurance Companies.

Bill an act empowering Courts of Probate to authorize executors and other parties to refer or compromise claims in certain cases.

Bill an act additional to chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Bill an act in addition to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to Railroads.

Resolve in relation to the location of the Eastern Normal School.

The preceding bills having been three times read, the resolve twice read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Mt. Vernon.

Bill an act to incorporate the

Beaver Brook Dam Company.

Bill an act to authorize Lewis Morton to construct a piu weir in Johnsons Bay, Lubec.

Bill an act to provide for the revaluation of births, marriages and deaths.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Bethel in exempting certain mill property from taxation.

Resolve in favor of Samuel K. Allen and Thomas O'Brien.

Resolve in favor of Isabella Fogg.

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

On motion of Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson,
Clerk.

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Friday. March. 18. 1864.

(Met according to adjournment)

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Deering, of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Military Affairs on petition of Mrs. Charles H. Hutchins praying that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Also same report on petition of John Smith et als.

Also an order relative to establishing a Soldiers Home in Portland reporting reference to the Governor and Council.

Report of Committee on Education on order relative to appropriating a portion of the public lands as the foundation of a fund for the benefit of common schools, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on order relative to granting two townships of land to the Common Schools whenever one township is granted to any College or higher seminary.

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Report of Committee on Railroads. Ways and Bridges on petition of the Directors of Arnidgewock Bridge reporting reference of the same to the next Legislature with an order of notice.

Also on Bill an act to incorporate the Wallwell and Augusta Street Railroad Company reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Also on order relative to additional legislation respecting the repair of highways reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of Committee on Interior Waters reporting finally.

Report of Committee on Divisions of Counties reporting finally:

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted and were accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Indian Affairs on matters of Passamaquoddy Indians reporting Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians for educational purposes.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act to amend chapter 6 section 28 Revised Statutes concerning the assessment of taxes re-

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porting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Waterville.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted and the bills passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act to enroll, organize and discipline the militia.

This bill came back from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckspt the House adhered to its former vote refering the bill to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

This resolve having been twice read and passed to be engrossed; reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and the question being on the final passage of the Resolve, Mr. Hinks of Buckspt moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken, the resolve was refused a passage by yeas 55 nays 63, as follows.

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Abbot. D. Allen, Bradford,

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Burleigh, Butler, Clay, Copeland, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, Danforth, Joseph Day, Deering, Dillingham, Drummond, N. A. Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Fifield, Foss, Hall, Hill, Hinds, Holbrook, Ingersoll, Jackson, Jordan, Knowlton, D. Lane Jr., J. C. Lane, Lunabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Mayo, N. Merrill, Moody, H. J. Nicherson, Thos. C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Quinnam, F. O. J. Smith, Spring, C. Stone, Stone, Thompson, Tobey, Turner, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, N. Webb, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. R. A. Allen, T. W. Allan, G. Barker, J. Barker, L. Barker, A. Berry, W. M. Berry, W. G. Bradbury, Burgess, Burnham, Butts, Carter, Chapman, Conant, Coombs, Cram, Cyr, G. W. Day, Dennis, Deshon, Dolliver, Dunn, Dunning, Fuller, Grant, Hamilton, Hamor, Handy, Harden, Hicks, Hobbs, Hopkins, Johnson, Joy, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Littlefield, Means, Millikan, Morton, Neal, E. S. F. Nicherson, J. J. Norris, O'Brien, Osgood, Parker, Price, Poland, J. Rogers, Small, L. G. Smith, Staples, Stetson, Stewart, J. M. Stone, Stover, Trafton, Walker, Waterhouse, Watts, J. Webb, Wyman.

Resolve in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College.

The foregoing resolve having been twice read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and

the question being on the final passage of the resolve, Mr. Hinks of Buckspoot moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the resolve was refused a passage by yeas 57 nays 61, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, S. Barker, N. S. Bradbury, Bradford, Butler, Clay, Copeland, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, Danforth, J. Day, Deering, Dillingham, Drummond, Dunning, N. A. Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Tofield, Foss, Hall, Hill, Hinds, Jackson, Johnson, Jordan, Knowlton, D. Lane, Jr. J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Mayo, N. Merrill, Merrow, Moody, Neal, R. S. Nicherson, T. E. Norris, Peters, Quinnam, F. C. J. Smith, Spring, C. Stone, Strout, Thompson, Tobey, Turner, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, N. Webb, Whittle, Williams, Woodman

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. R. A. Allen, T. W. Allan, S. Barker, J. Barker, A. Berry, M. W. Berry, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Butts, Carter, Chapman, Conant, Coombs, Cram, Cyr, G. W. Day, Dennis, Deshon, Dolliver, Dunn, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Hamor, Handy, Harden, Hawkes, Hobbs, Hopkins, Ingersoll, Joy, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Littlefield, Means, Millikan, Morton, E. S. F. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, O'Brien, Osgood, Parker, Price, Poland, J. Rogers, Small, E. G. Smith, Staples, Stetson, J. M. Stone,

Stover, Talbot, Trafton, Walker, Waterhouse, Watts, J. Webb, Wyman.

Mr. Parker of Portland moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine General Baptist Association, and on his motion Thursday next was assigned for the consideration of the same.

Resolve relating to a commission on organization of the militia.

Presented by Mr. Webb of Portland and under rule lies over one day.

Resolve in favor of Richmond Academy.

Resolve in favor of Maine State Agricultural Society.

Bill an act to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools.

Bill an act authorizing the Bangor and Piscataquis Railway Company to sell and dispose of their corporate property

Bill an act to authorize the collection of a tax in the town of New Sharon.

The foregoing were read once, the bills read twice, each having been reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading and tomorrow assigned for the second reading of the resolves and third reading of the bills.

Bill an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes and chapter 99 of the public laws of 1862, relating to the inspection of fish.

This bill having been three times read and reported by the committee on Bills in Third Reading was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to authorize the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend the track of its road in Augusta.

Bill an act to protect wool growers against the depredations of thieves.

Bill an act to protect parties against the effects of perjury.

The foregoing bills having been read three times and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Cram from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance

on petition of Job Lord et al reported reference of the same to the Committee on Interior Waters.

On motion of Mr. Crane of Brunswick the report was laid on the table.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act to amend chapter 143 of the acts of 1862 reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Clay from same Committee on order relative to increasing the powers of Mt. Chase plantation, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Manufactures reported finally.

The pregoing reports were accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Bradbury from the Committee on Change of Names reported finally.

Repot accepted.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act relating to the compensation and duties of the Secretary of State reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Clay from same Committee on order relative to change of law respecting rights of heirs, reported Bill an act additional to chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes concerning the distribution

of estates.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers, approved February, 20, 1864 was taken from the table and considered.

The bill was further amended as per sheets E. F. G. H. I. J & K and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Merrow of Acton,

Ordered that the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Abel H. Jellison to the end of the session, and that he be excused from further duty in this House.

Bill an act to incorporate the Dover Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act for the protection of trout in Trout Pond.

Bill an act to incorporate the Portland Cordage Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Penobscot Steamboat Company.

Bill an act authorizing the extending of a wharf into tide water in Camden

Bill an act to amend sundry acts to incorporate the Penobscot, Piscataquis and Kennebec Railroad Company.

Bill an act to change the name of William H. M. Melcher.

Bill an act to incorporate the town of Linclon.

Bill an act to incorporate the Westbrook Water Power Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Cumberland Iron Company.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians

Resolve for the repair of the State roads in Aroostook County.

Resolve directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities, towns and plantations of the amount of State aid when the same is ready for distribution

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to examine into the situation of the land occupied by settlers in township No. 18. R. 3.

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Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians

Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State.

In senate bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read, passed to be engrossed and printed by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed by the Speaker and sent to the House.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

Adjourned.

Attest:
Horace Stilson, clerk

Saturday, March, 19, 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Quinnam of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on Bill an act in addition to chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes relating to the choice of measurers of wood and bark, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of Nelson Herrin reporting reference of the same to the next Legislature.

Report of Committee on Public Buildings reporting finally.
Accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act for protection of sheep.
This bill came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely.
The House receded and concurred with the Senate in postponing indefinitely.

Bill an act authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Dam-

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riscotta.

This bill came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Rules suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on the State's assuming the liabilities incurred by cities, towns and plantations in paying bounties to soldiers, reporting Resolve relating to the State assuming the liabilities of cities, towns and plantations in paying bounties.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Little of Auburn moved to amend as per sheet A. and on his motion the report was laid on the table and with amendment A. ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature, and Tuesday next assigned for the further consideration of the same.

Report of the Delegation from Oxford County on petition of A. L. Burbank & als. reporting Bill an act to change the time of holding the August and November terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Oxford County.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on communication from the

Governor reporting Resolve authorizing the Governor to dispose of the Land Scrip belonging to this State, for the benefit of the Agricultural College.

Report of Committee on Manufactures on Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Company, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Report of Committee on Military Affairs on petition of Alexander Turner reporting Resolve in favor of Alexander Turner.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted and were accepted in concurrence. The bills were read twice, the resolves read once and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolves

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland

Ordered that J. W. Allan, G. W. Day and John W. Osgood be excused from further attendance on this House on and after Monday next and the Committee on Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session.

Resolve in favor of Maine State Agricultural Society.

This resolve was read twice

and postponed indefinitely.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the choice and duties of town auditors of accounts.

Presented by leave, by Mr. Hinks of Buckspt.

Rules suspended and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. Cyphers of Ripley the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools.

Read three times and on motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson laid on the table. and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Resolve in favor of Richmond academy.

Read twice and on motion of Mr. Day of Damariscotta was laid on the table.

Mr. Talbot of East Machias moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House refused a passage to the Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, and on his motion Tuesday next was assigned for the consideration of the House.

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Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on petition of Job Lord & als was taken from the table on motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill an act regulating the measurement and sale of milk, was taken from the table and considered.

The House nonconcurred in Senate amendment A. and insisted on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes relating to the sale of potatoes, corn, grain and vegetables, was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Bill an act to authorize the city of Portland to exempt the Portland Glass Company from taxation, was taken from the table, amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The pregoing were sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditures of school money in Madawaska townships, approved March 9. 1863.

This bill was taken from the table, read three times and postponed indefinitely.

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On motion of Mr. Barker of Nelson,

Ordered That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of David Page for his travel and actual attendance upon this Legislature as contestant for the seat of Alexis Gay as representative from Madawaska.

Bill an act authorizing the Herring Gut Marine Railway to sell and dispose of their corporate property.

Read three times and referred to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to amend section 6 chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes concerning the assessment and collection of taxes.

Bill an act additional to an act to set off certain lands from the town of Frankfort and annex the same to the town of Monroe.

Bill an act to incorporate the Fayette Manufacturing Company.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians.

Resolve relating to an appropriation for Common Schools.

Resolve in favor of the minor children of Mrs. Mary Hale.

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Resolve to appropriate money for the completion of the bridge at Haynesville.

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 and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to provide support for the families of soldiers.

Reported by the Committee as Bills in Third Reading, read three times, and on motion of Mr. Hinds of Bucksport laid on the table.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on petition of Mayor and Aldermen of Belfast, reported Bill an act to amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Belfast.

Also an order relative to the redemption of mortgaged real estate reported Bill an act additional to chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes relating to mortgaged real estate.

Reports accepted, bills read twice and Monday assigned for their third reading.

Bill an act to amend chapter 6 section 28 Revised Statutes relating

to the assessment of taxes.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Waterville.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians for educational purposes.

The preceding bills having been three times read, the resolves twice read each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Peters from same Committee, presented by leave, the views of a minority of said Committee on same Bill.

On motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor,

The reports were laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for their further consideration.

Bill an act additional to chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes concerning the distribution of estates.

Bill an act relating to the duties and compensation of the Secretary of State and the Clerks employed by

him.

Bill an act to authorize the collection of a tax in the town of New Sharon.

The fregoing bills having been three times read and re-buled by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Webb from the Committee on the Judiciary on Bill an act relating to Burial Grounds reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Williams from same Committee on order relative to appointment of inspectors of gas meters reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. Grant from the Committee on Education on Resolve in favor of Lewiston Falls academy reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Hamm from same Committee on order relative to granting aid to Hampden Academy reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. Stone from same Committee made same report on order relative to granting aid to China Academy.

Mr. Dillingham from same Committee on Resolve in favor of Harpswell

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Academy reported reference of same to the next Legislature.

Also an order requesting information concerning the Academies in this State reported that no Academies require immediate aid.

The foregoing reports were accepted. Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Barker from the Committee on Elections on credentials of members referred to said Committee, reported the following as duly and constitutionally elected:

County of Androscoggin.

Auburn,	Edward F. Little.
Danville,	Eben Loudan, Jr.
Durham,	Nelson Stowe.
Green,	Converse K. Daggett.
Lewiston	Nathan R. Farwell
	Nelson Dingley, Jr.
Livermore	Charles R. Fuller.
Wales.	Harding L. Watts.

County of Aroostook.

Ashland,	David N. Rogers.
Bridgewater,	Jonathan Hall
Linneus,	Edward S. F. Nickerson.
Lyndon,	Cyrus Small.
Monticello	Harrison C. Hussey.
Grand Isle.	Alexis Cyr.

County of Cumberland.

Brunswick	Jonathan Means.

Cape Elizabeth,	Isaiah Dickey,
Falmouth,	Nathaniel Merrill,
Freeport,	Samuel A. Holbrook,
Gorham,	Joseph W. Parker,
Gray,	Robert A. Allen,
Portland,	John Lynch,
	Nathan Webb,
	George W. Woodman,
	Samuel W. Lanabee,
Yarmouth,	Reuben Merrill,
Bridgton,	Frederick J. Littlefield
Cumberland	Charles Hyman,
Harpswell,	Lemuel H. Stover.
Naples	Daniel Richardson,
Standish,	Eliakim Driscoll,
Westbrook	Francis O. J. Smith.
Windham	Jason Webb.

County of Franklin.

Avon,	Wm. G. Bradbury,
Chesterville	Samuel Wheeler,
Jay,	Cornelius Stone,
New Vineyard,	John J. Stewart
Temple,	James P. Russell.

County of Hancock.

Brookville,	Samuel Condon, Jr.
Buckspurt,	Sylvanus T. Hinks,
Eden,	Eben M. Hamor.
Ellsworth,	John D. Hopkins.
Guildsborough,	William Handy,
Mariaville,	Eben Harden,
Sedgwick,	Daniel M. Means,
Surry	Henry J. Williams,
Deer Isle,	Sullivan Greene,

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County of Kennebec.

Augusta,	Joshua S. Turner.
	Joseph H. Williams.
Benton	Albert D. Hinds.
China	Ambrose H. Abbot
Fayette	Phineas Libby.
Gardiner,	Lorenzo Clay.
Litchfield	Nathaniel Dennis
Manchester,	Isaac N. Wadsworth,
Pittston,	Gideon Barker.
Rome,	John T. Fifield,
Vienna,	Thomas C. Norris,
Waterville	W. A. P. Dillingham
Windsor	Elijah Moody.

County of Knox.

Camden,	George L. Follansbee.
Hope,	Micah Hobbs.
North Haven,	William Thomas.
Rockland	Nathan A. Farwell
	Oliver J. Conant.
Union,	Emery F. Joy.
Cushing	John Davis. 2d
Thomaston,	Thomas O'Brien.

County of Lincoln.

Damariscotta	Joseph Day.
Dresden,	Daniel Johnson
Southport,	Moses E. Peirce
Westport	Samuel Tarbox
Bristol	Nehemiah Poland Jr.
Jefferson	Elijah Deshon
Wardoborough	Samuel W. Jackson

County of Oxford.

Andover	Joseph L. Chapman.

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Bethel.	John. Barker.
Brownfield	Isaac Spring.
Gilead	George Burnham
Greenwood.	Willard L. Whittier.
Hebron	Alvah Cushman
Hiram.	John L. Kimball.
Mexico	Dana Bradford.
Woodstock	Herrick C. Davis.

County of Penobscot.

Bangor.	George Nelson
	John A. Peters.
	George Varney.
Bradley	James J. Morris
Burlington.	Joseph W. Porter
Corinna	Mark F. Hamilton.
Etna	Otis L. Carter.
Exeter	John W. Osgood.
Hampden	Amasa K. Walker
Hermon	John Kimball
Kenduskeag	R. M. Dolliver.
Lagrange	Eben W. Danforth.
Mattawamkeag.	Alvin Haynes.
Oldtown	James A. Burgess.
Orno	Gideon Pillsbo
Orrington	Horace A. Richerson.
Plantation No. 5	Saml. L. Kimball.
Stetson	Lewis Barker.

County of Piscataquis.

Abbot.	James Foss.
Brownville.	Charles L. Dunning
Parkman	Eben D. Wade.

County of Sagadahoc.

Bath.	James Drummond

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	George F. Potter.
Bowdoinham	Constant Quinnam.
Gerrytown	Jonas Hunt
Richmond	Arthur Deering.

County of Somerset

Athens	Stephen L. Tobey
Fairfield	Daniel Allen
Palmyra	Zebulon Manter
Ripley	James Cyphers
Skowhegan	Greenlief L. Hill
Starks	Leander G. Smith
Concord	Martin W. Berry
New Portland	Joshua Butts

County of Waldo.

Belfast	Daniel Lane, Jr.
Islesboro	Otis F. Coombs
Jackson	Alonzo Morton
Liberty	John C. Knowlton
Stockton	John W. Thompson
Swanville	Miles G. Staples
Unity	Alfred Berry.
Waldo.	Samuel Kingsbury.
Winterport	Washington Carlton.

County of Washington.

Calais	Thomas J. Copeland
Columbia	F. G. H. Ingersoll
Dennysville	Theophilus W. Allan.
Eastport	William H. Kilby.
Millbridge.	Albion K. P. Wallace
Pembroke	George W. Day
East Machias	James R. Talbot
Jonesport	Charles P. Barker
Waite Plantation	Joseph Neal.

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Whiting William S. Peavey.

County of York.

Dayton	Horatio Dunn.
Hollis	Henry K. Bradbury.
Kennebunk.	James M. Stone
Kittery	John Rogers
Lebanon.	James W. Grant
Saco	Moses Lowell
South Berwick	John H. Burleigh
Acton	A. D. Merrow.
Biddeford	John M. Goodwin
	Abel H. Jellerson
Cornish	Edmund Trafton Jr.
Limerick	Joshua C. Lane
Lyman	Samuel Waterhouse.
North Berwick.	Haven A. Butler.
Wells.	Jedediah Perkins.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton of Liberty.

Adjourned.

Attest

Horace Stilson, Clerk.

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Monday, March 21. 1864.

Met according to adjournments

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Stone of the House.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act to amend chapter 151 of the laws of 1855 relating to the municipal court of the city of Biddeford, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report of same Committee on order relating to the law of lien reporting legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on order relating to elections

Also same report on order relative to record notice of insurance liens on real estate.

Report of Committee on Education on Resolve in favor of Gee Normal Academy reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report of Committee on Military Affairs on Resolve relating to an act of Congress for enrolling and calling out

the national forces, reporting that the same ought not to pass.

Report of same Committee on petition of Abner Wade for state aid reporting reference to the Governor and Council.

Report of Committee on State Prison reporting finally.

Report of Committee on Fisheries reporting finally.

Report of Committee on Railways, Ways and Bridges reporting finally.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on order relative to a change of the constitution to allow soldiers to vote, reporting: Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution so as to allow soldiers absent from the state to vote for Governor, senators, representatives and county officers.

Report of same Committee on order relative to additional law terms of court and also to increase the salary of the Judges, reporting Resolve requiring additional duties and providing for an increase of the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial

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Report of Committee on Military Sessions on petition of Elizabeth Brooks reporting Resolve in favor of Elizabeth Brooks.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on Resolve appropriating four hundred dollars for the repair of roads in Indian townships. reporting that the same ought to pass.

The fregoing reports were accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill an act relating to the redemption of railroad mortgages, by subsequent mortgagees and for the better protection of bond holders.

This bill came back from the Senate, the House amendments adopted and further amended as per sheets G. H. I. K. L. M. N. O. P. Q. & R.

The senate amendments were adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Resolve relating to a commission for organization of the militia

Read once and tomorrow

assigned for its second reading.

Resolve remunerating the State Treasurer for negotiating State loan.

Presented by Mr. Stone of Kennebunk and under rule lies over until tomorrow.

Resolve relating to foreign Immigration.

Taken from the table, read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act enforcing the provisions of law and treaties relating to the Penobscot Indians.

Taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Webb of Portland,

The House suspended the rules and reconsidered its vote passing to be engrossed the Bill an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes and chapter 99 of the Public Laws of 1862, relating to the inspection of fish.

The bill was amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison.

Resolve in favor of Alexander Farrar.

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Resolve authorizing the Governor to dispose of the Land Scrip belonging to this State for the benefit of the Agricultural College.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the August and November terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Oxford County.

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Company.

The foregoing resolves having been twice read, the bills three times read, each reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes relating to mortgages of real estate.

Bill an act to amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Rockland.

The foregoing bills having been three times read and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve requesting Congress to call a convention to propose amendments to the constitution of the United States

Presented, by leave, by Mr. Farwell of Rockland.

Rules suspended, resolve read. twice and passed to be engrossed. Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from Isaac N. Clark, deputy Land Agent transmitting the information required in the House order of February 26th.

On motion of Mr. Farmer of Rockland The same was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to provide support for the families of volunteers was taken from the table and considered.

The House adopted Senate amendments B. C. D. F and H, nonconcur in Senate amendment E. and amend the same as per sheet B, nonconcur in Senate amendment G and amend the same as per sheet D. further amend the bill as per sheets E. F. G. H. I & K and pass the bill as amended to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Attest: Horace Stilson, Clerk

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment.)

Bill an act empowering Courts of Probate to authorize executors and other parties to refer or compromise claims in certain cases.

Bill an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Upper Stillwater Bridge.

Bill an act in addition to chapter 51 of R. S. Revised Statutes in relation to Railroads.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Waterville.

Bill an act to amend chapter 6 section 28 Revised Statutes relating to assessment of taxes.

Bill an act relating to the charter of Limerick Academy.

Bill an act to amend chapter 176 public laws of 1863 relating to stock insurance companies.

Bill an act relating to proceedings in criminal cases.

Bill an act to define where Inhabitants set off from one town and

annexed to another, may vote in certain cases.

Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy.

Resolve in favor of Presque Isle academy.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Miriam Keay.

Resolve in favor of St. Albans Academy.

Resolve relating to the location of the Eastern Normal School.

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

Bill an act to prevent the spread of Canada thistles was taken from the table, read three times and on motion of Mr. Fuller of Livermore postponed indefinitely.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,
The House reconsidered its vote whereby it passed to be engrossed the Resolve requesting Congress to call a Convention to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States.
On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland the Resolves were laid on the table.

Resolve for the purchase of copies of the Revised Statutes was taken from the table, amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed finally the Resolve in favor of St. Albans Academy and on his motion tomorrow was assigned for the consideration of the motion.

Resolve making an appropriation for the continuance of the scientific survey of the State, was taken from the table and on motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport postponed indefinitely.
Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding an order directing said Committee to contract for the binding for the State, reporting a contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith was taken from the table and considered.

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The report was accepted and the contract approved in concurrence.

Mr. Quinnan from the Committee on Education on Resolve in favor of Paris Hill Academy, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Also on order relative to granting aid to Patten Academy reported legislation inexpedient.

Reports accepted.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland Ordered That for the remainder of this session this House adjourn at one quarter before one o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport,

Adjourned.

Attest:

Horace Stilson, clerk

Tuesday, March, 22. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wheeler of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolve in favor of Josiah H. Drummond.

This resolve came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Report of Committee on Insane Hospital on repot of Trustees and Superintendent of same, reporting Resolves in favor of the Insane Hospital.

Repot accepted in concurrence. Resolves read twice, rules being suspended, amended as per sheet A and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on Bill an act additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to municipal authorities of towns and to ways, reporting that the same ought to pass.

Repot accepted in concurrence,

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bill read three times and postponed indefinitely in concurrence.

Bill an act regulating the measurement and sale of milk, came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely and was postponed indefinitely in concurrence.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of M. C. Stewart + als. reporting Resolve in aid of building a bridge across the North branch of Presque Isle Stream

Also report of same Committee on petition of Sarah Young reporting Resolve authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to Sarah Young.

Reports accepted in concurrence resolves read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on order relative to allowing respondents to testify, reporting Bill an act relating to evidence in criminal prosecutions.

This Report came from the Senate accepted.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Aletsin.

The report was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Capital Punishment on Governor's address, reporting Bill an act in addition to section 7 of chapter 135 Revised Statutes in ref-

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rence to proceedings in capital cases. On motion of Mr. Tarbox of Westport the Report was laid on the table.

Order providing that no new legislation shall be introduced after 22° instant. This order came from the Senate passed and was passed in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Agriculture on proposition of Hon. Francis O. J. Smith donating a farm for the establishment of a primary Agricultural College reporting reference of same to the Commissioners to be appointed to have in charge the proposed Agricultural College.

Report of Committee on the Library on order relative to international exchanges, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance reporting finally.

Repts accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Military Pensions on petition of Elizabeth Brooks reporting Resolve in favor of Elizabeth Brooks.

Rept accepted in concurrence resolve read twice, and postponed indefinitely.

Sent up for concurrence.

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Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution so as to allow soldiers absent from this State to vote for Governor, Senators, representatives and County Officers.

These resolves were read twice and passed to be engrossed by yeas 114 nays 4, as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Abbot, R. A. Allen, C. F. Barker, G. Barker, J. Barker, L. Barker, M. W. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, W. G. Bradbury, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Butler, Butts, Carlton, Chapman Clay, Conant, Condon, Coombs, Copeland, Cram, Cushman, Daggett, Danforth, H. C. Davis, J. Davis, 2d, J. Day, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dingley, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunn, Dunning, N. A. Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Foss, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hall, Hamilton, Hamm, Handy, Harden, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Hinks, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Johnson, Jordan, Joy, John Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Knowlton, D. Lane, Jr., J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Little, Littlefield, Lowell, Lynch, Mayo, Means, N. Merrill, R. Merrill, Merrow, Milliken, Moody, Morton, Neal, E. S. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, T. C. Norris, Parker, Patten, Peters, Poland, Quinnam, Small, F. O. J. Smith, L. G. Smith, Spring, Stetson, Stewart, C. Stone, J. M. Stone, Stover, Strout, Tarbox, Thompson, Tobey, Trafton, Turner, Wade, Wadsworth, Walker, Wheeler, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

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Nays: Messrs. Cyr, Jason Webb, N. Webb, Wyman.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Aroostook Railroad Company.

Presented by leave, by Mr. Stetson of Bangor and on motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to incorporate the Penobscot County Fair Ground Company.

Presented by leave by Mr. Peters of Bangor, and on his motion, the rules were suspended, the bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Drummond from the Committee on Finance on order relating to a State Tax reported Bill an act for the assessment of a state tax for the year 1864 amounting to one million, three hundred twenty one thousand, five hundred seventy nine dollars and forty one cents.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on Judiciary on petition of Robert H. Gardiner & als. reported Bill an act to enable stockholders in the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company to call a meeting for the choice of officers.

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Mr. Peters from same Committee on Bill an act to change the times of holding the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Aroostook reported that the same ought to pass.

Also same report on Bill an act relating to board of persons in Penobscot County Jail.

The preceding reports were accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Bucksport,
Ordered That Cyprus Small, member of this House be excused from further attendance after Thursday and that the Committee on Pay Roll make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. Burnham from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported finally.

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to further legislation respecting Corporations reported legislation inexpedient.
Reports accepted
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve appropriating lumber and timber on one township of land was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

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Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve for the repair of State roads in Indian Township.

Read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. Clay from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act to define the extent and duration of the Lord's day and to amend chapters 81 and 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Sabbath, reported such the same with an amendment.

Report accepted, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Peters from the Committee on Judiciary on petition of D. H. Converse & als. reported Bill an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Knox and the time of holding the May term of said Court in the County of Lincoln.
On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland the report was laid on the table.

The motion for the reconsideration of the vote whereby the House refused a passage to the Resolve in favor of Hebron Seminary being the special assignment of the hour was taken up and considered.

On motion of Mr. Cram of Brunswick the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to reconsider by yeas 57 nays 64, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, H. K. Bradbury, Burleigh, Butler, Clay, Copeland, Cushman, Daggett, Danforth, J. Day, Deering, Dillingham, Dingley, Drummond, N. A. Farwell, N. T. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Foss, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jackson, Jordan, Knowlton, D. Lane, Jr., J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, N. Merrill, R. Merrill, Moody, H. J. Nickerson, T. C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Porter, Quinnam, L. N. Rogers, F. O. J. Smith, C. Stone, Strout, Tarbox, Thompson, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, A. Webb, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. R. A. Allen, C. F. Barker, J. Barker, L. Barker, M. W. Berry, W. G. Bradbury, Burnham, Butts, Carlton, Chapman, Carter, Conant, Condon, Coombs, Cram, Cyr, H. C. Davis, J. Davis, Dennis, Deshon, Dolliver, Dunn, Dunning, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Hamor, Handy, Harden, Hinks, Hobbs, Joy, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Little, Littlefield, Means, Merrow, Milliken, Morton, Neal, E. S. F. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, Parker, Perkins, Pierce, Poland, J. Rogers, Russell, Small, L. G. Smith, Spring, Stetson, Stewart, J. M. Stone, Stover, Tobey, Trafton, Walker,

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The motion for the reconsideration of the vote whereby the House refused a passage to the Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, being the special assignment of the hour was taken from the table and considered.

On motion of Mr. Hinks of Buckfield the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken, the motion to reconsider prevailed by yeas 62 nays 57, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. D. Allen, L. Barker, Bb. K. Bradbury, Burleigh, Butler, Clay, Copeland, Cushman, Dagget, Danforth, J. Day, Deering, Dillingham, Dingley, Drummond, Dunning, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Fox, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jackson, Knowlton, D. Lane, jr. J. C. Lane, Lunt, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, N. Merrill, R. Merrill, Merrow, Moody, Neal, H. J. Nichols, T. C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Pike, Quinman, D. N. Rogers, F. O. J. Smith, Spring, C. Stone, Strout, Talbot, Thompson, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, A. Webb, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. K. A. Allen, C. F. Barker, G. Barker, L. Barker, M. W. Berry, W. G. Bradbury, Brannan, Bulls, Carlton, Carter, Chapman, Conant, Corden,

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Coombs, Cram, Cyr, H. C. Davis, J. Davis, Dennis, Deshon, Dolliver, Dunn, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hanson, Handy, Harden, Hinks, Hobbs, Joy, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Little, Littlefield, Means, Millikin, Morton, E. S. F. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, Parker, Perkins, Peirce, Poland, J. Rogers, Small, L. G. Smith, Stetson, Stewart, J. M. Stone, Stover, Tobey, Trafton, Walker, Waterhouse, J. Webb, Wyman.

The question recurring on the final passage of the Resolve Mr. Hinks of Buckspurt moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the Resolve was passed finally, by yeas 62. nays 57, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, Lewis Barker, A. K. Bradbury, Burleigh, Butler, Clay, Copeland, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, Dearborn, J. Day, Deering, Dilingham, Dingley, Drummond, Dunning, N. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Fifield, Foss, Heagan, Hill, Hinds, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Knowlton, D. Lane jr, J. C. Lane, Lanabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Merrow, Moody, Neal, H. J. Nickerson, T. C. Norris, O'Brien, Patten, Peters, Porter, Quinnam, Spring, C. Stone, Strout, Tabor, Thompson, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, A. Webb, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were

Messrs. R. A. Allen, C. F. Barker, G. Barker, J. Barker, M. W. Berry, W. G. Bradbury, Burnham, Butts, Carlton, Carter, Chapman, Conant, Condon, Coombs, Cram, Cyr, Davis 2d, Dennis, Deshon, Dolliver, Dunn, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hall, Hamilton, Hamor, Handy, Harden, Hinks, Hobbs, Joy, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Little, Littlefield, Means, Milliken, Morton, E. S. F. Nicherson, J. J. Norris, Parker, Perkins, Peirce, Poland, J. Rogers, Small, L. G. Smith, Stetson, Stewart, J. M. Stone, Stover, Tobey, Trafton, Waterhouse, J. Webb, Wyman.

The resolve was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill an act to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools, being the special assignment of this hour was taken from the table and considered.

Mr. Stone of Jay moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Grant of Lebanon, the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the bill was indefinitely postponed by yeas 62 nays 61, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, R. A. Allen, J. Barker, L. Barker, Burnham, Butler, Clay, Condon, Copeland, Cram, Cushman, Daggett, J. Day, Deering, Dillingham, Dingley, N. W. Farwell, Follansbee, Foss, Hamor, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Hinks, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, In-

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gasoll, Jordan, J. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, D. Lane, Jr. Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mears, N. Merrill, R. Merrill, Moody, Morton, C. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, T. C. Norris, Parker, Patten, Peters, Quinnam, D. N. Rogers, J. Rogers, Small, Spring, Stetson, C. Stone, J. McL. Stone, Stover, Wade, Wadsworth, Walker, White, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were, Messrs. C. F. Barker, G. Barker, M. W. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, W. G. Bradbury, Bragdon, Burleigh, Butts, Carlton, Carter, Chapman, Conant, Coombs, Cyphers, Cyr, Dauphin, A. C. Davis, J. Davis 2d, Dexter, Dolliver, Dunn, Dunning, A. A. Farwell, Fifield, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Handy, Harden, Jackson, Johnson, Joy, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Knowlton, Larrabee, Littlefield, Mayo, Merrow, Millikan, Neal, J. J. Norris, O'Brien, Perkins, Peirce, Potter, Poland, Russell, F. O. J. Smith, L. G. Smith, Stewart, Tabor, Thompson, Tobey, Trafton, Turner, Waterhouse, J. Webb, A. Webb, Wyman.

Paper from the Senate:

Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers, approved February 20. 1864.

This bill came back from the Senate, the House amendments adopted, the bill further amended as per sheet L and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

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Pending the consideration of this amendment, the House

Adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment

Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers, approved February 20. 1864. being under consideration at the time of adjournment, was taken up and considered.

The House nonconcurred in Senate amendment L. and insisted on its former vote.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson,

The House reconsidered its vote in passing the Resolve in favor of Josiah H. Drummond, also in adopting amendment A. and passed the Resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital.

Presented by leave by Mr. Turner of Augusta. Rules suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Burleigh of So. Berwick

The House took from the table the mo-

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tion to reconsider the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the Resolve in favor of Berwick academy.

The House refused to reconsider.

Bill an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway.

Presented, by leave, by Mr. Peters of Bangor, and on his motion laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the August term of the Supreme Judicial Court for criminal business within the County of Penobscot.

Presented, by leave, by Mr. Peters of Bangor.

Bill an act in relation to the jurisdiction of trial justices and the place in which justice actions shall be commenced.

Presented by leave by Mr. Porter of Burlington.

The foregoing bills under rule lie over one day.

Report of the Committee on the State's assuming the liabilities of cities, towns and plantations in raising money for bounties to soldiers, was taken from the table and considered.

Mr. Barker of Stetson moved

that the report be laid on the table.

Mr. Bradbury of Hollis moved and the House ordered that the question of laying the Report on the table, be taken by yeas and nays; the report was laid on the table by yeas 78, nays 36, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot. D. Allen, J. Barker, L. Barker, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Carter, Conant, Copeland, Cram, Cyr, Cyphers, H. C. Davis, J. Day, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunn, N. A. Farwell, Follansbee, Foss, Fuller, Hamilton, Handy, Haynes, Hill, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Ingersoll, Joy, Jordan, J. Kimball, Kingsbury, D. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, Means, N. Merrill, R. Merrill, Milliken, Moody, Morton, E. S. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, O'Brien, Parker, Patten, Peters, Poland, D. N. Rogers, J. Rogers, Quinnam, Spring, Stetson, C. Stone, J. M. Stone, Stover, Tarbox, Thompson, Turner, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, Walker, Nathan Webb, Wheeler, Williams Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. R. A. Allen, C. F. Barker, H. K. Bradbury, Butts, Carlton, Condon, Coombs, Cushman, Danforth, J. Davis, 2d, Dunning, Fifield, Greene, Hamor, Harden, Hinds, Hinks, Jackson, J. C. Lane, Little, Littlefield, Neal, J. J. Norris, T. C.

Norris, Perkins, Porter, Russell, Small, F. O. J. Smith, L. G. Smith, Stuart, Trafton, Jason Webb, Whittle, Wyman.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Adjourned.

Attest Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Wednesday. March. 23. 1864.

Met according to adjournment

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Bailey of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Military Affairs reporting finally.

Report of Committee on Division of Towns reporting finally.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on petition of Joseph Clark & als. reporting that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Reports accepted in concurrence.

Resolve for the relief of Nathan Weston.

Referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes concerning the distribution of estates.

Bill an act to protect wool growers against the depredations of thieves.

These bills came back from

the Senate postponed indefinitely.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital.

This resolve came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment adopted and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act amendatory of and in addition to an act to incorporate the City of Lewiston.

This bill came back from the Senate, amended as per sheets A. B. & C. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The House receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopt Senate amendments, and pass the bill as amended to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

This resolve came back from the Senate, that branch non-concurring in the vote of the House refusing the resolve a passage and proposing a Committee of Conference.

The House receded from its former vote and the question recurring on

the final passage of the resolve, Mr. Cram of Brunswick moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the resolve was passed by yeas 72, nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, N. K. Bradbury, Bradford, Burgess, Burleigh, Carter, Clay, Coombs, Copeland, Cushman, Cyphers, Cyr, Daggett, Danforth, J. Day, Deering, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, N. A. Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Follansbee, Foss, Goodwin, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Ingersoll, Jackson, Jordan, Knowlton, D. Lane, Jr. J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, N. Merrill, R. Merrill, Merrow, Moody, H. J. Nickerson, Thos. C. Norris, Patten, Peters, Porter, Quinnan, D. N. Rogers, J. Rogers, F. O. J. Smith, Spring, Stetson, C. Stone, Strout, Tabor, Thompson, Tobey, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, Waterhouse, N. Webb, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. R. A. Allen, C. F. Barber, J. Barber, A. Berry, M. N. Berry, W. G. Bradbury, Burnham, Carlton, Conant, Cram, H. C. Davis, J. Davis, 2d, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hall, Hamilton, Hamor, Johnson, Kingsbury, Littlefield, Means, Morton, E. S. F. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, Parker, Pierce, Poland, Russell, Small, L. G. Smith, Stewart, J. M. Stone, Walker.

The resolve was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the Reform School.

Read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on order relating to fraudulent conveyances reporting Bill an act relating to fraudulent conveyances of property to married women.

Report of same Committee on order relating to rules of evidence, reporting Bill an act amending chapter 82 section 79 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court.

Report of same Committee on order relative to amending chapter 55 section 11 Revised Statutes reporting Bill an act to amend chapter 55 section 11 of the Revised Statutes relating to devises and donations to towns.

Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for their third reading.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on Bill an act providing for the publication of the names and residences of magistrates, reporting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

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Report of same Committee on order relative to illegitimate children reporting Bill an act relating to illegitimate children.

Report of same Committee on order relative to allowing soldiers to vote for electors of President and Vice President, reporting Bill an act authorizing soldiers absent from the State in the military service to vote for electors of President and Vice President and for Representatives to Congress, also regulating the manner of electing registers of deeds, County treasurers and county commissioners, so that such soldiers may vote therefor.

Report of Committee on Repair School reporting Resolve in favor of the Repair School.

Report of the Committee on the Library reporting Resolves for purchasing books for the State Library and for the usual yearly expenses of said Library.

Report of Committee on Education on petition of Trustees of St. Albans Academy reporting Bill an act changing the name of St. Albans Academy, situate in Kantaner in the County of Somerset

Report of Committee on Agriculture

on Resolve accepting the donation of an estate from Hon. F. O. J. Smith for the establishment of a Primary Agricultural College, reporting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads on order relative to sale of lots of land, reporting Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to investigate the title to State lots in the town of Rannard.

Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Trillon in the County of Franklin.

Resolve in favor of the widow of Thomas Smith late of Oldtown in the County of Penobscot.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted, and the foregoing bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence, rules suspended, bills read three times resolve read once and each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to an act to incorporate the Red Beach Plaster Company.

This bill came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed and concurred with the Senate in refer-

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ing the bill to the next Legislature.

Resolve relating to Foreign Emigration.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The House receded from its former vote, adopted the Senate amendment, and passed the Resolve as amended to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1864 amounting to one million, three hundred twenty one thousand, five hundred seventy nine dollars and forty one cents.

This bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in third Reading, was read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve remunerating the State Treasurer for negotiating State loan.

Read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Farwell from the Committee on Judiciary on petition of J. N. Knowlton & als. reported Bill an act to repeal section 1 chapter 264 of the acts of 1863.

Report accepted and the bill referred to the next Legislature.

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Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Barker from the committee on Federal Relations on Governor's address relative to the Reciprocity Treaty, reported Resolves in relation to the Reciprocity Treaty.

Mr. Peters from the committee on Judiciary on petition of Job Lord & als reported Bill an act authorizing Job Lord and associates to extend a wharf at Winterport into the tide waters of Penobscot river.

Also a Bill an act additional to chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court reported that the same ought to pass.

Also a Bill an act additional to section 17 chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes requiring certain proceedings of executors and administrators in the conveyance of real estate, reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The foregoing reports were accepted, bills read three times, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the redemption of railroad mortgages by subsequent mortgages, and for

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better protection of bondholders was taken from the table and considered.
On motion of Mr. Smith of Westbrook, the bill was laied on the table.

Bill an act to provide support for the families of soldiers.

Bill an act to amend an act to provide bounties for soldiers approved, February 20. 1864

Bill an act to incorporate the Bangor Company.

Bill an act authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Damariscotta.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the August and November terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Oxford County.

Bill an act to incorporate the Brewer Branch Railroad Company.

Bill an act authorizing the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend the track of its road in Augusta.

Bill an act enforcing the provisions of law and treaties relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

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Bill an act additional to chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Supreme Judicial Court.

Bill an act to amend an act to establish a Police Court in the City of Rockland.

Bill an act to authorize the collection of a tax in the town of New Sharon.

Bill an act to protect parties against perjury.

Bill an act to authorize the city of Portland to exempt the Portland Glass Company from taxation.

Bill an act additional to chapter 911 of the Revised Statutes relating to mortgages of real estate.

Bill an act relating to the duties and compensation of the Secretary of State and the Clerks employed by him.

Resolve appropriating the timber and lumber on a township of land for educational purposes.

Resolve in favor of Josiah H. Drummond

Resolve in favor of Alexander Turner.

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Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians for educational purposes.

Resolve in favor of Elisha H. Shaw, Silas H. Tracey, Lyman C. Hurd, Joseph H. Myrick and the widow of William H. Jenkins.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison.

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

On motion of Mr. Stetson of Bangor,

Ordered That the use of this Hall be granted this evening for a public meeting to hear some statements from the Commissioners from the city of Bangor to New Brunswick, in relation to the European and North American Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Barker of Stetson,

Ordered, That Joshua Butts, E. S. F. Nickerson, Miles S. Staples and Samuel Tarbox, members of this House, be excused from further attendance on this House, during the present session,

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after tomorrow and the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed to make up their pay to the end of the session.

Adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill an act relating to the choice and duties of town auditors of accounts was taken from the table, read three times, amended as per sheets A. B. C. D & E. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy.

This resolve came back from the Senate, passed to be engrossed.

The House receded from its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve and concurred with the Senate in passing the resolve to be engrossed.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House passed finally the Resolve in favor of St. Albans Academy was taken from the table.

The House refused to reconsider.

The resolve was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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On motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor,
The House reconsidered its vote whereby it referred to the next Legislature the Bill an act to repeal section 1, chapter 264 of the acts of 1863.
The rules were suspended and the bill passed to be engrossed.
Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the August term of the Supreme judicial Court for criminal business within the County of Penobscot.

Bill an act in relation to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices and the place in which justice actions shall be commenced.

Resolve for the payment of expenses incurred in the Lincoln county election case.
The foregoing bills were read three times, the resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding reporting a contract with Messrs. Stevens & Sayward, on motion of Mr. Cram of Brunswick, was taken from the table and considered.
Mr. Cram of Brunswick moved that the report and contract be recommitted.
The question being on recommitting, Mr. Cram moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the report

was recommitted by yeas 70 nays 49. as follows;

Those who voted in the affirmative were.

Messrs. R. A. Allen, C. F. Barker, J. Barker, A. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, Bradford, Burnham, Butler, Chapman, Conant, Coombs, Cram, H. C. Davis, J. Davis, 2d. Deshon, Dunn, Folansbee, Fuller, Goodwin, Grant, Hamilton, Hamm, Handy, Harden, Hinks, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Ingersoll, Jackson, Jordan, Joy, S. L. Kimball, C. C. Lane, Larrabee, Little, Littlefield, Lovell, Lynch, Manter, Means, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Millikan, Morton, Neal, O'Brien, Parker, Perkins, Poland, Russell, Small, F. O. J. Smith, L. G. Smith, Spring, Stetson, C. Stone, J. M. Stone, Strout, Tobey, Trafton, Walker, Waterhouse, Jason Webb, Nathan Webb, Whittle, Woodman, Wyman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, L. Barker, Burgess, Carlton, Clay, Condon, Copeland, Cushman, Cyphers, Daggett, Dauphin, J. Day, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunning, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Fifield, Fox, Haynes, Hill, Hinds, Johnson, John Kimball, Knowlton, C. Lane, Jr. Libby, Mayo, Moody, H. J. Nickerson, J. J. Nutt, Thos. C. Nutt, Patten, Peters, Pater, David A. Rogers, John Rogers, Tabor, Thompson, Turner, Wade, Wadsworth, Wheeler, Williams.

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On motion of Mr. Waterhouse of Lyman. 507

Adjourned.

Attest Horace Stilson, clerk.

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Thursday, March. 24. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Libby of the House.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order relating to final adjournment of the Legislature came back from the Senate amended and as amended, passed.

The House recede and concur with the Senate in passing the order as amended.

Report of Committee on Agriculture reporting finally.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads reporting finally.

Report of Committee on Education reporting finally.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on petition of J. G. Walker reporting Bill an act allowing qualified electors living on Islands along the Coast of this State to vote for State and County officers in any adjacent town.

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Report of same Committee on Bill an act relating to actions of review, reporting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Bill an act to incorporate the Maine Manufacturing Company.

Resolve in relation to the National Cemetery at Gettysburg.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate accepted and the bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

Reports accepted in concurrence, bills read three times, resolve read twice rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act for the purchase of copies of the Revised Statutes.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet B.

House recede, adopt Senate amendment and pass the bill as amended to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve providing for the amendment of the Constitution so as to allow soldiers absent from the State to vote for Governor, Senators and Representatives and County officers.

This resolve having been twice read and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed

Bills as truly and strictly engrossed was passed finally by yeas 117, nays 2, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. Abbot, D. Allen, R. A. Allen, G. Barker, J. Barker, L. Barker, A. Berry, M. W. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, W. G. Bradbury, Bradford, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Butler, Carlton, Carter, Chapman, Clay, Conant, Condon, Coombs, Copeland, Cram, Cushman, Cyr, Cyphers, Dauphin, Daggett, H. C. Davis, J. Davis, 2d, J. Day, Deering, Dennis, Deshon, Dillingham, Dingley, Dolliver, Drummond, Dunn, Dunning, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Fifield, Follansbee, Foss, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Hamor, Handy, Hardee, Haynes, Hide, Hinds, Hinks, Holbrook, Hopkins, Ingersoll, Johnson, Jordan, Joy, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Knowlton, D. Lane, Jr. J. C. Lane, Larrabee, Libby, Little, Littlefield, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, Mayo, Means, A. Merrill, Millikan, Moody, Morton, E. F. Nichols, H. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, T. C. Norris, Parker, Patten, Peters, Pierce, Poland, Porter, Quinnam, D. A. Rogers, J. Rogers, Russell, Small, L. G. Smith, Spring, Stewart, C. Stone, J. M. Stone, Stover, Strout, Tabor, Trafton, Turner, Varney, Wade, Wadsworth, Walker, Waterhouse, Watts, Wheeler, Whittle, Williams, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were

Messrs. Jason Webb, Nathan Webb.

The resolve was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on petition of J. H. Converse & als reporting Bill an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Knox and the time of holding the May term of said Court in the County of Lincoln was taken from the table, read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Messrs. Stone of Kennebunk, Davis of Woodstock and Littlefield of Bridgton asked and received the permission of the House to have their names recorded in the negative on the vote whereby the House passed to be engrossed the Bill an act to provide means for the defense of the South Eastern Frontier.

Mr. Daggett from the Committee on Education on order relative to Houlton Academy, reported Resolve in favor of Houlton Academy.

The rules were suspend, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The question being on passing the resolve to be engrossed, Mr. Cram of Brunswick moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays and being so taken the resolve was passed by yeas 55, nays 49, as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. N. K. Bradbury, Burgess, Burleigh, Butler, Carlton, Carter,

Clay, Cushman, Cyphers, Cyr, Daggett, Dauphth, Deering, Dillingham, Dolliver, N. A. Farwell, N. W. Farwell, Fifield, Hall, Hill, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jordan, Knowlton, D. Lane, jr., Lanabee, Libby, Lovell, Lynch, Mayo, Means, Milliken, Moody, E. S. F. Nickerson, H. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, T. C. Norris, Parker, Patten, Peters, Porter, Quinnam, D. A. Rogers, Smale, Spring, C. Stone, Stover, Thompson, Varney, Wadsworth, Wheeler, Williams, Woodman.

Nays: Abbot, R. A. Allen, G. Barker, J. Barker, A. Berry, Bradford, Chapman, Coombs, Cram, C. C. Davis, J. Davis, 2d, J. Day, Dennis, Deshon, Dunning, Folansbee, Fuller, Grant, Greene, Handy, Harden, Hinks, Johnson, Joy, J. Kimball, S. L. Kimball, Kingsbury, Lisle, Littlefield, O'Brien, Pierce, Poland, J. Rogers, Stewart, A. W. Stone, Trask, Tobey, Trafton, Turner, Wade, Walker, Waterhouse, Watts, H. Webb, Whittle, Wyman.

The resolve was sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act relating to the redemption of railroad mortgages by subsequent mortgages and for the better protection of bond holders was taken from the table, Senate amendments adopted, bill further amended as per sheets S. & T. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr. Parker of Graham.

The House took from the table the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine General Baptist Association.

The House reconsidered its vote, amended the bill as per sheet A. and passed the bill as amended to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the European and North american Railway, was taken from the table, read three times, amended as per sheets A. B. C. D. E & F. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to provide means for the defense of the North Eastern Frontier.

Bill an act additional to, and amendatory of chapter 40 Revised Statutes and chapter 99 of the Public Laws of 1862, relating to the inspection of Fish.

Bill an act to amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes relating to the sale of potatoes, corn, grain and vegetables.

Bill an act to incorporate the Penobscot Fair Ground Company.

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Bill an act to make valid the doings of the town of Wilton in the County of Franklin.

Bill an act relating to illegitimate children.

Bill an act changing the name of St. Albans academy.

Bill an act amendatory of and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston.

Bill an act additional to section 17 chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes requiring certain proceedings by executors and administrators in the conveyance of real estate.

Bill an act requiring the Secretary of State to furnish the clerks of Courts in the several counties, a list of all persons commissioned and qualified as Justices of the Peace, Justices of the Peace and Quorum, Trial Justices and Notaries Public.

Resolve authorizing the Governor to dispose of the Land Scrip belonging to this state for the benefit of the Agricultural College.

Resolve for the repair of State Road in Indian township

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Resolve in favor of Maine Insane Hospital.

Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy.

Resolve in relation to the Reciprocity Treaty.

Resolve in favor of Insane Hospital.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

Resolve tendering the thanks of this Legislature to Hon. F. O. J. Smith for his offer of a farm for the founding of the State Agricultural College.

Resolve in favor of the widow of Thomas Smith, late of Dedham in the County of Penobscot.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to investigate the title to State lot in the town of Barnard.

Resolve for purchasing books for the State Library and for the usual expenses of said Library.

Resolve relating to foreign Emigration.

The foregoing bills having been three times read, the resolves twice

read, each passed to be engrossed and concurred in by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills were passed to be enacted, the resolves passed finally, each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Reform School.

Resolve authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to Sarah Young.

Bill an act to amend chapter 55 section 41 of the Revised Statutes relating to devises and donations to towns.

Bill an act amending chapter 82 section 79 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court.

The foregoing resolves having been twice read, the bills three times read, and reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to enable stockholders in the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company to call a meeting for the choice of officers.

Bill an act relating to board of persons in Penobscot County Jail.

Bill an act changing the time of holding the March term of the Supreme

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Judicial Court in Aroostook County.

The foregoing bills having been read three times and reported by the Committee as Bills in Third Reading were passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wadsworth of Manchester moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed finally the Resolve relating to foreign Emigration.

The House refused to reconsider.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, proposing a joint convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall this day at 12½ o'clock for the purpose of choosing a Land agent to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. Hiram Chapman.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland.

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

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

In Convention.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Kennebec.

Messrs. Milliken of Kennebec, Elliot of

Cumberland, Manson of Penobscot, Gay phers of Ripley, Fuller of Livermore, Hopkins of Ellsworth, and Rogers of Kittery were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

Having attended to that duty the Committee reported.

Whole number of votes	123
Necessary to a choice	62
J. A. Milliken has	1
Joseph Titcomb has	18
Isaac K. Clark has	114.

The report was accepted and Isaac K. Clark was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

The Senate retired and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Resolve establishing the compensation of the chief clerk in the Adjutant General's office.

Presented by leave by Mr. Turner of Augusta.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice and postponed indefinitely.

Resolve relating to a commission on organization of the militia.

This resolve was read twice and postponed indefinitely.

Adjourned.

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Met according to adjournment.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across the North branch of Presque Isle stream.

Read twice and postponed indefinitely in concurrence.

Resolve relating to the establishment of a college for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on order relating to Supreme Court, reporting Bill an act requiring additional duties and providing for an increase of salary of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, was taken from the table, amended as per sheet A, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Quinnan of Bowdoinham,

Ordered That the Committee on Pay Roll be instructed to make up the pay of Ellery B. Bartlett in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars as Reporter for the House during the present session.

Bill an act amending an act providing bounties for soldiers.

Read three times, rules being

suspended, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent up for concurrence.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer of State to deposit funds of the State upon interest with the assistant Treasurer of the United States.

Read twice, rules being suspended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Stone of Jay.

Ordered, That L. L. Dunning, Horatio Dunn, and Nelson Stuart, members of this House be excused from further attendance after tomorrow noon, and that the committee on Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session.

Resolve to enable the State to meet any further call for troops.

Presented by leave, by Mr. Drummond of Bath. Rules suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bradford of Mexico.

Ordered, That Mr. G. Bradbury, Isaac Spring, R. M. Dolliver and M. F. Hamilton, members of this House be excused from further attendance and that the committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up their pay to the end of the session.

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On motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet this evening at 7½ oclock.

Adjourned.

Evening Session.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of Committee on Indian Affairs reporting finally.

Report of Committee on Reform School reporting finally.

The foregoing reports were accepted in concurrence.

Bill an act additional to chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in Court.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A.

The House recede adopt amendment A. and pass the bill as amended to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Elizabeth Brooks.

This resolve came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed.

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The House adhered to its former vote.

Bill an act to enable stock holders in the Kennebec and Portland Railroad to call a meeting for the choice of officers.

This bill came back from the Senate postponed indefinitely.

The House insisted on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Bill an act to define the extent and duration of the Lords day and to amend chapter 81 and chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Sabbath, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The House nonconcurred in the Senate amendment and insisted on its former vote.

Resolve in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike for a military road, came back from the Senate, that branch refusing the resolve a passage.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Eliakim Prescott.

Presented by leave by Mr. Parker of Gorham.

Rules suspended, resolve read twice and refused a passage.

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On motion of Mr. Peters of Bangor,

The House reconsidered its vote whereby it repsed a passage to the Resolve in favor of Elisha Prescott, and passed the Resolve to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Woodstock,

Ordered, That Emery F. Joy, Jason Webb, Hazen W. Danforth and John L. Kimball be excused from attendance on this House after tomorrow noon and that the Secs. on Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session.

Report of Committee on Judiciary on Bill "an act additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes relating to Banks" was taken from the table and considered.

Mr. Peters of Bangor moved to amend by substituting the report of the minority.

And the question being on substituting the minority report, Mr. Lynch of Portland moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the amendment was rejected by yeas 50 nays 60, as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. G. Barker, J. Barker, L. Barker, A. Berry, H. K. Bradbury, Carleton, Carter, Clay, Danforth, J. Davis, 2d, J. Day, Deshon, Dolliver, Fifield, Grant, Greene, Hamilton, Hinds, Hinks, Jackson, Johnson, Joy, J. Kimball, Knowlton, J. C. Lane, Little, Littlefield, Mayo, Means,

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Merrow. Moody. Morton, Neal, O'Brien, Parker, Peters. Small, F. O. J. Smith, C. Stone, J. M. Stone, Stover, Thompson, Trafton, Varney, Wadsworth, Walker, Waterhouse, J. Webb, Wyman.

Nays: Messrs. C. F. Barker, Bradford, Burgess, Burleigh, Burnham, Butler, Conant, Carden, Copeland, Cushman, Dam, Daggett, H. C. Davis, Deering, Dennis, Dillingham, Drummond, Dunning, A. A. Farwell, A. W. Farwell, Follansbee, Fuller, Goodwin, Hamm, Harden, Hobbs, Holbrook, Hopkins, Ingersoll, Jordan, Kingsbury, D. Lane, Jr. Larrabee, Libby, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, A. Merrill, R. Merrill, Millikin, M. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, T. C. Norris, Perkins, Peirce, Potter, L. G. Smith, Spring, Stetson, Tobey, Turner, Wade, Wallace, Watts, Wattson, Webb, Wheeler, Williams.

The report was sent up for concurrence.

"Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops approved March 25 A.D. 1858.

This bill came back from the Senate amended as per sheet C. and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hinds of Buckspot.

The House receded from its former vote and concurred with the Senate in adopting amendment C.

The question recurring on the passage

of the bill as amended to be engrossed. Mr. Thompson of Stockton moved and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence by yeas 59, nays 36, as follows:-

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Messrs. G. Barker, A. Berry, Bradford, Butler, Carlton, Crane, Cushman, Cypher, Daggett, H. C. Davis, J. Davis 2nd, Day, Dearing, Dennis, Dillingham, Dolliver, Dunning, Fox, Fuller, Greene, Hamilton, Hamor, Harden, Hinds, Hinks, Ingersoll, Johnson, Jordan, A. Kimball, G. L. Kimball, Larrabee, Libby, Little, Lowell, Lynch, Manter, A. Merrill, K. Merrill, Moody, Morton, M. J. Nickerson, J. J. Norris, T. C. Norris, Parker, Perkins, Price, Quinnam, Small, L. G. Smith, Spring, C. Stone, Stout, Thompson, Turner, Wade, Wadsworth, Walker, Weeden, Woodman.

Those who voted in the negative were,

Messrs. A. K. Bradbury, Burgess, Burleigh, Clay, Condon, Danforth, Drummond, A. W. Farwell, Goodwin, Grant, Hobb, Holbrook, Hopkins, Jackson, Joy, Kingsbury, Knowlton, Little, Mead, Meaher, Merrow, Neal, Peters, Porter, J. Rogers, F. C. Smith, Stetson, J. W. Stone, Glover, Tobey, Trafton, Tarney, Wallace, J. Webb, Nathan Webb, Williams, Wyman.

On motion of Mr. Dearing of Richmond,

Adjourned.

Attest: Grace Ellison, Clerk

Friday, March. 25. 1864.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Rowe of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill an act explanatory of and amending an act additional to and amendatory of an act to provide means for the defence of the North Eastern Frontier.

Resolve in favor of the widow of Col. Hiram Chapman, late Land Agent.

The foregoing bill was read three times, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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Bill an act relating to the choice and duties of town auditors of accounts.

This bill came back from the Senate, House amendments adopted, further amended as per sheets No 2, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted Senate amendments, and passed the bill as amended to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of Committee on State Binding and Printing reporting a contract

with Messrs. Stevens & Sayward.

This report came from the Senate accepted and the contract approved.

Report accepted and the contract approved in concurrence.

Mr. Turner of Augusta moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the House passed the order fixing upon this day for the final adjournment of the Legislature and on his motion the motion to reconsider was assigned for tomorrow at nine o'clock A.M.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

Read three times, rules being suspended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act to change the name of Emily F. Chadbourne.

Presented by leave by Mr. Trafton of Cornish. Rules suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

A communication was received from Nelson Strout, resigning his seat as a member of this House.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Herman,

Ordered that, F. G. H. Ingersoll, Otis L. Carter, Joseph Day, Otis F. Coombs, H. J. Nickerson and Zebulon Manter, members of this House be excused from further attendance

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at this session and that the Committee on Pay Roll make up their pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Adjutant General be authorized to receive from Messrs. Hartford & Smith, binders to the State, fourteen copies of his report for each member and officer of this House as soon as the same is ready for delivery and that he carefully box and plainly mark the same to their address and forward them by express.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on order relative to allowing respondents in criminal cases to testify, reporting Bill an act relating to evidence in criminal prosecutions was taken from the table and considered.

The report was accepted, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Report of Committee on States assuming liabilities of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties for soldiers, was taken from the table and accepted, rules suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Capital Punishment was taken from the table and considered

Mr. Lynch of Portland moved to amend

the bill as per sheets A. B. C. D. & F. C. & H.
On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,
the report was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

Afternoon Session.

Met according to adjournment.

Resolve in relation to the pay of members.

Presented by leave by Mr. Davis of Hardwick. Rules suspended, resolve read twice and postponed indefinitely.

Mr. Lynch from the Committee on Finance on order relative to the repeal of Resolve of March 16. 1836, reported Legislation inexpedient.

Also same report on order relative to the States refunding to towns the State bounty for all men furnished over and above their quotas.

The preceding reports were accepted.

Resolve in favor of Stevens & Sayward.

Presented by leave by Mr. Drummond of Bath. Rules suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed,

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Skelton of Bangor.

Ordered, That when this House adjourn

it be until 7½ o'clock this evening.

In Senate of the State

Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate.

The fregoing resolves were each twice read, rules being suspended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill an act requiring additional duties and providing for an increase of the salaries of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Bill an act allowing soldiers absent from the State in the military service to vote for electors of President and Vice President; also regulating the manner of electing registers of deeds, County Treasurers and county Commissioners, so that soldiers may be allowed to vote therefor.

Bill an act in relation to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices and the place in which justice actions shall be commenced.

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenses of Government.

Bill an act amending an act providing bounties for soldiers.

Bill an act relating to the redemption of railroad mortgages by subsequent mortgages and for the better protection

Bill an act to repeal section 1 of chapter 246 of the acts of 1863 entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast.

Bill an act authorizing Job Lord and associates to extend a wharf at Winterport into the tide waters of the Penobscot River.

Bill an act amending chapter 82 section 79 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court.

Bill an act relating to reviews, writs of error, and judgments and executions thereon.

Bill an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of the European and North American Railway.

Bill an act additional to chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in court.

Bill an act to amend chapter 55 section 11 of the Revised Statutes relating to devises and donations to towns.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Knox

and the time of holding the May term of said court in the County of Lincoln.

Bill an act allowing qualified electors living on Islands along the coasts of this State and other unincorporated places to vote for State and County officers in any adjacent town.

Bill an act relating to board of persons in Penobscot County Jail.

Bill an act additional to an act entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, approved March 25. A.D. 1858.

Bill an act changing the time of holding the March term of the Supreme Judicial court in Aroostook county.

Bill an act to incorporate the Maine Manufacturing Company.

Bill an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine General Provision Baptists.

Bill an act to change the time of holding the August term of the Supreme Judicial Court for criminal business in the county of Penobscot.

Bill an act to change the name of Emily F. Shadbourne

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Bill an act relating to the choice and duties of Town auditors of accounts.

Bill an act relating to criminal prosecutions

Bill an act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government.

Bill an act to define the extent and duration of the Lord's day and to amend chapter 81 and chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Sabbath.

Bill an act explanatory of, and amending an act to provide means for the defence of the North Eastern Frontier.

Bill an act to enable stockholders in the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company to call a meeting for the choice of officers.

Resolve for the purchase of copies of the Revised Statutes.

Resolve in favor of Eliakim Hescott.

Resolve remunerating the State Treasurer for negotiating the State loan.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the Reform School.

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Resolve inviting the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to cooperate with Maine in extending aid to a military road from Bangor to the St. John river.

Resolve in relation to the National Cemetery at Gettysburg.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Sarah Young.

Resolve relating to the establishment of a college for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

Resolve for the payment of expenses incurred in the Lincoln County election case.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer of State to deposit funds of the State upon interest with the assistant Treasurers of the United States.

Resolve asking the United States Government to provide proper defences for the North Eastern Frontier.

Resolve to enable the State to meet any further call for troops.

Resolve in favor of the widow of Col. Hiram Chapman, late Land Agent.

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Resolve on Pay Roll of the House of Representatives

Resolve on Pay Roll of Senate.

Resolve in favor of Houlton Academy.

Resolve in favor of Stevens & Sayward.

Resolve relating to the States assuming liabilities of cities, towns and plantations in paying bounties.

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

Adjourned

Evening Session.

Met according to adjournment.

A communication was received from Hon. John A. Peters, resigning his seat as a member of this House.

On motion of Mr. Turner of Augusta,

Ordered, The Senate concurring that this Legislature adjourn at one quarter before nine oclock. P. M. without day.

Sent up for concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate informing the House that the Senate had disposed of all business requiring the concurrent action of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Farwell of Rockland,

That gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate informing that branch of the Legislature that the House had disposed of all business upon the Speaker's table.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Augusta,

Ordered That when this House adjourns the adjournment be without day.

Order from the Senate:

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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 Governor and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature having acted on all matters before them, are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

This order came from the Senate read and passed and

Messrs. Manson of Penobscot,
Merrow of Sagadahoc,
Stevens of Oxford

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appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Barker of Nelson,
Lynch of Portland,
Bradbury of Hollis,
Davis of Woodstock,
Dillingham of Waterville,
Hopkins of Ellsworth,
Watts of Wales,

were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

The Committee appointed to wait on the Governor, through Mr. Barker, subsequently reported that they had attended to the duty assigned them and that the Governor was pleased to say he would forthwith communicate to the Legislature through the Secretary of State.

A communication was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting a list of the Acts and Resolves signed by him and saying that he had no further communication to make.

On motion of Mr. Deering of Richmond,

Ordered, That the thanks of this House be extended to the Messengers and Page for the very acceptable manner in which they have discharged their duties.

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On motion of Mr. Dillingham of Waterville,

~~Ordered, That the thanks of this~~ House be presented to Horace Gilson, clerk, and S. L. Bradbourne, Assistant clerk, for the courteous, diligent and satisfactory manner in which they have discharged their important duties during the present session of the Legislature.

Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford then rose and said,

The clock admonishes us that the time has arrived for the final adjournment of this House. After a laborious session, during which various and most important legislation has been consummated, we are now assembled together for the last time, soon to separate and return to our constituents and our homes. I am sure we shall carry with us the consciousness of having endeavored faithfully, according to the dictates of our best judgment, to perform our duties as legislators. Our action has been of an unusually important character and must tell on the future with great weight, either for or against the common weal. Time, and time only, will determine, beyond controversy, the true verdict to be passed upon their acts. In our mutual intercourse, I believe all will admit, the session has been a most agreeable and satisfactory one, and most, if not all of us, will carry with us to our homes and during the remainder of our lives, an abiding source of pleasure in the recollection

of the many true gentlemen, whom we have here met, and the earnest and manly minds with which we have here associated. I feel that we owe much to the kindness, impartiality and politeness of the Speaker. It is therefore with a real satisfaction that in behalf of the members of this House, and especially of myself and my political associates, I offer the following resolve and move that it be passed and entered upon the journal of the House

Resolved that the thanks of this House are gratefully tendered to the Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr for the efficient and courteous manner in which he has discharged his duties as Speaker during the present session.

After further remarks by Messrs. Webb of Portland and Williams of Augusta, the resolve was passed.

The Speaker then rose and said,

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives;

Accept my thanks for this expression of approval of my official conduct. Whatever share of success may have attended my efforts to discharge the responsible duties imposed upon me is largely due to your generous forbearance and cordial co-operation. In bidding adieu to the scene of your legislative labors I am sure you will bear with you to your homes the consciousness of having honestly endeavored to discharge the important

duties entrusted to your care, and the many memories of the friends whose kindness will not be soon forgotten. Gentlemen, I bid you farewell.

The Speaker then declared the House of Representatives adjourned without day.

Attest:

Horace Stilson.
Clerk.

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An Act.

To further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the Laws of 1862, concerning the suspension of specie payments.

To provide for an additional term of the court of county commissioners for the county of Knox.

To change the name of the Maine State Seminary to that of Bates College and to otherwise alter the charter of said corporation.

To incorporate the Portland and Machias Steamboat Company.

Additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad company.

To authorize the city of Belfast to build a free bridge.

To prevent enlistments in this State upon the quota of any other State.

To pay bounties to volunteers, drafted men and their substitutes who shall be credited on the quotas of Maine.

To amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

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To incorporate the Portland Glass Company.

In relation to the [redacted] of depositions in certain cases.

To change the name of Frances Rebecca Perkins and for her adoption.

Additional to the several acts establishing the County of Piscataquis.

To change the name of Gilbert N. Eldredge and children.

To change the name of David Cushman.

Additional to an act to preserve the harbor of Portland.

To exempt a certain quantity of flax from attachment and execution.

To incorporate the Portland and Damariscotta Steamboat Company.

To prohibit gathering cranberries in the town of Cutler before the first day of September in each year.

To provide in part for the expenditures of government.

Additional to chapter 81 Revised Statutes in relation to writs in civil actions.

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To change the town line between Thomaston and Warren.

To change the name of Alpha W. Varnum.

Authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Somerset to reassess certain taxes.

Additional to an act entitled an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Atlantic Bank.

Additional to an act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine.

To amend chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to the power and duties of Judges of Probate.

To incorporate the Floods Pond Dam Company.

To incorporate the Baskahegan Dam Company.

To incorporate the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, and to amend an act in addition thereto, approved June 27. 1849.

To incorporate the Forest City Sugar

Refining Company.

To increase the capital stock of the Tartand Company.

To incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company.

To legalize the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties to be paid to volunteers, drafted men and their substitutes since February, 21. 1863.

To increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Franklin.

To amend chapter 251, section 7. Special Laws of 1863. relating to expenditure of school money in Madawaska townships.

Authorizing the further extension of the European and North American Railway.

Extending the charter of Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

Providing bounties for soldiers.

To amend the charter of the Union Fire and Marine Insurance Company of Bangor.

To change the name of Harriet Wells and for her adoption.

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To change the name of the Portland Five Cent Savings Institution.

To incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company.

To incorporate the Rokmeka Company.

For the preservation of pickerel and trout in certain waters.

To amend section 19 chapter 57. Revised Statutes for the better protection of travellers upon public ways contiguous to railroads and at railroad crossings.

To vest the franchise of the proprietors of Merrymeeting bridge in the city of Bath.

Authorizing the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend their road in Bath.

Authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes.

To change the name of William Llewellyn Freeman and to confer upon him the rights of inheritance.

To incorporate the Little Rock Railroad Company.

To change the name of James H. Jordan and for his adoption.

Additional to the act to incorporate

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the Baskahegan Dam Company.

To maintain a dam across Penamiaquan river in Pembroke.

To incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company.

To incorporate the Bangor Historical Society.

To incorporate the Portland Rolling Mills.

To authorize Robert Long and others to extend a wharf beyond tide waters.

To set off a part of the town of Scarborough and annex the same to the town of Gorham.

Authorizing the introduction in evidence of office copies of Custom House records and documents.

To amend chapter 601 Special Laws 1856 incorporating Auburn Village Corporation.

To incorporate the Swift River and Black Brook Improvement Company.

Relating to rules of evidence.

Additional to chapter 51 Revised Statutes relating to railroads.

To incorporate the Parks Pond Dam Company.

To authorize James Thompson to build

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a wharf over tide waters.

Additional to chapter 22 Revised Statutes relating to partition fences.

To amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Boom Company.

Additional to chapter 4 Revised Statutes concerning elections.

To encourage manufactures.

To extend and amend an act to establish the Dexter and Newport Railroad, approved March 30, 1853.

To incorporate the Portland Dry Dock Company.

To incorporate the officers and members of Monument Lodge.

To amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Kendalls Mills Village Corporation.

Additional to revive and amend an act to authorize the town of Wiscasset to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad.

To amend chapter 16 of the Public Laws of 1858 entitled an act relating to the discipline of the State Prison.

Relating to prisoners in the County of Sagadahoc.

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To establish the compensation of the County Treasurer of Cumberland County.

To provide for the adoption of William Samuel M. Cassidy.

To incorporate the Foreign Emigrant Association of Maine.

Additional to chapter 107 Revised Statutes relating to the taking of depositions

To change the names of certain persons.

Authorizing the reassessment of certain taxes in the town of Alton.

To amend chapter 253 of Special Laws of 1863 entitled an act in reference to the claim of Miles Wilson upon the County of Penobscot.

Authorizing the extending of a wharf into tide waters in the town of Friendship.

To incorporate the Lovell Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

To incorporate the Bowdoin Mills.

To make valid certains doings of the town of Dexter.

To incorporate the Casco Copper Company.

Declaring the power and authority of Trial Justices.

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Additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads passed in the year 1858.

To restrain illegal appropriations of public money.

Authorizing the Inhabitants of Dennysville and Edmunds to take measures for the preservation of salmon in Dennys river.

Additional to an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Mutual Insurance Company.

To incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Street Railroad Company.

To establish the Bangor Wet Dock company.

Establishing the weight of certain agricultural products.

To facilitate the detection and to prevent the circulation of counterfeit bank bills.

Authorizing constables to serve processes in certain cases.

Additional to chapter 91 Revised Statutes relating to personal mortgages.

To incorporate the Franklin Telegraph Company.

To incorporate the Beaver Brook Dam Company.

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Providing for the registration of births, marriages and deaths.

An act [redacted] to incorporate the Penobscot, Lincoln and Kennebec Company.

To make valid the doings of the town of Bethel in exempting certain mill property from taxation.

To incorporate the Passadumkeag Manufacturing Company.

To incorporate the town of Mt. Chase

To incorporate the Veazie Manufacturing Company

To incorporate the Cumberland Iron Company.

To incorporate the town of Ludlow.

For the protection of trout in Goose Pond.

To incorporate the Portland Cordage Company.

Additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log driving Company.

To incorporate the Waterwork Steamboat Company.

To incorporate the Skowhegan Water Power Company.

To change the name of William H. Mo. Melcher.

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Authorizing the extending of a wharf into the tide waters of Camden.

Authorizing certain persons to construct a fish weir in Johnson's Bay, Lubec.

Additional to an act to set off certain lands from the town of Frankfort and annex the same to the town of Monroe.

To incorporate the Fayette Manufacturing Company.

To amend section 6, chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes concerning the assessment and collection of taxes

Relating to the charter of Limerick Academy.

In addition to an act to incorporate the Upper Stillwater Bridge, approved February 19, 1835.

In addition to chapter 51 Revised Statutes relating to railroads....

Relating to proceedings in criminal cases in Court.

To amend chapter 176 of the Public Laws of 1863, relating to Stock Insurance Companies.

To define where inhabitants set off from one town and annexed to another may vote in certain cases.

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Empowering Courts of Probate to authorize executors and other parties to refer or compromise claims in certain cases.

To amend chapter 6, section 28 Revised Statutes relating to assessments of taxes.

To make valid the doings of the town of Waterville

Authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Damariscotta.

Additional to chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Supreme Judicial Court.

To authorize the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend the track of its road in Augusta.

To authorize the City of Portland to exempt the Portland Glass Company from taxation.

To protect parties against the effects of perjury.

Enforcing the provisions of law and treaties relating to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

To change the time of holding the August and November terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Oxford County.

To incorporate the Bangor Company.

To authorize the collection of a tax in the town of New Sharon.

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Relating to the duties and compensation of the Secretary of State and the clerks employed by him.

To provide support for the families of soldiers.

Additional to chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes relating to mortgages of real estate.

To amend an act to provide bounties to soldiers approved February 20. 1864.

To amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Rockland.

To incorporate the Brewer Branch Railroad Company.

Additional to, and amendatory of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes and chapter 99 of the public laws of 1862, relating to the inspection of fish.

To amend chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes relating to the sale of potatoes, corn, grain, vegetables, meal and hair.

To incorporate the Penobscot County Fair Ground Company.

Relating to illegitimate children.

Amendatory of and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston.

Changing the name of St. Albans Acad-

eny, situated in Hartland in the County of Somerset.

To make valid the doings of the town of Wilton, in the County of Franklin.

Additional to section 17 chapter 71 Revised Statutes requiring certain proceedings by executors and administrators in the conveyance of real estate.

To provide means for the defence of the North Eastern Frontier.

Requiring the Secretary of State to furnish the Clerks of courts in the several counties a list of all persons commissioned and qualified as Justices of the Peace, Justices of the Peace and Quorum, Trial Justices and Notaries Public.

For the assessment of a State tax for the year 1864 amounting to $1.321.579,41.

Relating to the redemption of railroad mortgages by subsequent mortgages and for the better protection of bondholders.

To change the time of holding the August term of the Supreme Judicial Court for criminal business within the County of Penobscot.

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To repeal section 1 of chapter 264 of the acts of 1863, entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast

To incorporate the Maine Manufacturing Company.

Relating to reviews, writs of error and judgments and executions thereon.

Authorizing Job Lord and associates to extend a wharf at Winterport into the tide waters of Penobscot river.

Amending an act providing bounties for soldiers.

To authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway.

Requiring additional duties and providing for an increase of the salaries of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Relating to board of prisoners in Penobscot County Jail.

To amend chapter 35, section 11 of the Revised Statutes relating to devises and donations to towns.

Amending chapter 82, section 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to proceedings in Court.

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To incorporate the Trustees of the Maine Provision Baptists.

To change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Knox and the time of holding the May term of said court in the county of Lincoln.

Additional to Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to proceedings in Court.

Additional to an act entitled "an act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and tippling shops" approved March 25. 1858.

Allowing qualified electors living on Islands along the coast of this State and in other unincorporated places, to vote for State and County officers in any adjacent town.

Changing the time of holding the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Aroostook County.

To change the name of Emily F. Chadbourne.

Authorizing soldiers absent from the State in the Military Service to vote for electors of President and Vice President, and for Representatives to Congress, also regulating the manner of electing Registers of Deeds, County Treasurers, and County Commissioners, so that such soldiers may be allowed to vote therefor.

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Explanatory of and amending an act to provide means for the defence of the North Eastern Frontier.

Relating to the choice and duties of town auditors of accounts.

To enable stockholders in the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company to call a meeting for the choice of officers.

Relating to evidence in criminal prosecutions.

To provide in part for the expenditures of government.

To define the extent and duration of the Lord's day and to amend chapter 82 and chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the observance of the Sabbath.

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Relating to the inadequate facilities for travel and transportation of troops between New York and Washington.

Making a conditional grant to the President and Trustees of Bates College.

Authorizing a temporary loan.

In favor of Sandy River Bank.

To authorize the Land Agent to deed

Hazen Keech a certain lot of land.

For the repair of the Bridge over the Molunkus stream in Macwahoc plantation.

For building ice cutters and break-waters for the protection of the piers and abutments of the Mattawamkeag bridge.

For the benefit of Charles A. Clark of Shipburg.

In favor of Henry Burns.

Establishing a valuation of certain towns and plantations in the County of Aroostook.

In relation to the establishment of a United States General Hospital.

In favor of the town of Lowell.

In favor of Nicola Andrew Dana.

In favor of Peol Sockis.

In favor of Eliza C. Prouty of township No 2. R. 2 in the County of Aroostook.

To appropriate money for the repair of Rocky Rips Bridge in township No. 1. Penobscot County.

Establishing the valuation of the towns of Columbia and Columbia Falls.

Relating to the President and Vice President of the United States.

Laying a tax on the several counties in this State.

In aid of Himenas Philbrick.

In favor of Cynthia R. Carpenter of Mt. Chase Plantation, Penobscot County.

In favor of Robert H. Manley.

Authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to D. F. Adams.

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In favor of the town of Columbia Falls.
Authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to George L. Emerson.
In favor of the State Prison.
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Authorizing the Land agent to convey a lot of land to Adaline Chandler.
In favor of Penobscot Indians.
In favor of Charles A. McKinney.
In favor of John Decker.
In favor of Isabella Fogg.
Authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to the widows of deceased soldiers.
In favor of Peol Sochis.
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Directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities, towns and plantations of the amount of State aid when the same is ready for distribution.
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In favor of Limerick Academy.
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In favor of the Penobscot Indians.

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In favor of Elisha H. Shaw, Peley H Tracy, Lyman H. Hurd, Joseph H. Huyrich, and widow of William H. Jenkins.

In favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison.

In favor of Alexander Turner.

Appropriating the timber and lumber on a township of land for educational purposes.

In favor of Josiah H. Drummond.

In favor of St. Albans Academy.

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In favor of the State Reform School.

In favor of Berwick academy.

In favor of the Maine Insane Hospital.

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