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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 27, 1868.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause four hundred copies of the Journal of the House to be printed for distribution.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

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AUGUSTA, }
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1868. }

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 the Clerk of the House.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moor of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Messrs. Porter of Burlington, Dingley of Lewiston, Weed of Littleton, Wedgewood of Biddeford, Chase of Portland, Hamor of Eden, Titcomb of Augusta, Spear of Rockland, Wheeler of Bristol, Curtis of Greenwood, Jefferds of Foxcroft, Merrow of Bowdoinham, Webb of Hartland, Rust of Belfast, and Walker of Machias, were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the credentials of members elect and report whether a quorum was present.

Mr. PORTER, from this Committee, subsequently reported that they had examined the credentials of members elect present, and a quorum was in attendance.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, 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 to administer to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Mr. Spear subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend the Convention for the purpose desired.

Whereupon the Governor, attended by the Council, came in, and administered to the members elect, and they subscribed, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and Council then retired.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Messrs. Hale of Ellsworth, Andrews of Buckfield, Plaisted of Bangor, Fessenden of Auburn, Hubbard of North Berwick, Cram of Brunswick, and Hartwell of Oldtown, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker of the House.

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

Whole number of votes,	146
Necessary for a choice,	74
Theodore C. Woodman has	104
Henry K. Bradbury,	42

The report was read and accepted, and the Hon. THEODORE C. WOODMAN was declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

The Speaker elect was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Bradbury of Hollis, and addressed the House as follows :

Thanking you, Gentlemen of the House of Representatives, for this honor, I will enter upon the discharge of the duties which you have assigned me. While it shall be my constant purpose to give effect to the will of the House, to see that the rights of each member are duly respected, and to carefully avoid whatever may tend to give rise to jealousy and distrust, I can with confidence rely upon your assistance and coöperation in the proper discharge of my duties as your presiding officer. In helping each other, we shall, I trust, mutually contribute to render the session pleasant to ourselves and beneficial to the State.

In regard to many matters upon which we shall be required to legislate, there will, of course, be differences of opinion. We cannot all think alike and perhaps it is not desirable that we should. Seeking the best good of our State and nation, we may differ as to the best way to its attainment,—“With charity for all” in our hearts and not merely upon our lips, willing to learn and not over-anxious to teach, we may at length find what we all earnestly

desire, but what now seems afar off, the end of our difficulties, State and national; and the discipline of sorrow and trouble through which we have passed and are still passing, may be seen to have been indispensable to the future life of the Republic. Entering upon the important duties which the people have committed to us on this the first day of the year, may we do so in a truly patriotic spirit. As servants of the State let us serve her faithfully, so that, having done what we could, this may prove what I heartily wish it may for each and all of us, a **HAPPY NEW YEAR.**

On motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor,

Messrs. Plaisted of Bangor, Files of Gorham, Thomas of Readfield, Newhall of South Thomaston, Rand of Waterford, Parker of Kittery, and Treat of Frankfort, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk of the House.

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

Whole number of votes,	132
Necessary for a choice,	67
S. J. Chadbourne has	102
Edwin C. Fletcher,	30

The report was read and accepted, and S. J. CHADBOURNE was declared duly elected Clerk of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

The same Committee proceeded to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Clerk.

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

Whole number of votes,	101
Necessary for a choice,	52
Charles E. Nash has	101

The report was read and accepted, and CHARLES E. NASH was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham, that gentleman was charged with a message to the Governor and Council, informing that branch of the government of the organization of the House of Representatives by the election of Hon. Theodore C. Woodman as Speaker, and S. J. Chadbourne as Clerk.

Mr. Porter of Burlington, was charged with a similar message to the Senate.

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

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, that gentleman accompanied the Clerk and Assistant Clerk to the Governor and Council to take and subscribe the necessary oaths to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Mr. Fessenden subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that S. J. Chadbourne and Charles E. Nash had taken and subscribed the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Whereupon S. J. Chadbourne and Chas. E. Nash appeared and entered upon the discharge of their official duties.

Attest: FRANKLIN M. DREW, *Clerk*.

A message was received from the Senate through Mr. Dyer of Somerset, informing the House of the organization of that branch by the election of Hon. Josiah Crosby as President, and Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., as Secretary.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That Benj. F. Cary be Messenger, Charles E. Avery and J. B. Walker be Assistant Messengers.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to deliver to the Clerk, for the use of the House, one copy of Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary, one copy of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, one copy of Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer, and one copy of the Holy Bible.

On motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop,

Ordered, That the Rules of the last House be adopted as the Rules of the present House until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the hour of ten o'clock A. M. of each day be the hour of meeting of this House until otherwise ordered.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Representatives to the State Legislature for the current political year, was received and read.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston introduced the following resolve, which on his motion was laid on the table :

Resolved, That Otis H. Abbott be hereby declared as *prima facie* entitled to his seat as a Representative from the District composed of Upton, Bethel, Newry, Grafton, and Hamlin's Grant.

Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick introduced the following resolve, which on his motion was laid on the table :

Resolved, That George Gould be declared elected and sworn in a member of this House.

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Governor, given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the current political year, be referred to a Joint Select Committee 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. Robie of Cumberland, Parks of Sagadahoc, Fulton of Hancock, O'Brien of Knox, Ludden of Androscoggin, Fairbanks of Franklin, and Pierce of Waldo, appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Morris of Portland, Teague of Lyndon, Clark of Lewiston, Tarbox of Farmington, Buck of Orland, Titcomb of Augusta, Monroe of Thomaston, Lennox of Wiscasset, Herrick of Hebron, Buffum of Orono, Robinson of Dover, Goss of Bath, Taylor of Norridgewock, Billings of Freedom, Talbot of East Machias, and Eaton of Wells, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. BILLINGS of Freedom,
The House adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Ordered, That, the House concurring, all petitions for private legislation, except petitions for redress of wrongs and grievances, which shall be presented to this Legislature after the first day of February next, be referred to the next Legislature, and that this order be published in the Kennebec Journal until that date.

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

Ordered, That the Joint Rules and Orders of 1867 be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature until otherwise ordered.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read, and on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The SPEAKER announced the Monitors of the House as follows :

First Division,	Clark of Lewiston.
Second "	Hartwell of Oldtown.
Third "	Palmer of Bangor.
Fourth "	Henley of Cape Elizabeth.
Fifth "	Spear of Rockland.
Sixth "	Caswell of Belgrade.
Seventh "	Gibbs of Bridgton.
Eighth "	Buffum of Orono.

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

On Finance.

Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta,
Morse of Bath,
Paine of Eastport,
Robinson of Dover,
Foster of Portland,
Clark of Lewiston,
Talbot of East Machias.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Gibbs of Bridgton,
Hargraves of Shapleigh,
Judkins of Cornville,
Haines of Biddeford,
Balkam of Robbinston,
Leadbetter of Leeds,
Leavitt of Drew Plantation.

On Elections.

Messrs. Fessenden of Auburn,
Bradbury of Hollis,
Reed of Portland,
Thompson of Hallowell,
Patten of Hampden,
Monroe of Thomaston,
Blaisdell of Otis.

Bills in the Third Reading.

Messrs. Herrick of Hebron,
Ham of Wales,
Smith of Warren,
Wells of Dedham,
Lennox of Wiscasset,
Buffum of Orono,
Eaton of Wells.

Leave of Absence.

Messrs. Parker of Kittery,
Files of Monroe,
Marden of Stockton,
Weeks of Somerville,
True of North Yarmouth,
Caswell of Belgrade,
Curtis of Greenwood.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington presented the following order, which was read, and on his motion laid on the table :

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 129 of the laws of 1867.

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Corinna,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause to be prepared for the use of the House, lists of all the members of the House, arranged alphabetically and according to the number of their seats, including their residence, boarding place, post office address, and a diagram of the House of Representatives, and the usual number of copies be printed.

On motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to prepare a card containing the order of Legislative Business, and three hundred copies of the same be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell, Gardiner, and of the House, to officiate as Chaplains in rotation during the present session.

Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta presented the following order, which on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, was laid on the table:

Ordered, That a Special Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed by the Chair to inquire into the expediency of repealing the law entitled an act to provide for a State police in certain cases, with instructions to report as soon as may be.

The same gentleman presented bill an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of the year 1867, entitled an act to provide for a State police in certain cases.

Laid on the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

Resolve declaring Otis H. Abbott entitled to a seat in this House as Representative from the district composed of Upton, Bethel, &c., was on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Elections.

Resolve declaring George Gould a member of this House from the towns of Scarboro' and Windham, was on motion of Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick, taken from the table and referred to the same Committee.

Petition of Elijah S. Doane to be admitted to a seat as Representative from the district composed of the towns of Gouldsboro', Sullivan, &c.; also

Petition of George Gould to be admitted to a seat in this House as Representative from the district composed of the towns of Scarborough' and Windham; and

Petition of Charles Elliot to be admitted to a seat as Representative from the district composed of the towns of Knox, Belmont, &c.;
Were referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown presented the following order:

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause to be supplied to each member and officer of this House during the session, one copy of the Legislative Kennebec Journal;

Which was, on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, amended by adding the words "Maine Standard," and laid on the table on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston.

The report of the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial Votes, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence; and is as follows:

Whole number of votes,	103,764
Necessary for a choice,	51,882
Joshua L. Chamberlain has	57,332
Eben F. Pillsbury,	45,990
Joshua F. Chamberlain,	232
Joshua Chamberlain,	146
Eben Pillsbury,	10
Chamberlain,	5
Peletiah Witham,	3
Eben Knowlton,	1
Samuel E. Spring,	1
Abner Coburn,	2
Thomas A. Deblois,	1
Reuben G. York,	1
Joel Martin,	1
William G. Crosby,	1
Blanks,	38

And JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN having a majority of all the votes returned is therefore elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to wait on Joshua L.

Chamberlain, and inform him 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. Robie of Cumberland, Houghton of Washington, and Farley of Lincoln, appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston, Andrews of Buckfield, Cram of Brunswick, Rust of Belfast, Paine of Eastport, Palmer of Gardiner, and Dickey of Fort Kent, were joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. DINGLEY, from this Committee, subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duty assigned them, and the Governor elect was pleased to say, that he accepted the office to which he had been elected, and would meet the Legislature at such time as it would indicate, to take and subscribe the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, proposing a Joint Convention of the two branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at fifteen minutes before twelve o'clock, for the purpose of administering to the Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor elect, the oaths of office required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and of receiving from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

A message was subsequently received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., signifying the concurrence of that branch 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. DYER of the Senate,

That gentleman was charged with a message to the Governor elect, informing him that both branches of the Legislature were in Convention assembled in the Representatives' Hall, and ready to administer to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and receive from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

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

Whereupon the Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor elect, attended by the Executive Council and Heads of Departments, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary of State then made proclamation that Joshua L. Chamberlain is Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the State of Maine, 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 :

Acknowledging the Divine favor towards our beloved State, and invoking the same blessing upon her future, we exchange the greetings of the new year in assembling to consult for her welfare. In communicating with you at this time I shall endeavor not to exceed the duties required of me by the Constitution, and shall confine myself chiefly to those matters over which we have some control, and for which we are held responsible. I lay before you such information of the condition of the State, with such suggestions looking to the advancement of its interests as I have reason to think will facilitate your action.

Considering that a great civil war has just passed over us, leaving its wrecks and disorders everywhere, the minds of men still disturbed by memories of the past and anxieties for the future, the measure of prosperity which we enjoy is perhaps all that we could reasonably expect. Some of the chief sources of our sustenance have been cut off or turned into other channels. Many of our industries stimulated into unwonted activity during the war have now greatly fallen off. But the people have not been idle. With noble fortitude and resolution they have met all their duties as they came, and sought for means to bear the burdens they could not with honor lay aside. The calm and settled order of the old times has not returned, but our thoughts are given and our energies bent to bring yet better times than those.

FINANCIAL.

It is gratifying in this connection to be able to report that our financial condition, which before has been considered satisfactory, has still improved. Our bonds are not often in the market; but I have observed within a few days that they are quoted at a mere fraction less than the Government seven-thirties. The script for soldiers' bounties fell due on the first of February last, amounting to \$369,400, with interest, of which all but \$10,000 has been presented and paid. Of our funded debt the annual installment of \$37,000 has also been paid. This is all that has been disbursed this year outside of our current expenditures.

The War Claim of the State against the General Government has been made an object of special attention. Hon. Samuel Cony has assisted in preparing the evidence required on the suspended items and in prosecuting the claim generally. We have succeeded in obtaining the allowance of \$566,846.45, of which \$357,702.10 was applied to cancel our direct tax of \$420,826, (none of which I found had been previously paid,) obtaining a discount of 15 per cent. The balance of \$209,144.35 has been paid into the State Treasury, and applied in accordance with the law of 1861. Our whole claim, as now filed, amounted to \$1,301,571.78. This is accounted for as follows: Allowed in 1861, \$200,000; in 1862, \$120,000; in 1867, \$566,846.45; suspended and disallowed, \$414,725.33. Some of the items which found their way to the Auditor's Bureau were so obviously improper, as charges against the United States, that it has been thought best to withdraw them, in order to leave the account in a better shape to urge to a settlement. This balance may be arranged as follows: Disallowed as improper charge, about \$200,000; disallowed for want of sufficient legislation, about \$85,000; suspended for proof or explanation, \$130,000. Our claim has been promptly met, and I am assured by the Department at Washington, that no State has been more favorably dealt with in the settlements thus far made. The prosecution of the claim is at present suspended, until the order of business at the Treasury Department will allow its further examination. It will be taken up again at the earliest possible moment. Further legislation is still required to authorize the reimbursement to States of many of their necessary expenses in furnishing troops for the war.

In proceeding to state the amount of our public debt, I must

remind you that a considerable portion of this is the balance of our old civil indebtedness. Our debt at the commencement of the war was \$699,500.00. The thirty to forty thousand dollars which we are now paying annually is on this old debt. The balance of this at present is about \$458,000. The whole amount of our funded debt to-day is \$5,090,500, from which subtracting the civil indebtedness above we have as the war debt proper \$4,632,500. Of this the first which matures is \$800,000 in 1871. To provide for this we have the sinking fund of \$123,775.90 a year, which already amounts to \$330,855.35, and which, if continued, will abundantly meet this, and all other bonded indebtedness as it matures. Fortunately, however, we are able to add to this provision the sum of \$209,144.35, which has been collected from the General Government, and by the prudent management of our Treasurer there has been realized as profits, by buying in our own bonds at a discount and reinvesting the accruing interest on them, the sum of \$12,500. In other ways also we have advanced upon our next year's sinking fund some \$75,000; so that we have in our hands to-day \$627,500 towards the \$800,000 which falls due in 1871, leaving as our actual indebtedness on the war account \$4,005,000.

It is easy to see from this statement, that the sinking fund alone will amply provide for our debt at maturity, and if it were necessary we might even appropriate to some other more immediate use what we receive from the United States Government as reimbursement of our advances. It is worth while to observe that the loan of \$100,000 authorized by the last Legislature has not been resorted to, the economy of expenditure beyond what was contemplated in the appropriations having more than made up this sum. The heavy draft for pensions and aid to families of soldiers is now greatly diminished, and the Treasurer is of opinion that upon our usual ratio of estimates our rate of tax may be reduced to five mills on the dollar instead of six as last year.

The Report of the Bank Commissioners shows that only a few of our banks under State charter are now in operation and these are rapidly winding up their affairs. It is worthy of mention that though the legal liability of some has expired, still none of them hesitates to redeem its bills at its counter.

It would hardly be supposed that so dry a document would furnish some of the most interesting material for the philanthropist

as well as the economist. But it appears from this that the people are quite disposed to make the best of their circumstances. The Savings Banks exhibit the condition of that numerous class which depends on daily labor and small savings. The profits of capitalists do not appear here. It will doubtless strike many with surprise to learn that the increase of deposits in these banks for the last year is over a million and a half. This confirms the opinion I ventured a year ago, that there is more of private property now than before the war. The debt has been transferred from private citizens to public treasuries. This is by no means the most distressing form of debt. These banks also hold for the benefit of these frugal depositors, United States bonds to the amount of over a million and a quarter; so that large capitalists are not the only ones who have advantage of the exemption of Government securities from tax. But the most remarkable fact which appears is, that the sum at this moment invested in our Savings Banks alone is considerably more than the whole amount of our public State debt. These facts, and the inferences and auguries from them, furnish a most agreeable relief to our habitual cogitations on the industrial and financial state of the country. As the labors of the Bank Commissioners will probably be much reduced within the coming year, it might be well to charge them with the duties also of Insurance Commissioners, for which there now seems to be a demand.

A most remarkable misapprehension appears to exist in some quarters in regard to the law by which the stock of National Banks is now taxed for the benefit of the towns where the banks are located. Many suppose that this is by virtue of an act passed at the last session of our Legislature, and even hold the Executive personally responsible for all the present evils. The petitions in circulation for the repeal of this law seem to take it for granted that such action would reverse the present system. It is well perhaps to set forth the facts of this matter in a few plain words. 1. The main object and intent of the law of last winter was to secure the tax on National Bank stock for the benefit of the towns where the stockholders reside. 2. By the last section of this act the question of its constitutionality was submitted to the Supreme Court of this State, and a majority of the court decided that the provisions of the act were not in accordance with the laws of the United States. Hence those provisions are a dead letter and need

not be repealed, and the remaining sections, being but a reaffirmation of the United States law, it would be of no immediate avail to repeal. 3. The present state of things is owing to a law of Congress which explicitly declares that the stock of National Banks shall be taxed where the banks are located, and not elsewhere. 4. The real remedy for us is in the Congress of the United States, and not in the Legislature of this State.

This is not the time for an argument on either side of the question. Whatever may be said of the soundness of the general principle that property must be taxed where it is found in order to secure any tax at all, it is true that the present law of the United States operates to the disadvantage of the smaller towns by transferring a portion of their taxable valuation to that of the larger. It is not a little remarkable, however, that the provision itself grew out of the relations of Eastern capitalists with Western banks, so that in this case the relative advantages of city and country are quite the reverse of those which result from the operations of the law within our own State. It would be well perhaps, in view of the probable action of Congress in this matter, to repeal the fragment of the law which now remains on our statute books, so as to leave the matter entirely clear for the adoption of a different system, when authorized.

The Report of the Committee on the assumption of the municipal war debt will show how unequally that burden has been borne. Their facts, arguments, and conclusions, seem to me irresistible. Nor do I see a more equitable or practicable basis than that upon which they recommend a reimbursement to the municipalities; namely, that of \$100 for each man furnished for three years' service. This seems to avoid most of the difficulties which have always arisen when the question of a just equalization has been discussed. The striking difference among our several cities and towns in the relative percentage of population and wealth shows how severe the drain has been upon towns which had to furnish both men and money on basis of population only. Of our five hundred and forty-two municipalities, thirty-eight have more than half the valuation of the State, while they show considerably less than a third of the population. Hence it cost some of our towns more than six times as much in proportion to their means to send a man to the field as it did some of our cities. The plan now proposed should not involve any antagonism between

our cities and our smaller towns. To be sure it requires the cities to divide the profits of their cheaper furnishing of men, but this is only a fair adjustment when we consider that this cheaper rate for the cities was practically at the expense of the towns. This assumption does not add a dollar to our real indebtedness, but transfers it,—lifting a burden from the people, under which they are depressed and discouraged, and putting it into a general debt, which the State as a whole is better able to bear. The amount proposed is only one-third of the actual municipal debt, but it is understood that this is the final adjustment so far as the State is concerned. This reimbursement, and the means by which it shall be made, is a subject which will require your careful consideration. If the measures proposed by this Commission are not adopted, I cannot but recommend that we abate the taxes of some of our towns, which are struggling under the terrible burden of a tax of twenty-five per cent. of their valuation. The same arguments which show it to be the duty of the State to relieve its towns, avail for a still stronger reason upon the General Government to assume the whole expense legitimately incurred by the people in defence of the nation. If the Government at the outset had had the courage and strength to offer no bounties, but keep the volunteer organizations up to the minimum by draft, and pay men for actual service, wages which would enable them to support their families, not only would it have been better for the army, and for the treasury too, but we should have had none of the present inequalities; the service would have been rendered on a basis of population, and would have borne equally on our citizens. But the example of the Government rendered it necessary to resort to bounties, and the poorer places were compelled to compete with the more wealthy in filling their quotas. The ultimate responsibility of the whole state of things, it appears to me, is upon the General Government, and Congress should give its attention to the subject at the earliest moment the state of the country will permit.

MILITARY.

The Military Department of the State now consists almost entirely in a few offices devoted to the settlement of the accounts of the State with the General Government, and with our own citizens for services in the suppression of the late rebellion.

Adjutant General Hodsdon resigned his commission early in the

year, and Gen. John C. Caldwell was appointed in his place. The Adjutant General is now the only military officer of the State who is under pay. We have absolutely no militia organization. The old law was superseded by that of 1865, and I have not thought it advisable to organize the militia under the present law, on account of its great expense. It is very desirable, however, to have a small body of State troops at command for exigencies which may arise, and I would suggest whether it would not be expedient to furnish such volunteer companies as may offer, not exceeding ten, with a complete equipment, including uniform. This is a far less expensive plan than to authorize the regular organization, with the pay which by law attaches to the service. The companies from Bangor which appeared on a recent public occasion, showed a soldierly bearing and discipline worthy of mention, and if such companies could have recognition and encouragement they would be all we should need to preserve the military spirit, and to provide for public exigencies.

Under the resolve directing the Governor to procure arms from the General Government, or elsewhere, I applied to the Secretary of War, and received assurance that we should be furnished. The complications which afterwards arose rendered it necessary at that time for the Government not to establish that precedent, and accordingly the request was for the present withdrawn.

Many States have issued to soldiers certificates of service as evidence and reward. Many of the original discharges being lost or worn out in the effort to obtain payment of just claims, and many families who mourn their "unreturning brave," having no official record of their service, such certificates would be justly prized. It would seem fitting that Maine should render this last office of grateful recognition to those who maintained her honor on the fields of the Nation's struggle, and I would respectfully recommend that the Governor be authorized to issue such certificates, on satisfactory proof, and that they be taken as legal evidence of service in all cases where such testimony is admissible.

The administration of the State pension law amounts in its labors to the duties of an entire office. Under the efficient management of the committee of the Council, its cost has been much reduced. The work is now so systematized that in another year its expense will probably be still less. Whole number of applications, 1,367; granted, 1,095; rejected, 256; suspended for fur-

ther proof or explanation, 76. Amount disbursed, including estimates up to February 23, 1868, \$57,000. The wisdom and justice of such a provision by the State is painfully testified by the extreme necessities exhibited in the applications. It is but right to continue this act; and I cannot but recommend, in view of facts which are within my knowledge, that aged or destitute parents, or dependent sisters of the deceased soldiers or sailors, should be included in its benefits. Judging by this year's experience, the demands upon the State on account of pensions will be met by an appropriation of \$50,000.

The Board of Guardians of soldiers' and sailors' orphans has had an extensive field. It has not yet been possible to search out all these cases so as to give complete returns. Nine hundred and thirty-six have been reported. Of these 455 have been aided, and 11 cared for in asylums. The amount expended thus far is \$9,500; estimated to end of year, \$1,500, leaving a balance of \$4,000 unexpended, and not drawn from the Treasury. It has been found that many of these orphans were without any proper means of support, and some were actually suffering; and not the money only, but the guardianship of the State, is needed for their care. The applications for assistance are now increasing. If in your judgment the present mode of providing for these orphans is best, it is my opinion that with the aid of the State pension, which may often prove sufficient, the sum of \$10,000 will meet the requirements.

EDUCATION.

The Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools is a document of interest and value. I am not aware that it calls especially for legislation except in presenting the suggestions of the agent of the Madawaska schools, which strike me as worthy of attention. Improvements in the course and methods of instruction should not be regarded as impossible in times of general progress like the present. The people, generous in contribution, demand economy in expenditure and profit in results. Our permanent school fund amounts to \$245,121.23, the income of which for the past year is \$13,244.14. The receipts from the bank tax are rapidly falling off, being last year but \$4,475. The people are determined, however, that the schools shall not suffer. They have raised by direct taxation the past year the sum of \$518,292.97, an average of \$2.28 a scholar, and have built seventy-nine new school-houses, at

a cost of \$323,581.13. Add to this the sum of \$15,316.93, contributed to prolong public schools, with \$40,614.33 paid for private schools and academies, and \$6,428.25 paid out of the State for the same purposes, making an aggregate expenditure for schools of \$935,131.75, and you will need no other proof that the burdens and discouragements of the times are not allowed to diminish the interest of the people in our common school education. It will be our duty to see that this earnest intention is profitably carried out.

The Western Normal School appears to be in a prosperous condition. The resolve of the Legislature providing for the purchase of the buildings of the Farmington Academy has been carried into effect, and the State may now congratulate herself upon the permanent possession of this desirable location. The school having now passed its probation, is fairly adopted by the State, and it is proper that we should afford every facility for its effective operation.

In accordance with the resolve of the last Legislature, the Eastern Normal School has been opened with more than ordinary prospects of success. The citizens of Castine are liberal and earnest in their support of the school, which is one of the best auguries. Though somewhat retired from the ordinary routes of travel, the place is not the less favorable for purposes of study, and it is pleasant to contemplate that a spot so beautiful in itself and classic in our history, may add the new and powerful attractions which pertain to a seat of popular learning. The true design of the Normal School seems as yet but imperfectly understood. The idea is somewhat new that teachers of common schools require especial instruction and training for their profession. The Normal School is, however, in its design and its facilities nothing less than a professional school for teachers, which it is hoped they will more and more appreciate.

The College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts is an institution which should enlist the warmest interest of every liberal minded man. It is a subject upon which we must expect great diversity of feeling and opinion. There is no doubt an advantage in this, but it is feared that this difference of opinion in the present state of affairs amounts to a serious obstacle to the prosperity of the College. In reconstructing the Board of Trustees in accordance with the act providing for the same, it was found difficult to

induce gentlemen most naturally suggested to accept the position. Those who were appointed have labored faithfully for the College, and appear to have made the best use of the materials at hand. A commodious building has been erected as a dormitory, at an expense of something more than half the appropriation of last winter, and materials have been collected for the laboratory, for which it is the opinion of some that a new appropriation of \$20,000 should be granted. I cannot speak with entire confidence in the matter, but as it now appears I should advise expending no more than the balance of the last appropriation upon a laboratory for the present, having this so located and constructed that when the wants of the institution require or its means allow a more complete laboratory, this building can without much loss be appropriated to some other use. We must be warned by the errors which have well nigh ruined similar institutions in other States. Ours should not be allowed to impoverish itself at the outset by disproportionate investment in buildings, and thereby weaken its interior and vital organization until it has not power to fill them. So much, too, will the success of the College depend upon its relations with the men who are placed in immediate charge of it, that it would appear to me best to have the important permanent buildings planned according to their judgment, and erected under their supervision. Until, then, some of its teachers are on the spot and its general course and plan of operation is determined, prudence and caution should be the policy of the College. My views as to the demand for such an institution in our State, and the broad and brilliant career of usefulness that will open before it, are not changed. Nor is there any fear that when it is once set in judicious operation, it will fail of strong friends among our liberal citizens, or of the cordial support of the State.

The visit of the Governor and Council to the Perkins Institute for the Blind, in Boston, and the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, at Hartford, excited our deepest interest. It was most gratifying to observe the faithful care and instruction that was given to those unfortunate children. The exemplifications of intellectual discipline at Hartford were most remarkable. I take great pleasure in commending those institutions to your continued favor. Applications have been received in behalf of persons desiring to avail themselves of a different system of deaf mute instruction—the articulating method—which is thought to be better for

those who are partially deaf, or who have once learned to speak. This system is taught in a school recently opened in Northampton, Massachusetts, and I would recommend that the provision which now applies to our pupils in the American Asylum be extended to this school.

REFORMATORY INSTITUTIONS.

The Reform School has entered upon a course of unusual prosperity. Hon. E. W. Woodbury was elected Superintendent early in the year, and the results of his judgment and energy are already apparent, in the thorough bracing up of every department of the institution. A balance against the school at the beginning of the year of nearly \$500, has been exchanged for a balance in its favor of some \$2,000, and in other more important respects the institution is coming into a condition to relieve the doubts and anxieties which have so long made it seem a burden, rather than a benefit to the State. We cannot expect this school to be self-supporting; but the appropriation asked this year is moderate.

A resolve of the last Legislature provided for a report on the subject of an institution similar to the Reform School, for the benefit of girls; to be called, in order to avoid suggestions damaging to the sensitive character of woman, the Industrial School for girls. The examination of this subject was assigned to Hon. George B. Barrows, whose familiarity with the history and operation of similar institutions eminently fits him for the service. His report is still expected, but I understand that he recommends the establishment of such an institution, and that the suggestion is warmly seconded by some of our best citizens. It is lamentably true, that there is a demand for such a school, and it is happily true also that the protection or rescue of womanhood from the influences of evil, is a work most beneficial to society, as well as becoming to men. I should say without hesitation that the reclamation or guardianship of girls from wrong ways is of more importance than that of boys. The reasons of this will be apparent to every observant or reflecting mind. If we do not have an institution for this purpose we certainly should have a society or association. We may not be able now to enter upon this undertaking, but it is to be hoped that some of our public spirited and generous cities may offer to interest itself in this good work.

The report of the Insane Hospital, presents the usual features.

The current expenses have been met by the income from patients and from the farm. The constantly increasing demand for accommodations makes the call for the extension of the main building still more urgent than before. It is also proposed to secure a lot of land adjacent to the Hospital farm, which may be found desirable. In connection with the subject of these enlargements of the institution, I cannot but revert to my suggestions of last year in regard to the great improvements in the management of the insane, which have engaged the interest of eminent philanthropists, and whose results, as seen in the system at Gheel in Belgium, and Clermont in France, should command our attention. The report of the Committee of Investigation may be of service in its suggestions on the subject generally. I have had earnest applications to recommend that some provision be made for the care and education of idiotic and feeble-minded youth. This might be done by providing for them in some institution out of the State.

The State Prison has been conducted upon the same policy which has for several years been looked upon with commendation. It appears, however, that its earnings for the past year have not equalled its expenses by some \$7,000. The reasons for this are more or less directly on account of the crowded state of the prison, and will more particularly appear in the report of the Warden and Inspectors. It is still my opinion that the affairs of the prison are honestly and judiciously managed. I have had occasion to suggest that the discipline in the several grades of officers be more systematic and harmonious. It is important for an institution where the authority must be absolute, that the officers render mutual support; and while due subordination is insisted on, authority should be respected from higher to lower, as well as from lower to higher. It is creditable, however, to the management of the prison, that in the confusion of tearing down and rebuilding, no more serious disturbance has occurred. The deficit above referred to, together with the sum needed to complete the extension, will amount to some \$20,000, which must be regarded as an indispensable provision for the necessities of the prison. The number of pardons during the past year has not been so great as formerly; chiefly because it has been thought that pardons should be based upon either new evidence since conviction, mitigating circumstances unknown to the Court, indisputable proof of thorough reformation, or some peculiar hardship in the

case which the law could not take into account. The dignity of Law should not be mocked, and the sentence of the Court should not be lightly set aside. The presumption is that sentence shall be executed; and applicants for pardon should bear in mind that the burden of proof is upon them to show why it should be granted, and not upon the Executive to show why it should not. The right of petition must not be denied; but pardons seem too often to be demanded, as if the Governor and Council were defrauding convicts of their rights, or inflicting upon them some grievous wrong, by declining to interrupt the due course of law. In this connection I am constrained to refer again to the unsatisfactory relations of the law and the practice in the matter of capital punishment. Nothing can be more plain than that the law contemplates the death penalty as the extreme of punishment. It declares even the method, and requires the judge to pronounce the awful sentence, but leaves a weak place in providing for its execution by which a Governor, if so disposed, can shirk a painful duty. It begins a tragedy and ends a farce. I am not prepared to say whether public sentiment demands a change in the law, but I deem it proper to inform you that I shall consider it my duty to dispose of cases under sentence of death which come before me for action, and shall either see that the law is duly executed, or shall interpose the Executive prerogative of commuting the sentence to imprisonment for life.

The greater part of the Report of the Attorney General is devoted to comments upon the operation of the Constabulary and Liquor Laws, with recommendations for important changes in them. This is a subject of grave consequence, and will demand your calm and careful consideration.

INTERNAL AND MATERIAL INTERESTS.

Agreeably to an order of the Legislature, plans and specifications have been invited for the improvement of the capitol. These have been furnished, and will be laid before you. The elaborate plans submitted by Bryant and Rogers, who have remodeled the State Houses of New Hampshire and Massachusetts, suggest a very convenient and beautiful rearrangement of our interior, and extend to some changes for the outside. Other parties also have plans in preparation, which will be submitted.

I have not deemed it advisable to recommend any alteration at

present which would involve a great outlay of money. At all events I should extremely regret to see any change entered upon which would disturb the front of our present building, which I regard as one of the finest and most imposing in the country.

The Report of the Hydrographic Survey will, I judge, show striking if not complete results. The Survey proper has, as a general thing, been dispensed with, as so many of our towns voluntarily sent in full and accurate reports of their powers, and while this was in hand it was deemed inexpedient to enter upon surveys that might be found superfluous. There are several important places still to be heard from, and this Report cannot therefore be taken as by any means a complete exhibition of the water power of the State. It is a sufficiently remarkable fact that already 1900 water powers are reported, from 20 to 20,000 horse-power each, making an aggregate of about 400,000 horse-power, and equal to the working force of over 5,000,000 able-bodied men. This will be more exactly set forth in the Report, from which, incomplete as it must be, I anticipate an exposition of the resources of this State for Manufacturing purposes, such as cannot fail to strike our own citizens with surprise, and attract attention and investment from abroad. Not having seen the Report of the Commission, I am unable to say whether it would be advisable to extend the work any farther at present. The capacity and means of control of our great water basins and lake reservoirs, I understand, remain yet to be ascertained. This is an important element in computing the availability of our water power.

If this Report does not prove to be exactly in form or completeness adapted for popular distribution, I would suggest as the bulk of appropriation for this survey is not drawn, that the able Secretary of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to revise it and put it in proper form for distribution. We must spare no pains in preparing the way for the speedy utilization of our unequalled facilities for manufacturing, and must make our action to-day accord with the manifest destiny of Maine as a great seat of the industrial arts.

I had occasion in my last Address to refer to the obstructions now forming in the bed of the Penobscot River. I deem the matter of so great importance that I must again urge it upon your attention. Lest there should be any doubt in your minds as to the occasion for this solicitude, I have procured, by favor of General

George Thom, of the U. S. Engineers—to whom the State is much indebted for his deep interest and valuable coöperation in measures which look to its advantage—a copy of the Report of a recent survey of the Penobscot by Mr. Sullivan, which I shall lay before you at an early day. From this it appears that a bed of obstructions from slabs, edgings and sawdust extends from Crosby's Narrows to Bangor, a distance of some three and a half miles, covering an area of about 320 acres, and of an average depth of ten feet, being in some localities more than eighteen feet deep, forming an entangled mass of more than 5,000,000 cubic yards. The report proceeds: "From all these examinations it has been ascertained that this river, instead of having, as formerly, a wide, clear, and unobstructed channel of three fathoms in depth at low water all the way up to Bangor, has now a narrow, tortuous and uncertain channel, with but eight or nine feet at lowest water." The restoration of the old river-bed would cost millions, and is not to be thought of; but a passable channel could be made at a cost estimated at from \$100,000 to \$500,000, according to the depth. These obstructions are still accumulating, and it needs no argument from me to show that we cannot afford to close the Penobscot River and make Bangor an inland city. I cannot but regard it as my duty to urge upon you to put a stop, by suitable legislation, to the process of filling up the river, and then we shall be in a condition to appeal to Congress to clear the channel. It is easier for us to remove the cause than the consequence, and unless we do so it will be idle to expect the General Government to render us any aid.

It is proper to refer to the happy results of the liberal spirit of the State towards the proposition for the publication of the early documentary history of Maine. Under this encouragement the Historical Society commissioned Rev. Dr. Woods to examine the public archives of England, France, Spain and Venice for original manuscript records pertaining to the discovery and early occupation of this portion of the New World. To facilitate this desirable work, the commission of the State was also given to this agent, and he has met with every courtesy and coöperation on the part of the custodians of these archives. Under these favorable circumstances a large amount of valuable material has been brought to light. This will be embraced in a volume illustrating the progress of discovery prior to the year 1600, and culminating in

the occupation of this ground under the first charter of Maine in 1606, which was the dawn of colonization and civilization in North America. The editing of the work falls to able hands, and it is to foresee that this volume will be a more important contribution to our early history than has hitherto appeared. The appropriation for subscription to this volume has not been expended the past year, and I respectfully recommend that it be renewed, as the volume will undoubtedly appear in the course of the ensuing year.

The constitution guarantees to every citizen speedy justice. It is worthy of inquiry whether this pledge has been faithfully kept—whether in some instances the administration of justice has not been so impeded as to amount to a practical denial of it. The rapid increase of wealth and population in Portland and the neighboring towns, has long tended to accumulate business in the Supreme Court of that county. The docket of that Court in Cumberland now contains nearly 2,000 actions, in nearly all of which the defendants have filed specifications of defence, and are entitled to trial. The great hardship of the matter is that defences made only for delay shelter themselves behind actions which are really for trial, where they lie in safety, their hollowness not exposed until reached in regular course of business. With this accumulation no action can be reached under at least two years, and adding the delay for exceptions, heard only once a year, the average delay is three years. It is easy to see that the course of justice is impeded here, and it seems that the time has come for the redress of this evil by the establishment of a civil court for Cumberland County intermediate between the Municipal and the Supreme Judicial Courts. I would therefore respectfully recommend to your careful consideration the bill proposed by a committee of the Cumberland bar, and unanimously adopted at a full meeting of that body. It is believed that the creation of such a court, with its limited exclusive, and large concurrent jurisdiction, its frequent terms for jury trials, and its improved provisions for the speedy hearing of law questions, would afford a prompt and effectual remedy for the present evil.

It is well known that a respectable party of citizens of this State joined in the disastrous enterprise known as the "Jaffa Colony." The most distressing accounts of their condition reached me during the last summer, with anxious appeals for the interference of

the State on their behalf. As, however, they were beyond our jurisdiction and reach, I immediately addressed a communication to the Hon. Wm. H. Seward, Secretary of State, asking the aid of the General Government, in rescuing these unfortunate people from their distresses. This request was most kindly and promptly meet on the part of the government, and after some correspondence the Secretary informed me that he had provided for the return to this country of such of these unhappy colonists as were so disposed. In the mean time their sufferings prompted our Consul General at Constantinople, Hon. John H. Goodenow, to take action for their relief upon his own responsibility, and in great part at his own expense. He visited the colony, and conducted forty-two of them to Alexandria, Egypt, where Mr. Hale, Consul of the United States, arranged for their further conveyance home. Mr. Goodenow's services in the matter are deserving of great approbation.

The Fish Commissioners have given much attention to their investigations in connection with similar agents of neighboring States. They deem it, I understand, entirely practicable to restore the fish to our abundant waters which formerly afforded no small item in the productive resources of the State. The fisheries on the coast also are an important interest, and should be properly protected. The complaint is still made that the mechanical operations for the production of fish oil have been reckless, and the slaughter thus occasioned has caused a dearth of small and even of large fish along our shores. There is some doubt about the facts and their causes, but it may be that the matter deserves your attention.

SHIPPING.

The depression in so important a branch of our industry as ship-building has reached a point where we must have relief, or abandon an interest which has been our pride and stay. Not only do we see our shipyards idle and maritime towns stagnating, but the ship builders, who are among our most intelligent and valuable citizens, are driven from the State to seek employment elsewhere. The loss is one we can ill afford to bear. The State that has for years furnished a third part of the tonnage of the United States may well demand to be heard in the Congress of the Nation, and there are few subjects more worthy of attention than the restoration of the commercial interests of the country. Maine means to

be fraternal, conciliatory and generous. Prompt in her loyalty to the Union, she is still willing to deny herself something for each of the peculiar interests of her sister States. But she does not believe that they will deliberately persist in a policy which must destroy her main reliance, cripple her industry, and degrade her from her appropriate station. The country cannot afford to abandon the sea, or leave to foreign ships even our own extensive commerce. I am aware that it is not in the power of Congress to lift the whole burden from our shipping. It will take time to change the current of trade, and we must still be subject to the laws of supply and demand. Other places also which exempt their tonnage from local taxation will still have some advantage of us. We cannot hope for the old prosperity; we only ask to be relieved from so unequal a burden, and that, so far as legislation can effect it, the chances may be restored to us of a fair competition in the commerce of the world.

AGRICULTURE.

Agriculture is an interest in this State too important to be overlooked. There is no lack of industry in this department, but I still doubt whether our agriculturists have that courage and enterprise which our facilities call for. We are content with sending hay and cattle and potatoes out of the State. The great staple of life we bring in, and from a distance, and so at exaggerated prices. We turn to our neighbors on the north and west, and even stretch out our hands to California, for grain. It is painful to see heavy teams toiling days and nights long to carry flour into so fine a wheat country as our Aroostook, bringing it very likely from New York or Boston, and taking it almost back where it came from; and the farmer pays for the round-about journey it has made, bills which amount to more than the intrinsic value of the grain, when he could raise just as good at his own door. It is useless to wait for great manufacturing enterprises to develop this industry by creating larger demand. Bread will always be in demand. With our population, now probably upwards of 650,000, we need at least as many barrels of flour yearly, which, at \$15,—the average price for the last year,—amounts to \$9,750,000. This is nearly all imported, and probably no one article of export equals this in value. Here certainly is sufficient demand. The only question is, can wheat be profitably raised in Maine. The soil and climate

are no bar. In the Provinces north and east of us great attention is paid to wheat raising, and with good results. Where it has been skillfully tried in our own State there has been no failure. The intelligent farmer knows that he must sow on dry ground or underdrain, so as to get the seed in early and avoid the midge; that he must pulverize clayey soils so that they will absorb and hold the nitrogen or ammonia upon which the cereals depend; and that the wheat should be followed by crops like clover, turnips or peas, which do not dissipate ammonia, and those crops be kept upon the farm and returned to the soil as dressing. It has been proposed to offer a bounty on the raising of wheat in this State for the next three years. Whether that is done or not, the intelligent farmer who devotes himself to this will find a bounty in his immediate returns. With our 70,000 farms, an average of four acres would easily produce, at fifteen bushels to the acre, upwards of 4,000,000 bushels of wheat a year, and this experiment is worthy of being tried. It will be useless to hope that even with the increased facilities for transportation which we anticipate, breadstuffs will be greatly lower in price. The rapid increase of manufactures in the south and west will tend to increase a home consumption, so that less breadstuffs will be offered in eastern markets, and thus the price will be kept up. Even if it were not so, our nearness to the great markets would give our farmers the practical advantage of nearly the whole additional price which the cost of long transportation compels. Few subjects are of more importance to our farmers, however they may now be prejudiced or discouraged by working blindly and by main force, rather than understandingly and skillfully. There is a tactics in peace as well as war.

The recent examination of the new lands of Aroostook by the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture has convinced him of the great agricultural capacities of that section. The present agitations which affect the community must before long subside, and a larger proportion of our people than now must settle down to steady productive industry. It will be well to have it more widely understood what an admirable field these new lands afford. To be sure the means of communication do not now afford much facility to those who are in quest of settling places, and this disadvantage is felt also in practically removing the market somewhat; but this drawback we hope shortly to overcome. We must do what we can to encourage the immigration of intelligent, industri-

ous and upright people. If we took anything like the pains that our Western States do, our superior facilities might induce the settlement of valuable colonies in these fertile lands. Many of these States prepare circulars setting forth their advantages, and industriously distribute them over the countries of Northern Europe, and some even have a commission abroad to aid immigration. It is well known that great numbers of the Swedes, for instance, would gladly come to us. I venture the opinion that it would be a profitable investment if the State were to pay the first expenses of such a colony, who by their hardy and frugal habits, and their familiarity with the climate of this latitude, would find themselves at once at home in Maine, and would also find homes for multitudes of their countrymen. They and we would profit by the experiment. There is nothing visionary in this; it is entirely practicable. These Scandinavians are of kin with us, and nearest to us in speech of any in the world. They know the forest and the sea, and would readily assimilate with us in language, habits and institutions. Maine is surely as good a State to migrate to as Minnesota. We are much nearer to the landing place of immigration, and for the same reason much nearer the markets of the world. I do not insist upon this particular experiment, but for one I believe in it. If we cannot keep our sons at home, let us bring in our cousins.

Why is it, gentlemen? Why does the overflowing energy of the old world skip over us at a bound, and push half way across a sea-wide continent? Why is it that the high industries of mature civilization find no abiding place on our broad acres and beside our rushing rivers? Why do our sons feel cramped at home, and break away to make other wildernesses bloom, to found States on distant shores, and make themselves honored in the lands of strangers? Why does not the course of empire tarry here on its westward way? Is it not because we prefer an inglorious safety to a courageous faith in the virtue of manhood and the rewards of Providence? Is it not because we shut our eyes to the possibilities, the opportunities, the importunities of the times? Is it not simply because we do not encourage enterprise, skill, industry, nor give room enough for brain or muscle?

This snug policy of letting well enough alone, of being content to fill the places of the fathers—would that we might, indeed, in the things that are true and honest, and of good report!—this

policy allows but one inheritor, and the rest of the vigorous sons, too spirited to stay where there is nothing to do, are driven far away. The spirit is not wanting, space is not wanting, the people individually are not wanting: it is our public policy which is at fault; it is the embargo laid upon our enterprise.

I ventured last year upon the suggestion that in withholding her aid and countenance from great public enterprises the State was retarding her own development; limiting, if not losing, her active population, and damaging her industrial and financial prosperity. I am aware that many differ with me in that opinion. This is to be expected. Men of fortune, whose taxes amount to large sums, are apt to fear that without constitutional check the people would be reckless of expenditure; and those who have struggled through difficulties, and by hard earnings, and harder savings, have gained a comfortable competency, are naturally cautious. But there is a courage without rashness, and caution without timidity. It is not necessary to open the Treasury to plunder, or to expose the State to be swept to financial ruin by a sudden burst of enthusiasm or temptation. The constitutional restriction might, at least, be so modified that the State would not be absolutely debarred from giving any encouragement by her credit to measures vital to her prosperity. It would be entirely easy to provide that the State should be perfectly secured against loss, or the actual payment of a dollar. No matter if in these measures some private interests were advanced, if by so doing the public interest was tenfold more so. This system is safer, more effective, and less expensive than to throw the burden upon towns, as we do now. The State guarantees would be more wisely granted, and would have a more commanding credit.

One reason the State has so little private wealth is because she has not fostered public enterprise, and she now relies upon this private wealth to carry on her most momentous concerns. So we move in a perpetual circle, without advance. There can be no enthusiasm for a State while these things are so. Our people want something to do. Either capital or employment every man must have. Our young men do not ask aid; they ask opportunity. Because they cannot find it here, they seek it elsewhere. We have lands, to be sure, but no encouragement to work them. It is our duty to adopt a policy which will open the avenues of

industry, and quicken all the currents of life. This is the only saving, nay, the only safe course.

Nor does the fact that we have our war debt upon us afford anything but an additional argument in favor of this liberality. Capitalists will not distrust the credit of a State which is full of industry and life, vigorously pushing forward its material enterprises, opening its resources, and laying a basis for future stability. Rather would they discredit a State which, barely trying to hold its own, shrinks from day to day; whose highest anxiety is to pay its debts, instead of entering with a strong hand upon measures which would leave the debts a trifle.

RAILROADS.

The Railroad enterprises in this State are not visionary or speculative projects. We do not sink capital in providing means for transportation, while there is nothing to transport. Nor do we rely on the uncertainties of future development. But our actual necessities demand these roads. Still it is true, beyond all cavil or question, that railroads do promote, in a most extraordinary degree, the internal prosperity of a country. Instead of displacing other modes of communication they actually increase them. It is well known, for example, that horses have come into use in a tenfold higher ratio where the great railroads have been opened. These roads are not more important to Commerce and Manufactures than they are to Agriculture. They give the farmer what he most demands, a ready market; affording the facility of moving his produce at a great saving of time, labor and expense, and of readily bringing back the articles he cannot produce; thus increasing the value to him of his own productions, and diminishing the cost of his purchases. Moreover, they enhance the value of his lands, inviting other industries, and thus benefit the individual and the whole community. We must therefore regard with satisfaction the various undertakings of this kind which the public now demand.

The European and North American Railroad is one of our great interests. This is already admitted and practically recognized by conditional grants of aid. But without as yet receiving any advantage from this, the road has still gone on. By great personal exertions the directors and contractors have put the road in running order to Orono, and are vigorously pushing on towards Winn,

sixty miles above Bangor, straight towards our Aroostook country, and flanking our rich Piscataquis region. This enterprise has dragged somewhat on our side the line. But not so with our spirited and generous neighbors of the maritime Provinces. With large comprehension of the times, and far-sighted vision of the future, they have addressed themselves with earnestness and self-reliance to the opening of this road.

The Provisional Government has given to the road outright \$10,000 a mile, and no less than \$10,000,000 have already been expended and pledged upon the construction of the main line from Halifax to St. John. Indeed, nearly the whole of the provincial end of the line is now finished, or in rapid process of completion. It remains for us to ensure the building of the short distance of fifty miles from Winn to the boundary.

The favorable intention of the legislation of 1864, towards this road, has not yet been made effective, owing to the unwillingness of Massachusetts to relinquish the debt of the State of Maine which is in a sense a lien upon the lands conditionally granted the road. The company is now bending all its energies upon completing the road to Winn, and it is embarrassing for them to assume even so small a liability as \$150,000 to satisfy this claim. It may be asked of us to remove this encumbrance, so that they can have a clear right to base their bonds upon these lands and the franchise of the road. Nor do I see any serious objections to this. It might seem hard just now to take up even this small sum; but the truth is, we cannot afford to wait. The lands, at present, from the very absence of railroad facilities, would not command a very high price in market; but if made available to the road, they would be of great immediate advantage to it, and would in a short time amply reimburse the State, in the increase of taxable property. As it is, both lands and road languish. Start the road and both come into activity at once; and perhaps this is the most expeditious way to make these lands available to the State in money. If we grant our aid, it is thought that the close of 1869 will see Halifax, Bangor, Portland and Boston connected by rail. Open the road now that the Cunard steamers are withdrawn from Boston, and the great current of trans-Atlantic travel will cross our State.

Connected with this in its ultimate advantage, and of scarcely less importance, is the enterprise on our western border—the Port-

land and Ogdensburg Railroad—by which it is proposed to open a new thoroughfare from our metropolis to the great West. A road which, skirting Sebago Lake, winding through the notch of the White Mountains, straight across upper New Hampshire and Vermont, down the rich and beautiful valley of the La Moille, crossing the foot of Lake Champlain, connecting with the Northern Railroad of New York, which opens the way to Ogdensburg and Oswego, and by means of connections now in process, to all the chief cities of the Great Lakes, will open a direct and continuous route from our seaboard to the great West. This line, in its attractions to travellers, and its business facilities, must defy competition; especially when we consider that in summer freights may be brought by water to Ogdensburg, only some 330 miles from Casco Bay. As a part of this enterprise, and contributing to its complete success, is the opening of the Niagara ship canal, a matter of vast importance to us. The bare statement of this design and plan is sufficient to commend it to our interest. The generous favor with which it is met in Oswego, Ogdensburg and Vermont, should stimulate a responsive zeal.

No student of physical geography can fail to see that there is not a port east of New York which commands so many advantages, as an outlet for western trade and travel, as Portland. With this road she will vindicate to herself a higher claim than that which has been so sneeringly retorted upon her; she will prove herself to be the natural seaport of more than all the Canadas. I am not aware that the friends of this road ask us for pecuniary aid; but no one can doubt that its success will be largely conducive to the growth and prosperity, not of Portland only, but of the whole State. The great railroad systems of this State are of too much public importance to be left entirely to the hands of private parties. The great body of the people have a direct and practical concern in them, which should harmonize all interests and energies. The cross purposes of sections and guages should not be permitted to stand in the way of the public good. All should unite to set in motion the powers which will work out the welfare and glory of the State.

We are not to forget the inevitable attraction which will bring into line with these great thoroughfares the North Pacific Railroad; and when the eye takes in at one glance the connection and continuity of these large designs, from the easternmost point of

the Atlantic coast to the shores of the Pacific, checked by neither rivers, lakes nor mountains, nor knowing boundaries of State or Province or Dominion from ocean to ocean, the mind gathers up at once the mighty interests involved when the reciprocities of trade shall flow and reflow across the utmost breadth of the continent, and discerns the signs of our own awakening and the promise of the Nation's unity.

THE PROSPECT.

If we go forward with manliness, we need not despair at our present burdens. They are heavy, but can be borne and overcome. While the country was plunged in war, and dangers pressed on every side, our minds were absorbed in the conflict. Devotion to this great cause made us insensible to the pains and burdens we were then bearing, and ready to pledge ourselves to suffer in the future.

Now that the flowing tides of enthusiasm have ebbed we see the naked grounds of our strength. The war cost men and it cost money. It is no strange thing that we are in debt. We foresaw this, and still went forth to meet it boldly and thoughtfully. Debt and death alike we knew we must encounter. The drain upon us has indeed been terrible. But shall we now, for the first time, be cowards? Having counted the cost and dared the enterprise, shall we now look back with murmurs at our fidelity and success, and give ourselves over to fret at our wounds and bereavements, and inconveniences and debts? The people of this State have answered that question, and will answer it again. What we ask is honesty on the part of those who fix the issues of this dear bought victory, and reconstruct the Nation. Honesty in securing the political guarantees demanded by the overthrow of the rebellion: honesty in taxing, in collecting, in expending: honesty in paying, honesty in being paid. Extravagance and corruption must be rebuked. There must be an Industrial and Financial as well as a Political reconstruction. These things will require wisdom and ability rightly to determine and adjust. The fetters must be struck off from enterprise and the incubus lifted from industry. The property of the country must be made to contribute in an equitable proportion towards bearing the public burden. The Government bonds must be so taxed, if at all, as to relieve States and towns rather than the National Treasury. If we are to bear these burdens, let us have a chance to stand. Let us have neither

privileged persons nor privileged property, but a Republic and a Democracy in which a man shall count for a man and a dollar for a dollar.

Nor am I of those who think that we should pay off this whole great debt in one day. Those who thus hold must come cheaply by their opinions. We shall do our part, I take it, if after having borne the brunt of the fray, we allow those who are to reap the benefit of the struggle to come as near as possible to taking a share in the investment. Anticipate nothing, repudiate nothing, sophisticate nothing, but fairly and manfully meet every obligation as it comes, trusting that as the day is so shall our strength be.

The State may well be proud that her Senators and Representatives in Congress have not been turned aside by the caprices of prejudice or partisanship, but have been among the foremost to seek ways of relief from the country's distresses, and means of her restoration and prosperity. On the main issue we yield not an inch. Though the shape of the conflict may change as new objects arise, yet the great issue is still joined. Our watchword is, still, loyalty to Country and justice to Man. And if everything does not go to suit us, what then? Shall we who have stood together for the country's defence, and could not be separated by hostile batteries or public disasters, or personal suffering, now be driven asunder by mere apparitions and false alarms? Shall we lay down the broad ensign of the Republic, a thousand times more sacred for the precious blood that reddens it, and take up, instead, any petty standard of a side issue in State or National policy, while the great questions on which the hope of the country hangs are trembling in the scale?

Shall we not rather rally once more upon our memories under the Nation's name and banner, and, "with malice towards none and charity to all," set ourselves to settle the grave questions which still distract and dishearten the land?

With purposes like these, and seeking no unworthy ends, we commend ourselves to the Almighty Disposer of human events and earthly destinies, trusting that our labors may be of service to the State, to the Country, and to Mankind.

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

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

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor,

Ordered, That twenty-five hundred copies of the Governor's message be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, asked leave to introduce bill an act to repeal chapters 129 and 130 of the public laws of 1867, and the question being on granting leave, the same gentleman moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the House refused to grant leave by yeas 41, nays 98.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dickey, Norton, McKenney, Stevens, Hackett, Stockbridge, Caswell, Tibbetts, Priest, Carlton, Payson, Monroe, Wheeler, Caldwell, Grover, Andrews, Brown, Ingalls, Rand, Robinson of Dover, Barnes, Lane, Weymouth, Files of Monroe, Hall, Marble, Treat, Talbot, Barker, Walker, Bridges, Dyer, Balkam, Wedgewood, Boynton, Maddix, Bradbury, Cowell, Raymond, Hubbard, Ricker—41.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Fessenden, Field, Clark, Dingley, Leadbetter, Estes, Shurtleff, Ham, Cunningham, Weed, Teague, Perry, Cram, Gibbs, Duren, Henley, Briggs, Files, True, Merrill, Morris, Foster, Reed, Lobdell, Talbot, Tarbox, Frost, Noyes, Smith, Wells, Hamor, Hale, Buck, Blaisdell, Titcomb, Brickett, Pray, Palmer of Gardiner, Thompson, of Hallowell, Colby, Thomas, Hawes, Blaisdell of Waterville,

May, Light, Case, Spear, Newhall, Ford, Glidden, Weeks, Bartlett, Poor, Tyler, Curtis, Herrick, Thompson of Bangor, Plaisted, Palmer, Porter, Chamberlain, Dunning, Robinson, Leavitt, Stetson, Patten, Hersey, Ames, Stevenson, Hartwell, Buffam, Baker, Leavitt, Jefferds, Smith, Goss, Merrow, Spaulding, Foster, Webb, Taylor, Farrar, Gould of Smithfield, Rust, Littlefield, Billings, Hatch, Black, Paine, Allen, Rolf, Gile, Parker, Gilpatrick, Parcher, Hargraves, Eaton, Goold—98.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,

Ordered, That the House of Representatives hold one session per day, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M., on Saturdays, on Mondays at 11 o'clock A. M., and on other days at 10 o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to communicate for the information of this House, what progress has been made in a settlement of the claims of the State against Neal Dow and others, sureties of B. D. Peck, late State Treasurer, pursuant to a resolve passed by the last Legislature.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That a Committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to see what is the best method to secure a fair and impartial report of the proceedings of the House, and to report forthwith.

Messrs. Fessenden of Auburn, Hale of Ellsworth, Andrews of Buckfield, Foster of Portland, and Spear of Rockland, were appointed said Committee.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, presented the following order :

Ordered, That all petitions, orders, bills or resolves, contemplating private legislation, submitted after February 1st, and all petitions, orders, bills or resolves, designed to initiate legislation of a public nature, submitted after February 5th, be referred without debate to the next Legislature ; and that the several Committees, except the Committee on Finance, be directed to report finally on or before February 15th.

Laid on the table on motion of Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick.

Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta, presented the following order, which, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, was laid on the table :

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 130 of the laws of 1867.

Petition of Frank W. Stimson to be admitted to his seat as Representative from the District composed of the towns of Hodgdon, &c., was referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BINGHAM of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Elections, on resolve declaring Otis H. Abbottt is entitled to a seat in this House as Representative from the District composed of the towns of Upton, Bethel, &c., reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the resolve read and passed.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston announced the attendance of Otis H. Abbott, who was conducted to the Council Chamber by Mr. Dingley, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and subsequently he appeared and took his seat in the House.

The Speaker announced the Committee on Pay Roll as follows: Messrs. Henley of Cape Elizabeth, Hartwell of Oldtown, Payson of Cushing, Glidden of Newcastle, Ingalls of Denmark, Foster of Canaan, and Frost of Industry.

On motion of Mr. REED of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Oscar D. Grover from January 1st to January 4th, inclusive, computed at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per day, and mileage, same as members of this House.

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State communicate for the information of this House, all appropriations made by this State to colleges, academies, and other institutions of learning, chartered by this State, specifying the several amounts so appropriated to such institutions, the date of the same, and whether made in money or land; and when more than one appropriation has been made to any such institution by the State, the date of the charter of such institution.

Mr. FOSTER of Portland, asked to be and was excused from serving on the Committee on Finance.

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. TYLER of Brownfield, to fill the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to contract with some suitable person or 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 read and passed, and Messrs. Houghton of Washington, Lindsey of Somerset, and West of Hancock, appointed said Committee on the part of the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane

Hospital for the year ending November 30, 1867, was received and read.

A communication was received and read from the Treasurer of State transmitting his Annual Report.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Select Committee on order relating to a Report of the Proceedings of the House of Representatives, reported the following orders :

Ordered, That the Speaker be authorized to appoint a Reporter for the House of Representatives, at an expense not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars for the session, to make a fair and impartial synopsis of the debates, and an accurate report of the proceedings of the House.

Ordered, That one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal and Maine Standard be furnished for each member of this House, provided that the publication of the report of its debates and proceedings is made in the Daily Journal as reported by the Reporter of this House, without expense to the State ; and if the Maine Standard shall be published as a daily paper it shall contain a report of the debates and proceedings the same as the Daily Journal.

The report was read and accepted, and the orders read and passed.

The Speaker appointed J. D. Pulsifer of Auburn, Reporter for the House.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing a Joint Convention of the Legislature, this day, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at twelve o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Land Agent, and Adjutant General, for the current political year.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed the message.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., informing the House of the nonconcurrency of that branch in the proposition for a Convention this day, and proposing to-morrow at twelve o'clock instead.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, the House receded and concurred with the Senate, and the Clerk was charged with

and conveyed a message to the Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposed Convention to-morrow.

Mr. HALE of Ellsworth presented the following order :

Ordered, That Frederick Stanwood be appointed general assistant and Folder for this House.

Mr. CRAM of Brunswick moved its indefinite postponement, and the same gentleman further moved that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered ; and being so taken the House refused to indefinitely postpone, yeas 33, nays 79.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Ham, Weed, Cram, Duren, Norton, McKenney, Talbot, Tarbox, Buck, Pray, Palmer of Gardiner, Thompson of Hallowell, Colby, Hawes, Blaisdell of Waterville, Weeks, Poor, Tyler, Ingalls, Patten, Jefferds, Merrow, Barnes, Webb, Gould of Smithfield, Lane, Rust, Billings, Black, Allen, Gile, Maddix, Cowell—33.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Fessenden, Fields, Leadbetter, Shurtleff, Kelley, Cunningham, Teague, Dickey, Henley, Files of Gorham, True, Merrill, Reed, Lobdell, Stevens, Frost, Noyes, Hackett, Smith, Wells, Hamor, Hale, Moore, Blaisdell of Otis, Titcomb, Brickett, Thomas, May, Caswell, Tibbetts, Priest, Light, Spear, Case, Newhall, Carleton, Payson, Monroe, Ford, Bartlett, Caldwell, Curtis, Herrick, Abbott, Andrews, Brown, Porter, Chamberlain, Dunning, Robinson, Leavitt of Drew Plantation, Stetson, Hersey, Ames, Stevenson, Hartwell, Baker, Leavitt of Plymouth, Smith of Medford, Robinson of Dover, Foster of Canaan, Judkins, Taylor, Farrar, Weymouth, Hatch, Files of Monroe, Hall, Marden, Paine, Rolf, Talbot of East Machias, Barker, Walker, Bridges, Balkam, Parker, Gilpatrick, Eaton, Raymond—79.

The order was then passed.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the State Printers be directed to furnish the Clerk of the House with all the necessary blanks.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta..

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

A communication from the Governor was received and read, through the Secretary of State, transmitting information in response to an order of the House in relation to the progress made, if any, in the settlement of the claims of the State against Neal Dow and others, sureties of B. D. Peck, late State Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to communicate to this House, for the use of the Legislature, the specific items of expense and aggregate amount that has been paid out of the Treasury for the execution of an act approved March 1st, 1867, to provide for a State Police in certain cases; together with the name of the constable of the State; his residence and pay per day and travel; the names of his deputies; their residences; the amount paid to each; the quantity of liquors seized; their kind; from whom taken, and the disposition made of the same.

On motion of Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to the Monitors of each Division of this House, one copy of the Revised Statutes, and the Acts and Resolves since the last revision of the statutes.

The Joint Standing Committees on the part of the Senate, came from that branch, and were joined on the part of the House, and are as follows:

On the Judiciary.

Messrs. Lindsey of Somerset,
Ludden of Androscoggin,
Farley of Lincoln, *of the Senate*;

Messrs. Hale of Ellsworth,
Fessenden of Auburn,
Plaisted of Bangor,
Downes of Calais,
Cram of Brunswick,
Hubbard of North Berwick,
Reed of Portland, *of the House*.

On Federal Relations.

- Messrs. Stevens of Kennebec,
Fulton of Hancock,
Farley of Lincoln, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Porter of Burlington,
Dingley of Lewiston,
Wedgewood of Biddeford,
Beale of Hudson,
Morris of Portland,
Files of Monroe,
Carleton of Camden, *of the House.*

On Military Affairs.

- Messrs. Dyer of Somerset,
Woodward of Kennebec,
Robie of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Plaisted of Bangor,
Spaulding of Richmond,
Andrews of Buckfield,
Brickett of Augusta,
Shurtleff of Livermore,
Hall of Lincolnville,
Eaton of Wells, *of the House.*

On Coast and Frontier Defences.

- Messrs. Houghton of Washington,
Parks of Sagadahoc,
Pitcher of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Merrow of Bowdoinham,
Case of Rockland,
Barker of Jonesport,
Bartlett of Westport,
Stevens of Westbrook,
Lobdell of Pownal,
Barnes of Woolwich, *of the House.*

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

- Messrs. Robie of Cumberland,
Stetson of Penobscot,
Houghton of Washington, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Thompson of Bangor,
Dingley of Lewiston,
Morse of Bath,
Spear of Rockland,
Robinson of Dover,
Foster of Portland,
Rust of Belfast, *of the House*.

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

- Messrs. Fairbanks of Franklin,
Messer of Cumberland,
Greene of Oxford, *of the Senate*.
Messrs. Morris of Portland,
Tyler of Brownfield,
Buck of Orland,
Andrews of Buckfield,
Blaisdell of Waterville,
Treat of Frankfort,
Leavitt of Drew Plantation, *of the House*.

On Legal Reform.

- Messrs. Snell of Kennebec,
West of Hancock,
(And one vacancy,) *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta,
Walker of Machias,
Porter of Burlington,
Wedgewood of Biddeford,
Billings of Freedom,
Talbot of East Machias,
Spaulding of Richmond, *of the House*.

On Education.

- Messrs. Woodward of Kennebec,
Snell of Kennebec,
Patten of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston,
Herrick of Hebron,
Wells of Dedham,
Wedgewood of Biddeford,
Newhall of South Thomaston,
Webb of Hartland_x
Smith of Warren, *of the House.*

On Banks and Banking.

- Messrs. Houghton of Washington,
Messer of Cumberland,
Stetson of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Paine of Eastport,
May of Winthrop,
Bradbury of Hollis,
Briggs of Freeport,
Buffum of Orono,
Goss of Bath,
Ricker of South Berwick, *of the House.*

On Agriculture.

- Messrs. Pierce of Waldo,
Brown of Cumberland,
Stevens of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Poor of Andover,
Thomas of Readfield,
Stetson of Exeter,
Jefferds of Foxcroft,
Chamberlain of Carmel,
Boynton of Cornish,
Robinson of Corinna, *of the House.*

On Manufactures.

- Messrs. Brown of Cumberland,
O'Brien of Knox,
Mitchell of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Gibbs of Bridgton,
Case of Rockland,
Carleton of Camden,
Estes of Lisbon,
Dyer of Millbridge,
Hargraves of Shapleigh,
Littlefield of Brooks, *of the House*.

On Interior Waters.

- Messrs. West of Hancock,
Wingate of Washington,
Gardner of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hartwell of Oldtown,
Walker of Machias,
Palmer of Bangor,
Priest of Winslow,
Weed of Littleton,
Black of Palermo,
Balkam of Robbinston, *of the House*.

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Dudley of Aroostook,
Parks of Sagadahoc,
Gardner of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Files of Gorham,
Hersey of Lincoln,
Teague of Lyndon,
Dickey of Fort Kent,
Ham of Wales,
Hawes of Vassalboro',
Rand of Waterford, *of the House*.

On Division of Towns.

- Messrs. Gardner of Penobscot,
Ludden of Androscoggin,
(and one vacancy,) *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Teague of Lyndon,
Field of Danville,
Taylor of Norridgewock,
Smith of Brookline,
Weymouth of New Portland,
Merrill of Gray,
Hackett of Freeman, *of the House.*

On Division of Counties.

- Messrs. Pitcher of Waldo,
Parks of Sagadahoc,
(and one vacancy,) *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Spear of Rockland,
Monroe of Thomaston,
Cunningham of Crystal Plantation,
Duren of Casco,
Stimpson of Linneus,
Caswell of Belgrade,
Ford of Jefferson, *of the House.*

On Incorporation of Towns.

- Messrs. Greene of Oxford,
Dudley of Aroostook,
Parks of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Parcher of Saco,
Pray of Albion,
Hatch of Jackson,
Stockbridge of Swan's Island,
Light of Appleton,
Smith of Medford,
Nason of Raymond, *of the House.*

On Fisheries.

Messrs. Parks of Sagadahoc,
Mathews of Knox,
Houghton of Washington, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Allen of Denneysville,
Webb of Hartland,
Hamor of Eden,
Wheeler of Bristol,
Leavitt of Plymouth,
Colby of Litchfield,
Blaisdell of Otis, *of the House*.

On Indian Affairs.

Messrs. Stetson of Penobscot,
Wingate of Washington,
(and one vacancy,) *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Weed of Littleton,
Rolf of Princeton,
Bridges of Marion,
Ames of Milford,
Weeks of Somerville,
Stevenson of Newburg,
Lane of Flagstaff, *of the House*.

On Claims.

Messrs. Mitchell of Cumberland,
Fairbanks of Franklin,
Dudley of Aroostook, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Clark of Lewiston,
Henley of Cape Elizabeth,
Leadbetter of Leeds,
Gould of Smithfield,
Noyes of Jay,
Tibbetts of Pittston,
Caldwell of Waldoboro', *of the House*.

On Pensions.

Messrs. Hamblin of Oxford,
Dyer of Somerset,
Wingate of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Brickett of Augusta,
Beale of Hudson,
Palmer of Gardiner,
Goold of Windham,
Haines of Biddeford,
Brown of Canton,
Doane of Sullivan, *of the House.*

On Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Fulton of Hancock,
Robie of Cumberland,
Patten of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Billings of Freedom,
Brickett of Augusta,
Merrow of Bowdoinham,
Baker of Orrington,
Ames of Milford,
Cowell of Lebanon,
Marden of Stockton, *of the House.*

On Reform School.

Messrs. Messer of Cumberland,
Fulton of Hancock,
Hamblin of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Palmer of Gardiner,
Downes of Calais,
Gilpatrick of Limerick,
Norton of Baldwin,
Foster of Canaan,
Field of Danville,
Tarbox of Farmington, *of the House.*

On State Prison.

- Messrs. Pierce of Waldo,
Mathews of Knox,
(and one vacancy,) *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Dunning of Charleston,
Allen of Dennysville,
Judkins of Cornville,
Raymond of Lyman,
Talbot of Avon,
Parcher of Saco,
McKenney of Sebago, *of the House.*

On Public Buildings.

- Messrs. Ludden of Androscoggin,
Dyer of Somerset,
(and one vacancy,) *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Chase of Portland,
Abbott of Upton,
Payson of Cushing,
Gile of Alfred,
Farrar of Ripley,
Maddix of Dayton,
Thompson of Hallowell, *of the House.*

On Library.

- Messrs. Patten of Piscataquis,
Robie of Cumberland,
Farley of Lincoln, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Eaton of Wells,
Hubbard of North Berwick,
Rust of Belfast,
Lennox of Wiscasset,
Frost of Industry,
Glidden of Newcastle,
True of North Yarmouth, *of the House.*

The SPEAKER announced the Joint Select Committee on the part of the House, on State Printing and Binding, as follows :

Messrs. Foster of Portland, Spear of Rockland, Rust of Belfast, Monroe of Thomaston, Thompson of Hallowell, Gile of Alfred, and Talbot of East Machias.

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

On County Estimates.

Messrs. Buck of Orland,
Leadbetter of Leeds,
Perry of Mars Hill,
Briggs of Freeport,
Pray of Albion,
Case of Rockland,
Glidden of Newcastle,
Curtis of Greenwood,
Patten of Hampden,
Jefferds of Foxcroft,
Merrow of Bowdoinham,
Taylor of Norridgewock,
Black of Palermo,
Rolf of Princeton,
Gile of Alfred,
Tarbox of Farmington.

On Change of Names.

Messrs. Fessenden of Auburn,
Hubbard of North Berwick,
Porter of Burlington,
Walker of Machias,
Bradbury of Hollis,
Dingley of Lewiston,
Hale of Ellsworth.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed

to inquire into the expediency of reducing the number and salary of the Bank Commissioners, or abolishing the office altogether.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire whether any legislation is necessary in order to secure greater efficiency in the supervision of the public schools of the State.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of Superintendent of Common Schools.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias,

Ordered, That the Committee on Federal Relations be instructed to inquire into, and report to this House, the condition of our ship-building and navigation interests, that we may give to our Senators in Congress such instruction, and our members of the House such requests, as this House shall deem proper in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Otis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing for County Supervisors of Common Schools instead of Town Superintendents.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Franklin County for authority to reassess certain taxes, with accompanying bill; also

Petition of John Shaw and others, directors of the Middle River Dyke Company, for amendment of charter; also

Petition of W. R. Waterman and others, to legalize the doings of school district No. 5, in Robbinston; also

Petition of the inhabitants of Glenwood for an act to make valid the doings of said town, and that the act of incorporation shall not be changed; also

Petition of Almon Leavitt and eighteen others of Drew plantation, for power to raise and expend money for the repair of roads in said plantation; and

Petition of Thomas Perkins and others, for an act to protect trout in Wilson pond;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of William H. Hemenway, for authority to maintain a wharf in Machias river; also

Petition of John McIntire, for authority to extend a wharf into tide water at Rockport harbor in Camden; also

Petition of Samuel and Amos Barrett, for authority to extend a wharf at Rockport harbor in Camden ; and

Petition of William Mitchell, for authority to extend a wharf at Machiasport ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Joshua Nye and others, to set off certain territory from the Fairfield Village Corporation in the town of Fairfield ; and

Petition of Dudley Annis and others, to be set off from the town of Pittsfield and annexed to the town of Hartland ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of David W. Dinsmore, for redress from the State, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Village District in Brunswick, for authority to hire money to erect a schoolhouse, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing orders and petitions were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Emma Frances Butterfield and Mary A. Bowen, for change of name, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

The hour for a Joint Convention of the Legislature, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General, and Land Agent, having arrived, the Senate came in and a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of the Senate,

Messrs. Brown of Cumberland, Lindsey of Somerset, Herrick of Hebron, Frost of Industry, Haines of Biddeford, True of North Yarmouth, and Duren of Casco, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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

Whole number of votes,	154
Necessary for a choice,	78
Franklin M. Drew has	125
William S. Badger,	28
Samuel W. Jackson,	1

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. FRANKLIN M. DREW was declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. WEST of the Senate,

Messrs. West of Hancock, Farley of Lincoln, Andrews of Buckfield, Thompson of Bangor, Walker of Machias, Parcher of Saco, and Reed of Portland, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

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

Whole number of votes,	154
Necessary for a choice,	78
William P. Frye has	119
William H. McCrillis,	30
John C. Caldwell,	2
Charles W. Roberts,	2
Franklin Smith,	1

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. WILLIAM P. FRYE was declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. FULTON of the Senate,

Messrs. Fulton of Hancock, Dyer of Somerset, Shurtleff of Livermore, Files of Monroe, Spaulding of Richmond, Dyer of Millbridge, and Marden of Stockton, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

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

Whole number of votes,	149
Necessary for a choice,	75
John C. Caldwell has	116
Charles W. Roberts,	31
Franklin Smith,	1
Josiah Merrow,	1

The report was read and accepted, and Gen. JOHN C. CALDWELL was declared duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of the Senate,

Messrs. Pierce of Waldo, O'Brien of Knox, Weed of Littleton,

Payson of Cushing, Chamberlain of Carmel, Kelley of Bancroft, and Caldwell of Waldoboro', were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

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

Whole number of votes,	155
Necessary for a choice,	78
Parker P. Burleigh has	119
Edward Payson,	33
John C. Caldwell,	1
George C. Getchell,	1
Blank,	1

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. PARKER P. BURLEIGH was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of Cumberland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of this Convention be directed to notify Franklin M. Drew of his election as Secretary of State, William P. Frye of his election as Attorney General, Brigadier General John C. Caldwell of his election as Adjutant General, and Parker P. Burleigh of his election as Land Agent.

Having accomplished the purpose for which it assembled, the Convention was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed, on the Governor's Message, who shall report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools be referred to the Committee on Education.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the establishment of an Intermediate Court in Cumberland County be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

Order referring the Report of the Treasurer of State to a Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Houghton of Washington, Messer of Cumberland, and Fairbanks of Franklin, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and the Speaker joined the Committee on Finance on the part of the House.

A communication was received and read, from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Bank Commissioners for the year 1867.

Petition of C. L. Hamilton and others of Waterville ; also
Petition of Samuel Tarbox and others of Westport ; also
Petition of William C. Milliken and others of Gardiner ; also
Petition of James Elliot and others of New Vineyard ; also
Petition of F. E. Webb and others of Winthrop ; also
Petition of R. K. Cushing and others of Brewer ; also
Petition of Joseph Barron and others of Topsham ; also
Petition of J. J. Saunders of Orland ; also
Petition of J. B. Woods and others of Castine ; and

Petition of W. H. Bicknell and others of Phillips, all for a change of the law providing for the taxation of the shares of National Banks ; also

Petition of W. B. Lapham and H. C. Davis of Woodstock, for authority to fund the debt of said town, with accompanying bill ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Buckfield, for an act to legalize the doings of said town ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Dover, for authority to raise money in aid of the Bangor & Piscataquis Railroad ; also

Petition of David Malcolm and others, for an act to provide material for dissection ; also

Petition of G. W. Stanly and others, in aid of same ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Leeds, for an act to make valid the doings of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor of said town ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Durham for an act to legalize the doings of said town ; also

Petition of C. B. Lakin and others, for the incorporation of the Bangor Business College ; and

Bill "an act to establish a Superior Court in the County of Cumberland ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Lucy J. Story, for a lot of land ; also

Petition of Isaac Wilder, in aid of same ; also

Petition of Perez Thomas, for authority to purchase a lot of land in Woodland plantation ; and

Petition of Lawrence O'Keefe, to be exempt from further settling duties ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Ephriam Flint and others, Trustees of Foxcroft Academy, for aid ; also

Petition of the Trustees of Richmond Academy, for aid ; and

Petition of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Central Institute, for aid ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Robert A. Chapman and others of Bethel, for an act to establish rates of toll over a bridge at Barker's Ferry in said town ; also

Petition of the Mayor of Bangor, for authority to erect and maintain a sidewalk on the bridge of the European and North American Railroad Company in said city ; and

Petition of the city of Bangor, for authority to extend Exchange street to low water mark in Penobscot river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of William Perry and others, for the establishment of a town line between Burnham and Unity plantation ; and

Petition of Moses M. Lander, to be set off from Kingfield and annexed to Freeman ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of William H. Sargent, for authority to erect a wharf in Sedgwick ; also

Petition of Escutasis Dam Company, for amendment of charter ; also

Petition of Thaddeus H. Spear and others, for an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company ; also

Petition of H. E. and W. G. Alden, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters in Camden harbor ; also

Petition of Francis Cobb and others, for authority to extend a wharf and breakwater into the tide waters of Seal harbor in South Thomaston, with accompanying bill ; also

Petition of the Mayor of Bangor, for an act to prohibit the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river ; also

Petition of R. D. and E. Webster and others, for authority to build a dam on Pushaw stream ; and

Petition of Tobias Roberts, for authority to construct a wharf in tide waters in Eden ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Benjamin Ball and 290 others, for charter of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of G. C. Moses and others, for an act to incorporate the Eastern Steamboat Company of Bath, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Adaline J. Small, George F. Latliff and Martha B. Huff, for change of name, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 275 of the public

laws of 1864, entitled "an act additional to an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops."

On motion of Mr. ROLF of Princeton,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the necessity of an appropriation for the repair of the road across the Indian Township in Washington County.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary in relation to the redemption of mortgages.

On motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 256 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the compensation of temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. WEBB of Hartland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing sections 34, 35 and 36 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes of 1857.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to protests of bills of exchange.

On motion of Mr. GOSS of Bath,

Ordered, That a Joint Special Committee be appointed to take into consideration so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the shipping interest.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Goss of Bath, Walker of Machias, Dyer of Millbridge, Briggs of Freeport, Talbot of East Machias, Rust of Belfast and Carleton of Camden, said Committee on the part of the House.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis presented the following order, which, on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, was laid on the table:

Ordered, That the Joint Select Committee appointed to make contracts for State Printing and Binding be directed to cause to be published in the Daily Kennebec Journal, in the Maine Stand-

ard, and in at least one daily newspaper printed in each of the cities of Portland and Bangor, for two weeks successively, a notice inviting sealed proposals for executing the State Printing and Binding, according to specifications, stating in said notice the time within which said proposals will be received, and that said Committee be further directed to contract for said work with the lowest responsible bidder therefor, subject to the approval of the Legislature.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the Committee on Elections, on the petition of Elijah S. Deane, reported the following resolve :

Resolved, That Elijah S. Deane be hereby declared entitled to a seat in this House, as a Representative from the district composed of the towns of Sullivan, Franklin, Eastabrook, Gouldsboro', and Plantation No. 7.

The report was read and accepted, the resolve read and adopted, and Elijah S. Deane declared entitled to his seat in this House.

Mr. HAINES of Biddeford announced the attendance of Mr. Doane, and conducted the member elect to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and he subsequently appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Otis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Alvah G. Moore from January 1st to January 8th, inclusive, computed at two dollars and fifty cents per day and mileage, the same as members of this House.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate requesting the return of the order relating to the ship-building and navigation interests of the State, passed by the House yesterday.

The order was subsequently returned, and on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, the vote whereby it was passed was reconsidered, and on his motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BILLINGS of Freedom,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEACH of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order relating to the repeal of section 14 of chapter .133 of the Revised Statutes, which authorizes justices of the peace to admit to bail prisoners committed, before verdict of guilty ; and

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of authorizing any justice of the Supreme Court to order the removal of a prisoner committed for crime in any county in this State, into another county for examination, arraignment or trial where a warrant may have been issued for his apprehension, by any court having cognizance of the offence alleged against such prisoner, came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Order directing all business referred from the last to the present Legislature, to be taken from the files and referred to the appropriate committees, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Communication from Gen. John C. Caldwell, signifying his acceptance of the office of Adjutant General, and from Hon. Parker P. Burleigh, signifying his acceptance of the office of Land Agent, came from the Senate, and were read.

Petition of G. S. Bunker and others of Gouldsborough, for an act to prevent trawl fishing in the waters of Frenchman's Bay ; also

Petition of Thomas L. Hill and others of Sullivan ; and

Petition of the inhabitants of Franklin, in aid of same ; and

Bill an act to regulate the taking of fish in Frenchman's Bay, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of F. G. Butler and others, for change of law providing for the taxation of national bank stock ; also

Petition of Joshua Howard and others of Harrison ; and

Petition of E. Smith and others, for the same ; also

Petition of Peter Moulton and others of Glenwood, for repeal of the act incorporating said town ; also

Petition of Daniel A. Wadlin and 143 others of Northport, for the assumption by the State of municipal war debts ; also

Petition of J. W. Coffin and others of Cherryfield, for change in the law for making and repairing roads in unincorporated townships ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate Lebanon Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Resolve in relation to the taxation of shares in national banks, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Petition of D. W. Campbell and others of Cherryfield, for authority to build a dam across Narraguagus river in said town ; and

Remonstrances of Stephen Longfellow and others, and Mrs. R. Longfellow and others, against the petition of William H. Hem-enway and others, for authority to maintain a wharf in tide-waters in Machias river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Thomas Young and others, to be set off from Starks and annexed to Norridgewock ; and

Remonstrance of Henry Williamson against the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of William Folsom, County Attorney of Somerset County, for increase of salary, came from the Senate referred to the Somerset County delegation.

Petition of the Trustees of Bridgton Academy, for aid, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the directors and officers of the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.

Petition of P. N. Blanchard and others of Yarmouth, for change of law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks ; also

Petition of A. P. Morrill and 200 others of Readfield ; also
Petition of F. L. Carney and others of New Castle ; also
Petition of James Frye and others of North Haven ; also
Petition of Luther Dole and others of Limerick ; also
Petition of I. N. Harriman and others of Searsport ; also
Petition of E. P. Sleeper and others of South Thomaston ; also
Petition of Josiah Morrill and others of Vienna ; also
Petition of A. S. Lyford and others of Mt. Vernon ; and
Petition of Eli B. Bean of Brownfield, for the same ; also
Petition of the Selectmen of Ellsworth, for an act to make valid
the doings of said town ; and

Petition of E. A. Marston and others, for an act to incorporate
the Westbrook Good Templar Hall Association, with accompany-
ing bill ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the heirs of John Matherson, for deed of a lot of
land ; also

Petition of Francis Soucie and others, for an appropriation to
build a bridge across Wallagrass stream in Wallagrass plantation ;
also

Petition of John A. Rowe, for deed of a lot of land ; also

Petition of E. W. Hinds and 115 others of Franklin and Som-
erset Counties, for an appropriation to aid in building a county
road ; also

Petition of N. S. Richards and others, for an appropriation to
aid in building a bridge in Hamlin plantation ; also

Petition of W. C. Hammond and others, for an appropriation to
repair the State road in Van Buren plantation ; also

Petition of O. R. Sirois, for exchange of lands in Dion planta-
tion ; and

Petition of Dominique D'Aigle and others, for exchange of lands
in D'Aigle plantation ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State
Roads.

Petition of F. L. Ball and others of Mapleton plantation, for the
repeal of the law of 1867, relating to tolls for grinding grain ; also

Petition of Amos Dwinel and others ; also

Petition of Ephriam Barnum ; and

Petition of R. J. Crofts and others of Prentiss, for the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Alfred E. Gowell and others, citizens of No. 4, Range 5, county of Penobscot, for an act to incorporate said township; also

Petition of Allen M. Dudley and 20 others of Castle Hill, for an act to incorporate said township under the name of Melbourne; and

Petition of George L. Hosmer and others, for an act to establish the town lines of Deer Isle;

Were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 64, section 5, of the revised statutes, relating to executors"; and

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Remonstrance of William H. Pope and others, against the petition of William H. Hemenway and others, for authority to maintain a wharf in Machias river; and

Remonstrance of Albert Lyons and others of Machiasport, against the petition of the Middle River Dyke Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Henry Campbell and the Selectmen of Chelsea, for reimbursement of money paid to a drafted soldier, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "an act to incorporate the C. P. Kimball Company of Portland," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing petitions, remonstrances and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Portland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish for the information of the House, the annual expenses of the office of Superintendent of Common Schools, to include salary, traveling expenses, clerk hire, blanks, stationery, postage, printing Annual Report, together with all other expenses incident to said office for the years 1865, 1866 and 1867.

On motion of Mr. HERRICK of Hebron,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to examine into the expediency of having a law by which there shall be a uniformity of text-books in our public schools.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to secure the rights of the parties to actions that survive when one of the parties die, and of amending section 10 of chapter 87 of revised statutes, which provides that when one of several plaintiffs or defendants in an action that survives, dies, the action may be further prosecuted or defended by the survivors. When all the plaintiffs or defendants die, the action may be prosecuted or defended by the executors or administrators of the last surviving plaintiff or defendant.

On motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 4 of chapter 33 of the laws of 1858, that the provisions of said act respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors shall not extend to the sale of cider, ale or beer, nor of domestic wines.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to secure ample notice to the public in hearings on petitions for pardon or commutation of sentence before the Governor and Council.

On motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 22 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, as to provide for the service of writs upon agents of any foreign insurance company.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Committee on Interior Waters be directed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill inserting the word "rafting" in the law relating to liens of lumbermen, as found in chapter 91, section 19, of the revised statutes.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Elections, on the petition of Frederick W. Stimpson, reported the following resolve:

Resolved, That Frederick W. Stimpson, having been duly elected as Representative of the district composed of the classed towns of Linneus, Oakfield, Amity, &c., is entitled to a seat in this House.

The report was read and accepted, and the resolve read and passed.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent announced the attendance of Mr. Stimpson, and conducted him to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and subsequently he appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Albert Kelley, for attendance from January 1st to January 10th, inclusive, at two dollars and fifty cents per day and mileage, same as members of this House.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of Emma Frances Butterfield."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, the order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing "an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases," was taken from the table and passed.

The SPEAKER announced the Committee on order directing the appointment of a Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Message, as follows :

Messrs. Hartwell of Oldtown, Porter of Burlington, Andrews of Buckfield, Dingley of Lewiston, Cram of Brunswick, Henley of Cape Elizabeth, and Duren of Casco.

The order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn announced the attendance of Mr. Beale of Hudson, who was conducted to the Council Chamber by Mr. Fessenden, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and he subsequently appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of the year 1867, entitled 'an act to

provide for a State Police in certain cases,''' was taken from the table.

Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta, moved a suspension of the rules, and that the bill have its first reading; and the same gentleman further moved that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken, the House refused to suspend the rules by yeas 57, nays 66.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Baker, Barnes, Barker, Balam, Boynton, Bradbury, Cunningham, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Duren, Dyer, Doane, Ford, J. R. Files, Gile, Gilpatrick, Hackett, Hale, Hartwell, Hall, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Marden, Maddix, Norton, Pray, Priest, Payson, Reed, Rand, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Stevens, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Stevenson, Tarbox, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, Tebbetts, Tyler, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Weeks—57.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Billings, Black, Clark, Cram, Chamberlain, Dingley, Dunning, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, Gould, Goold, Ham, Hanley, Hamor, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hatch, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, Parker, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, Spaulding, Stetson, Teague, True, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, A. Thompson, Taylor, Woodman, Wells, Webb—66.

Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta, then moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary with instruction to report forthwith.

A division of the question was ordered. And the question being on the first proposition, "to refer to the Committee on the Judiciary," it was taken and resulted in the affirmative. The question then being on the second proposition, "with instruction," Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved that when the question be taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken, it resulted in the affirmative by yeas 77, nays 50.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Baker,

Barnes, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Cunningham, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Duren, Dunning, Dyer, Eaton, Ford, J. R. Files, Gibbs, Glidden, Gile, Gilpatrick, Hackett, Hale, Hawes, Hartwell, Hall, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Light, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Marden, Maddix, Norton, G. S. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Patten, Parker, Reed, Rand, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Stevens, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, Stevenson, True, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, Tebbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Weeks—77.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Billings, Black, Clark, Cram, Chamberlain, Dingley, Estes, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Gould, Goold, Ham, Henley, Hamor, Herrick, Hersey, Hatch, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Newhall, Perry, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Paine, Parcher, Rolf, Shurtleff, Spaulding, Stetson, Teague, Tarbox, A. Thompson, Woodman, Wells, Webb—50.

A communication was received and read, through the Secretary of State, from the Governor, in response to an order of the House requesting information in regard to the execution of an act entitled "an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases."

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law whereby a lien may be created on the property, real and personal, of persons who may become sureties for parties arrested for crime, in any court in this State, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas W. Egery and others, for change of name of the Bangor Company to the Hinckley and Egery Iron Company ; and

Petition of Henry A. Wood for charter for the Bangor Foundry Company came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of the Selectmen of Warren, for an act authorizing the treasurer of said town to pay certain orders, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Samuel Hanson and others of Buxton, for pension for the minor children of the late Eben H. Owen, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of the County Attorney of Hancock County, for increase of salary, came from the Senate referred to the Hancock Delegation.

The foregoing petitions were referred in concurrence.

Petition of W. C. Hammond and others, for change in the law providing for locating and making roads in unincorporated territory ; also

Petition of Eben Woodbury and others ; also

Petition of O. N. Bradbury and others ; and

Petition of H. V. Patterson and others, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Selectmen and others of Lisbon, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; also

Petition of John Hurd and others; also

Petition of Alvah Black and others; also

Petition of T. F. Boothby and others; also

Petition of Selectmen of Woolwich; also

Petition of A. G. Lothrop and others; and

Petition of E. K. Smart and others, for same; also

Petition of F. W. Warren and others, for an act to incorporate the Eastern Business College; and

Petition of H. Hamlin and others, in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Mayor of Biddeford, for the publications of the Maine Historical Society, was referred to the Committee on the State Library.

Petition of Tomar Sabatus and others of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians, for the payment of their bounty and dividends at Lincoln instead of Oldtown, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Elmer L. Winslow, for State bounty, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Jefferson Sawyer and others, for an appropriation to aid in the construction of roads and bridges in Aroostook County; also

Petition of John Smith and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge over Aroostook river; and

Petition of A. S. Richards and others, in aid of the same; also

Petition of Daniel Ware and others, for an appropriation to aid in the construction of a bridge across Mattawamkeag river at Gillerson's Landing;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of S. J. Walker and others, for an appropriation for the repair of the road leading through certain plantations in Somerset County.

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of L. L. Wadsworth and others, for authority to build a railroad in Pembroke, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of E. Chadwick and 200 others of Gardiner, for an act to secure the better lighting of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge, was referred to the same Committee.

Petition of F. J. Alley of Eden, for leave to extend a weir into tide waters at Bar harbor in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Levi B. Thaxter and 134 others, in aid of the petition of William H. Hemenway, for authority to maintain a wharf in Machias river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Eben Webster and others, for a Savings Bank in Orono, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Atlantic Steamship Company," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Resolve relating to a scientific survey of the State, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing petitions, bill and resolve were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Christopher C. Farrar, to be admitted to his seat as Representative from the district composed of Baring and other towns and plantations, was referred to the Committee on Elections.

Petition of Sarah T. Parks for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending section 46 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering the law that it shall be the duty of the proper officers to apportion a larger per centage of school money to the small and destitute districts.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending the law regulating the schools in Madawaska district.

On motion of Mr. CLARK of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 4, chapter 34, of the revised statutes, relating to the penalty for allowing any one not a legal voter in the town to act under a duly licensed auctioneer.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Waterville,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending sections 3 and 5 of chapter 34 of the public laws of 1861, relating to fire and marine insurance companies, and actions on contracts of insurance.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of placing all plantations under the regulations and laws of towns so far as regards their municipal elections and the election of all county, State and other officers.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing for the appointment of Commissioners to revise and consolidate all the Public Laws of the State.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that selectmen shall not be collectors of taxes.

On motion of the same member,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending section 37 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of lands forfeited to the State for taxes.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Elections, on petition of George Goold, reported a resolve declaring George Goold duly elected Representative from the classed towns of Scarborough and Windham.

The report was read and accepted, and the resolve read and passed.

Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, announced the attendance of Mr. Goold, and conducted him to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the

discharge of his official duties, and subsequently he appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of William Gould from January 1 to January 10 inclusive, at two dollars and fifty cents per day and mileage.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Escutasis Dam Company, reported bill "an act to amend the charter of the Escutasis Dam Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to provide for the removal of persons imprisoned or under arrest, from one county to another, when different offences are charged in the two counties."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill printed under the rule.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Thomas Perkins and others, for "an act to prohibit the taking of trout in Wilson's pond," reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The report was read and accepted, and the petition referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to change the name of Emma Frances Butterfield," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, the vote whereby the remonstrance of Albert Lyons and others, against the petition of the Middle River Dyke Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, was reconsidered, and the same referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from Hon. William P. Frye, signifying his acceptance of the office of Attorney General ; also from Hon. F. M. Drew, signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State, came from the Senate and were read.

Petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, for change of charter, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of S. E. Benjamin and others, for change in the law for locating highways over unincorporated territory came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Resolves relating to National Affairs came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, and was referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases,'" referred in the House to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report forthwith, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report as soon as practicable.

The House recessed and concurred.

A communication was received and read from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts ; also the Report of the Treasurer of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the reports were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

A communication from the Governor was received, transmitting the Report of the State Constable, with accompanying schedule.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, the report and schedule were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

A communication from the Governor was received, transmitting a communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, relating to fees of litigation, with accompanying schedule, which was read and sent to the Senate.

Petition of E. H. Hayden and others, for change of law for locating and making roads over unincorporated territory ; also

Petition of Nelson Jordan and 27 others ; also

Petition of John Treat and 21 others ; and

Petition of Charles Haywood and 120 others of Bangor, for same ; and

Remonstrance of George C. Pickering and others against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Alexander Kennedy, for authority to purchase a lot of land ; and

Petition of N. Perry and others, in aid of same ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of James N. Winslow and others, for authority to erect and maintain a dam across Presumpscot river, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The foregoing petitions and remonstrance were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Melville F. Jordan, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS of Portland,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Maine State Temperance Convention on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, January 15th.

On motion of Mr. POOR of Andover,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of making a law directing the municipal officers of cities, and selectmen and assessors of towns and planta-

tations, to look after and see that all scholars between the ages of four and twenty-one years, that are not provided with suitable books, and sent to schools by their parents or guardians, be directed to furnish the necessary books and instructors.

On motion of Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to give their earliest attention to all bills and orders relating to "an act entitled 'an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases,'" and report by bill or otherwise as soon as may be.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of offering a bounty on the raising of wheat, buckwheat, potatoes and hay.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Almer Leavitt and others, reported bill "an act authorizing Drew plantation to raise money for certain purposes."

Mr. TEAGUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of the Selectmen of Burnham and others, reported bill "an act to establish the line between the town of Burnham and Unity plantation."

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Mr. HACKETT, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Moses M. Lander, to be set off from Kingfield and annexed to Freeman, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Franklin to reassess certain taxes," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act to provide for the removal of persons imprisoned or under arrest, from one county to another, when different offences are charged in the two counties," was read twice and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Escutasis Dam Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. EVANS of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

The Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Treasurer's Report came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence, and is as follows :

They have carefully examined the books and accounts in the Treasurer's office, and have found the same carefully kept, correctly cast, and with satisfactory vouchers, and that they agree with the exhibit made by the Treasurer in his said report.

Your Committee, agreeably to the requirements of law, have destroyed by burning all bonds and coupons paid by the Treasurer the past year ; the amount of the former being thirty-seven thousand dollars, and of the latter three hundred eleven thousand eight hundred sixty-five dollars. A record of the same has been made upon the books of the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAIAH STETSON,
JOS. W. FAIRBANKS,
FREDERICK J. PARKS,
SAMUEL TITCOMB,
CHARLES B. PAINE,
SAMUEL TYLER,
A. M. ROBINSON,
GEORGE A. CLARK,
P. S. J. TALBOT.

Petition of D. L. Milliken and others, Directors of Waterville Bank, for extension of charter, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Androscoggin County, for change in the law so as to authorize County Commissioners to revise all or any part of their proceedings where excessive damage has been assessed on petition for increase of damages, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing petitions were referred in concurrence.

Petition of A. G. Lebroke and others of Foxcroft, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; also

Petition of Portland Grain Warehouse Company, for authority to issue bonds; and

Bill "an act in relation to the survival of certain actions";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act in relation to the redemption of mortgages"; and

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of costs";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Assessors and others of Madawaska plantation, for exchange of lands in said plantation, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Governor Francis of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, for an appropriation for the repair of his house; also

Petition of John Francis and others of the same tribe, for an appropriation for the repair of their chapel and the priest's house; and

Credentials of Peropole Sabattis;

Were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Remonstrance of the Harbor Commissioners of Portland, against the petition of J. N. Winslow and others for authority to build a dam at Martin's Point, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of John Hubbard and others, for an act to set off certain real estate from Manchester and annex the same to Hallowell, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of the Selectmen of Bucksport and Verona, for exclusive right of fishing with seines above the bridge connecting said towns, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Dennis Hale and others, for the repeal of the law of

1867 regulating the toll for grinding buckwheat, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of William Hesketh and others, for the repeal of the act incorporating the town of Bowerbank, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the private acts of 1846," authorizing the erection of a dam across Weskeag river in South Thomaston; and

Petition of James W. North, for authority to extend and maintain a wharf in Augusta;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve for distribution of books to United States Judges, was referred to the Committee on the Library.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Ellen G. Williams, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to consider the expediency of repealing chapter 116 of the public laws of 1867, entitled "an act authorizing stenographers to report proceedings in the Supreme Judicial Court."

On motion of the same member,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to consider the expediency of reducing the number of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

On motion of Mr. POOR of Andover,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to protect the trout fishing in the head waters of the Androscoggin river in this State.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish for the use of the members of this House a suitable number of Document Holders for filing the printed documents of the House and Senate.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

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

to the Maine State Temperance Convention on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, January 14th.

Bill "an act authorizing Drew plantation to raise money for certain purposes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act to establish the line between the town of Burnham and Unity plantation."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Franklin County to reassess certain taxes."

Bill "an act to provide for the removal of persons imprisoned or under arrest from one county to another when different offences are charged in the two counties.

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Otis,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of repealing so much of chapter 130 of the laws of 1862, as requires municipal officers of cities and towns to purchase liquors of the State Commissioners of Maine and Massachusetts.

Order directing the same Committee to inquire whether any change in the law relating to divorce and annulling marriages is necessary. And whether the public good does not require that the causes for divorce should be specified by law, instead of being left to the discretion of the justice of the court hearing the case, as the law now provides.

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

The communication of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, relating to fees of litigation, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and on motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the State Liquor Commissioner's Report for the year 1867, came from Senate and was read.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Eastport"; also

Petition of J. T. Hinckley and others of Bluehill, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; and

Petition of David Richardson and others, for an act to incorporate Presque Isle Trotting Park Association, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George E. Chadbourne and 41 others of Bridgton, for the reduction of the salaries of county officers; and

Petition of John Dawes and 53 others of Harrison, for same, came from the Senate referred to the Cumberland Delegation.

Petition of Joseph Hinckley of Bluehill, for indemnity for cattle destroyed by order of the Selectmen of said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on bill "an act to authorize Francis Cobb, H. W. Wright and John S. Case, to extend a breakwater and wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor, in South Thomaston," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Commissioners on the Assumption of Municipal War Debts, was received and read.

A communication from the Secretary of State, in response to an order of the House, transmitting a report of the annual expenses for the years 1865, 1866 and 1867, of the office of Superintendent of Common Schools, which, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Also a communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the State Reform School.

Mr. WALKER of Machias, presented resolves in relation to naturalized citizens of the United States, which on his motion were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Petition of the Maine Medical Association, for an act for the promotion of medical science; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 100 of the revised statutes, relating to forms of civil actions"; and

Petition of S. L. Tobey and 84 others, for change of the law providing for taxation of shares in national banks;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. W. Drummond and others, for amendment of the

law relating to cattle running at large, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of C. M. Jameson and others of Appleton, for the incorporation of the Appleton Fire Insurance Company, with bill accompanying; and

Petition of E. C. McClintock and 15 others of Boothbay, for an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fishing Insurance Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Remonstrance of the Selectmen of Pittsfield, against the petition of Dudley Annis and others, to be set off from Pittsfield and annexed to Hartland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Joseph Nickerson and 11 others of Boothbay, for authority to establish a marine railway at West harbor in said town, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of John H. Blake, for the protection of fish in Wilson's pond, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Charles Sweron and others, for an appropriation for a school near St. Luce, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Daniel Randall and others, for change in the law providing for locating highways over unincorporated territory, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of James Doyle and others, for an act to incorporate the plantations of Eaton, Sheridan, and part of Forestville, under the name of Eaton; and

Remonstrance of John Appleton and others, owners of west half of No. 4, Range 1, in Penobscot County, against incorporation with east half;

Were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire what further legislation is necessary to protect the lines of telegraph companies.

On motion of Mr. REED of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 48, chapter 81, revised statutes, so as to allow sheriffs and their deputies to administer the oath to the appraisers of personal property.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of a law allowing a testator to name in his will the amount of bond to be required of his executor, or to relieve his executor from the necessity of giving any bond.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 49, chapter 28, of the revised statutes, as to provide for an appeal from the decision of the Selectmen of towns in case of damages to individuals occasioned by the raising or lowering of streets or ways.

On motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 291 of the public laws of 1865, relating to poll taxes.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Exeter,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that the road commissioners of cities, the highway surveyors of towns and plantations in this State, shall be required to go over their several highway districts in the months of May, June, August, September, October and November in each year, and remove the loose obstructions to the public travel.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petitions of J. W. Coffin and others, for change in the law in relation to making and repairing roads in unincorporated townships, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Joint Select Committee on order for an assignment of the topics in the Governor's Message, reported the following order :

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as refers to the financial affairs of the State, to the Committee on Finance ; so much as relates to banks, to the Committee on Banks and Bank-

ing ; so much as relates to amendment of national banking act, and so much as relates to taxation of government bonds, to the Committee on Federal Relations ; so much as relates to the militia, soldiers' and sailors' orphan fund, to the Committee on Military Affairs ; so much as relates to education, normal schools, the deaf and dumb, industrial school for girls, and the documentary history of Maine, to the Committee on Education ; so much as relates to the reform school, to the Committee on Reform School ; so much as relates to the State prison, to the Committee on State Prison ; so much as relates to the insane hospital, to the Committee on Insane Hospital ; so much as relates to the enlargement of the State house, to the Committee on Public Buildings ; so much as relates to the hydrographic survey of the State, to the Committee on Manufactures ; so much as relates to obstructions in Penobscot river, to the Committee on Interior Waters ; so much as relates to the report of the fish commissioners, to the Committee on Fisheries ; so much as relates to agriculture and the college of agriculture and the mechanic arts, to the Committee on Agriculture ; so much as relates to encouragement of immigration, to the Committee on Federal Relations ; so much as relates to railroads, to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges ; and so much as relates to assumption of municipal war debts, to a Special Committee of one from each county on the part of the House, and seven on the part of the Senate.

These reports were read and accepted, the order read and passed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill " an act to change the name of Emma Frances Butterfield," having had three several readings, passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, the order directing the Committee on Printing and Binding to receive sealed proposals for doing the State printing and binding, was taken from the table.

Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, offered amendment "A," and pending which, the order was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, presented resolves relating to the claim of the State upon the sureties of B. D. Peck, late State Treasurer. On his motion the rules were suspended, and the resolves read once, when Mr. FOSTER of Portland, moved that the resolves be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, the House ordered that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to lay on the table by yeas 14, nays 111.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Cram, Dingley, N. A. Foster, Henley, Hubbard, Lobdell, Morris, Porter, Reed, Spaulding, True, Wells, Webb—14.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Clark, Colby, Caswell, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Chamberlain, Dickey, Duren, Dunning, Dyer, Doane, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, M. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, Gould, Goold, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Hackett, Hamor, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Hargraves, Ingalls, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Light, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, Merrill, McKenney, May, Monroe, Merrow, Marden, Maddix, Noyes, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Poor, Plaisted, Patten, Paine, Parker, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Raymond, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, Stetson, Teague, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, Tebbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker—111.

The rules were further suspended, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and the resolves were read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, announced the attendance of Mr. Downes, member elect from Calais, and conducted him to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. DOWNES subsequently appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. LAPHAM of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 6 of the revised statutes, in relation to the sale of lands for non-payment of taxes ; and

Order directing the same Committee to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 106 of the revised statutes, relating to tare on pressed hay, came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of N. C. Reed and others of Phipsburg, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks ; and

Petition of the County Commissioners of Sagadahoc County, for authority to loan the credit of said county to aid in the construction of a court house, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Thomas Ranney and others, for change in the law providing for locating and opening highways over unincorporated territory, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Albert J. Smith of Portland, for bounty, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Elizabeth J. Craig of Auburn, for change of name, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Eastport to hire money"; and

Bill "an act in regard to vicious biting horses," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing petition and bills were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act to incorporate Lebanon Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Petition of Henry Willis and others of Portland, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of Medical Science; also

Petition of H. C. Fessenden and others of Eastport; also

Petition of J. A. Parson and others of Windham; also

Petition of Lucien Ingalls and others of Andover; also

Petition of S. E. Spring and others of Portland; also

Petition of A. W. Bradbury and others of Portland; and

Petition of George D. Staples and others of North Berwick, in aid of same; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Chelsea for reduction of the valuation of said town; also

Petition of H. K. Baker, for an act to incorporate the Valley Camp Meeting Association; also

Petition of B. A. Cox and others of Pittston, for an act to incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Society; also

Petition of J. B. Mitchell and others of Bath, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; and

Petition of A. H. Barstow and others, for same; also

Bill "an act explanatory of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, entitled 'an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops,' and of chapter 130 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act additional to and amendatory of the same;'" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bethel Society of Portland";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Isaiah Perkins and others of Minot, for an act mak-

ing railroad companies liable for damages by fire occasioned by passing trains ; and

Petition of Henry Treat and others for leave to surrender their charter for a bridge over Marsh stream in Frankfort ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of S. P. Mayberry of Cape Elizabeth, for the distribution of the Agricultural Report in Europe, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of A. G. Wakefield and others, for aid to deaf and dumb children in Clark Institute at Northampton, Mass., was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of G. A. Chadwick for the printing of the transactions of the Maine Medical Association at the expense of the State, was referred to the Committee on State Printing and Binding.

Petition of James Dunning and others, for extension of the charter of the Farmers' Bank of Bangor, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of W. Bradbury and others of Bristol, for repeal of law regulating porgy fishing on the coast of Maine, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Mary Waite of Fort Fairfield, to be exempted from further settling duties ; and

Petition of Spaulding Robinson and others of Sherman, for abatement of State and county tax of said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of Samuel T. Hussey and others, against the petition of J. S. Wheeler and others, for change of law relating to the opening of highways over unincorporated territory, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fishing Insurance Company of Boothbay," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing petitions, bills and remonstrance, were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Merrill Savage, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention, this day,

in Hall of the House of Representatives, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

The Clerk was charged with, and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposed Convention.

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. ROBIE of the Senate,

Messrs. Robie of Cumberland and Lindsey of Somerset, of the Senate; Titcomb of Augusta, Morse of Bath, Paine of Eastport, Robinson of Dover, and Clark of Lewiston, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Treasurer of State.

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

Whose number of votes,	147
Necessary for a choice,	74
Nathan G. Hichborn has	110
Samuel W. Jackson,	37

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. NATHAN G. HICHBORN was declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify the Hon. Nathan G. Hichborn of his election as State Treasurer for the current fiscal year.

The Convention having accomplished the purpose for which it assembled, was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending so much of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, as relates to the fees of justices of the peace.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into

the expediency of amending section 36, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, by striking out the word "ten," and insert "eight," thereby making eight hours of actual labor performed a legal day's work.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes relating to paupers.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Otis,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire what further legislation is necessary to a correct understanding of the law in regard to attachment and sale of property for taxes.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire what further legislation is necessary to secure a more humane treatment of prisoners in the several county jails of the State; to provide for the separate confinement of criminals and persons charged with criminal offences, and to establish some system of labor for persons confined under sentence therein.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing imprisonment for debt.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Jonesport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to protect the herring fisheries in the town of Jonesport.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, be directed to inquire into the expediency of reorganizing the board of railroad commissioners and enlarging its powers and jurisdiction.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Reform School be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a State asylum for the reform of inebriates in connection with the State reform school.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the State Constable be requested to communicate, for the information of this House, what instructions he has given

to his deputies, when the same have been directed by him to enforce the liquor laws of this State, and whether he has ever authorized his deputies to discriminate as to persons.

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Alexander Kennedy, reported a "resolve in favor of Alexander Kennedy."

Mr. TEAGUE, from the same Committee, on petition of Lucy J. Story, reported a "resolve in favor of Lucy J. Story."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Portland Grain Warehouse Company, reported bill "an act to authorize the Portland Grain Warehouse Company to issue bonds."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 256 of the public laws of 1867, relating to the compensation of temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State."

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on order relating to liens on logs and lumber, reported bill "an act to amend section 19, chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to lien on logs and lumber."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills printed under the rule.

Bill "an act to authorize Francis Cobb, H. W. Wright and John S. Case, to extend a breakwater and wharf into tide waters of Seal harbor in the town of South Thomaston," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of Escutasis Dam Company."

Bill "an act to provide for the removal of persons imprisoned or under arrest, from one county to another, when different offences are charged in the two counties."

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.

The SPEAKER announced that vacancies in Committees, occasioned by the decision of the House in certain contested elections, would be filled as follows :

In place of Kelly of Weston, on the Committee on Division of Counties, Stimpson of Linneus.

In place of Moore of Gouldsbrough, on the Committee on Pensions, Doane of Sullivan.

On motion of Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on Legal Reform to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 2 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, as to allow more adequate compensation to justices of the peace and quorum for the hearing of poor debtors' disclosures.

Order directing the Committee on Banks and Banking to inquire into the expediency of further exempting banks from making specie payments.

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

A communication from Z. Pope Vose, Secretary of the Maine State Temperance Convention, returning the thanks of said Convention to the House for the courtesy extended to that body in tendering the use of the Hall of the House, and inviting the members of the Legislature to meet with the Convention at Granite

Hall, on Wednesday afternoon and evening, came from the Senate and was read.

Petition of O. R. Bacheller and others, for amendment of the charter of the Somerset Railroad, and act of 1866 extending the time for constructing the road, with bill accompanying, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the town of Brewer, for authority to exempt from taxation manufacturing establishments in said town, came from the Senate referred to Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of A. D. Marr and others of Portland, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science; also

Petition of D. D. Akerman and others of Portland; also

Petition of John B. Brown and others of Portland; and

Petition of F. S. Webb and others of Damariscotta, all in aid of same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of J. W. Coffin and others of Washington County, against the petition of Charles Hayward and others, for change in the law providing for locating highways over unincorporated territory, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing petitions and remonstrance were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to the repeal of articles 34, 35 and 36 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Tomar Sockalexis and others, for an act to protect the rights of the Penobscot Indians, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of John D. Garvin and others of Acton, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; also

Petition of Nathan N. Loud and others of Newfield; also

Petition of Washington Bragg and others; and

Petition of I. W. Johnson and others of Carmel, for same.

Petition of S. H. Chandler and 38 others of New Gloucester, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science ; also

Petition of William F. Lovejoy and 68 others of Gray ; also

Petition of A. H. Cheney and 29 others of Bowdoinham ; also

Petition of C. A. Kimball and others of Rumford ; also

Petition of James McKeen and others of Topsham ; also

Petition of James Drummond and others of Bath ; also

Petition of E. L. Hamlin and others of Bangor ; also

Petition of Luther Billings and others of Bridgton ; and

Petition of John J. Perry and others of Oxford, all in aid of the same ; also

Petition of Saint John's Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, for an act of incorporation, with accompanying bill ; also

Bill "an act to amend section 151 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes" ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford Coöperative Society" ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Daniel Richardson and others, for reduction of the salaries of State and county officers ; and

Petition of Gideon Bean and others of Naples, for same ;

Were referred to the Cumberland delegation.

Petition of A. C. Denison and others, for an act of incorporation, and authority to divert the waters of Tripp pond in Poland ; also

Petition of Ariel Wall and others of Hallowell, for authority to extend a wharf in said city ; and

Petition of Ezra Hall, to extend a wharf in Camden, with bill accompanying ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act relating to fees of sheriffs and constables" ; and

Bill "an act to repeal an act regulating elections in plantations" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Jacob Sanders and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge in Crystal plantation ; and

Petition of John W. Brown and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a mill in Castle Hill ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of President, Directors and Company of Mercantile

Bank, Bangor, for extension of charter of said bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of the Mayor of Bangor, for amendment of the law providing for the inspection of coal oils and burning fluid; and

Petition of Cyrus Sturdivant and others, for an act of incorporation;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of the town of Warren for change in the law regulating the fisheries of said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Joseph Farwell, Mayor of Rockland, for authority to unite the school districts of said city in one grade district, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Credentials of Socabasin Swassian, delegate from the Penobscot tribe of Indians, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GOSS of Bath,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, two members of this House be added to the Special Committee to which was referred that part of the Governor's Message relating to the shipping interest.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Porter of Burlington and Case of Rockland on said Committee.

On motion of Mr. BLACK of Palermo,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing a portion of section 10, paragraph 3, chapter 6, of the revised statutes, relative to taxing neat stock, horses and sheep.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if section 14 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court, needs amending.

On motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law a form of action for the enforcement of laborers' liens upon lumber.

On motion of Mr. WEBB of Hartland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency

of striking out the words "two years," in the fourth line of section 36, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, and inserting in place thereof the words "six months," so that said section shall read as follows: "If the judgment of the commissioners is wholly reversed, they shall proceed no further; and no petition praying for substantially the same matter shall be entertained by them for six months thereafter. If the judgment is affirmed in whole or in part, they shall carry into effect the judgment of the appellate court as if made by them, and the party appealing, or prosecuting, shall pay the costs since the appeal, if so adjudged by the appellate court, which may allow costs in such cases to the prevailing party, to be paid out of the county treasury. The compensation of the committee is to be the same as commissioners would have for like services, to be allowed by the court. The costs are to be collected as provided in section three."

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by amendment of the constitution for representation of minorities in the State Legislature and in the Congress of the United States.

On motion of Mr. LANE of Plantation No. 2,

Ordered, That the same Committee be requested to ascertain if any change in the law in regard to assessors of cities, towns and plantations requiring tax payers to give in their inventory under oath, is necessary.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be instructed to inquire into the expediency of removing the capital of the State to the city of Bangor.

On motion of Mr. DURAN of Casco,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture take the corn crop into consideration for a bounty.

On motion of Mr. BUCK of Orland,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law to pay a bounty on all wheat raised in the State the next three years.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to estimate and report by resolve the amount required for repairing roads and bridges in the County of Aroostook,

and the Houlton and Baring road in the County of Washington, for the current year.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to regulate the use of the check list in elections, and to amend section 21 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be directed to inquire what further legislation is necessary to protect shippers of wood and other merchandise against unjust discrimination on the part of railway corporations in adjustment of their freight tariffs.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, presented the following order, which, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, was laid on the table :

Ordered, That the petition of Bickford C. Mathews, presented to the Legislature of 1867, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings cause the street lamps in front of the State House to be lighted at 6 o'clock P. M. and extinguished when the street lamps of the city are extinguished, on every evening of the week except Sunday evening.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of William H. Sargent, reported bill "an act to authorize William H. Sargent to erect and maintain a wharf in the town of Sedgwick."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under rule.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 91, section 19 of the revised statutes, relating to liens on logs and lumber."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 256 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the compensation of temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State."

These bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate Lebanon Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons."

Bill "an act to authorize the Portland Grain Warehouse Company to issue bonds."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and the former was passed to be engrossed in concurrence, and the latter passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Franklin to reassess certain taxes."

Bill "an act to establish the line between the town of Burnham and Unity plantation."

Bill "an act to authorize Francis Cobb, H. W. Wight, and John S. Case to extend a breakwater and wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor, in the town of South Thomaston."

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

On motion of Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick, the order directing the Joint Select Committee on State Printing and Binding to receive sealed proposals for doing the State Printing and Binding, was taken from the table, and the question being on the adoption of amendment "A," it was adopted, and the order as amended, was passed and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER announced the Joint Special Committee on the Assumption of Municipal War Debts on the part of the House as follows:

Messrs. Tyler of Brownfield, Dingley of Lewiston, Patten of Hampden, Buck of Orland, May of Winthrop, Merrow of Bowdoinham, Paine of Eastport, Haines of Biddeford, Monroe of Thomaston, Foster of Portland, Frost of Industry, Black of

Palermo, Teague of Lyndon, Jeffers of Foxcroft, Caldwell of Waldoborough, and Foster of Canaan.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and presided during the election of a Speaker *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Joseph W. Porter be Speaker *pro tem.*

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MAGRATH of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, that gentleman was charged with a message to the Senate informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker, Hon. Joseph W. Porter had been chosen Speaker *pro tempore.*

Mr. ANDREWS of Buckfield, was charged with a similar message to the Governor and Council.

Both gentlemen subsequently reported they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to consider what further time, than now provided by law, is required for granting reviews in certain cases, when judgment has been entered.

Order directing the Committee on Military Affairs to inquire into the expediency of a law authorizing the Governor to issue to the soldiers of Maine who were engaged in the late war for the preservation of the Union, certificates of service as evidence and reward.

Order directing the Committees on State Prison, Insane Hospital and Reform School, to visit those institutions.

Order directing that 1,000 additional copies of the Report of the Trustees of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

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

Petition of D. D. Stewart and others, for the restoration of the December Term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Somerset ; also

Petition of James S. Tobey and others of Athens, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science ; also

Petition of H. P. Torsey and others of Kent's Hill ; and

Petition of Charles B. Perkins and others of Phippsburg, in aid of the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Levi Young and 32 others, against the petition of Thomas Young and others, to be set off from the town of Starks and annexed to Norridgewock, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of David W. Campbell and others, reporting bill "an act authorizing David W. Campbell and others to erect and maintain a dam across Narraguagus river," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

A communication from the State Constable, in response to an order of the House of January 15th, was received, and on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting a list of educational institutions chartered under the laws of the State, together with statistical matter in reference to the same, in compliance with an order of the House, was received, and on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, referred to the Committee on Education and ordered to be printed.

Petition of J. C. Cilley and others of Rockland ; also
Petition of Daniel Haradan and others of Belfast ; also
Petition of William G. Crosby and others of Belfast ; also
Petition of Hiram Chase and others of Belfast ; also
Petition of Oliver Gerrish and others of Portland ; also
Petition of Seth B. Wetherbee and others of Warren ; also
Petition of Henry Clifford and others of Portland ; also
Petition of Alvah Black and others of Paris ; also
Petition of J. C. Boynton and others of Richmond ; also
Petition of Luther H. Ludden and others of Dixfield ; also
Petition of J. Q. A. Hawes and others of Hallowell ; also
Petition of Noah Prince and others of Buckfield ; also
Petition of J. T. Champlin and others of Waterville ; and
Petition of Joseph Buckman and others of Poland and Minot, all
in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the pro-
motion of medical science ; also

Petition of George A. Emery and 73 others of Hampden, for
change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national
banks ; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes" ;

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes" ;
and

Bill "an act relating to the organization of corporations ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of P. D. and E. Webster and others, against the
petition of Charles Hayward, J. S. Wheelwright and others, for
change of the law providing for opening highways in unincor-
porated places ; also

Bill "an act relating to the duties of Judges of Municipal and
Police Courts" ; and

Bill "an act relating to corporations" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of James A. Johnston and others of Bremen, for the
repeal of the law relating to porgy fishing on the coast of Maine,
was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Darius Eddy and others of Bradley, for an act to
incorporate the Bradley Union Hall Company, was referred to the
Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Andrew Bissell and others, for an act to establish a

ferry on Penobscot river, between Ayer's falls and Marsh rips, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Joseph Holland, for adjustment of his claim to a lot of land in No. 18, Range 7, W. E. L. S., was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Jacob Banks and others, for authority to erect a dam on Pushaw stream; and

Remonstrance of the Casco Iron Company, against the petition of J. N. Winslow and others;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Enos T. Luce and others, for an act to incorporate the city of Auburn; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the city of Auburn";

Were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of the Superintending School Committee of Portland, for an act to authorize towns and cities to purchase books for the use of pupils in the public schools, at the public expense, with accompanying bill, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of William Poor, Jr., of Brownfield, for renewal of State pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Joseph G. Merrill of Kennebunk, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Memorial of the Maine Medical Association, for an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital, was presented by Mr. FOSTER of Portland, and on his motion was ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER, ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Reform School inquire into the expediency of limiting the age of boys sent to the Reform School to fifteen years, so the law will read from seven to fifteen years, instead of from seven to nineteen years.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to

inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to claims in set-off.

On motion of Mr. COLBY of Litchfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire whether some modification of the statutes of this State, in relation to the relief of poor debtors arrested and imprisoned upon civil process, and the giving of preference to creditors, is not rendered necessary by the passage of the national bankrupt act, approved, March 2, 1867.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of a law securing to boarding house keepers a lien on the baggage and effects of boarders for the payment of their board.

On motion of Mr. CLARK of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Report of the Commissioners on the Assumption of the Municipal War Debts, be referred to the Committee on the Assumption of Municipal War Debts.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of an increase of the amount of money which towns shall be required by law to raise for the support of public schools.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Joint Special Committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as relates to ships and shipping, be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 234 of the public laws of 1864, entitled "an act to encourage manufactures," so as to include in the exemption from taxation all registered and enrolled vessels hereafter built in this State and owned by citizens of this State.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BUFFUM of Orono, presented the following order, which, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, was indefinitely postponed :

Ordered, That 2,000 copies additional of the Report of the Commissioners on the Assumption of the Municipal War Debts, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on

petition of Thaddeus H. Spear and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company."

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Change of Names, on bill "an act to change the name of Adaline J. Small," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the C. P. Kimball Company of Portland," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. DOWNES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of W. R. Waterman and others, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 5, in the town of Robbinston."

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, on petition of the Selectmen and Town Agent of Dover, reported bill "an act to authorize the town of Dover to aid in the construction of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of the Selectmen of Ellsworth, reported bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Ellsworth."

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of William Mitchell, reported bill "an act to authorize William Mitchell to build and maintain a wharf in tide waters in Machiasport."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on petition of Village School District of Brunswick, reported bill "an act to authorize the Village School District in the town of Brunswick to raise money for the erection of a schoolhouse or schoolhouses in said district."

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of the heirs of the late John Matherson, reported a "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to the heirs of the late John Matherson."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, the bills read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for a second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 256 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the compensation of temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State."

Bill "an act to authorize William H. Sargent to erect and maintain a wharf in the town of Sedgwick."

Bill "an act to amend section 19 of chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to liens on logs and lumber."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate Lebanon Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons."

"Resolves relating to the claims of the State against the sureties of B. D. Peck, late Treasurer of State."

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

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, the communication of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, in relation to fees of litigation, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FLETCHER of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on Public Buildings to inquire into the expediency of removing the State capital to the city of Bangor, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed.

Amendment "A" was adopted, and the order as amended passed in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Palmer and others of Anson ; and

Petition of W. H. Fulton and others of Skowhegan, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science ; also

Petition of Thomas M. Reed and others of Phipsburg, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Phipsburg, for reduction of the State valuation of said town ; and

Petition of the town of Brewer, for authority to sell town landings owned in common with the town of Holden, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Calvin Merrill of Fryeburg, for increase of toll on logs passing the slip of his mill in Kezar river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the citizens of Hancock, for an act to prevent trawl fishing in Frenchman's Bay, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of R. O. Conant and others, for an act to incorporate the Royal River Paper Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of the Agent of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, for an appropriation to carry into effect chapter 330 of the resolves of

1864 in favor of said institution, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing petitions were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Hancock Delegation, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of L. A. Emery, for increase of salary.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Thomas N. Egery and others, reporting bill "an act to change the name of the Bangor Company."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Petition of Sylvanus Hayward and others of South Berwick, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science; also

Petition of the Calais and St. Stephen Gas Light Company, for authority to assess the stock of said company; and

Petition of the Frontier Steamboat Company, for authority to increase the capital stock of said company;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Stephen S. and Charles T. Martin, to be set off from the town of Naples and annexed to Sebago, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of Joseph McDougall and others, against the petition of A. C. Denison, for authority to divert the waters of Tripp pond in Poland; and

Petition of Alfred Lennox, for authority to extend a wharf in Wiscasset, with bill accompanying;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of S. F. Perley and others of Naples, for an act to incorporate the Casco Preserving Company, with accompanying bill, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Tomah Sockalexis and others of the Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for the support of the schools of said Indians; and

Petition of same, for an appropriation for the promotion of agriculture in said tribe;

Were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of the assessors of D'Aigle plantation, for an abatement of State and County tax ; and

Resolve for the relief of D'Aigle plantation ;

Were referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Reform School inquire into the expediency of making the Superintendent of that institution Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Bristol,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law whereby lobsters may be sold by weight instead of count.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Stephen Young and others, to be set off from the Fairfield Village Corporation, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on credentials of Peropole Sabattis, reported a "resolve in favor of Peropole Sabattis."

These reports were read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing David W. Campbell and others to erect and maintain a dam across Narraguagus river," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Atlantic Steamship Company," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER of Portland, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Village District in the town of Brunswick to raise money for the erection of a schoolhouse or schoolhouses in said district."

Bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Ellsworth."

Bill "an act to incorporate the C. P. Kimball Company of Portland."

Bill "an act to change the name of Adaline J. Small."

Bill "an act to authorize William Mitchell to build and maintain a wharf in tide waters at Machiasport."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 5, in the town of Robbinston."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Dover to raise money to aid in the construction of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned for a further consideration.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Maurice Phillips, for State bounty, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of Henry Williamson and others, against the petition of Thomas Young and others, to be set off from Starks and annexed to Norridgewock ; and

Remonstrance of William Allen, against the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill " an act to extend the corporate powers of the President, Directors and Company of the Waterville Bank," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Dudley Annis and others, to be set off from Pittsfield and annexed to Hartland, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill " an act to make valid the doings of the town of Eastport," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee on petition of the County Commissioners of Androscoggin County, reporting bill " an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, to authorize county commissioners to reverse a part or all of their proceedings by reason of excessive damages assessed under a petition for increase of damages."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of G. C. Moses and others, reporting bill " an act to incorporate the Eastern Steamboat Company "

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Petition of E. P. Sleeper and 25 others of South Thomaston, for an act to prevent the depositing of slabs and other refuse lumber in Weskeag river; also

Petition of the Maine Granite Company, for authority to build a wharf in Hallowell, with bill accompanying; also

Petition of Joseph R. Bodwell and others, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters in Vinalhaven, with accompanying bill; also

Petition of the Pembroke Iron Company and others, for an act to regulate the driving of logs on Pemaquon river; and

Petition of D. S. Fernald and S. C. Mullin, for authority to extend a wharf in Camden, with accompanying bill;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Simeon B. Davis and others of Buxton, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association; also

Petition of John Thissell and others of Corinth, for change of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; also

Bill "an act to repeal the death penalty"; and

Petition of Joseph Baker and others, for a Superior Court for Kennebec County;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the President, Directors and Company of the Véazie Bank of Bangor, for renewal of the charter of said bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Adams H. Merrill and others, for an act to incorporate the Pleasant River Railroad Company, with accompanying bill, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Andrew Fuller and others, for an act to incorporate the Knox Woollen Company of Camden, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of J. B. Hayes of Lyndon, to be exempted from further settling duties, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Thomas Sockalexis and others of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, for an appropriation to pay the salaries of the Governor and Lieut. Governor of said tribe, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing petitions and bill were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Sebattis River Manufacturing Company, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Lewis Cormier, Register of Deeds for the Northern District in Arqostook County, for increase of salary, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. DYER of Millbridge,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of exempting by law from taxation the real and personal estate of the widow of any soldier of the late war, not exceeding the sum of five hundred dollars.

On motion of Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency and justice of the State paying a part of the expense incurred in ferreting out, apprehending and bringing to justice the bank robbers who robbed the Bowdoinham National Bank.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on Joint Rules and Orders be directed to inquire into the expediency of striking out the Joint Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Exeter,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of State be requested to furnish for the information of the Legislature, the amount paid out of the treasury for the past ten years for the making and repairing of roads and bridges, designating the years, and the amount paid to each county in the State.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Drew Plantation,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to inquire what measures, if any, are necessary to insure the State House against damage or destruction by fire.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Gardiner,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the propriety and necessity of so amending chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to usury, that it shall be legal for parties to receive or pay any rate of interest, ranging from six to ten per cent. upon the loan or forbearance of any money, goods or merchandise, when the rate is agreed upon by the parties and stipulated in writing.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Daniel A. Wadlin and others, for the assumption by the State of the war debts of towns, reported that the same be referred to the Joint Committee on Assumption.

Mr. CRAM, from the same Committee, on the petition of E. A. Marston and others, for an act to incorporate the Westbrook Good Templar Hall Association, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," was read twice, and on motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast, laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to change the name of the Bangor Company," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKEON of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on Fisheries to inquire what legislation is necessary to protect the porgy fishery on the coast of Maine, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of J. S. Leavitt and 74 others of Windham and Gorham, for reduction of the salaries of State and county officers, came from the Senate referred to the Cumberland County Delegation.

Petition of Benjamin Hawes and others of Ashland, for change

of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Newell Neptune and others of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, for protection against the depredations of lumbermen, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing petitions were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to loan money," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bethel Society of Portland," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on petition of David Richardson, reporting bill "an act incorporating the Presque Isle Trotting Park Association."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Communications from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual reports of the Attorney General and Adjutant General for the year 1867, were received and read.

Petition of Toppan Robie and others of Gorham, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science; also

Petition of Alvan Bacon and others of Biddeford; also
Petition of Woodbury G. Frost and others of Pownal; and
Petition of N. T. True and others of Bethel, all for same; also
Petition of R. D. Tallman and others of Perkins, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; also
Petition of John S. Ames and others of Jefferson; also
Petition of Hiram Worthing and others of Palermo; also
Petition of D. A. Greer and others of Belmont; also
Petition of J. W. Phillips and others of Orrington; and
Petition of George W. Harris of Salem, all for the same;

The foregoing were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of James Morton and others, for the incorporation of the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank, with accompanying bill; and

Petition of N. A. Farwell and others of Rockland, for an act to incorporate a savings bank in said city, with accompanying bill ;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of G. H. Theobald and others, for an act to incorporate the Richmond Library Association, with accompanying bill, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Luther Lewis and others, in aid of the petition of P. D. & E. Webster, for authority to erect a dam on Pushaw stream ; and

Petition of J. R. Bodwell and others, for authority to extend a wharf in Hallowell ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians, for an appropriation to purchase a granite cross for their cemetery, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of L. G. Downes and others, for an act to incorporate Harwood Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Joel Valley and others, for the annexation of the north half of Alva plantation to Mars Hill, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill "an act relating to corporations" ; and

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Knox County Fire Insurance Company' " ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "an act to authorize the construction of a marine railway at West Harbor in the town of Boothbay," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Flavilla Greenleaf and Sarah B. Carlton for change of name, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any legislation is necessary to regulate the form of justices writs.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges

be instructed to inquire what further legislation is necessary to secure the safety and convenience of travellers over railroads in this State.

On motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of State be requested to furnish, for the information of the Legislature, the amount paid into the Treasury for the past ten years, designating the years and the amount paid by each county in the State, exclusive of State tax.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of Sebattis River Manufacturing Company, reported bill "an act to change the name of the Sebattis River Manufacturing Company."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The reports were read and accepted, the former bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading, and the latter ordered to be printed under rule.

Bill "an act to amend section 6 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, to authorize County Commissioners to reverse a part or all of their proceedings by reason of excessive damages assessed under a petition for increase of damages."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Eastport in paying more than six per cent. interest on town notes and town orders."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Steamboat Company."

These bill having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing William H. Sargent to erect and maintain a wharf in the town of Sedgwick."

Bill "an act to amend section 19, chapter 91, of the revised statutes, relating to liens on logs and lumber."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Bangor Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 256 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the compensation of temporary clerks in the office of the Secretary of State."

Bill "an act to authorize the Portland Grain Warehouse Company to issue bonds."

Bill "an act authorizing David W. Campbell to erect and maintain a dam across Narraguagus river."

"Resolve in favor of Peropole Sabattis."

These bills having been three times read, resolve twice read and 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 finally passed, each signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Dover to raise money to aid in the construction of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad," assigned for to-day, was taken from the table, and the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, the House, on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, ordered that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken the bill was passed to be engrossed by yeas 106, nays 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Allen, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Brown, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Black, Bridges, Balkam, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Chamberlain, Cowell, Dingley, Dickey, Dunning, Dyer, Doane, Estes, Field, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, Max Foster, Farrar, Glidden, J. W. Gould, G. Goold, Goss, Ham, Henley, Hackett, Hamor, Hale, Herrick, Hersey, Hall, Hargraves, Haines, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, McKenney, May, Monroe, Merrow, Noyes, Newhall, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Parcher, Rand, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Raymond, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spaulding, Spear, Teague, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tebbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Wheeler, Webb, Walker, Weeks—106.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Cram, Norton, Patten, Stetson, Tarbox—5.

Bill "an act authorizing Drew plantation to raise money for certain purposes," was, on motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono, taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing bills were sent to the Senate.

Memorial of the Maine Medical Association, for an act to establish a general hospital in this State; and

Report of the State Constable;

Were, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, and report of the Treasurer of the same institution, was, on motion of the same gentleman, referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Report of the annual expenses of the office of Superintendent of Common Schools for the years 1865, 1866 and 1867, was, on motion of the same gentleman, taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Education.

Order directing the petition of Bickford C. Mathews to be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, was, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, taken from the table and passed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Resolves in relation to the taxation of shares in national banks and of United States bonds, were, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Mr. PARKER of Kittery asked to be and was excused from further service on the Committee on State Prison.

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. Parcher of Saco to fill the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKEON of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of Charles W. Vose and others ; also

Remonstrance of Trescott Lawrence and others of Machias ; and

Remonstrance of M. J. Wright and others, all against the petition of William H. Hemenway and others, for authority to extend a wharf in Machias, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the Eastern Bank of Bangor, for renewal of charter, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Charles F. Pray and others of Millbridge, for an act to legalize the doings of said town ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Western Transportation and Mining Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Slate Company, for amendment of charter ; and

Petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, for an act to allow the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of said road, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of B. W. Chandler and others, against the petition of Joel Valley for the division of Alva plantation ; also

Remonstrance of Thomas Banks and others ; and

Remonstrance of Charles Kidder, against the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing petitions, remonstrances and bill were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act in regard to vicious biting horses," reporting the same ought to

pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company," passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment "A" amended as per sheet "B," and as amended passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., informing the House that a vacancy exists in the Senate in the First Senatorial District, and that Geo. Goodwin and Nathan Neal are the constitutional candidates, and proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature this day at a quarter past 10 o'clock, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of filling said vacancy.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposed Convention.

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. LINDSEY of the Senate,

Messrs. Lindsey of Somerset, Stetson of Penobscot, Beale of Hudson, Blaisdell of Waterville, Caswell of Belgrade, Glidden of Newcastle, and Cowell of Lebanon, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Senator to fill the vacancy in the First Senatorial District.

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

Whole number of votes,	135
Necessary for a choice,	68
George Goodwin has	102
Nathan Neal,	32
William McArthur,	1

The report was read and accepted, and GEORGE GOODWIN was declared duly elected Senator to fill the vacancy in the First Senatorial District.

On motion of Mr. SNELL of Kennebec,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify George Goodwin of his election as Senator from the First Senatorial District.

The purposes of the Convention having been accomplished, it was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention this day, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at half past 10 o'clock, for the purpose of electing seven Executive Councillors for the current political year, and administering to such Councillors elect as shall signify their acceptance the oaths necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposed Convention.

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. HOUGHTON of the Senate,

Messrs. Houghton of Washington, Brown of Cumberland, Palmer of Bangor, Gould of Smithfield, Barker of Jonesport, Shurtleff of Livermore, and Barnes of Woolwich were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. HOUGHTON, from the Committee, subsequently reported :

Whole number of votes,	134
Necessary for a choice,	68
Henry C. Reed has	105
George W. Randall,	105

Daniel Holland,	105
Joseph A. Sanborn,	105
Elias Milliken,	105
Ephraim Flint,	105
Daniel K. Hobart,	105
Alvah Black,	29
Sewall C. Strout,	29
Calvin Record,	29
Charles H. Whittier,	29
William H. Simpson,	29
Joseph Chase,	29
Thomas A. Staples,	29

The report was read and accepted, and Henry C. Reed, George W. Randall, Daniel Holland, Joseph A. Sanborn, Elias Milliken, Ephraim Flint, and Daniel K. Hobart were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. LINDSEY of Somerset,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Henry C. Reed, George W. Randall, Daniel Holland, Joseph A. Sanborn, Elias Milliken, Ephraim Flint and Daniel K. Hobart, of their election as Executive Councillors for the current political year, and request their immediate attendance upon the Convention for the purpose of being qualified.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and Henry C. Reed, Joseph A. Sanborn, Ephraim Flint and Daniel K. Hobart, signified their acceptance, and that they would attend forthwith upon the Convention.

Thereupon Henry C. Reed, Joseph A. Sanborn, Ephraim Flint and Daniel K. Hobart, Executive Councillors elect, came in, and in the presence of the Convention and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then retired.

Having accomplished the purpose for which it was assembled, the Convention was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Warden of the State Prison, and the Annual

Reports of the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy tribes of Indians, for the year 1867, was received and read.

Petition of James C. Mayberry and others, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science; also

Petition of Charles B. Merrill and others of Portland; also

Petition of E. B. Houghton and others of Portland; also

Petition of A. P. Snow and others; and

Petition of Henry A. Hyde and others of Bath, all in aid of the same; also

Petition of the Maine Medical Association, for an act to prevent small pox; also

Petition of Edward E. Houdlett and others of Dresden, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; also

Petition of I. N. Wadsworth and others; also

Petition of the inhabitants of Standish; and

Petition of E. W. Bush and others of Vassalborough, for the same; also

Petition of the members of the Waldo Bar and others, for the restoration of the third term of the S. J. Court in Waldo County; also

Bill "an act to empower plantations to make and repair roads"; also

Petition of S. P. Strickland and others, for an increase of the pay of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County; also

Remonstrance of F. M. Ireland and others of Newport, against the repeal of the State constabulary law; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Farmington, for authority to raise money to pay bounty;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of William B. Smith and others of Machias, in aid of the petition of William H. Hemenway, for authority to extend a wharf in said town; also

Petition of Blunt & Hinman, for authority to build a pier in tide waters at East Hampden; also

Petition of E. E. Carleton, for leave to extend a wharf into tide waters in Rockport harbor, with bill accompanying; and

Petition of J. A. Clark and O. B. Jones, for leave to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor, with bill accompanying ;
Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petitions of the Farmers, Eastern, Veazie and Mercantile Banks of Bangor, to be released from State tax the current year ; and

Petition of Charles W. Walton and others, for an act to incorporate the Auburn Savings Bank ;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of T. W. Porter of Burlington, for a change in the law for making roads in unincorporated places, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of William Small and others of Fort Fairfield, in aid of the petition of John L. Smith, for an appropriation to build a bridge over the Aroostook river, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Charles M. Brown, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency or providing by law that when an administrator or executor is a party to an action, the opposite party, when not the party in interest, may testify.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to regulate the prosecution of actions of replevin and final judgments rendered upon such actions.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire whether section 2, chapter 81, of the revised statutes, relating to the place of bringing personal and transitory actions, requires any amendment.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of altering the law so that towns cannot vote for any kind of neat stock to run at large in the highway.

On motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop,

Ordered, That the Chaplains of this Legislature be allowed the

privilege of the State Library the same as members of the Legislature.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MONROE, from the Committee on Elections, on the remonstrance of Christopher C. Farrar against the right of Charles A. Rolf to a seat in this House, reported a resolve declaring the election of Charles A. Rolf.

The report was read and accepted, and the resolve read and passed.

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Joseph Holland, for the adjustment of his claim to a lot of land, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the inhabitants of Phippsburg, for the reduction of the valuation of said town, reported reference to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Pembroke Iron Co. and others, reported bill "an act to regulate the driving of logs on the Pemaquon river in Pembroke."

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of 1867," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bethel Society of Portland."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Sabattis River Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Presque Isle Trotting Park Association."

Bill "an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to hire money."

The foregoing bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to change the name of Adaline J. Small."

Bill "an act to authorize William Mitchell to build and maintain a wharf in tide waters at Machiasport."

Bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Ellsworth."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 5, in the town of Robbinston."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Steamship Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the C. P. Kimball Company of Portland."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Eastport."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Village District in Brunswick to raise money for the erection of a schoolhouse or schoolhouses in said district."

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

"Resolve in relation to naturalized citizens of the United States," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending the revised statutes in regard to the settlement of paupers.

Ordered, That from and after this date Saturdays and Mondays, be considered working days of this Legislature, and that parties having an interest in legislative matters are hereby notified to govern themselves accordingly.

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

A communication from the Treasurer of State, in response to an order of the Legislature, transmitting a statement of the amount of money paid out of the treasury for the past two years for making and repairing roads and bridges, came from the Senate, and on motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Petition of Mary Ann Tyler, for authority to sell certain lands ; also,

Petition of B. M. Sargent, for an act to regulate the settlement of paupers ; and

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Quantabacook Water Company,'" came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the County Commissioners of Sagadahoc County, for authority to loan the credit of the county to aid in the erection of a Court House, reporting reference to the Sagadahoc Joint Delegation, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. WEST of Hancock, informing the House, that in the absence of the President, the Senate had made choice of Hon. Frederick Robie as President *pro tem*.

A communication from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Survey of the Penobscot river above Hampden, Me., with proposed plan for the improvement of its navigation and an estimate of its cost, by Brevet Brig. Gen. George Thom, was received and read.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown, the communication and report were ordered to be printed.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, reported bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," which, on his motion, was ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act regulating elections in plantations"; also
Petition of M. C. Wedgewood and others of Auburn and Lewiston; also

Petition of Isaac Strickland and others of Bangor; also

Petition of Edwin B. Dow and others of Portland; and

Petition of Roscoe J. Perley and others, all in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science; also

Petition of the inhabitants of New Portland, for change in the law providing for taxation of shares in national banks; and

Petition of the inhabitants of Solon, for the same; also

Petition of the Mayor of Portland, for authority to extend the time of payment of part of certain debts due from the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company to said city; also

Petition of N. H. Hubbard and others, members of the Waldo Bar, for restoration of the third term of the S. J. Court in Waldo County; also

Petition of Malberry Kingman, for an act to incorporate the Encampment of Pyramids; also

Petition of John N. Goodwin and others, members of York Bar, for change of time for holding court in said county; and

Petition of the Mayor and others of Calais, for authority to exempt certain property from taxation;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Sewall B. Swazey and others, for the appointment of a harbor master at Bucksport; and

Bill "an act in relation to fire and marine insurance companies and actions on contracts of insurance";

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MORRIS of Portland, by leave, presented preamble and resolutions relating to municipal taxation of United States bonds, which, on motion of the same gentleman, were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that waiver of demand and notice on promissory notes and bills of exchange to be valid in law, shall be in writing.

On motion of Mr. POOR of Andover,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary for the protection of breakmen and employees on railroads.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Waterville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of allowing wives to testify against their husbands in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the same Committee be requested to inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to define the duties of town agents.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Messenger and Assistant Messenger of this House be allowed the privilege of the Library the same as the members of the House.

Mr. SPEAR, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of J. H. Manley and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Augusta and Hallowell Horse Railroad Co."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed.

Mr. TEAGUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Joel Valley of Alva plantation, for the annexation of said plantation to Mars Hill, reported reference to the next Legislature with order of notice.

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of Elmer Winslow, for indemnity for lost State scrip, reported reference of the same to the Governor and Council.

These reports were read, accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PRIEST, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Joseph R. Bodwell, reported bill "an act to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell and others to extend a wharf and grout bed into tide waters in the town of Vinalhaven."

Mr. BLACK, from the same Committee, on bill "an act authorizing Tobias Roberts to construct a wharf in tide waters at Bar harbor in the town of Eden," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. BALKAM, from the same Committee, on petition of J. W. North, reported bill "an act authorizing the maintainance and extension of wharves in Augusta."

Mr. WEED, from the same Committee, on petition of Ariel Wall and others, reported bill "an act to authorize Ariel Wall, Lydia Wall, Charles E. Wall, and George J. Wall to extend their wharf in the city of Hallowell."

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Preserving Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the town of Bethel for authority to collect toll on a bridge at Barker's Ferry, reported bill "an act to authorize the town of Bethel to collect toll on the bridge over the Androscoggin river at Barker's Ferry."

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of F. W. Warner and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Business College."

Mr. CARLETON, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Knox Woollen Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of Ellen G. Williams, reported bill "an act to change the name of Ellen G. Williams."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amendment "A" offered by Mr. FIELD of Danville, and on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, laid on the table.

Communications were received and read from George W. Randall, Daniel Holland and Elias Milliken, signifying their acceptance of the office of Councillors for the current political year.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature, this day, at a quarter past 12 o'clock, for the purpose of administering to George W. Randall, Daniel Holland and Elias Milliken, Councillors elect, the oaths required to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposed Convention.

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify George W. Randall, Daniel Holland and Elias Milliken, Councillors elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are now assembled in Convention for the purpose of administering to them 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 discharged the duty assigned him, and George W. Randall, Daniel Holland and Elias Milliken, Councillors elect, were pleased to say that they would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon George W. Randall, Daniel Holland and Elias Milliken, Executive Councillors elect, came in, and in the presence of the Convention and before the President *pro tem.* of the Senate,

took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then retired.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of the Senate, the Secretary was charged with a message to the Governor informing him that George W. Randall, Daniel Holland and Elias Milliken, had been duly qualified as Executive Councillors to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Having accomplished the purpose for which it was assembled, the Convention was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases,'" was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading; and the question being on giving the bill a third reading, Mr. PERRY of Mars Hill, moved that it be laid on the table, printed, and Tuesday of next week assigned, and pending this question, the House, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Joint Committee on the Treasurer's accounts to inquire what legislation is required in relation to the security of the sinking fund ; also to inquire whether warrants paid by the Treasurer should not receive a cancelling stamp.

Order directing the Committee on the Insane Hospital to inquire into the expediency of providing better security for the protection of valuable papers of that institution.

Order directing the Committee on Legal Reform to inquire into the expediency of publishing the laws regulating the elective franchise.

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

Petition of H. Hamlin and others, for an act to incorporate the Penobscot Agricultural Society ; also

Petition of A. B. Sutton and others ; also

Petition of Joel Vickery and others ; also

Petition of A. G. Hunt and others ; also

Petition of Nathan Whitten and others ; also

Petition of Charles Wiswell and others ; also

Petition of S. Bullen and others ; also

Petition of George W. Chamberlain and others ; also

Petition of Washington Hall and others ; also

Petition of George N. McKechnie and others ; also

Petition of James H. Stewart and others ; also

Petition of W. B. Ferguson and others ; and

Petition of D. McMahon and others, all for the same, with bill accompanying, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Stephen Nye and others, for an act to incorporate Siloam Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons ; and

Petition of J. D. Hodgdon and others of Perham plantation, for change of law providing for laying roads over unincorporated territory, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Directors of the Portland and Rochester Railroad, for authority to change the location of said road ; and

Petition of the President of the Portland and Rochester Railroad, for exemption of the stock of said road from taxation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Martin Mower and others, for authority to construct a canal from Pushaw lake to Kenduskeag river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of Samuel Holbrook and others, against the petition of Thomas Young and others, to be set off from Starks and annexed to Norridgewock, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing petitions, bill and remonstrance were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of the town of Brewer, for authority to exempt manufacturing establishments from taxation, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on resolve in relation to taxation of shares in national banks, reporting the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize owners in common to rebuild dwelling houses, stores and shops" ; also

Petition of William Swazey and others of Limerick and Parsonsfield ; also

Petition of James O. McIntire and others of Alfred ; also

Petition of David Torrey and others of Westbrook ; also

Petition of Asa Bradford and others of Turner ; also

Petition of Nathan C. Fletcher and others of Camden ; and
Petition of Charles F. Swazey and others of Standish, all in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association for the promotion of medical science ; also

Petition of Peleg F. Pike and others, for change in the law providing for taxation of shares in national banks ; and

Petition of Joseph Morrill and others, County Commissioners of Piscataquis County, for an additional term of the court of county commissioners in said county ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Elizabeth S. Dolley, for deed of a lot of land ; also

Petition of Samuel Stevens and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge over Fish river ; and

Petition of Edward Tarr and others of Castle Hill, for relief to the heirs of the late Hazen B. Elliott ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of the Hallowell Granite Company, for leave to surrender their charter, with accompanying bill ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the International Saw Sharpening Company" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers and their settlement," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Philip D. Yates and 402 others of Bristol, for the repeal of all laws regulating the alewife fishery in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of A. S. Washburn and others, for an act to compel the proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston bridge to widen the draw of said bridge ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of J. C. Miller and others, for an act to incorporate Fort Kent, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of Richard Mayberry and others, for the reduction of

the salaries of State and county officers, was referred to the Cumberland Delegation.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BILLINGS of Freedom,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 67, section 3 of the revised statutes, that when a minor is married, his or her guardian may, with the consent of the judge having jurisdiction, make a final settlement, the same as he would if the minor was twenty-one years of age.

This order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That any order, bill or resolve, coming before the House in the regular order of the morning business, that gives rise to debate, shall be laid aside until undebatable matters are disposed of.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Orrington,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to place within the reach of the Committees of this House, maps of the several counties of the State.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of the city of Bangor, for "an act to provide for the inspection of coal oil and burning fluid," reported reference to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to protests of bills of exchange, reported legislation inexpedient.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to chapter 118 of the revised statutes, relating to bonds of poor debtors," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to facilitate the prompt administration of justice by establishing a Superior Court in the County of Cumberland," reported the same ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under rule.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of C. B. Lakin and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Business College."

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Cyrus Sturdivant and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Waldoborough Steamboat Company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act authorizing the maintainance and extension of wharves in Augusta."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Preserving Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Ariel Wall, Lydia Wall, Charles G. Wall, and George J. Wall, to extend their wharf in the city of Hallowell."

Bill "an act authorizing Tobias Roberts to construct a wharf in tide waters at Bar Harbor in the town of Eden."

Bill "an act to change the name of Ellen G. Williams."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell and others to extend wharves into tide waters at Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Bethel to collect toll on the bridge over the Androscoggin river at Barker's Ferry."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Knox Woollen Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Business College."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to the heirs of the late John Mathison."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and the bills were read a third time, the resolve a second time, each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in regard to vicious, biting horses."

Bill "an act to regulate the driving of logs on the Pemaquon river in Pembroke."

"Resolve in favor of Lucy J. Story."

"Resolve in favor of Alexander Kennedy."

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were read a third time, resolves a second time and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend section 6 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, to authorize County Commissioners to reverse a part or all of their proceedings by reason of excessive damages assessed under a petition for increase of damages."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Dover to raise money to aid in the construction of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Eastport to hire money."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Presque Isle Trotting Park Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bethel Society of Portland."

Bill "an act authorizing Drew plantation to raise money for certain purposes."

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

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases,' which the House had under consideration when it adjourned yesterday, was taken up, and the question being on the motion of Mr. PERRY of Mars Hill, to lay on the table, print, and assign Tuesday of next week for a third reading, it was taken on that motion, and the House so ordered.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moor of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Secretary of State to furnish to the Legislature the names and the location of the several insurance companies in this State, designating which of said companies are stock and which mutual, with the amount of capital of each of the stock companies.

Order directing the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 35 of the public laws of 1861, and chapter 115 of the public laws of 1862, relating to foreign insurance companies.

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

Petition of the inhabitants of Cherryfield, Steuben and Millbridge, for authority to unite in the purchase of a farm for the accommodation of the poor of said towns ; also

Petition of Parker P. Burleigh and others of Linneus, for change of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks ; and

Bill "an act authorizing the First Congregational Society in Eastport, to hire money and mortgage land," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of L. E. Eastabrook and others of Linneus, for change in the law for laying out roads over unincorporated territory, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of L. L. Wadsworth and others, reporting bill "an act to authorize the building of a railroad in the town of Pembroke."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Henry A. Wood and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Foundry Company."

Report of the same Committee, on petition of R. O. Conant and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Royal River Paper Company."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the private laws of 1846, authorizing the erection of a dam across Weskeag river in South Thomaston," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Western Transportation and Mining Company," reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order inquiring into the expediency of further exempting banks from specie payments, reporting bill "an act concerning specie payments."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, rules suspended, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, and bill ordered to be printed under rule.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company," passed to be engrossed in the House amended as per sheets "A" and "B," came back from the Senate, that branch non-concurring in the House amendment "B," insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed amended as per sheet "A," and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Stevens of Kennebec, Ludden of Androscoggin, and West of Hancock, appointed conferees on its part.

The House, on motion of Mr. PATTEN of Hampden, receded and concurred with the Senate in passing the bill to be engrossed amended as per sheet "A."

Petition of Eben Woodbury and 81 others of the village of Houlton, for act to incorporate said village; and

Bill "an act to provide for the continuance of actions against parties who have filed petitions in bankruptcy";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Thomas J. Copeland and others, against peti-

tion of Charles Hayward and others, for change of law relating to highways ; also

Bill "an act to increase the fees of trial justices" ; and

Bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries" ;

Were referred to Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Selectmen and 45 other legal voters of Newcastle, in aid of the petition of F. L. Carney, for authority to rebuild mill dam at Sheepscot Falls ; also

Petition of Franklin L. Carney, for same ; also

Remonstrance of the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Hallowell, against the petition of A. G. Stinchfield or the Maine Granite Company, for a wharf between Kennebec wharf and Bachelder's wharf in Hallowell ; also

Remonstrance of John Graves and 100 others, against same ; and

Bill "an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others, to improve Sunday river and collect tolls on logs" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Allen Gamage and others of Bristol, for repeal of the law relating to the porgy fishery on the coast of Maine ; and

Petition of Harvey Oliver and others of Boothbay, for same ; and

Petition of James Tibbetts and others, for change in the construction of weirs in Kennebec river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of G. K. Jewett, President of the European and North American Railway Company, for extension of time to complete said road, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of G. H. Haskell and others of Lee, for the incorporation of the Lee Trotting Park Society, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Remonstrance of M. W. Norton and 150 others, against the petition for increase of the salary of the County Attorney of Somerset County, was referred to the Somerset Delegation.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 41 of the public laws of 1866, relating to salary of the County Attorney of Knox County," was referred to Knox Delegation.

The foregoing petitions, remonstrances and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BALKAM of Robbinston,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any amendment to chapter 105 of the acts of 1867 be necessary, that taxes may be collected on personal property, the owner residing out of the State.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary to secure the payment of State bounties to soldiers, as provided by chapter 218 of the laws of 1863, and chapter 221 of the act of 1864.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act relating to fees of sheriffs, their deputies and constables," reported ought not to pass.

Mr. BILLINGS, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend chapter 64, section 5, of the revised statutes, relating to executors," reported ought not to pass.

Mr. WALKER, from the same Committee, on petition of David W. Dinsmore, for redress from the State, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. PARCHER, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Freeman A. Glover and others, for repeal of act incorporating the town of Bowerbank, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on memorial of George M. Weston, praying that the "resolve approved March 19, 1860, relating to the compensation of the Agent of Maine at Washington," may be repealed or modified, so as to protect his rights, reported reference of the same to the next Legislature.

The same member, from the same Committee, on order relative to amending chapter 82, revised statutes, reported legislation inexpedient.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to provide for the taxation of costs," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to repeal section 46, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to contested elections."

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 53 of the revised statutes, relating to telegraph companies."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to the organization of corporations," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed under rule.

Mr. DOWNES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Calais and St. Stephens Gas Light Company, reported bill "an act to authorize the Directors of the Calais and St. Stephens Gas Light Company to assess and levy a tax."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of the Frontier Steamboat Company, reported bill "an act to authorize the Frontier Company to increase their capital stock."

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, on petition of B. A. Cox and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association of West Pittston."

Mr. EATON, from the Committee on the Library, on "resolve for distribution of books to U. S. Judges," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of E. C. McClintock and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fishing Insurance Company."

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to incorporate Harwood Lodge No. 91, of Free and Accepted Masons," reported the same ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once, and Monday assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolve.

"Resolve in relation to the law of the United States providing for the taxation of the stock of national banks," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Waldoborough Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Business College."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in relation to naturalized citizens of the United States."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Sabattis Manufacturing Company."

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

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law that minors shall not be permitted to avoid a sale of personal or real estate, when the same has been conveyed by them for a full consideration and without fraud, unless the consideration received by such minor for such sale shall first be restored.

Order directing the same Committee to inquire into the expediency of fixing the pay of sheriffs attending court at five dollars per day.

Order directing the Committee on the Reform School to inquire into the expediency of providing additional means of protection and security for the records and papers of said institution.

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

Petition of Timothy Walker and others, for change of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of T. W. Egery and others, to change the name of the Great Works Stream Log Driving Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Samuel H. Chesley and others, for change of the law for laying out and making roads over unincorporated territory, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

These petitions were referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the International Saw Sharpening Company," referred in the House to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The House receded and concurred in the reference.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of G. H. Theobald, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Richmond Library Association."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Petition of G. A. Longfellow and others of Winthrop, for an act allowing actions to be commenced against railroad corporations instead of towns in certain cases; and

Petition of George P. Bryant and others, for change of the law for laying out and making roads over unincorporated territory;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the President, Directors and Company of Norombega Bank, to be relieved from further liability to redeem their bills, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of W. A. Friend and 103 others of Brooklin, against the repeal of the law requiring a license to seine Menhaden on the coast of Maine; and

Remonstrance of Samuel Herrick and others of Sedgwick, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

These petitions and remonstrances were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DOWNES of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending sections 39 and 40 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, so that the same may apply to foreign express companies.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 7 of the revised statutes, so that the October term of the County Commissioners Court for Washington County, may be held on the first Wednesday after the third Friday of October.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Librarian be requested to furnish a copy of the revised statutes to the monitor of the 7th Division of the House, in the place of the one lost or mislaid.

On motion of Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to the Maine Medical Association on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, January 29th.

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Darius Eddy and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bradley Union Hall Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

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

Bill "an act to facilitate the prompt administration of justice by establishing a Superior Court in the County of Cumberland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Augusta and Hallowell Horse Railroad Company."

Bill "an act additional to the 113th chapter of the revised statutes, relating to bonds of poor debtors."

The foregoing printed bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a railroad in the town of Pembroke."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Royal River Paper Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Foundry Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the public laws of 1846, authorizing the erection of a dam across Weskeag river in South Thomaston."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Western Transportation and Mining Company."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association of West Pittston."

Bill "an act to incorporate Harwood Lodge No. 91, of Free and Accepted Masons."

Bill "an act to authorize the Frontier Steamboat Company to increase their capital stock."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fishing Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Directors of the Calais and St. Stephens Gas Light Company to assess and levy a tax."

"Resolve for the distribution of books to the Judges of the United States in this District."

The foregoing bills and resolve having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading the bills were read a third time, resolve a second time, and each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges to inquire into the expediency of repealing an act authorizing cities and towns to raise money to aid in the construction of railroads, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Trustees of Wilton Academy, for aid; and

Petition of F. G. Butler and others, in aid of the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of G. A. Cook and others, against the repeal of the law regulating toll for grinding buckwheat, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to regulate the taking of fish in the Damariscotta river,'" came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the town of Brewer, reporting bill "an act to authorize the towns of Brewer and Holden to sell the town landings in Brewer," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Petition of Thomas E. Knight and others, for change in the law relating to liens on vessels, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Selectmen of Brunswick, for an act to make railroad corporations liable for damages arising from defects in the highways at railroad crossings; also

Petition of Selectmen of Westbrook; and

Petition of Selectmen of Gorham, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Israel Lincoln and others, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association;

Petition of Amos Osgood and others; also

Petition of Nathaniel Sherman and others; also

Petition of George L. Beal and others; and

Petition of C. C. Porter and others, all in aid of the same; also

Petition of Israel Putnam, Mayor of Bath, for an act to authorize the city government of Bath to appoint a city marshal, with bill accompanying; also

Bill "an act relating to the support of paupers"; also

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Augusta, for amendment of chapter 251 of the special laws of 1867; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 256 of the laws of 1864, relating to railroad mortgages"; and

Petition of J. P. Lunt and others of Winslow, for change of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Robert B. Hamor and others, for an act to prevent trawl fishing in Frenchman's bay; and

Petition of F. W. Palmer and others, for same;

Remonstrance of Isaiah Gray and others of Southport, against the repeal of the law requiring a license to seine porgies on the coast of Maine ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of S. D. Bailey and others of Bath, for charter of the People's Twenty-Five Cents Savings Bank ; also

Petition of the President and Directors of City Bank, Bath, for extension of the charter of said bank ; and

Petition of S. A. Houghton and others, for an act relieving State banks from taxation by the State ;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Ephraim Barnum and others of Woodland plantation, for an appropriation to open the road from Lyndon to the Fish River road, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of David Strout of Poland, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Remonstrance of W. A. Vaughn and others, against the repeal of the law regulating toll for grinding buckwheat, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of J. N. Swasey and others of Bucksport, against the petition of S. B. Swasey and others, for the appointment of a harbor master at Bucksport, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Nathan Nickerson and others, for the division of the town of Orrington, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of the Mayor of Portland, for authority to dredge the harbor of said city, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of the Assessors of Monroe, for abatement of State tax, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of the President of the Portland Five Cents Savings Bank, for change of the name of said bank, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to

inquire if any further legislation is necessary to protect the rights of widowed mothers to the custody and earnings of minor children.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if any further legislation is needed to amend chapter 187 of the revised statutes, relating to depositions.

On motion of Mr. BEALE of Hudson,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be directed to inquire into the expediency of granting an appropriation to enable the Maine State Agricultural Society to hold an exhibition during the coming season.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. CASE, from the Knox County Delegation, on bill "an act to amend chapter 41 of the public laws of 1866, relating to the salary of the County Attorney of the county of Knox," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. HAMOR, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of F. J. Alley, reported bill "an act to authorize Frederick J. Alley to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay in Eden."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Richmond Library Association," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Augusta and Hallowell Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bradley Union Hall Company."

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

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors bonds."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to facilitate the prompt administration of justice by establishing a Superior Court in the county of Cumberland."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Royal River Paper Company."

Bill "an act authorizing Tobias Roberts to construct a wharf in tide waters at Bar harbor in the town of Eden."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Bethel to collect toll on the bridge over Androscoggin river at Barker's ferry."

Bill "an act authorizing the maintenance and extension of wharves in Augusta."

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a railroad in the town of Pembroke."

Bill "an act to authorize Ariel Wall, Lydia Wall, Charles G. Wall and George J. Wall, to extend their wharf in the city of Hallowell."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Western Transportation and Mining Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Knox Woollen Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the private laws of 1846, authorizing the erection of a dam across the Weskeag river in South Thomaston."

Bill "an act to incorporate Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell to extend wharves into the tide waters of Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Foundry Company."

Bill "an act to change the name of Ellen G. Williams."

"Resolve in relation to the law of the United States providing for the taxation of the stock of national banks."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to the heirs of the late John Mathison."

These bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings, 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 finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS of Portland, "preamble and resolutions in relation to the taxation of U. S. bonds," were taken from

the table, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases,'" came up by assignment, was read a third time, amendment "A" offered by Mr. FIELD of Danville, pending which, the House, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BINGHAM of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing the Committee on the Assumption of the Municipal War Debts to inquire into the expediency of assuming a sum equal to twice the amount recommended by the Commissioners on Assumption.

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Governor and Council to audit and settle the expenses incurred by Chapman and Hunt, agents appointed by the Governor and Council to ferret out and arrest the persons who committed the burglary in the store of O'Brien in the county of York.

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

Petition of D. N. Rogers and others; and

Petition of Joseph Pollard and others, for change of the law for opening roads over unincorporated territory, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of John A. Waterman and others, for an act to incorporate the Gorham Five Cents Savings Bank; and

Petition of Robert Goodenow, for an act to incorporate the Franklin County Savings Bank, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of E. G. Harlow, for change of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Samuel Thomas and others, for an act to incorporate the Harrison Water Power Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of I. R. Crocker and others of Greenville, for an appropriation for the completion of the Canada road, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing petitions were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Somerset County Delegation, on petition of William Folsom, reporting bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney of Somerset County," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the semi-annual returns of the several banks in this State for January 1868, was received and read.

Petition of the Selectmen of Yarmouth, for an act making railroad corporations liable for damages arising from defects in the highway at railroad crossings; also

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Gardiner; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Auburn, for same; also

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout and pickerel and perch, in certain ponds in Kennebec and Somerset counties;" also

Bill "an act to amend section 36 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes;" also

Petition of Joseph L. Giofray and others, for an act to close barbers' shops on Sunday; and

Petition of Benjamin P. Reed and others, for an act to incorporate the Maine State Christian Association;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Freeman Atwood and others of Monroe; also

Petition of J. B. Walker and others of Union; also

Petition of Benjamin Kingsbury and others of Portland ; and
Petition of Bion Bradbury and others of Portland, all in aid of
the petition of the Maine Medical Association ; also

Petition of James B. Williams and others, for change of the law
providing for the taxation of shares in national banks ; also

Petition of Rufus Deering and others, for change of the law
relating to mechanics' liens ; also

Petition of Franklin Sawyer of Millbridge, for an act to authorize
the towns of Millbridge, Cherryfield and Steuben, to unite in the
purchase of a poor farm ; also

Petition of D. F. Wormwood, for an act to make valid the doings
of School District No. 1, in Crawford ; also

Memorial of the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance, asking
the Legislature to stand by the Maine law and constabulary act ;
also

Petition of Nathaniel Lufkin and others of Sheridan, for authority
to raise and expend money for the repair of roads and bridges ;
also

Petition of Jane P. Thurston, for indemnity for property taken
for public uses ; also

Petition of Ivory K. Knight and others, for the repeal of an act
conferring certain powers on the Baptist Society of Brunswick,
with bill accompanying ; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 17 of the revised statutes" ;
also

Bill "an act to amend section 26 of chapter 18 of the revised
statutes, relating to ways" ; and

Bill "an act in relation to roads" ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of S. B. Folsom, for a lot of land ; and

Petition of Rhoda Hendrick of Forrestville, to be released from
further settling duties ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State
Roads.

Remonstrance of Nathan S. Lufkin, against the incorporation
of Eaton, Sherman and Forrestville plantations ; also

Remonstrance of Corydon Powers, against the same ; and

Remonstrance of U. D. Witherspoon and others of Eagle Island
plantation, against the annexation of said plantation to the town
of Deer Island ;

Were referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of James Perry, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters at Camden, with bill accompanying; and

Petition of Joseph Erskine and others, for authority to extend a wharf in Sheepscot river in Alna;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the Trustees of Belgrade Titcomb Academy, for aid, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Richmond Library Association, for certain volumes of the Adjutant General's Report, was referred to the Committee on the Library.

Petition of Solomon Nash and others of Livermore, East Livermore and Jay, for an act to incorporate an agricultural society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Jonathan Huse and others, for the incorporation of the Camden Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Joseph Haley and others, for an act to protect certain fish in Sandy river and its tributaries, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CURTIS of Greenwood,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of procuring a supplemental digest of the Maine Reports.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 146 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, so that persons paying illegal assessments, shall recover from the city or town making such assessments, no more thereof than is just and equitable.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the election of a public administrator for each county in the State.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Drew plantation,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation, in aid of opening a road through townships numbered 1, 2 and 3, in the 6th Range, W. E. L. of the State.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Interior Waters be instructed to inquire what legislation is necessary for the protection and preservation of the forests and rivers of Maine.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for a new State valuation, and of establishing a permanent Board of Equalization.

Mr. MERRILL, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of John Hubbard and others, to set off a part of Manchester and annex the same to Hallowell, reported the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Spaulding Robinson and others of Sherman, for abatement of State and county taxes, reported the same be referred to the Committee on Finance.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 53 of the revised statutes of this State, relating to telegraph companies."

Bill "an act relating to the organization of corporations."

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of costs."

Bill "an act to repeal section 46, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, in relation to contested elections."

Bill "an act concerning specie payments."

These printed bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the towns of Brewer and Holden to sell the town landings in Brewer," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 41 of the public laws of 1866, relating to the salary of the County Attorney for the county of Knox."

Bill "an act to authorize Frederick J. Alley to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay in Eden."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Business College."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Waldoborough Steamboat Company."

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

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for a State Police in certain cases,'" which the House had under consideration when it adjourned yesterday, was taken from the table, and the question being on amendment "A" offered by Mr. FIELD of Danville, Mr. GOSS of Bath, moved the previous question, and the House sustained the call, and ordered the main question.

The first question being on amendment "A," Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown, moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the amendment was rejected by yeas 44, nays 90.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, Allen, Briggs, E. P. Blaisdell, Cunningham, Dingley, Duren, Estes, Fessenden, Field, Frost, Gould, Goss, Ham, Hamor, Hatch, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Newhall, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Patten, Parcher, E. B. Smith, Spaulding, Teague, True, Tarbox, Titcomb, Wells, Webb, Weeks—44.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Buck, Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Black, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Clark, Cram, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Cowell, Dickey, Downes, Dyer, Doane, Eaton, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster,

Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, Goold, Gilpatrick, Henley, Hackett, Hale, Hawes, Hersey, Hartwell, Hall, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Jefferds, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Morse, Marden, Maddix, Norton, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Paine, Reed, Rand, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Ricker, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Spear, Stevenson, Stetson, Stimpson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Woodman, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—90.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and the House so ordered, and being so taken, it was passed to be engrossed by yeas 100, nays 32.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Brown, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Clark, Cram, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Cowell, Dickey, Downes, Dyer, Doane, Eaton, Fessenden, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Gibbs, Goold, Gilpatrick, Henley, Hackett, Hale, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lennox, Lane, Littlefield, Morris, McKenney, Monroe, Morse, Marden, Maddix, Norton, Noyes, Priest, Poor, Patten, Paine, Parcher, Reed, Rand, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Ricker, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Spear, Stevenson, Stetson, Stimpson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Woodman, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood, Weeks—100.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Billings, Black, Cunningham, Dingley, Duren, Estes, Field, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Ham, Hamor, Hawes, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, Merrill, May, Merrow, Newhall, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Plaisted, Spaulding, Teague, Tarbox, Wells, Webb—32.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of T. N. Egery and others, for an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Iron Works Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of the Directors of Alfred Bank, for further time to close up the affairs of said bank, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of N. A. Merrill and others, for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Frankfort, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Charles S. Weld and others, for change of the law for locating and opening roads over unincorporated territory, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Remonstrance of John Harper and others, against the petition of A. C. Denison, for authority to divert the waters of Tripp pond in Poland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout in Moosehead and Brassua lakes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the shipping interests of this State, on order inquiring into the expediency of exempting from taxation all vessels hereafter built and owned by citizens of this State, reporting legislation inexpedient.

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

Resolves relating to the Probate Court in Lincoln County, came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules.

Resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the county estimates, was received, read and referred, with accompanying documents, to the Committee on County Estimates.

Petition of W. G. Lewis and others of Boothbay, for change of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; and

Petition of W. H. Vinton and others, for same; also

Petition of John Benson and others, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association; also

Petition of George Later and others of Pleasant Ridge, for an act to make valid the doings of said plantation; also

Petition of J. E. Simpson and others, for an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock and Warehouse Company; also

Petition of F. Williams and others of Calais, for amendment of city charter; also

Petition of Samuel B. Hunter and others, for a law to allow apothecaries to fill the prescriptions of physicians without rendering themselves liable to penalties; and

Bill "an act to tax commercial agents and pedlers";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Joseph O'Brien and others, against the petition of Charles Hayward and others, for change of the law for opening roads over unincorporated territory; and

Remonstrance of St. John Smith and others, against the same; also

Petition of William H. Marshall and others, for an act to close barbers' shops on Sunday; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Bowdoinham, for an act making railroad corporations liable for damages arising from defects in highways at crossings; and

Petition of Selectmen of Topsham for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company, for increase of capital stock, with accompanying bill; also

Petition of A. G. Lebroke and others of Foxcroft, for an act to make valid the doings of said town; also

Petition of Daniel T. Pike and others, for an act to facilitate the navigation of Kennebec river; and

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads'";

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of A. M. Coker and 337 others of Alna, Wiscasset, Edgecomb, Newcastle, Whitefield and Jefferson, against the petition of F. L. Carney, for authority to rebuild and maintain a dam across Sheepscot river; and

Petition of William Frye, for authority to extend a wharf in Camden;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Wilson M. Huey and others of Bristol, for the repeal of the law relating to porgy fishing on the coast of Maine; also

Petition of H. J. Nickerson and others of Orrington, for an act to regulate the taking of fish in Sweet's pond in said town; and

Petition of Eben Wormell, for authority to erect and maintain a fish weir in West Quoddy bay, with bill accompanying;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Remonstrance of J. Wyman Phillips and others of Orrington, against the division of said town; and

Remonstrance of H. J. Nickerson, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of the Mayor and Aldermen of Portland, against the petition of J. N. Winslow, for authority to erect a dam across the Presumpscot river; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eagle Floor Oil Cloth Company";

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Thomas Pennell and others, for aid to Harpswell Academy; and

Remonstrance of Rufus E. Wood and others of Portland, against any law obliging cities and towns to furnish school books to pupils at the public expense;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Dennis Getchell, for a lot of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of the County Attorney of Sagadahoc County, for increase of salary, was referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation.

Petition of G. B. Graves and others, for increase of bounty on bears, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Louisa G. Call for change of name ; and

Petition of Ellen C. Manter, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of Joshua Dunbar and others, for an appropriation in aid of indigent idiotic persons, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion Mr. REED of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 6, chapter 128, laws of 1867, by inserting after the word "authenticated," in the second line, the words, "or a statement of the substance."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of furnishing judges of municipal and police courts and trial justices with a copy of the public laws of Maine from 1858 to 1868 inclusive.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Otis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 1, chapter 304, of the public laws of 1865, by striking out the words "seventy-five," and inserting "one dollar and twenty-five cents."

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be instructed to inquire into the expediency of exempting by law from taxation the stock in any railroad in progress of construction or hereafter constructed, for the term of five years from and after the date when such road is completed and put in running order ; and further to inquire into the expediency of exempting from taxation any bonds, scrip, or other evidences of indebtedness issued by any town or city which have subscribed stock to aid in such construction, for the term aforesaid, said evidences of indebtedness being held by any citizen in any such town or city ; and further to inquire into the expediency of allowing any such town or city, as aforesaid subscribing, to issue out said bonds or scrip, or other evidences of indebtedness, at a rate of interest not exceeding 7 3-10 per cent., providing any such city or town shall at a legal meeting holden for that purpose so determine.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to

inquire into the expediency of taxing deposits in savings banks, when such deposits amount to sums of five hundred dollars or more by any one person.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WELLS of Dedham,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted for a public meeting on education, on Wednesday evening, February 5.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Selectmen of Chelsea, for reduction of the valuation of said town, reported reference of the same to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, on petition of S. P. Strickland and others, for increase of the pay of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County, reported reference of the same to the Penobscot County Delegation.

Mr. CRAM, from the same Committee, on petition of Mayberry Kingman and others, for an act to incorporate the Encampment of Pyramids, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. RUST, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Andrew Bissell and others, reported bill "an act to establish a ferry across Penobscot river."

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Tomar Sockalexis, reported a "resolve directing the Attorney General to commence a suit in the name of the Penobscot Indians, in order to settle the title to Grassy islands in Penobscot river."

The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bill and a second reading of the resolve.

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Mary Waite, reported a "resolve in favor of Mary Waite."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Directors of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, reported bill "an act to authorize the

city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Piscataquis County."

The report was read and accepted, and bill ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Bangor.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. HUBBARD, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. CRAM, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act prohibiting the selectmen of towns from being collectors of taxes."

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, on petition of Joseph T. Hinkley and others, reported bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in national banks."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 116 of the public laws of 1867, relating to stenographers in the supreme judicial court."

Mr. WHEELER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on order, reported bill "an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count."

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company,'" reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. GOSS, from the Joint Special Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the Shipping Interest, reported "a statement of facts, with resolves accompanying."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills, statement of facts and resolves accompanying, were ordered to be printed under rule.

Bill "an act concerning specie payments," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of costs."

Bill "an act relating to the organization of corporations."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 53 of the revised statutes of this State, relating to telegraph companies."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in favor of Lucy J. Story.”

“Resolve in favor of Alexander Kennedy.”

These resolves were taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to repeal section 46, chapter 4, of the revised statutes, in relation to contested elections,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast, recommitted to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill “an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney of Somerset County,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and laid on the table.

Bill “an act to authorize the Calais and St. Stephens Gas Light Company to assess and levy a tax.”

Bill “an act to authorize the towns of Brewer and Holden to sell the town landings in Brewer.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association of West Pittston.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fishing Insurance Company.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Howard Lodge, No. 91, of Free and Accepted Masons.”

Bill “an act to authorize the Frontier Steamboat Company to increase their capital stock.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Bangor Business College.”

These bills having had three several readings, 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. BRADBURY of Hollis presented the following order:

Ordered; That the Special Committee appointed to devise measures to secure a fair and impartial report of all the proceedings and debates of this House be directed to report forthwith what further action is necessary to secure such report.

Mr. HALE of Ellsworth moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the order was indefinitely postponed by yeas 75, nays 36.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cram, Chase, Colby, Case, Curtis, Dingley, Duren, Estes, Eaton, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, Frost, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Ham, Henley, Hamor, Hale, Hawes, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Judkins, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Morse, Merrow, Noyes, Newhall, Pray, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Porter, Patten, Parcher, Reed, Rust, Shurtleff, Spaulding, Stevenson, Stetson, Teague, True, A. T. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb, Weeks—75.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Barnes, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Caswell, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Goold, Hackett, Hall, Hubbard, Ingalls, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Marden, Nason, Priest, Rand, A. M. Robinson, Ricker, Stevens, Stimpson, P. S. J. Talbot, Tibbetts, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—36.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis announced the attendance of William Nason, member elect, who was conducted to the Council Chamber by Mr. Bradbury, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and he subsequently appeared and took his seat in the House.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of enlarging the provisions of chapter 97 of the revised statutes, relating to minor illegitimate children.

Order directing the Committee on the Assumption of War Debts to report by printed bill.

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending section 16 of chapter 104 of the revised statutes, relating to real actions.

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

Petition of Daniel Randall and 6 others, for an increase of the pay of the Sheriff of the County of Aroostook, came from the Senate referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Petition of the Union Fire Insurance Company of Bangor, for amendment of charter, with bill accompanying ; also

Petition of the Bangor Fire Insurance Company, for amendment of charter ; and

Petition of T. W. Guptill and others, for an act to incorporate a fire insurance company at Saco, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of G. W. Pickering and others of Bangor, for an appropriation to aid in the repair of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of John H. Ingersoll and others, for amendment of the private laws of 1867, so that the town of Danville shall remain a corporation for the purpose of satisfying judgments recovered against said town ; and

Bill "an act to declare the construction of chapter 82 of the

revised statutes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of C. B. Whitney and others, against the incorporation of No. 4, Range 1, north of the Bingham Purchase, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on order to inquire into the expediency of offering a bounty on buckwheat, hay and potatoes, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on order, reporting a "resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society."

Report of the Sagadahoc County Delegation, on petition of the county commissioners of said county, reporting a "resolve authorizing the County of Sagadahoc to procure a loan."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolves read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading of the former and to-morrow for a second reading of the latter.

Petition of the Selectmen and others of Berwick, for an act to authorize said town to pay certain moneys; also

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to supply the people of Portland with pure water'"; also

Petition of B. S. Haskell and others, for an act to authorize the towns of Steuben, Cherryfield and Millbridge to unite in the purchase of a poor farm; also

Petition of the Mayor of Hallowell and others, for authority to loan the credit of said city; also

Petition of J. B. Bodwell and others, for an act to incorporate the Preble Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons; also

Petition of Henry Crehore and others, for change of the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks; and

Petition of H. H. Chadbourne and others, for same; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Farmingdale and others, for authority to raise money to pay bounties; also

Petition of John A. Morton and others of Bethel, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association; also

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of St. John's Parish in Orono"; and

Remonstrance of William Knight and others, against the petition of the Selectmen of Durham, to legalize the doings of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to provide for the election of a School Committee and Superintendent of Public Schools in the city of Lewiston"; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary"; and

Bill "an act to amend the charter of Bates College";

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. D. Emerson and others of Addison, for authority to build a fish weir in the town of Jonesport; also

Remonstrance of L. D. Allen and others, against the petition of Eben Wormwell, for authority to erect a fish weir in Quoddy bay; and

Petition of Roland Carleton and others, for the repeal of the law relating to porgy fishing on the coast of Maine;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of John Bell, for an appropriation to build a road in Oakfield plantation; also

Petition of Joshua C. Brown, in aid of the same; also

Petition of the Selectmen and others of Plymouth, for an appropriation to aid in the repair of Floating bridge in said town; and

Petitions of the Selectmen and others of Dixmont, Newburg, Stetson, Etna, Detroit, Troy and Newport, in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of John Beeman and others of Hallowell, for the widening of the draw of the Gardiner and Pittston bridge; also

Petition of John Dorr and others of Augusta, for the same; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Horse Railroad Company";

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Jotham Donnell and others of Alna, in aid of the

petition of F. L. Carney, for authority to rebuild a dam at Sheepscot falls ; and

Petition of Israel T. Hobson and others of Wiscasset, in aid of the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of E. K. Harding and others, for an act to incorporate the Pejepscot Mining Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Peat Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of B. A. Hill and others, for pension for Elizabeth Foster of Littleton, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of the Selectmen of Greene, for an act to make railroad corporations liable for damages arising from defects in highways at railroad crossings ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Wilton ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Newport ; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Yarmouth, for the same ; and

Petition of George M. Jewell and others, for an act to close barbers' shops on Sunday ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Nelson S. Neal, for State bounty, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington laid on the table a resolve in relation to the suit against B. D. Peck and sureties, which on his motion was ordered to be printed.

Petition of Eva Maria Bither, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Petition of A. W. Wildes, for the settlement of his account, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. BILLINGS of Freedom,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of requiring municipal officers and town constables to enforce the laws of the State against tippling shops, gambling saloons, and houses of ill-fame.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON of Camden,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire

whether any amendments are necessary to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, to determine what charges and what interest shall be added to non-resident taxes advertised for sale under said act and settled before the sale of the same.

On motion of Mr. ESTES of Lisbon,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of enacting a law allowing towns and cities to pay a reward for the apprehension of criminals.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Drew plantation,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of proposing an amendment to the constitution of this State, by repealing article 6 of the amendments thereto.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary in relation to chapter 101 of the revised statutes, providing for replevying persons.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of adding a section to the duties of assessors of cities, towns and plantations, so that it shall be the duty of said assessors, when taking the valuation, to inquire into and examine all conductors of heat in dwelling-houses, stores, shops, factories, and all buildings where fire is kept in them, where by burning it will endanger lives and property, and they shall recommend to said owner or occupant any alteration or repairs in said conductors of heat for the further safety of lives and property aforesaid.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire what amendment, if any, of section 20, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, is necessary to make certain the time when judgment is rendered in certain cases in the Supreme Judicial Court.

On motion of Mr. HAM of Wales,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Assumption of the Municipal War Debts inquire into the expediency of crediting towns with the number of men that paid commutation.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the 37th section of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, by striking out the words "five hundred," and inserting in their stead the words "one thousand,"

so that it shall read,—“Section 37. A lot of land and the improvements made thereon purchased of the State under the provisions of chapter 5, shall be exempted from attachments in the manner therein provided: land appropriated as a burying-ground, as described in section 8, chapter 15; also a lot of land and dwelling-house and out-buildings thereon, or so much thereof as does not exceed one thousand dollars in value, the property of a householder in actual possession thereof, not the owner of a lot purchased of the State as aforesaid, shall be exempted from attachment or levy of any execution, as is hereinafter provided.” Also substituting the words “one thousand” for the words “five hundred” wherever they occur relative to the same subject, as in section 37.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that life insurance companies doing business in this State through agencies, be required to make a deposit of money with the State Treasurer, which deposit shall be held by the State as security to policy holders and their representatives.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CASE of Rockland,

Ordered, That there be printed for the use of the House 1,000 copies of the report of the Committee on Shipping Interest.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill “an act in relation to corporations,” reported the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the same Committee, on petition of S. B. Swazey, for the appointment of a harbor master at Bucksport, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order to inquire if any legislation is necessary to secure the payment of State bounties, as provided in chapter 218 of the laws of 1863, and chapter 221 of the laws of 1864, reported legislation inexpedient.

These reports were read, accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of C. M. Jameson and others, reported bill.

"an act to incorporate the Appleton Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. BUCK, from the same Committee, on petition of the Hallowell Granite Company, reported bill "an act providing for the surrender of the charter of the Hallowell Granite Company."

Mr. LEAVITT, from the same Committee, on petition of G. H. Haskell and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lee Trotting Park Society."

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Mayor of Portland, reported bill "an act authorizing the city of Portland to dredge Portland harbor."

Mr. THOMPSON, from the same Committee, on the petition of the city of Bangor, reported bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Exchange street in said city to low water mark in Penobscot river."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of H. K. Baker, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Campmeeting Association."

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Elizabeth S. Dolley, reported a "resolve in favor of Elizabeth S. Dolley and the children of the late William F. Dolley."

Mr. HAM, from the same Committee, on petition of Perez Thomas, reported "resolve authorizing the conveyance of a lot of land to Perez Thomas."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading; the resolves were read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Bill "an act to establish a ferry across Penobscot river between Ayer's falls and Marsh rips."

"Resolve directing the Attorney General to commence a suit in the name of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians in order to settle the title to the Grassy islands in the Penobscot river."

This bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and the bill was read the third, and the resolve read the second time, each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act concerning specie payments."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bradley Union Hall Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Richmond Library Association."

"Resolve relating to the Probate Court in Lincoln County."

"Resolve for the distribution of books to the Judges of the Courts of the United States in this District."

These bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings, 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 were passed finally, each was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to facilitate the prompt administration of justice by establishing a Superior Court in the County of Cumberland"; and

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," were taken from the table, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a further consideration.

Bill "an act in regard to vicious biting horses"; and

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney of Somerset County," were taken from the table, the question being upon passing the bills to be engrossed in concurrence, each was indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Report of the Survey of Penobscot river," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown, and referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

A communication from N. G. Hichborn, signifying his acceptance of the office of Treasurer of State, and transmitting his official bond, came from the Senate referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, and was referred in concurrence.

Petition of S. B. Hume and others, for an act to authorize the town of Eastport to take stock in a hotel and issue bonds ; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Lebanon, for an extension of time to collect certain taxes, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Aretas Chapin and others, for an appropriation for the repair of the county road leading from Monson to Greenville ; also

Petition of P. S. Merrill and others, for an appropriation for the repair of the State road in Shirley ; also

Petition of Aretas Chapin and others of Monson, for an appropriation to complete the Canada road ; also

Petition of Willard Glidden, for the repeal of a resolve of the last Legislature granting a lot of land to Rufus McIntire ; also

Petition of Jonah Hilton and others, for an appropriation for the repair of the road leading from Moscow to Canada line ; and

Petition of Joshua H. Foss and others, for an appropriation for the repair of the road leading from Brighton to Moosehead lake, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of S. A. and A. Dinsmore, for State aid ; and

Petition of Lewis J. Pollard, for money paid the State, on account of failure of title to lot of land, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of William Fitch and others of Sebago, for the reduc-

tion of the salaries of the officers of Cumberland County, came from the Senate referred to the Cumberland County Delegation.

Petition of Henry T. Cummings, President of the Maine Pharmaceutical Association, for an act of incorporation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the Directors of the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company, for the right to extend their road to Moosehead lake, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 395 of the private laws of 1867."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, reporting bill "an act to amend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to authorize the First Congregational Society in Eastport to loan money and mortgage their parsonage lot of land," reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 41 of the public laws of the year 1866, entitled 'an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of the County of Knox,'" passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

House receded, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Augusta and Hallowell Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

House receded, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Josiah Whitney and others of Jonesborough, for an act to make valid the doings of said town ; also

Petition of Greenleaf Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, for an act of incorporation ; also

Petition of Gilbert Miller and others, for change in the law providing for the taxation of shares in national banks ; also

Petition of Charles Douglass and others, for an act to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Lewiston ; also

Bill "an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over a lot of land for a custom house at Machias" ; and

Petition of R. W. Hanscom and others, for an act to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Auburn ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

"Resolve relating to internal revenue taxation," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of Lawson Woodbury, for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Eddington, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Nelson Jordan and others, for an act to incorporate the Lincoln Center Hall Company ; also

Petition of I. R. Clark, for an act to incorporate a company for purchasing and holding real estate ; and

Petition of Samuel D. Reed and others, for an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Petroleum, Coal and Mining Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Nahum Warren and others, for charter for a toll bridge across Penobscot river at Veazie's dam ; and

Petition of R. H. Gardiner and others, for the consolidation of the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Companies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Dennis Mahoney and others of Newcastle, in aid of the petition of F. L. Carney, for authority to rebuild a dam ; and

Bill "an act to provide for a more free navigation of the Penobscot river" ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Nathan Foster, for the incorporation of the Kennebec Horticultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Joseph Pollard and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge over St. Croix river in Masardis, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Christiana Fuller Severance, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending all laws relating to commutation, so as to authorize and require all treasurers of towns to repay all commutation notes or orders issued by said towns.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to amend chapter 37 of the public laws of 1866, in relation to the duties of superintendent of public buildings and the pay of the same.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to amend chapter 81, section 64 of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of mortgaged personal property.

On motion of same,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if any further amendment is necessary in relation to chapter 113, section 2 of the revised statutes, relating to arrest on mesne process.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 6, section 11 of the revised statutes, respecting taxing logs and lumber, so as to secure uniformity in such taxation.

On motion of Mr. HALL of Lincolnville,

Ordered, That the Special Committee on the Shipping Interest be instructed to inquire into the circumstances under which the ship Live Oak, of Belfast, was lost in entering the port of Grao de Valencia, Spain, and report the same to this House.

On motion of Mr. FILES of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire if any legislation is necessary in order to

have the Land Office open for business in the absence of the Land Agent on the necessary duties of his office.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of Tomar Sebatis of the Penobscot Indians, for the payment of bounties at Lincoln, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers and their settlement," reported ought to pass.

Mr. PORTER, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act to repeal section 46, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, in relation to contested elections." •

Mr. TITCOMB, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act relating to the duties of judges of municipal and police courts."

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act prohibiting the selectmen of towns from being collectors of taxes."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, recommitted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Rhoda Hendrick, reported a "resolve authorizing the conveyance of a lot of land to Rhoda Hendrick."

Mr. HERSEY, from the same Committee, on the petition of John A. Rowe, reported a "resolve in favor of John A. Rowe."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of Lawrence O'Keeffe, reported a "resolve in favor of Lawrence O'Keeffe."

Mr. ALLEN, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of the Selectmen of Bucksport and Verona, reported bill "an act granting the towns of Bucksport and Verona the right to fish with seines along the bridge connecting said towns."

Mr. HAMOR, from the same Committee, on petition of Thomas Perkins and others, reported bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout and pickerel in Wilson's pond in the town of Auburn."

Mr. SPEAR, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and

Bridges, on petition of O. R. Bacheller and others, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the private laws of 1866."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, bills read twice, and Wednesday next assigned for a second reading of the resolves and Monday for a third reading of the bills.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to contested elections."

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to repeal the 27th section of chapter 24 of the revised statutes."

Mr. PARCHER, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Enos T. Luce and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the city of Auburn."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 116 of the public laws of 1867, relating to the appointment of stenographers in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes."

"Resolves relating to the shipping interests of Maine."

These printed bills were read twice, and resolves once read, and Monday assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolves.

Printed bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," was read twice and Tuesday assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in national banks," was twice read, and on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth laid on the table.

"Resolve authorizing the County of Sagadahoc to procure a loan," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the

Third Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Appleton Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Campmeeting Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lee Trotting Park Society."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Exchange street in said city to low water mark in Penobscot river."

Bill "an act providing for the surrender of the charter of the Hallowell Granite Company."

Bill "an act authorizing the city of Portland to dredge Portland harbor."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize Frederick J. Alley to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay in Eden," having had three several readings, passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to the 113th chapter of the revised statutes, relating to the bonds of poor debtors," was, on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BUFFUM moved an adjournment.

Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to adjourn by yeas 11, nays 68.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Buffum, Bridges, A. P. Files, Frost, Henley, Hall, Ingalls, Lobdell, Rand, P. S. J. Talbot, Woodman—11.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Allen, Buck, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Barnes, Billings, Black, Barker, Balkam, Boynton, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Case, Carleton, Doane, Estes, Farrar, Glidden, Gilpatrick, Hamor, Hale, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Judkins, Jef-

ferds, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, Merrow, Marden, Nason, Noyes, Newhall, Perry, Pray, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Porter, Patten, Reed, A. M. Robinson, Rolf, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, Stevenson, Stetson, Stimpson, Teague, Tarbox, Titcomb; I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Treat, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker—68.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BEACH of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing that 100 copies of the Report of the Fish Commissioners be delivered to Nathan W. Foster and Charles G. Atkins, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of M. V. B. Chase and others of Sidney, to make valid the doings of said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Mayor of Bath, reporting bill "an act authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Bath to appoint a city marshal or chief of police."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Directors of Waterville Bank, reporting bill "an act to extend the corporate powers of the President, Directors and Company of the Waterville Bank."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on the Treasurer's Accounts, on order,

reporting bill "an act to provide for the security of the sinking fund, and the canceling of coupons and treasurer's warrants."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Memorial of James M. Smith and others, in reference to the communication of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court in relation to fees of litigation, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and ordered to be printed.

Petition of William Smith of Vinalhaven, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Portland, for an act to make railroad corporations liable for damages arising from defects in highways at railroad crossings; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Etna, for the same; also

Petition of M. B. Lakeman and others of Hallowell, for a revision of the statutes of this State; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relative to the location of schoolhouses"; also

Bill "an act to abolish the June term of the County Commissioners Court in Aroostook County"; and

Bill "an act providing for the amendment of returns of deceased officers in certain civil processes";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of John Tobin of Washburn, to be released from further settling duties; and

Petition of William Buck and others, in aid of the petition of Aretas Chapin;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of E. F. Cram and others, against the petition of Benjamin Ball and others, for the incorporation of the Central Penobscot Agricultural Society; and

Bill "an act to amend chapter 58 of the revised statutes";

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of John L. Allen and others of Saco; and

Petition of John A. Berry and others, in aid of the petition of the Maine Medical Association ; also

Petition of W. H. Smith and others, for an act to incorporate the Norombega Coal Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, under suspension of the rules.

Remonstrance of Joseph Candage and others, against the repeal of chapter 30 of the laws of 1866.

Petition of Leonard C. Libby and others, for a reduction of the salaries of the county officers in Cumberland County, was referred to the Cumberland County Delegation.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Frances A. Staples, for change of name, rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to inquire into the expediency of legislation regulating the method of purchasing wood and coal for public buildings, and causing a report of amounts and prices to be made to the next legislature.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if section 2, chapter 132, of the public laws of 1862, relating to liens, needs further amendment.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 150 of the public laws of 1862.

On motion of Mr. BEALE of Hudson,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 48 of the public laws of 1866, relating to pensions.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, all petitions, orders, bills and resolves, relating to public legislation, submitted after February 8th, be referred, without debate, to the next Legislature ; and that the several Committees, except the Committee on Finance, report finally on or before February 15th.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BUCK of Orland,

Ordered, That an act to regulate the compensation of members, &c., a part of section 1, chapter 117, laws of 1859, which reads as follows: "But in case any member shall be absent from his duties without being excused therefor by the House to which he belongs, there shall be deducted from his salary two dollars for each and every day he shall be so absent," be strictly enforced by the House Committee on Pay Roll in making up their accounts.

On motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Otis,

Ordered, That, in calling the yeas and nays, the names of absentees be entered by the Clerk in the Journal of this House, and the Reporter be required to furnish a list of the same for publication in the Kennebec Journal, to be printed with the yeas and nays.

Mr. DOWNES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Mayor of Calais and others, for authority to exempt certain property from taxation, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Fisheries, made the same report on the petition of James Tibbetts and others, for a change in the construction of fish weirs in Kennebec river.

Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of H. Miller and others, for the incorporation of Fort Kent, reported the same be referred to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, made the same report on the petition of Allen M. Dudley and others, for the incorporation of Melbourne.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, made the same report on the petition of James Doyle and others; for the incorporation of Eaton.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of W. B. Lapham, reported bill "an act for the relief of the town of Woodstock."

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported a "resolve in favor of John B. Hayes."

These reports were read and accepted, the bill was read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bill and Wednesday for a second reading of the resolve.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 138 of the revised statutes."

The report was read and accepted and bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Elections, on the petition of Charles Elliot for a seat in this House in place of Eben Littlefield, reported leave to withdraw.

The report, on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Printed bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of a railroad into Piscataquis County," was read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count," was read once, and on motion of Mr. BLAISDELL of Otis, recommitted and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the First Congregational Society in Eastport to loan money and mortgage their parsonage lot of land."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the private laws of 1866."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act granting to the towns of Bucksport and Verona the right to fish with seines along the bridge connecting said towns."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout and pickerel in Wilson's pond in Auburn."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 116 of the public laws of 1867, relating to the appointment of stenographers in the S. J. Court."

Bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes."

"Resolves relating to the shipping interest of Maine."

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

"Resolve in relation to the suit against B. D. Peck and sureties," was, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, taken from the table, rules suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PATTEN of Hampden, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers and their settlement," reporting the same ought not to pass, was reconsidered, and the report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Orrington, the rules were suspended, and the vote referring the petition of Nathan Nickerson to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns was reconsidered, and the same referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

On motion,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Joseph Haley and others, reporting bill "an act to protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy River ponds and Lufkin's pond."

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting bill "an act to renew the charters of certain banks," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop, and ordered to be printed.

Remonstrance of John Hayden and others of Bath, against changing the method of electing the city marshal of said city ;

Petition of the Selectmen of Oldtown, for an act making railroad corporations liable for damages arising from defects in highways at railroad crossings ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Paris, for the same ; and

Bill "an act to amend chapter 47 of the revised statutes, in relation to set-off";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of J. L. Goodwin and others, for change of law relating to the method of employing school teachers ; and

Petition of Joseph Barrows and others, for aid to Hebron Academy ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Resolve in favor of the town of Cornish, was referred to the Committee on the Library.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Granite Company"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fox Island and Spruce Head Granite Company";

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures under a suspension of the joint rule.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Isabella R. Webber, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary for the better protection and management of cemetery grounds.

On motion of Mr. REED of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 13, chapter 64, of the revised statutes, by striking out the words "after thirty days from the decease of the intestate," in the ninth and tenth lines.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the facts relating to the title of the land upon which the buildings of the Reform School are situated, with power to send for persons and papers, and report upon the same for the information of this Legislature.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to authorize towns to assess a tax on shares in local corporations owned by persons residing out of this State.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 55, chapter 86, of the revised statutes, in relation to trustee process.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 17, chapter 81 of the revised statutes, so that when foreign creditors commence an action in this State, against citizens of this State, service made on the

attorney who brings such action shall be sufficient to enable the party sued to maintain a cross action.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 47, chapter 82, of the revised statutes, so that unliquidated claims may be filed in set off in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. TREAT of Frankfort,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 186 of the act of 1867, so that tare shall be deducted from the weight on hay when the same is sold in bundles.

On motion of Mr. BLACK of Palermo,

Ordered, That the Committee on Federal Relations be directed to inquire into the expediency of calling the attention of Congress to the law of Congress of July, 1866, relating to the equalization of bounties, that the same shall apply to drafted men who actually entered the service for three years, to their heirs and substitutes for the same length of time.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on order relating to the protection of the forests and rivers of Maine, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell to extend his wharf in Hallowell into tide waters."

Mr. PALMER, from the same Committee, on petition of T. N. Egery, reported bill "an act to change the name of the Great Works Stream Log Driving Company to the Great Works Dam Company."

Mr. BLACK, from the same Committee, on bill "an act authorizing William Frye to extend a wharf in the tide waters in Camden harbor," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize J. A. Clark and O. B. Jones to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor."

Mr. WEED, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill

"an act to authorize Ezra Hall to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor."

Mr. PRIEST, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize William Carleton and E. E. Carleton to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the County Commissioners of Piscataquis County, reported bill "an act to establish an additional session of the County Commissioners of the county of Piscataquis."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 4, section 46 of the revised statutes, relating to elections."

Bill "an act to incorporate the city of Auburn."

Bill "an act to repeal the 22d section of chapter 24 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

The foregoing printed bills were read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS of Portland laid on the table.

Bill "an act authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Bath to appoint a city marshal or chief of police," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. GOSS of Bath, was recommitted.

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 395 of the private and special laws of 1867."

Bill "an act to provide for the security of the sinking fund, and the cancelling of coupons and treasurer's warrants."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company."

Bill "an act to extend the corporate powers of the Waterville Bank."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were each read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act for the relief of the town of Woodstock."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of a railroad into Piscataquis County."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the First Congregational Society in Eastport to loan money and mortgage their parsonage lot of land."

Bill "an act to establish a ferry across Penobscot river between Ayer's falls and Marsh rips."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Augusta and Hallowell Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 41 of the public laws of the year 1866, entitled 'an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of the County of Knox.'"

Bill "an act relating to the organization of corporations."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 53 of the revised statutes of this State relating to telegraph companies."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Preserving Company."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company."

"Resolve relating to the title of Grassy islands and fishways of Oldtown."

"Resolve in favor of Alexander Kennedy."

"Resolve authorizing the County of Sagadahoc to procure a loan."

"Resolve in favor of Lucy J. Story."

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

"Resolve in favor of John B. Hayes."

"Resolve in favor of Elizabeth S. Dolley and the children of the late William F. Dolley."

These resolves were taken from the table, rules being suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society," assigned for Wednesday, was, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, (rules being suspended) taken from the table, read a second time, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed in concurrence, Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, moved its indefinite postponement. Mr. CRAM further moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the resolve was indefinitely postponed by yeas 70, nays 37.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allen, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Brown, Barnes, Black, Barker, Boynton, Cunningham, Cram, Colby, Case, Carleton, Downes, Dyer, Doane, Fessenden, A. P. Files, M. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Gibbs, Gould, Goold, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hamor, Hale, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Hargraves, Ingalls, Judkins, Lobdell, Light, Littlefield, Morris, Merrow, Marden, Nason, Noyes, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Porter, Patten, Paine, Parker, Reed, Rand, Rolf, Raymond, E. B. Smith, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Spaulding, Stevenson, Teague, True, I. F. Thompson, Taylor, Treat, Weed, Walker, Weeks—70.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Buck, Brickett, Bartlett, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Balkam, Chase, Chamberlain, Dingley, Dickey, Duren, Field, N. A. Foster, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Jefferds, G. B. Leavitt, Merrill, May, Monroe, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Spear, Stetson, Titcomb, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tyler, Wells, Weymouth—37.

Absentees—

Messrs. Andrews, Ames, Briggs, Beale, Bridges, Bradbury, Clark, Caswell, Caldwell, Curtis, Cowell, Dunning, Estes, Eaton, Ford, J. R. Files, Glidden, Goss, Hackett, Hubbard, Haines, Leadbetter, Lennox, R. Leavitt, Lane, McKenney, Morse, Maddix, Norton, Newhall, Rust, Ricker, Shurtleff, Stevens, W. Smith, Stimpson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Tarbox, Tibbetts, Wheeler, Webb, Wedgewood.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on Legal Reform to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 141, section 4, of the revised statutes, relating to vagrants and vagrancy, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of George B. Sawyer, for an act to regulate the service of grand jurors for the County of Lincoln, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Daniel Gould and others of Dresden, for authority to sell a meeting house in said town ; and

Petition of William C. Crosby of Bangor, for the repeal of an act approved January 25, 1868, entitled " an act authorizing Drew plantation to raise money for certain purposes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary under suspension of the rules.

Petition of the Bangor Savings Bank, for authority to purchase and hold real estate, with bill accompanying, came from the Senate, rules suspended, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence under suspension of the rules.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, on order relating to the removal of the Capital to Bangor, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of John McIntire, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters at Rockport harbor in Camden, reported leave to withdraw.

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Match Company of Biddeford," rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act in relation to notice on petitions to the Legislature"; and

Bill "an act to enable parties to testify in certain cases";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Selectmen of Jay, for an act making railroad companies liable for damages arising from defects in highways at railroad crossings; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Falmouth; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Vassalborough, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of S. S. Wylie of Boothbay and others, for change in the law regulating porgy fishing on the coast of Maine, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Cyrus S. Hayes and others, to be set off from Oxford Village Corporation, was referred, rules being suspended, to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Albert Winslow and others of Falmouth, for reduction of salaries of county officers of Cumberland County, was referred to the Cumberland County Delegation.

Resolve in favor of the town of Mars Hill, was referred, under suspension of the rules, to the Committee on the Library.

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions to travel," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Albino H. Campbell and Naomi P. Ordway, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. ESTES of Lisbon,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law allowing sole women the right of suffrage.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 61 of the revised statutes, so as better to protect the rights of married women.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire whether any legislation is necessary to prevent members of city councils and selectmen of towns from being pecuniarily interested in matters in which they are called to act in their official capacity.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire whether any amendments are necessary to perfect the public laws of 1861 and 1862, in relation to insurance companies.

On motion of Mr. JUDKINS of Cornville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire what further legislation is necessary, if any, to make the method or rule for computing interest on promissory notes uniform throughout this State.

On motion of Mr. HERSEY of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Annual Report of the State Librarian be referred to the Committee on the Library.

The foregoing orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEED of Littleton,

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be and hereby is directed to remove the snow from the colonade of the State House.

Mr. HAWES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of J. M. Brown and others, for a donation of land, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. HAM, from the same Committee, made the same report on the petition of Dennis Getchell, for a grant of land.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the amendment of chapter 291 of the public laws of 1865, relating to poll taxes, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to the amendment of section 2 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to arrest on mesne process.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to chapter 17 of the revised statutes," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to empower plantations to make and repair roads," reported reference of the same to the Committee on Legal Reform.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Minority of the Committee on Elections, on the petition of Charles Elliot, reported a "resolve declaring the election of Charles Elliot."

The report was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Augustus Hemenway and William H. Hemenway to construct and maintain wharves in Machias river."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill, on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, was ordered to be printed.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on order, reported bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 81, section 49 of the revised statutes."

Mr. STETSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, on order, reported bill "an act regulating the duties of road commissioners and highway surveyors."

These reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed under the joint rule.

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of E. P. Sleeper, reported bill "an act to prevent obstructions in Weskeag creek in the town of South Thomaston."

Mr. HARTWELL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize David L. Fernald and Seth C. Mullen to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Mr. PALMER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Richard G. Hinman and Eben Blunt to erect a pier in the Penobscot river at East Hampden."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, on sundry petitions, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Mr. TEAGUE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported a "resolve in favor of John Tobin."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills were twice read, resolve once read, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and Wednesday of next week for a second reading of the resolve.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to provide for the election of a Superintending School Committee and a Superintendent of Schools in the city of Lewiston," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to contested elections," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy river ponds and Lufkin's pond," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize I. A. Clark and O. B. Jones to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor.

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act authorizing William Frye to extend a wharf in the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the city of Auburn."

Bill "an act to establish an additional session of the County Commissioners in Piscataquis County."

Bill "an act to authorize William Carleton and E. E. Carleton to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell to extend his wharf into tide waters at Hallowell."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Great Works Stream Log Driving Company to the Great Works Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Ezra Hall to extend a wharf in Camden."

"Resolve in favor of Mary Waite."

"Resolve in favor of Lawrence O'Keeffe."

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of a lot of land to Rhoda Hendrick."

"Resolve in favor of John A. Rowe."

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of a lot of land to Perez Thomas."

These bills and resolves having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were read a third time, resolves a second time, and severally passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 395 of the private and special laws of 1867."

Bill "an act to provide for the security of the sinking fund and the cancelling of coupons and treasury warrants."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Campmeeting Association."

Bill "an act to extend the corporate powers of the Waterville Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate 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 each passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to facilitate the prompt administration of justice by establishing a Superior Court in Cumberland County," came up by assignment, and the question being on its indefinite postponement, Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick, moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call and ordered the main question.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. EVANS of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill for the relief of those towns who were despoiled of their proportion of bank stock for taxable purposes, so that towns receiving such tax shall remit the same to towns wherein such stock was owned.

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

Petition of Marcus V. Littlefield and others, for an appropriation for the repair of the State road leading from Brighton to Moosehead lake, came from the Senate, rules suspended, and referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pondicherry Mills Company," came from the Senate, rules suspended, and referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence, under suspension of the rules.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Selectmen of Farmingdale, for authority to raise money to pay bounties, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on petition of the Selectmen of Farmingdale, for authority to raise money to pay bounties, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to the sale of resident lands for non-payment of taxes, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of William Glidden and others, for the repeal of a resolve in favor of Rufus McIntire, reporting the same be referred to the Land Agent.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Jane P. Thurston, for indemnity for lands taken by the city of Portland, reporting leave to withdraw.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Slate Company, reporting bill "an act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Slate Company.'"

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing Samuel Barrett and Amos Barrett to extend and maintain a wharf into and over the tide waters of Rockport harbor in Camden," reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the private and special laws of 1866," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Pending the question of receding, the bill and amendment, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

"Resolve in relation to the suit against B. D. Peck and sureties," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate refused a passage.

The House insisted on its vote, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Porter of Burlington, Hale of Ellsworth, and Walker of Machias, conferees on the part of the House.

Petition of the Selectmen of Farmington, for an act to make railroad corporations liable for damages arising from defects in highways at railroad crossings; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Richmond, for same; also

Bill "an act taxing deposits in savings banks"; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes"; and

Petition of Cyrus Patterson and others of Belfast, for amendment of chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to liens on vessels;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 128 of the laws of 1867," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of William Kenniston and others, against the repeal of the law regulating the porgy fishery on the coast of Maine, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Levi C. Caldwell and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a road leading from Sherman to Island Falls, was referred, under suspension of the rule, to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of R. H. Pendleton and others of Islesborough, for the repeal of the law regulating the porgy fishery on the coast of Maine, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid the construction of the European and North American Railway"; and

Bill "an act to aid in the construction of the E. & N. A. Railway";

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, under suspension of the rules.

Petition of J. G. Record, for the annexation of a part of Crystal plantation to the town of Sherman, was referred to the next Legislature.

Remonstrance of E. S. Keyes and others, against the petition of S. Nash, for the incorporation of an agricultural society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of James Miller and others, for an act to incorporate the Miller Commercial Wharf Company, rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gray Fire Insurance Company," rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve allowing the plantations of Eagle Lake and Letter L their school money for 1865," was referred, under suspension of the rules, to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to examine and determine if any additional authority shall be required to enable the Land Agent to convey a parcel of land in Township 16, R. 7, W. E. L. S.

On motion of Mr. DYER of Millbridge,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Assumption of the Municipal War Debts, be directed to inquire into the propriety of allowing to quotas of towns men who paid commutation.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be directed to inquire into the propriety of passing an act to allow any inhabitant of towns to use a seine for porgy fishing within the town limits without being subject to a license.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be directed to consider the expediency of assessing a State tax for the year 1868 of \$807,000.

Mr. ANDREWS of Buckfield, presented the following order, which was read and passed and sent to the Senate :

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to inquire into the expediency of removing the seat of government from Augusta to the city of Portland, provided said city will furnish suitable buildings for the use of the State free from expense.

Mr. DYER, from the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of James N. Winslow and others of Portland, for an act of incorporation, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Joseph L. Giofray and others, for the closing of barbers' shops on Sunday, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Lawson Woodbury, for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Eddington, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same gentleman, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on order relating to the amendment of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to check lists.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of B. S. Haskell and others, for an act to authorize the towns of Steuben, Cherryfield and Millbridge to unite in the purchase of a town farm, reported legislation unnecessary.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform on bill "an act to increase the fees of trial justices," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act in relation to corporations," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 36 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers and duties of County Commissioners," reported the same ought not to pass.

These reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, on the petition of the Selectmen of Chelsea, reported bill "an act relieving the town of Chelsea from liabilities for damages on the roads leading over the lands ceded to the United States for a military asylum," and recommended the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The report was read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRICKETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on bill "an act providing for the amendment of the returns of deceased officers on certain civil processes."

Mr. SPAULDING, from the same Committee, on order relating to justices' fees, reported bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 116, of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of trial justices and justices of the peace."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend chapter 47 of the revised statutes, in relation to set off," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. WALKER, from the same Committee, on bill "an act regulating elections in plantations," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. PORTER, from the same Committee, on bill "an act in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. WALKER, from the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill an "act relating to waiver of demand and notice by endorsers of promissory notes and bills of exchange."

Mr. PATTEN, from the Penobscot County Delegation, on the petition of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County, reported bill "an act to increase the pay of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County."

These reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 138 of the revised statutes," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of W. H. Smith and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Norombega Coal Company."

Mr. HARGRAVES, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Eagle Floor Oil Cloth Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Joseph Nickerson, reported bill "an act to authorize the construction of a marine railway at West harbor in the town of Boothbay."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of Henry Treat and others, reported bill "an act authorizing the proprietors of the bridge over north branch of Marsh river in Frankfort, to surrender their charter, and for other purposes."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an

act additional to 'an act entitled an act to supply the people of Portland with pure water,' " reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of A. G. Lebroke and others of Foxcroft, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Foxcroft in voting to raise money to aid in the construction and equipment of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of Benjamin P. Reed and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Christian Association."

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company, reported bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company."

Mr. CASE, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Fox Island and Spruce Head Granite Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of St. John's Parish in Orono," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Peat Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. CARLETON, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Granite Company," reported the same ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions in the Weskeag river, in South Thomaston."

Bill "an act to authorize R. G. Hinman and Eben Blunt to erect a pier in the Penobscot river at East Hampden."

Bill "an act to authorize David L. Fernald and Seth C. Mullen to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

These bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Exchange street in said city to low water mark in Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy river ponds and Lufkin's pond."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 116 of the public laws of 1867, relating to the appointment of stenographers in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Appleton Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee disclosures."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout and pickerel in Wilson's pond in the town of Auburn."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 129 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for a State police in certain cases.'"

Bill "an act to amend section 37, chapter 6, of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act additional to the 113th chapter of the revised statutes, relating to bonds of poor debtors."

Bill "an act granting the towns of Bucksport and Verona the right to fish with seines along the bridge connecting said towns."

Bill "an act providing for the surrender of the charter of the Hallowell Granite Company."

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

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," was taken from the table by assignment, the question being on the adoption of amendment "A" offered by Mr. FIELD of Danville, Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis moved amendment "B" as an amendment to amendment "A"; Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call and ordered the main question.

Mr. FIELD of Danville, by unanimous consent, withdrew the amendment, and the question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, the House, on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 107 of the revised statutes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

"Report of the Commission on Fisheries," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Albert L. Smith for bounty, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on petition of S. A. and A. Dinsmore, for reimbursement of State aid, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act relating to corporations," reporting the same ought not to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on order relative to increasing the duties of assessors in certain cases, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to set-off in certain cases, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on order relative to placing plantations under the same laws as towns, so far as regards elections, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to interest, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to the place of bringing personal actions, reporting legislation inexpedient.

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

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, on the treasurer's bond, reporting that the bond is drawn agreeably to the constitution and statute provisions, with good and

sufficient sureties, came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bond read and approved.

The report was read and accepted, and bond read and approved in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order relating to treatment of prisoners in county jails, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted.

Report was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Bill "an act in relation to roads in plantations," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers of judges of probate," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

These bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of some amendment to the law regulating orders of notice.

On motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the propriety of amending the statutes regulating the legal rate of interest in this State, and of fixing the rate at seven and three-tenths, or allowing parties contracting to agree in writing on the rate per cent. to be paid.

On motion of Mr. WEYMOUTH of New Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 42, section 10 of the public laws of 1856, by striking out in the 5th line the words "two years," and inserting the words "one year;" and in the 7th line and insert the words "six months," so that the section, when so amended, shall read as follows: "All logs or other timber carried by freshet or otherwise, lodged upon any lands adjoining any of the waters within this State, shall be forfeited to the owner or occupant of such lands, after the same has so remained one year, if such lands during that time were improved, otherwise after six years, provided the owner or occupant of such lands within six months after the same was found so lodged, advertises as near as

practicable the number of pieces of timber, the time when lodged, together with the mark thereon, and the place where found, three weeks successively, in some public newspaper in the county, if any, otherwise in the State paper."

On motion of Mr. BLACK of Palermo,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 18, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, so as to require that the plea of defence and specifications of defendant be made under oath.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias,

Ordered, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 150 of the public laws of 1862.

On motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Printing be instructed to inquire what printing, if any, is being done under resolves of previous Legislatures, which may be hereafter dispensed with as unnecessary.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Gardiner,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, be directed to inquire into the necessity of preventing by law county commissioners or towns from discontinuing any county or town road, which has been open twenty years or more, and on which citizens have erected buildings and reside.

On motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Assumption be instructed to inquire into the justice and expediency of providing for the equalization of bounties to Maine soldiers, so that the first fifteen Maine infantry regiments, the 1st Maine cavalry, the six Maine batteries, and all other Maine organizations in the war which received less than \$100 State bounty, shall be paid by the State a bounty of \$100 to each enlisted man of said organization.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Franklin Sawyer and others, for authority, on the part of different towns, to unite in the purchase of a town farm, reported legislation unnecessary.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order relating to the method of computing interest on promissory notes, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to the relief of poor debtors.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, made the same report on order to require foreign insurance companies to deposit money with State Treasurer.

Mr. TEAGUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Nathan Nickerson and others, for the division of the town of Orrington, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Augusta, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 251 of the private laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Augusta Free Bridge Company.'"

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Stephen A. Nye, reported bill "an act to incorporate Siloam Lodge, No. 92, of F. and A. M."

Mr. TREAT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Knox County Fire Insurance Company,'" reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the same Committee, on the petition of E. K. Harding and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Pejepscot Mining Company."

Mr. LEAVITT, from the same Committee, on the petition of Nelson Jordan, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Centre Union Hall Association."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to amend the charter of the Bates College," and bill "an act to separate the Seminary from Bates College, and to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary," reported the same in new drafts, and that they ought to pass.

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the International Saw Sharpening Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the same Committee, on the petition of Samuel D. Reed and others, reported bill "an act to establish the Sagadahoc Petroleum, Coal and Mining Company."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

Bill "an act regulating the duties of road commissioners and highway surveyors."

Bill "an act to amend section 49, chapter 81, of the revised statutes."

These printed bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," was read twice, and Tuesday next assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act to authorize Augustus Hemenway and William H. Hemenway to construct and maintain wharves in Machias river," was read twice, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a third reading.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 55, chapter 86 of the revised statutes, in relation to trustees process."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, in relation to maintaining cross actions against persons not residents of this State."

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to provide for the continuance of actions against parties who have filed petitions in bankruptcy," reported the same ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, laid on the table.

Bill "an act authorizing Samuel Barrett and Amos Barrett to extend and maintain a wharf into and over tide waters of Rockport harbor in Camden."

Bill "an act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Slate Company.'"

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 138 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Christian Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norombega Coal Company."

Bill "an act authorizing the proprietors of the bridge over north branch of Marsh river in Frankfort, to surrender their charter, and for other purposes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Granite Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the construction of a marine railway at West harbor in the town of Boothbay."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eagle Floor Oil Cloth Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of St. John's Parish in Orono."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Peat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fox Island and Spruce Head Granite Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Foxcroft in voting to raise money to aid in the construction and equipment of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to supply the people of Portland with pure water.'"

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and each was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lee Trotting Park Society."

"Resolve relating to the shipping interest of Maine."

"Resolve in favor of Elizabeth S. Dolley."

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

Mr. BALKAM of Robbinston, presented the following order, which, on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, was indefinitely postponed :

Ordered, That the Treasurer of State be directed to pay the members of the Legislature their salary and travelling fee on a gold basis.

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," which the House had under consideration when it adjourned yesterday, was taken from the table, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, offered amendment "A," which was adopted. Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, offered amendment "B;" Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, offered amendment "C," and pending these amendments, the bill, on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Reform and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned. . .

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 117 of the public laws of 1867, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of James Robinson and others of Tremont, for the repeal of chapter 30 of the public laws of 1866, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to extend the time for the completion of the European and North American Railway to Lincoln, and to amend its

location," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges under a suspension of the rules.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Joseph Hinckley, reporting a "resolve in favor of Joseph Hinckley," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Samuel Thomas and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Harison Water Power Company."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of T. N. Egery, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Iron Works."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout, pickerel and perch, in certain ponds in Kennebec and Somerset Counties," reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, amendments "A" and "B" were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolves in relation to the suit against B. D. Peck and sureties" on which the House proposed a Committee of Conference, came back from the Senate, that branch adhering to its former vote refusing the resolve a passage.

The House, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, voted to adhere to its former vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

Petition of Benjamin Reed, Robert Montgomery and others, for an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fire Insurance Company; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterville Hall Association"; and

Petition of Edward Sewall, for an act to incorporate the Bath Marine Insurance Company, with bill accompanying;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, under suspension of the rules.

Bill "an act to amend section 12, chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates; and

Bill "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 1 of the revised statutes, relating to rules of construction";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Third Parish in Bath, for amendment of the act incorporating said parish, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, under suspension of the rules.

Petition of Joseph Treat and others, for the repeal of section 4, chapter 23 of the revised statutes; and

Petition of Samuel Libby and others of Orono, for amendment of chapter 22 of the revised statutes, concerning fences;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, under suspension of the rules.

Petition of A. B. Vannevar and others of Boston, for the widening of the draw of the Gardiner and Pittston bridge, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Edward S. Page and others, for the incorporation of Drew plantation as a town, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, under suspension of the rules.

Petition of A. H. Thompson and others, for a lot of land for S. H. Thompson, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, under suspension of the rules.

Bill "an act relating to landlords and tenants," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire if the rights of settlers upon the public lands ought not to be increased and better protected. Also that they be required to

inquire into the propriety of the Land Agent permitting the cutting of cedar upon townships or lands set apart for settlement.

On motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 10, chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town officers, so that the tenure of office of selectmen and assessors shall be three years.

On motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences be directed to inquire into the military necessity of a railroad from some point upon the E. and N. A. Railroad in Penobscot County, to Fort Kent and Fort Fairfield in the County of Aroostock, for the purpose of transporting troops, supplies and munitions of war.

On motion of Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham,

Ordered, That the Liquor Commissioner's Report be referred to the Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences,

On motion of Mr. TARBOX of Farmington,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to consider the expediency of enacting a law to prevent the taxation of real and personal property, mortgaged and in possession of mortgagor to the extent of incumbrance.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Exeter,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing town officers to take down fences to prevent the drifting of snow on public roads.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause a copy of the bill entitled "an act relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land," to be published forthwith four successive days in the Bangor Daily Whig, together with this order.

Mr. DOWNES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the propriety of making eight hours a legal days' work, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. CRAM, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to the expediency of making a supplemental digest of the Maine Reports.

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to inventory of property given in by tax payers.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to amendment of chapter 18 of the revised statutes.

Mr. DOWNES, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to the right of suffrage to sole women.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on order relating to taxation of deposits in savings banks.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on order relating to furnishing certain judges with copies of the laws of this State from 1858 to 1868.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to taxes settled before the sale of the taxed property.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Fisheries, made the same report on order to allow inhabitants of any town to use seines for porgy fishing within town limits without being subject to a license.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report on order inquiring what legislation is necessary to prevent the destruction of porgies on the coast of Maine.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on order relating to the duties of town agents.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on order relating to the repeal of article 6 of the Constitution of this State.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on order relating to tare on pressed hay.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on order relating to the election of public administrators.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of the inhabitants of Bristol, for the repeal of the law regulating the porgy fishery on the coast of Maine, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on the petition of Thomas E. Knight and others, for amendment of chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to liens on vessels.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act relating to the support of paupers," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the same Committee, on order relating to the amendment of chapter 48 of the public laws of 1866, concerning pensions, reported reference of the same to the Committee on Pensions.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PARCHER, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of Alfred E. Gowell and others of Township No. 4, for an act of incorporation, reported leave to withdraw.

The report was read, and on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, recommitted with instructions to report a bill.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to representation of minorities, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was read, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. PORTER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order relating to imprisonment for debt, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, and Tuesday of next week assigned for a further consideration.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the same Committee, on bill "an act taxing deposits in savings banks," reported the same ought not to pass.

The report was read, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, laid on the table, and Thursday of next week assigned.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Sagadahoc County Delegation, on petition of Francis Adams, County Attorney of said county, reported bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Sagadahoc County."

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of F. Williams and others, reported bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Calais.'"

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to define the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings and to establish his salary."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. DOWNES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act relating to foreign express companies."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 20 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of Benjamin Kingsbury, reported bill "an act to amend the acts to incorporate the Portland Five Cents Savings Bank."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of M. V. B. Chase and others, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Sidney, and authorizing said town to raise money for certain purposes."

Mr. RUST, from the Committee on the Library, on the annual report of the State Librarian, reported a "resolve relating to appropriations for the State Library."

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on credentials of Socabasin Swassain, reported a "resolve in favor of Socabasin Swassain."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and resolves read once, and Monday assigned for a third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for a second reading of the resolves.

Mr. EATON, from the Committee on the Library, on "resolve in favor of the town of Cornish," reported the same ought to pass.

This report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Monday assigned for a second reading.

Bill "an act in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations."

Bill "an act relating to waiver of demand and notice by endorsers of promissory notes and bills of exchange."

Bill "an act to increase the pay of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County."

Bill "an act providing for the amendment of the returns of deceased officers on certain civil processes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 47 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to repeal an act regulating elections in organized plantations."

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 116, of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of trial justices and justices of the peace."

These printed bills were read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land," was read twice, and Friday next assigned for a third reading.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries," was read twice, and on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend section 49, chapter 81, of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act regulating the duties of road commissioners and highway surveyors."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pejepscot Mining Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the International Saw Sharpening Company."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of Bates College."

Bill "an act to separate the seminary department from Bates College, and incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Knox County Fire Insurance Company.'"

Bill "an act to amend chapter 251 of the private statutes of 1867, entitled 'an act, additional to incorporate the Augusta Free Bridge Company.'"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Center Union Hall Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Siloam Lodge No. 92 of Free and Accepted Masons."

Bill "an act to establish the Sagadahoc Petroleum Coal and Mining Company."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize Ezra Hall to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Piscataquis County."

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to contested elections."

Bill "an act for the relief of the town of Woodstock."

Bill "an act to authorize William Carlton and E. E. Carlton to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor."

Bill "an act to authorize I. A. Clark and O. B. Jones to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Great Works Stream Log Driving Company to the Great Works Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell to extend his wharf in Hallowell into tide waters."

Bill "an act authorizing Samuel Barrett and Amos Barrett to extend and maintain a wharf into and over the tide waters of Rockport harbor in the town of Camden."

Bill "an act to provide for the election of a Superintending School Committee and a Superintendent of Schools in the city of Lewiston."

Bill "an act to establish an additional session of the County Commissioners for the County of Piscataquis."

Bill "an act to incorporate the city of Auburn."

Bill "an act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Slate Company,' approved Feb. 16, 1855."

Bill "an act authorizing William Frye to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

"Resolve in favor of John A. Rowe."

"Resolve in favor of Lawrence O'Keefe."

"Resolve in favor of Mary Waite."

"Resolves in favor of John B. Hayes."

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of a lot of land to Perez Thomas."

“Resolve authorizing the conveyance of a lot of land to Rhoda Hendrick.”

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

Bill “an act to amend chapter 86 of the private and special laws of 1866, relating to the Somerset Railroad,” was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a further consideration.

Bill “an act to renew the charters of certain banks,” was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop, and assigned for next Tuesday.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, moved to reconsider the vote accepting the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the survival of certain actions, and that this motion be laid on the table and Monday assigned.

Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, moved an adjournment.

Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, moved, and the House so ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to adjourn by yeas 30, nays 51.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. E. P. Blaisdell, Bridges, Balkam, Cram, Caswell, Dunning, Downes, Doane, Eaton, Fessenden, Frost, Glidden, Hawes, Hatch, Hall, Ingalls, Monroe, Norton, Newhall, Payson, Reed, Rolf, Stevens, Stetson, True, Tarbox, I. F. Thompson, Taylor, Weymouth, Weeks—30.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Allen, H. M. Blaisdell, Buffum, Billings, Black, Bradbury, Clark, Dickey, Estes, Field, Gould, Gilpatrick, Hamor, Hale, Herrick, Hartwell, Judkins, Jefferds, R. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, Merrill, May, Nason, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, Paine, Parker, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spear, Stevenson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, A. Thompson, Tyler, Wells, Wheeler, Walker—51.

Absentees—

Messrs. Andrews, Ames, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Baker, Barnes, Barker, Boynton, Cunningham, Chase, Colby, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Chamberlain, Cowell, Dingley, Duran, Dyer, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Gibbs, Goold, Goss, Gile, Ham, Henley, Hackett, Hersey, Hargraves, Hubbard, Haines, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, G. B. Leavitt, Morris, McKenney, Morse, Merrow, Marden, Maddix, Noyes, Priest, Rand, Rust, Ricker, Shurtleff, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Spaulding, Stimpson, Teague, Thomas, Tibbetts, Treat, Woodman, Weed, Webb, Wedgewood.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,
Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to tare on pressed hay, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and recommitted, and was read and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order directing the Governor and Council to audit and settle the expenses incurred by Chapman and Hunt, agents appointed by the Governor to arrest persons who committed burglary in the store of O'Brien in the County of York, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Eben Wormwell, for authority to erect a fish weir in West Quoddy bay, reporting leave to withdraw.

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

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of the Bangor Savings Bank, reporting bill "an act to authorize the Bangor Savings Bank to purchase and hold real estate."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the city of Bangor, reporting bill "an act to authorize the E. and N. A. Railway Company and the city of Bangor to construct sidewalks over tide waters."

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Henry T. Cummings, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Pharmaceutical Association."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Alfred Bank, reporting bill "an act relating to Alfred Bank."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of the Union Fire Insurance Company, reporting bill "an act giving additional powers to the Union Insurance Company."

Report of the same Committee on petition of the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company, reporting bill "an act giving additional powers to the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Report of the same Committee, on petition of F. W. Guptill and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the City Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Saco."

Bill "an act to prevent the taking of pickerel and trout in Great Bear pond and Little Bear pond in the town of Hartford."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of Joseph L. Giofray and others, for an act to close barbers' shops on Sunday, reporting leave to withdraw, read and accepted by the House, came back from the Senate read and recommitted.

Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses," reporting ought not to pass, read and accepted by the House, came back from the Senate read and recommitted.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," three times read, amended as per sheet "A," and recommitted to the Committee on Legal Reform by the House, came back from the Senate read twice and indefinitely postponed.

Giving rise to debate, laid on the table under rule.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Lyndon," was laid on the table by Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon, under suspension of the rules, read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Samuel Adams and others, for the repeal of the law of 1866, in relation to the porgy fishery on the coast of Maine, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 522 of the private and special laws of 1865, entitled 'an act to set off a part of St. George and annex the same to South Thomaston,'" was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, under suspension of the rules.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That a Committee of two be appointed upon the business of the House, whose duty it shall be to examine the files, and see that all matters lying upon the table and not specially assigned, are taken up and disposed of as early as practicable.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act enabling parties to testify in certain cases," reported the same ought not to pass.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order relating to the testimony of administrators and executors, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order relating to the redemption of mortgages, reported legislation inexpedient.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHEELER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of by count," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under rule.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Charles Douglass, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Young Men's Christian Association."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on the petition of R. W. Hanscom, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Auburn."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, on the petition of A. W. Wildes, reported a "resolve authorizing the payment of certain private claims from moneys received from the United States."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes."

Bill "an act to amend section 55, chapter 86 of the revised statutes, in relation to trustee process."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Sagadahoc County."

Bill "an act to amend section 20 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes," in relation to maintaining cross actions against persons not residents of this State."

Bill "an act to define the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings and to establish his salary."

Bill "an act to provide for the continuance of actions against filing petitions in bankruptcy."

These printed bills were twice read and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Harrison Water Power Company."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout, pickerel and perch in certain ponds in Kennebec and Somerset Counties."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Iron Works."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act providing for the amendment of the returns of deceased officers in certain civil processes."

Bill "an act relating to waiver and notice by endorsers of promissory notes and bills of exchange."

Bill "an act to increase the pay of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County."

* Bill "an act to amend chapter 47 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend the acts to incorporate the Portland Five Cents Savings Bank."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Cornish."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were three times read, resolve twice read, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Sidney, and to authorize said town to raise money for certain purposes."

Bill "an act in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth.

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 116, of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of trial justices and justices of the peace," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to repeal an act regulating elections in organized plantations," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon moved its indefinite postponement, and pending the question the House Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MAGRATH of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on Legal Reform to inquire into the expediency of an amendment of section 30 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, further defining the duties of sheriffs and constables regarding returns of attachment of real estate.

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire what further legislation is necessary, if any, relative to the manner of taking and returning the next State valuation.

Order directing the same Committee to consider whether any amendments are necessary to section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relative to the remedy for relief furnished paupers.

These orders came from the Senate, rules suspended, read and passed, and were read and referred to the next legislature under joint rule.

Bill "an act regulating the empanelling of juries"; and

"Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution so the Legislature shall convene and the Governor, Councillors, Secretary of State, and Treasurer, shall be elected biennially on and after the year 1870," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and were referred to the next Legislature.

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for the County of Androscoggin," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, referred to the Androscoggin County Delegation.

"Resolve for the sale of timber and grass in the Indian Township," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The rules were suspended, and the foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of M. A. Merrill and others, for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Frankfort, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the inhabitants of Cherryfield, Steuben and Millbridge, for authority to unite in the purchase of a town farm, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was recommended bill "an act authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Bath to appoint a City Marshal or Chief of Police," reporting the same ought not to pass.

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

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act additional to 'an act to regulate the taking of fish in Damariscotta river,'" reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to abolish the June term of the Court of County Commissioners in Aroostook County," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on the Library, on the petition of W. H. Stuart, reporting a "resolve in favor of the Richmond Library Association."

Report of the same Committee, on "resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish the town of Mars Hill with certain documents," reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read twice, resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act regulating the duties of road commissioners and highway surveyors," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of R. J. Crafts and others, reporting bill "an act to repeal chapter 92 of

the public laws of 1867," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, rules being suspended, amended as per sheet "A," and referred to the next Legislature.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the testimony of administrators and executors in certain cases, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act enabling parties to testify in certain cases," reporting the same ought not to pass.

These reports which were read and accepted by the House, came back from the Senate read and recommitted, and the House receded and concurred.

Petition of S. M. Pierce and others, for the exemption of homesteads from attachment, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Remonstrance of John W. Crockett, against the incorporation of Drew plantation, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Remonstrance of F. W. Hill and others of Exeter; also

Remonstrance of David M. Haskell and others of Garland; also

Remonstrance of E. B. Holt and others of Corinna; also

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Dustan and others of Dexter; also

Remonstrance of Noah Barker and others of Corinth; and

Remonstrance of N. E. Brown, all against the petition of Benjamin Ball, for the incorporation of an agricultural society in Penobscot County;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. REED from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the fees of justices of the peace, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same member, from the same Committee, on bill "an act authorizing owners in common to rebuild dwelling-houses, stores and shops," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. DOWNES, from the Committee on Reform School, on order inquiring into the expediency of providing additional means of protection for the records of the Reform School, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of J. Jameson and others, for an act to incorporate Greenleaf Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the same Committee, on order relating to the protection of the rights of married women, reported legislation inexpedient.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to prohibit members of city governments and boards of selectmen from voting or being parties to contracts in certain cases."

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 64 of the revised statutes, and relating to the bonds of executors."

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 107, section 8, of the revised statutes, relating to depositions."

The same member, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to repeal chapter 150 of the public laws of 1862, entitled 'an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions.'"

Mr. DOWNES, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 105 of the public laws of the year 1867."

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to provide for a more free navigation of Penobscot river," reported the same ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Nathaniel Lufkin and others, reported bill "an act authorizing Sheridan plantation to raise money for certain purposes."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on the petition of D. F. Wormwood and others, reported bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Crawford and of its assessors."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Calais.'"

Bill "an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count."

Bill "an act relating to foreign express companies."

These printed bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act giving additional powers to the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Bangor Savings Bank to purchase and hold real estate."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Pharmaceutical Association."

Bill "an act to authorize the European and North American Railway Company and the city of Bangor to construct sidewalks over tide waters."

Bill "an act giving additional powers to the Union Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to prevent the taking of pickerel and trout in Great Bear pond and Little Bear pond in the town of Hartford for the term of five years."

Bill "an act to incorporate the City Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Saco, Maine."

Bill "an act in relation to Alfred Bank."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence."

Bill "an act to provide for the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, in relation to maintaining cross actions against persons not residents of this State."

Bill "an act to amend section 20 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Sagadahoc County."

Bill "an act to amend section 55, chapter 86, of the revised statutes, in relation to trustee process."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Auburn."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Young Men's Christian Association."

Bill "an act defining the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings and to establish his salary."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, and to-morrow at eleven o'clock assigned for a further consideration.

Bill "an act to facilitate the prompt administration of justice by establishing a Superior Court in the County of Cumberland," having been three times read, and passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and the question being on passing the same to be enacted, Mr. BLACK of Palermo, moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call and ordered the main question.

The question then being on passing the bill to be enacted, Mr. PATTEN of Hampden, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was passed to be enacted by yeas 81, nays 33.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Buffum, Billings, Balkam, Bradbury, Clark, Cram, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Dingley, Dickey, Downes, Doane, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, Glidden, Goold, Goss, Henley, Hamor, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Haines, Leadbetter, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, McKenney, Monroe, Marden, Nason, Noyes, Newhall, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Payson, Porter, Paine, Parker, Reed, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Raymond, Stevens, E. B. Smith, Stockbridge, Spaulding, Spear, Stimpson, Teague, True, Tarbox, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb, Walker, Wedgewood, Weeks—81.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Baker, Barnes, Black, Barker, Bridges, Boynton, Dunning, Dyer, Frost, Farrar, Gile, Gould, Gilpatrick, Ham, Hersey, Judkins, Light, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, May, Merrow, Norton, Pray, Priest, Poor, Plaisted, Patten, F. G. Robinson, W. Smith, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, Weymouth—33.

The bill was signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions in Weskeag creek in the town of South Thomaston."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of St. John's Parish in Orono."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norombega Coal Company."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout, pickerel and perch in certain ponds in Kennebec and Somerset Counties."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Iron Works."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fox Island and Spruce Head Granite Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Harrison Water Power Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Christian Association."

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 138 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eagle Floor Oil Cloth Company."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to authorize the construction of a marine railway at West harbor in the town of Boothbay."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Foxcroft in voting to raise money to aid in the construction and equipment of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

Bill "an act authorizing the proprietors of the bridge over the north branch of Marsh river in Frankfort, to surrender their charter, and for other purposes."

Bill "an act to authorize Richard G. Hinman and Eben Blunt to erect a pier in the Penobscot river at East Hampden."

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

Bill "an act to authorize David L. Fernald and Seth C. Mullen to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Granite Company."

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 regulating elections in organized plantations," which the House had under consideration when it adjourned yesterday, was taken up, and the question being on its indefinite postponement, the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was indefinitely postponed by yeas 79, nays 39.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cram, Chase, Colby, Chamberlain, Dingley, Dunning, Downes, Eaton, Fessenden, Fields, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hamor, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Judkins, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Newhall, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Patten, Paine, Parker, Reed, Rust, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, Spear, Stetson, Teague, True, A. T. Talbot, Tarbox, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb, Weeks—79.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Barnes, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Cunningham, Caswell, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Goold, Hall, Haines, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Marden, Norton, Nason, Priest, Payson, Porter, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rolf, Raymond, Stevens, Stockbridge, Stimpson, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, Tibbetts, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—39.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the private and special laws of 1866, relating to the Somerset Railroad," on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, was taken from the table and recommended to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and sent to the Senate.

“Resolves authorizing the payment of certain private claims for moneys received from the United States,” were taken from the table, on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Porter of Burlington and Dingley of Lewiston a Committee to see that all matters lying on the table and not specially assigned are taken up and disposed of as early as practicable.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FLETCHER of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Ordered, That both Houses of the Legislature adjourn this day at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of assembling in the Representatives' Hall to witness an exhibition of the deaf mutes from the Hartford Asylum.

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

Petition of the Selectmen of Dresden, for reimbursement of taxes assessed and collected in other towns on national bank stock, came from the Senate, rules being suspended, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of William Conner and others, for an appropriation for the repair of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, under suspension of the rules.

Bill “an act relating to recording lost deeds,” came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, under suspension of the rules.

The foregoing were referred to the next Legislature, under joint rule, and sent back to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the private and special laws of the year 1867, entitled 'an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Saco,'" came from the Senate, rules being suspended, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of B. M. Sargent and others, for an act to regulate the settlement of paupers, also an order relating to the same subject, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Military Affairs," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act authorizing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company to change the location of its road," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Lebanon, reporting bill "an act to extend the time for collection of taxes in the town of Lebanon," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read a third time, rules suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Commissioners of Investigation on the affairs of the Insane Hospital, was received, read, and referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 24, chapter 15, of the laws of 1858, in relation to liens on vessels," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform under suspension of the rules.

Petition of S. E. Bailey and others of Hallowell, in aid of the petition of the Mayor and Aldermen, for authority to loan the credit of said city, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of A. G. Wakefield and others, for aid to the deaf and dumb pupils of the Clark Institute, Northampton, Mass., reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act regulating elections in plantations," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of A. C. Denison and others, for authority to divert the waters of Tripp pond, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. BLACK, from the same Committee, on the petition of Calvin Merrill of Fryeburg, for increase of toll on logs passing through Kezar river, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SPEAR, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to amend chapter 322 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. DICKEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reported a "resolve in aid of the State road from Caribou to Van Buren."

Mr. HERSEY, from the same Committee, on petition of W. C. Hammond and others, reported a "resolve in favor of Van Buren plantation and L and K townships."

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Finance, on "resolve allowing to the plantations of Eagle Lake and Letter C their school money, for 1865," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. DICKEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reported "resolve in aid of the Fish river road"

Mr. TEAGUE, from the same Committee, on sundry petitions, reported a "resolve in aid of building a bridge over Aroostook river."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Finance, on "resolve in favor of D'Aigle plantation," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Quantibacook Water Power Company,'" reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petitions of Naomi P. Ordway, Isabella R. Webber and Albina H. Campbell, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Mr. PRIEST, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Alfred Lennox and others, reported bill "an act authorizing Alfred Lennox to extend the Brooks wharf in Wiscasset eastward to ship channel."

These reports were read and accepted, rules suspended, bills read three times and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 92 of the public laws of 1867," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to regulate the taking of fish in Damariscotta river,'" was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to abolish the June term of the Court of County Commissioners in Aroostook County.

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Hinckley."

“Resolve in favor of the Richmond Library Association.”

“Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish the town of Mars Hill with certain documents.”

The foregoing bill and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill was read a third time and the resolves a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “an act relating to foreign express companies.”

Bill “an act to amend an act entitled ‘an act to incorporate the city of Calais.’”

Bill “an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Crawford and of its assessors.”

Bill “an act authorizing Sheridan plantation to raise money for certain purposes.”

“Resolve in favor of Sockabasin Swassian.”

“Resolve in favor of John Tobin.”

“Resolve relating to appropriation for the State Library.”

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were read a third time and the resolves a second time, and each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and laid on the table.

Bill “an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company,” was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railway Company,” was taken from the table by Mr. MORRIS of Portland, amendment “A” offered, pending which the bill was laid on the table, and Tuesday assigned.

Bill “an act to establish the State Board of Education,” came up by special assignment, amended as per sheets “A,” “B,” “C,” “D” and “E,” and pending the question of passing the bill to be engrossed as amended, the House

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Order directing the Committee on Finance to inquire into the expediency of lessening the amount of appropriation for stationery for the members of the Senate and House, so as to allow each member a fixed sum for that purpose, and that the Committee further report what the cost of stationery is that each member of the Legislature receives.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and refused a passage and sent back to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 15 of the revised statutes, relating to burying grounds," came from the Senate referred, rules being suspended, to the Committee on Legal Reform, and was referred to the next Legislature under joint rule and sent back to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of G. B. Graves and others, for increase of bounty on bears, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on resolve making an appropriation for the continuance of the scientific survey of the State, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Leeds, reporting bill "an act to make valid the acts of the Selectmen and Assessors of the town of Leeds."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to regulate the service of grand jurors in the County of Lincoln," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Aroostook County Delegation, on the petition of

Daniel Randall, reporting bill "an act to increase the pay of the Sheriff of the County of Aroostook."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Resolve to amend the Constitution so that the Legislature shall convene, the Governor, Councillors, Secretary of State and members of the Legislature, shall be elected biennially, referred by the House to the next Legislature, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote referring the same to the Committee on the Judiciary, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Ludden, Lindsey and Farley appointed conferees on its part.

Laid on the table under rule giving rise to debate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 47 of the revised statutes, in relation to set-off, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The House receded and concurred.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Exeter,

Ordered, That George W. Chamberlain, member from Carmel, be excused from further attendance at this session, and the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up his pay forthwith to the end of the session.

Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor presented the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on the Reform School inquire into the expediency of changing the name of the Reform School to the Industrial School for Boys.

Laid on the table under the rule giving rise to debate.

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 109, of the private and special laws of 1867," introduced by Mr. GOSS of Bath, was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TAYLOR, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Cyrus Hayes and others, to be set off from Oxford Village Corporation, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act prohibiting selectmen of towns from being collectors of taxes," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. HAWES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Ephraim Burnham and others, for an appropriation to aid in opening the road leading from Caribou to Fish river road, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the report of the survey of Penobscot river, reported the same be printed.

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Nelson S. Neal, for State bounty, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. NOYES, from the same Committee, made the same report, on petition of Henry Campbell, for reimbursement of commutation money.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on the petition of William G. Crosby, for repeal of the law granting certain powers to Drew plantation.

Mr. WEYMOUTH, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Stephen S. Martin and others, to be set off from Naples and be annexed to Sebago, reported the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of reducing the number of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. COLBY, from the Committee on Fisheries, made the same report on order inquiring into the expediency of prohibiting trout fishing in the head waters of Androscoggin river.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act enabling parties to testify in certain cases," reported the same ought not to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to further aid the construction of the E. & N. A. Railroad," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice and ordered to be printed.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of schoolhouses," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The same member, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act relating to evidence."

Mr. POOR, from the Committee on Agriculture, on order, reported bill "an act to authorize certain town officers to remove fences to prevent snow drifts."

These reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to authorize Abernethy Grover to improve Sunday river and collect toll on logs," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of J. E. Simpson and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock and Warehouse Company."

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Match Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, on the petition of the inhabitants of Phippsburg, reported bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Phippsburg."

Mr. HAWES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Simeon B. Folsom, reported a "resolve in favor of Simeon B. Folsom."

Mr. HERSEY, from the same Committee, on order, reported a "resolve in aid of the roads across Indian township in the County of Washington."

Mr. TEAGUE, from the same Committee, on the petition of Edward Tarr and others, reported a "resolve in favor of Eunice B. Elliott."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for a second reading of the resolves.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on "resolves relating to obstructions in Penobscot river," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, resolves read once and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 107, section 8, of the revised statutes, relating to depositions."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to the bonds of executors."

Bill "an act to prohibit members of city governments and boards of selectmen from voting or being parties to contracts in certain cases."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 105 of the public laws of 1867."

Bill "an act to provide for a more free navigation of Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 150 of the public laws of 1862, entitled 'an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions.'"

These printed bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

"Resolve for the relief of D'Aigle plantation," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize Augustus Hemenway and William H. Hemenway to construct and maintain wharves in Machias river," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to authorize the E. and N. A. Railway Company and the city of Bangor to construct sidewalks over tide waters."

Bill "an act to increase the pay of the County Commissioners of the County of Penobscot."

Bill "an act giving additional powers to the Union Insurance Company."

Bill "an act giving additional powers to the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to regulate the duties of road commissioners and highway surveyors."

Bill "an act to separate the seminary department from Bates College and incorporate the Maine State Seminary."

Bill "an act relating to waiver of demand and notice by endorsers of promissory notes and bills of exchange."

Bill "an act to amend the acts to incorporate the Portland Five Cents Savings Bank."

Bill "an act providing for the amendment of the returns of deceased officers on certain civil processes."

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to supply the people of Portland with pure water.'"

Bill "an act to incorporate the International Saw Sharpening Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 251 of the private laws of 1867, entitled 'an act additional to incorporate the Augusta Free Bridge Company.'"

Bill "an act to extend the time for collection of taxes in the town of Lebanon."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Peat Company."

Bill "an act to abolish the June term of the County Commissioners' Court in Aroostook County."

Bill "an act relating to Alfred Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Pharmaceutical Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate Siloam Lodge, No. 92, of Free and Accepted Masons."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Center Union Hall Association."

Bill "an act to amend section 49 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to authorize the Bangor Savings Bank to purchase and hold real estate."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of Bates College."

Bill "an act to establish the Sagadahoc Petroleum, Coal and Mining Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pejepscot Mining Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the City Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Saco, Maine."

Bill "an act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Knox County Fire Insurance Company.'"

"Resolves in favor of Joseph Hinckley."

“Resolve in favor of the town of Lyndon.”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Cornish.”

“Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish the town of Mars Hill with certain documents.”

“Resolves in favor of the Richmond Library Association.”

These bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings, 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 finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MONROE of Thomaston, the Majority and Minority Reports of the Committee on Elections, in the case of Elliott against Littlefield, were taken from the table and to-morrow assigned.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting a “resolve in aid of the State road from Caribou to Van Buren,” was reconsidered, and the report by unanimous consent was withdrawn.

Bill “an act to establish the State Board of Education,” which the House had under consideration when it adjourned yesterday, was taken up, amended as per sheets “F,” “G” and “H,” and pending the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the House

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKEON of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 114 of the public laws of 1867, relating to sheriffs, their deputies and constables, came from the Senate, rules suspended, read and passed, and was read and refused a passage.

Communications from the Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of Insurance Companies and returns from Clerks of Corporations, came from the Senate read, and were read in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the city of Saco, in the County of York," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. The rules were suspended, and the bill referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing School District No. 5, of the town of Kennebunk, to raise money for certain purposes."

Petition of the inhabitants of Kennebunk, for authority to abate certain poll taxes.

The foregoing bill and petition came from the Senate, rules being suspended, and referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, and were referred to the next Legislature under rule.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of the Agent of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, reporting a "resolve for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter 330 of the resolves of 1864 in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Selectmen of Buckfield, reporting bill "an act to legalize certain

acts of the town of Buckfield in exempting town bonds from taxation."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of H. Hamlin, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Agricultural Society.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of A. S. Washburn and others, for widening of the draw of the Gardiner and Pittston bridge, reporting the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Samuel Libby and others, for change of the statutes concerning fences, reported leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Maurice Phillips for State bounty, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act relating to notice on petitions to the Legislature," reporting the same ought not to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to the pay of sheriffs, reporting legislation inexpedient.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of repealing so much of chapter 130 of the laws of 1862 as requires officers of cities and towns to purchase liquors of the State Commissioners of Maine and Massachusetts, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The House recessed and concurred.

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 109, of the private and special laws of 1867," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to recording lost deeds," referred by the House to the next Legislature, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote referring the same to the Committee on the Judiciary, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Ludden, Goodwin and Fairbanks appointed conferees on its part.

Laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the private and special laws of the year 1867, entitled 'an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Saco,'" was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. WEDGEWOOD of Biddeford, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis presented the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to report forthwith on the order passed by the House requiring said Committee to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 130 of the public laws of 1867, additional to and amendatory of "an act for the suppression of drinking-houses and tippling-shops."

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. WEDGEWOOD of Biddeford,

Ordered, That John Frost of Industry, be excused from further attendance at this session, on account of sickness, and that the Committee on the Pay Roll be directed to certify his travel and attendance for the full term.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of David Strout for pension, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. HAINES, from the same Committee, made the same report on petition of Bradford A. Hill, for continuance of pension to Elizabeth Foster of Littleton.

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, made the same report on petition of Nahum Warren and

others, for charter for a toll bridge across Penobscot river at Veazie's dam.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report on the petition of Adams H. Merrill, for an act to incorporate the Pleasant River Railroad Company.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order relating to the protection of brakemen and railroad employees, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of William Poor for State pension, reported the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Levi C. Caldwell and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a road between townships No. 4, R. 5 and No. 4, R. 4, W. E. L. S. reported the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. HAM, from the same Committee, made the same report on the petition of John Bell and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a road in Oakfield plantation.

Mr. HERSEY, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to an appropriation for building a road in townships No. 1, 2 and 3, R. 6, W. E. L. S.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of I. R. Clark for an act to incorporate the Penobscot Real Estate and Loan Fund Association, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made the same report on the petition of Joseph Pollard for an appropriation to build a bridge across St. Croix river in Marsardis.

Mr. TARBOX, from the Committee on the Reform School, on order inquiring into the expediency of making the Superintendent of the Reform School, treasurer, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on order relating to fire and marine insurance companies, reported the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. RUST, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order relating to the protection of shippers of wood and other merchandise against unjust discrimination on the part of railroad corporations, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was read, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, laid on the table.

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the Selectmen and others of Plymouth and adjoining towns, reported a "resolve in aid of building a bridge in the town of Plymouth in the County of Penobscot."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to consolidate the school districts in the city of Rockland," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order requiring estimates of the amount necessary for the repair of roads and bridges in Aroostook County, reported a "resolve in aid of continuing the road through from Presque Isle, by Ball's Mills, to Ashland."

The report was read and accepted, and the resolve ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Mr. SPEAR, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on order, reported bill "an act entitled 'an act to amend section 4 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers.'"

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to powers of judges of probate," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. POOR, from the Committee on Agriculture, on bill "an act to prevent obstructions to travel," reported the same ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the Waterville Hall Association," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. MORRIS, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Marine Insurance Company."

Mr. ANDREWS, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act to incorporate the Gray Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. LEAVITT, from the same Committee, on the petition of Benjamin Reed, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of E. A. Chadwick and others, reported bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge.'"

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Horse Railroad Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Joseph Erskine, reported bill "an act to authorize Joseph Erskine and John K. Erskine to extend a wharf into the tide waters of the Sheepscot river."

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on County Estimates, reported a "resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolve.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to increase the pay of the Sheriff of the County of Aroostook."

Bill "an act to regulate the service of grand jurors in the County of Lincoln."

Bill "an act authorizing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company to change the location of its road."

Bill "an act to make valid the acts of the selectmen and assessors of the town of Leeds."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock and Warehouse Company."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 150 of the public laws of 1862, entitled 'an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions.'"

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 105 of the public laws of 1867."

Bill "an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river and collect tolls on logs."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Match Company."

Bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Phippsburg."

Bill "an act to prohibit members of city governments and boards of selectmen from voting or being parties to contracts in certain cases."

"Resolves instructing our Senators and Representatives in Congress to apply for an appropriation from the general government to be expended in removing obstructions in the channel of Penobscot river."

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were read a third time and the resolves a second time, and each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 64 of the revised statutes, and relating to the bonds of executors."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 107, section 8 of the revised statutes, relating to depositions."

Bill "an act to provide for a more free navigation of the Penobscot river."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and laid on the table.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, in relation to maintaining cross actions against persons not residents of this State."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Auburn."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Young Men's Christian Association."

Bill "an act to provide for the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy."

Bill "an act to amend section 20 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to prevent the taking of pickerel and trout in Great Bear pond and Little Bear pond in the town of Hartford."

Bill "an act to amend section 55 of chapter 86 of the revised statutes, in relation to trustee process."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Sagadahoc County."

These bills having been three times read, each 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 amend section 2, chapter 116, of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of trial justices and justices of the peace," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count," was taken from the table, amendment "A" offered by Mr. GLIDDEN of Newcastle, and pending the amendment, laid on the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

Mr. POOR of Andover moved, and the House ordered, a reconsideration of the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order inquiring into the expediency of prohibiting trout fishing in the head waters of the Androscoggin river.

Bill "an act to establish a State Board of Education," which the House had under consideration when it adjourned yesterday, was taken from the table, considered, and pending the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, the House

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MUNGER of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

A communication from the Governor, transmitting plans for the improvement of the capitol, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, and was referred in concurrence.

Petition of Horatio G. Newton and others, for an act to incorporate the Eclectic Medical Society, came from the Senate, rules being suspended, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence, under suspension of the joint rule.

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Rules suspended, read once, and Wednesday assigned for a second reading.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Freewill Baptist Foreign Mission Society," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Rules suspended, read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Final report of the Committee on Claims, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of enlarging the provisions of chapter 97 of the revised statutes relating to illegitimate children, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order relating to the propriety of preventing county commissioners or towns from discontinuing any county or town road, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on order inquiring into the expediency of repealing chapter 34 of the public laws of 1861, and chapter 115 of the public laws of 1862, reporting the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Joshua H. Foss for an appropriation in aid of the road leading from Brighton to Moosehead lake, reporting the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report on the petition of Paul S. Merrill, for an appropriation in aid of the road leading from Brighton to Moosehead lake.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Solomon Nash and others of Livermore, for the incorporation of an agricultural society, reporting the same be referred to the next Legislature.

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

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Horace J. Stover, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Pondicherry Mills Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act relating to reviews in certain cases."

Report of the same Committee, on petition of S. W. Houghton and others, reporting bill "an act in addition to an act incorporating the Third Parish of Bath."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to extend the time for the completion of the European and North American Railway to Lincoln, and to amend its location, reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Aretas Chapin, reporting a "resolve in favor of the town of Monson."

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Lewis J. Pollard, reporting a "resolve in favor of Lewis J. Pollard."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the report of the Trustees of the Agricultural College, reporting a "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolves read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Messrs. William Nason and James E. Hamor were excused from further attendance, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up their pay to the end of the session.

"Resolve in favor of the Portland Institute and Public Library," was presented by Mr. REED of Portland, rules suspended, and referred to the Committee on Library, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Fisheries, on order relating to the herring fisheries in the town of Jonesport, reported legislation inexpedient. The report was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of the State paying a part of the expense incurred in bringing to justice the robbers of the Bowdoinham Bank, reported legislation inexpedient. The report was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of the inhabitants of Bristol, for the repeal of all laws regulating the alewife fishery in said town, reported the same be referred to the next Legislature. The report was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of J. R. Foster and others, for leave to divert a portion of the waters of Peabody pond in Sebago, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Fisheries, made the same report on the petition of James Robinson and others, for the repeal of chapter 30 of the laws of 1866, relating to the seining of fish on the coast of Maine.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, made the same report on the petition of Martin Mower and others, for leave to construct a canal from Pushaw lake to Kenduskeag river.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the exemption from taxation of the real estate of widows of soldiers of the late war, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on order relating to the taxing of lumber.

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Daniel Moore, for an appropriation to build a bridge across Mattawamkeag river, reported the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MERROW, from the Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences, on the Liquor Commissioner's Report, reported that 350 copies of the same be printed.

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on goods in possession," reported the same ought to pass.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 78 of the revised statutes."

Mr. WEDGEWOOD, from the same Committee, on bill "an act protecting the public lands and increasing the rights of settlers," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act relating to final judgment recovered in certain actions of replevin."

The same member, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act relating to the competency of witnesses."

Mr. HAMOR, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of the citizens of Franklin and Sullivan, reported bill "an act to regulate the taking of codfish, pollock, hake and haddock in the waters of Frenchman's bay."

Mr. ALLEN, from the same Committee, on the Report of the Fish Commissioners, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 364 of the special laws of 1864, relating to salmon in Denny's river."

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to military affairs, reported bill "an act relating to the volunteer militia."

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to exempt railroad stock from taxation for a term of years, and for other purposes," reported the same ought to pass."

Mr. PLAISTED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act for the further protection of persons holding policies in fire and marine insurance companies."

These reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of P. D. and E. Webster and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Pushaw Dam Company."

The report was read and accepted, and bill ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown.

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reported a "resolve to provide for keeping the Land Office open for business in the absence of the Land Agent on official duties."

The report was read and accepted, and resolve ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of A. E. Gowell, reported bill "an act to organize the plantation of Lakeville."

Mr. HARTWELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize William Smith to erect a wharf in tide waters in Vinalhaven."

The same member, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize James Perry to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor."

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of George L. Hosmer and others, reported bill "an act to define and establish the territorial limits of the town of Deer Isle, in the County of Hancock."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford Co-operative Society," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on the Reform School, on order, reported a "resolve relating to establishing an asylum for the reformation of inebriates."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once, and Monday assigned for a third reading of the bills and Tuesday for a second reading of the resolve.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes," was read twice and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to legalize certain acts of the town of Buckfield in exempting town bonds from taxation."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph Erskine and John K. Erskine to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Sheepscot river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Horse Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gray Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge.'"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterville Hall Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read a third, and resolve a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Marine Insurance Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to regulate the services of grand jurors in the County of Lincoln."

Bill "an act to authorize the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company to change the location of its road."

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the Quanabacook Water Power Company.'"

Bill "an act authorizing Sheridan plantation to raise money for certain purposes."

Bill "an act authorizing Alfred Lennox, his associates and assigns, to extend the Brooks' wharf, so called, eastward to ship channel."

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 209, private and special laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Hinckley Knitting Machine Company.'"

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to make valid the acts of the Selectmen and Assessors of the town of Leeds."

Bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Crawford and of its Assessors."

Bill "an act relating to foreign express companies."

Bill "an act to increase the pay of the Sheriff of the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve relating to appropriations for the State Library."

"Resolve in favor of John Tobin."

"Resolve in favor of Sockabasin Swassian."

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

The majority and minority reports of the Committee on Elections, in the case of Elliot against Littlefield, were taken from the table and Thursday at 11 o'clock assigned.

Bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," under consideration when the House adjourned yesterday, was taken up and Tuesday assigned.

Bill "an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries," was taken from the table, on motion of the same gentleman, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to provide for a more free navigation of Penobscot river, was taken from the table, on motion of the same gentleman, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to regulate the taking of fish in the Damariscotta river,' approved January 25, 1867," was taken from the table, on motion of the same gentleman, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to the bonds of executors," was taken from the table, on motion of the same gentleman, and pending amendment "A," offered by Mr. MORRIS of Portland, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge in the town of Plymouth, in the County of Penobscot," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and Wednesday of next week assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient on order inquiring into the expediency of repealing so much of chapter 130 of the laws of 1862, as requires municipal officers of cities and towns to purchase liquors of the State Commissioners of Maine and Massachusetts.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting legislation inexpedient on order inquiring what further legislation is necessary to protect shippers of wood and other merchandise.

These reports were taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Order inquiring into the expediency of changing the name of the Reform School, was taken from the table, and pending the question of giving the order a passage, Mr. FESSENDEN moved an adjournment, and Mr. HARTWELL moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House adjourned by yeas 43, nays 39.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Black, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Clark, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Duran, Downes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, M. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Gould, Hatch, Hargraves, Judkins, Lobdell, G. B. Leavitt, McKenney, Monroe, Newhall, Payson, F. G. Robinson, Rolf, Raymond, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, Teague, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, Tibbetts, Walker—43.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Buck, H. M. Blaisdell, Curtis, Dickey, Dunning, Dyer, Doane, Ford, Gile, Henley, Hackett, Hartwell, R. Leavitt, Lane, Morris, Marden, Noyes, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, Paine, Reed, A. M. Robinson, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, Stevenson, Stetson, Stimpson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Woodman, Wheeler, Webb,—39.

Absentees—

Messrs. Andrews, Allen, Briggs, Brickett, Brown, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Boynton, Bradbury, Cunningham, Cram, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Chamberlain, Dingley, Estes, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, Gibbs, Glidden, Goold, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Hamor, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hall, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Light, Lennox, Littlefield, Merrill, May, Morse, Merrow, Maddix, Norton, Nason, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Parker, Parcher, Rand, Rust, Ricker, Stevens, Spaulding, True, A. Thompson, Treat, Weed, Wells, Weymouth, Wedgewood, Weeks—69.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MÜNGER of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Order directing the Committee on Military Affairs to inquire into the expediency of disposing of the real estate occupied in the cities of Portland and Bangor for arsenal purposes; also, the expediency of erecting or procuring a building at or in the vicinity of the Capital for an arsenal.

Order directing the same Committee to inquire into the expediency of repealing or modifying section 85, chapter 307 of the public laws of 1865.

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

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of the late James H. Lebroke," came from the Senate, rules suspended, read twice and passed to be engrossed. The rules were suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order allowing the Committee on the Insane Hospital till the 20th of February to make a final report, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Reports of the Committees on Pensions, Fisheries, Interior Waters and Judiciary, reporting business unfinished, and requesting further time to make final reports.

Final reports of the Committees on Division of Towns, Incorporation of Towns, Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, Division of Counties, State Lands and State Roads, Library and State Reform School.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Maine Medical Association, for an act whereby material for dissection may be obtained, reporting the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report on the

petition of Daniel Goud and others of Dresden, for leave to sell a meeting house in said town.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Directors of the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company, for authority to extend their road from Dexter to Moosehead lake, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences, on order inquiring into the military necessity of a railroad from some point upon the European and North American Railway to Fort Kent, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the rights of parties to actions that survive when one of the parties dies, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to real actions, reporting legislation inexpedient.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Mayor and others of Hallowell, for an act to authorize said city to loan its credit to aid in the construction of a steam mill, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and recommitted to the Committee with instruction to report a bill, on motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Joseph Treat and others, reporting bill "an act to repeal section 4 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes, relating to cattle running at large."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Eben Webster and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Savings Bank."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of S. D. Bailey and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the People's Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of C. W. Walton, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Savings Bank."

Report of the York County Delegation, on the petition of Philip Eastman, and others, reporting bill "an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of York."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs on the petition of Governor Francis and others, reporting a "resolve making an appropriation for the Passamaquoddy Indians."

Report of the same Committee on sundry petitions, reporting a "resolve making an appropriation for the Penobscot Indians."

Report of the Committee on the Reform School on order to visit the same, reporting a "resolve in favor of the Reform School."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read twice, resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for a second reading of the resolves.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on the petition of S. P. Mayberry, reporting a "resolve relating to exchange of agricultural documents," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. TEAGUE of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be requested to inquire what reduction in expenses, if any, may be made in the Adjutant General's office.

This order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover,

Ordered, That from this day this House meet at 9 o'clock in the morning instead of 10 o'clock.

Mr. NEWHALL of South Thomaston, was excused from further attendance from and after Tuesday next, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of R. H. Gardiner and others, for an act to consolidate the Kennebec and Portland and the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad companies, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. PALMER, from the Committee on Pensions, on order relating to pensions, reported legislation inexpedient.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to appeals from the decisions of municipal officers in certain cases."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Eben Woodbury and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Houlton Village Corporation."

Mr. SPEAR, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on recommitted bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the private and special laws of 1866, relating to the Somerset Railroad," reported that the same ought to pass as amended by the Senate.

These reports were read and accepted, rules suspended, bills read three times, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to evidence."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to powers of Judges of Probate."

Bill "an act to authorize certain town officers to remove fences to prevent snow drifts."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled 'an act to amend section 4 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers.'"

Bill "an act to amend section 28 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes."

"Resolve in aid of continuing the road through from Presque Isle by Ball's Mills to Ashland."

These printed bills were read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act in addition to an act incorporating the Third Parish of Bath."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pondicherry Mills Company."

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the Freewill Baptist Foreign Mission Society.'"

Bill "an act relating to reviews in certain cases."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize William Smith to erect a wharf in tide waters in Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford Co-operative Society."

Bill "an act to authorize James Perry to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to extend the time for the completion of the North American Railway to Lincoln and to amend its location," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and as amended passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to define and establish the territorial limits of the town of Deer Isle in the county of Hancock."

Bill "an act to organize the plantation of Lakeville."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the city of Calais,'" 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.

Order directing the Committee on Reform School to inquire into the expediency of changing the name of the reform school, was taken from the table and refused a passage.

On motion of Mr. REED of Portland, the vote referring a "resolve in favor of Portland Institute and Public Library," was

reconsidered, rules suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the protection of the herring fishery in Jonesport; and

Report of the same Committee, reporting reference to the next Legislature on the petition of the inhabitants of Bristol for a repeal of all laws regulating the alewife fishery in said town, were taken from the table, accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to regulate the driving of logs on the Penamaquon river in Pembroke," was taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters, on motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown.

Bill "an act in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to elections," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed in concurrence with the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 64 of the revised statutes, and relating to the bonds of executors," was taken from the table, the first question being on amendment "A."

Amendment "B" was offered by Mr. REED of Portland, and pending these amendments, the bill and amendments were ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor.

Bill "an act to renew the charters of certain banks," was taken from the table, read a third time, amendment "A" offered by Mr. MAY of Winthrop, pending which, the House, on motion of Mr. WEED of Littleton,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Water and Gas Pipe Company," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and the rules were suspended and referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, reporting business unfinished and requesting an extension of time in which to make a final report.

Final report of the Committee on Agriculture.

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of the Selectmen of Kennebunk and Wells, reporting bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Kennebunk and annex the same to the town of Wells."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on bill "an act authorizing Horatio E. Alden and William G. Alden, their heirs, associates and assigns, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of John A. Waterman, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Gorham Savings Bank."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of N. A. Farwell and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland Savings Bank."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Jonathan Huse and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Camden Savings Bank."

Report of the same Committee on the petition of James Morton and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank."

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Robert Goode-now, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Franklin County Savings Bank."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to consolidate the school districts in the city of Rockland," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Education, and the House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of S. B. Hume and others, for "an act to authorize the town of Eastport to take stock in the Eastport Hotel Company and to issue bonds therefor," reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read, and amended by substituting the report of the minority for the majority, and accepted as amended.

This report was read, and the question being on the adoption of the amendment, Mr. CRAM of Brunswick moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken the amendment was adopted by yeas 94, nays 22.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Chase, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Dingley, Dickey, Duran, Downes, Estes, Eaton, Field, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, M. Foster, Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, J. W. Gould, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hackett, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hall, Haines, Ingalls, Jeffers, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Merrill, May, Merrow, Marden, Newhall, Perry, Pray, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Paine, Parker, Parcher, Rand, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Raymond, Ricker, E. B. Smith, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, Teague, True, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Treat, Weed, Webb, Walker, Weeks—94.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Beale, Cram, Cowell, Dunning, Dyer, Doane, Fessenden,

Frost, Hale, Hatch, Judkins, Lane, Norton, G. S. Palmer, Reed, F. G. Robinson, Spaulding, Stevenson, Stetson, Tarbox, Thomas, Wedgewood—22.

Accompanying the minority report was bill "an act to authorize the town of Eastport to take stock in the Eastport Hotel Company and issue bonds therefor," which came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland,

Ordered, That on and after Thursday, February 20th, the House shall hold two sessions on each day, commencing at half-past nine o'clock in the forenoon, and half-past two in the afternoon; and the Speaker shall adjourn the morning session at half-past twelve without a motion to that effect.

Mr. FIELD, from the Committee on Reform School, on order limiting the age of boys sent to the Reform School to 15 years, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to restoration of Probate records of Cumberland county, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. DOWNES, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to the taxing of neat stock.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report on order relating to the taxing of mortgaged property.

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Francis Soucie for an appropriation to build a bridge across Wallagrass stream, reported reference to the next Legislature.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report on the petition of I. R. Crocker and others, for an appropriation for the Canada road.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Bickford C. Mathews, taken from the files of the last Legislature, for compensation for losses sustained in building a county road in the town of Liberty, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 151 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes," reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, on order relating to the State's title to the land on which the buildings of the Reform School are situated, reported that the State derives title from the city of Portland in a manner more particularly specified in the deed, of which a certified copy accompanies this report.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. DOWNES, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to tax commercial agents and pedlars," reported the same ought not to pass.

The report was read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands in Machias," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. PLAISTED, from the same Committee, on the petition of M. Schwartz, reported bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Norombega Bank.'"

Mr. REED, from the Cumberland Delegation, on petition of J. W. Libby and others, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 128 of the public laws of 1867, and relating to the compensation of the Judge and Register of Probate in Cumberland county."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. RUST, from the Committee on State Printing and Binding, on order to contract for printing and binding, reported proposals received from various parties.

The report was read and accepted, and ordered to be printed with accompanying proposals, on motion of Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act in addition to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands and diverting water for purposes of mills."

The report was read and accepted, and bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of York."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the People's Twenty-Five Cents Savings Bank."

"Resolve relating to exchange of agricultural documents."

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of James H. Lebroke."

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read a third, and resolves a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway."

Bill "an act relating to evidence."

Bill "an act entitled 'an act to amend section 4 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers.'"

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to powers of Judges of Probate."

"Resolve relating to the establishing of an asylum for the reformation of inebriates."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read a third time, resolve a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 28 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal section 4, chapter 23 of the revised statutes, relating to cattle running at large," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta.

Bill "an act to authorize town officers to remove fences to prevent snow drifts," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. STETSON of Exeter.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pondicherry Mills Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Match Company."

Bill "an act relating to reviews in certain cases."

Bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Phippsburg."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act in addition to an act incorporating the Third Parish of Bath."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 105 of the public laws of the year 1867."

Bill "an act to authorize Abernethy Grover to improve Sunday river and collect toll on logs."

Bill "an act authorizing the city of Portland to dredge Portland harbor."

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of trial justices and justices of the peace."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock and Warehouse Company."

Bill "an act to prohibit the members of city governments or boards of selectmen from voting or being parties to contracts in certain cases."

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the Freewill Baptist Foreign Mission Society.'"

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to regulate the taking of fish in Damariscotta river.'"

These bills having had three several readings 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 renew the charters of certain banks," which the House had under consideration when it adjourned yesterday, was taken from the table, and the question being on amendment "A," Mr. MAY of Winthrop, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being taken the amendment was rejected by yeas 37, nays 79.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Cram, Caldwell, Curtis, Cowell, Dickey, Duran, Dyer, Doane, A. P. Files, Farrar, Gibbs, Gile, Ham, Henley, Hargraves, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Lobdell, Lane, McKenney, May, Merrow, Norton, G. S. Palmer, Priest, Poor, Rand, W. Smith, Spaulding, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, Weed, Wheeler, Webb—37.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Barker, Bridges, Balkam, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Chase, Caswell, Carleton, Dingley, Dunning, Downes, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Glidden, J. W. Gould, Goss, Gilpatrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Merrill, Morris, Monroe, Maddix, Noyes, Newhall, Pray, J. W. Palmer, Payson, Plaisted, Porter, Paine, Parker, Parcher, Reed, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Raymond, Ricker, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Stevenson, Stetson, Teague, True, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Treat, Walker, Wedgewood—79.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," came up by special assignment, and the question being on its passage to be engrossed as amended, Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, moved the bill be recommitted with instructions to report the bill in a new draft, leaving out all provisions relating to county superintendents, and pending this motion, the House

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order relating to amendment of chapter 42, section 10 of the public laws of 1866, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act in relation to roads in plantations," reporting the same ought not to pass.

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to empower plantations to make and repair roads," reporting the same ought not to pass.

Report of the same Committee reporting business unfinished, and asking extension of time to make a final report.

Report of the same Committee on order relating to interest, reporting reference to Committee on Banks and Banking.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings on a communication from the Governor, relating to improvement of the capitol, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Final report of the Committee on Pensions.

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

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on bill "an act to incorporate the International Railway Company," referred from the last Legislature, reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, rules suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of Nathan Foster, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the memorial of the Maine Medical Association, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition of the town of Warren, reporting bill "an act to amend sections 2 and 6 of an act to regulate the shad and alewife fishery in the town of Warren in the county of Lincoln, passed March 6, 1802."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary to which was recommended an order relating to pressed hay, reporting bill "an act repealing 'an act to amend section 36 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay,' approved February 26, 1867."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Field," was referred to the Committee on Claims, under suspension of the rules, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to confirm the organization and make valid the doings of Silver Ridge plantation," was presented by Mr. WEED, of Littleton, and the rules were suspended, read three times, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Petition of J. G. Dickerson and others, for amendment of the charter of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

• Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of Newell Neptune, for an act to prevent depredations on the land of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend chapter 82 of the revised statutes," reported the same ought not to pass.

Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of Edward S. Page, for the incorporation of Drew plantation as a town, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLAISDELL, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the peti-

tion of H. J. Nickerson and others, reported bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Swett's pond in the town of Orrington."

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of James Miller, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Miller Commercial Wharf Company."

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Tomar Sockalexis, reported a "resolve amendatory of a resolve entitled resolve relating to the title to the Grassy islands and fish-ways at Oldtown falls."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolve.

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the Petition of A. H. Thompson and others, reported a "resolve in favor of Samuel H. Thompson."

The same member, from the same Committee, on a claim to complete a contract for selling a parcel of land, reported a "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to complete the contract made for selling a parcel of land."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, and Wednesday assigned for a second reading.

Bill "an act for the further protection of persons who have policies in marine insurance companies."

Bill "an act relating to the volunteer militia."

Bill "an act to protect the public lands and the rights of settlers."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 364 of the special laws of 1864, relating to salmon in Denny's river."

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 78 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions to travel."

These printed bills were read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Franklin County Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gorham Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Camden Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Kennebunk and annex the same to the town of Wells in the county of York."

Bill "an act to authorize Horatio E. Alden and William G. Alden, their heirs, associates and assigns, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the International Railway Company."

"Resolve in favor of Lewis J. Pollard."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Committee on Military Affairs."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Monson."

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read a third, and resolves a second time, and each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Norombega Bank.'"

Bill "an act to cede to the United State jurisdiction over certain lands in Machias."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 128 of the public laws of 1867, and relating to the compensation of the Judge and Register of Probate in Cumberland county."

"Resolve in aid of the State road leading from Caribou village to Van Buren."

"Resolve in aid of the road leading across Indian township in the county of Washington."

"Resolve in favor of Van Buren and Letter L and K plantations."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Aroostook river at Caribou village in the town of Lyndon."

"Resolve in aid of continuing the road through from Presque Isle by Ball's Mills to Ashland."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge in the town of Plymouth."

"Resolve in favor of Simeon B. Folsom."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read a third and resolves a second time, and each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Eunice B. Elliot," was reported by the

Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve authorizing the payment of certain private claims from moneys received from the United States," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College."

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

These resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, laid on the table, and Friday assigned for a further consideration.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to extend the time for the completion of the European and North American Railway to Lincoln, and to amend its location."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gray Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of York."

Bill "an act to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the private and special laws of 1866, relating to the Somerset Railroad."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Eastport to subscribe for and take stock in the Eastport Hotel Company and to issue bonds."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph Erskine and John K. Erskine to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Sheepscot river."

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston bridge.'"

Bill "an act to renew the charters of certain banks."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Horse Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 150 of the public laws of 1862 entitled 'an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions.'"

"Resolve relating to obstructions in Penobscot river."

"Resolve relating to the heirs of the late James H. Lebroke."

"Resolve for the relief of D'Aigle plantation."

"Resolve relating to exchange of agricultural documents."

The foregoing bills having been three times read, 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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills, and the question being on passing the same to be enacted, Mr. GOSS of Bath, moved, and the House ordered, under suspension of the rules, a reconsideration of the vote whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed. The bill was then amended as per sheet "A," on motion of the same member, and passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and the question being on passing the same to be enacted, it was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta, and to-morrow at eleven o'clock assigned.

Bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," under consideration when the House adjourned yesterday, was taken up, the question being on the motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, to recommit with instructions, Mr. PORTER of Burlington, moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call and ordered the main question.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved, and the House ordered, that

when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken it was refused a passage by yeas 53, nays 84.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Ames, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Billings, Balkam, Bradbury, Clark, Cram, Colby, Caswell, Cowell, Dingley, Dickey, Downes, Eaton, Fessenden, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, Glidden, Ham, Henley, Hale, Herrick, Hargraves, Hubbard, Leadbetter, R. Leavitt, Merrill, Morris, Merrow, Noyes, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Rolf, Ricker, Stevens, E. B. Smith, Spaulding, Spear, P. S. J. Talbot, Tarbox, Titcomb, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Woodman, Wells, Webb, Walker, Wedgewood—53.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Baker, Barnes, Black, Barker, Bridges, Cunningham, Chase, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Duran, Dunning, Dyer, Doane, Estes, Ford, J. R. Files, M. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Gibbs, J. W. Gould, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Hackett, Hawes, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Jefferds, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, McKenney, May, Monroe, Marden, Maddix, Norton, Perry, Pray, Priest, Payson, Patten, Paine, Parker, Parcher, Reed, Rand, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Shurtleff, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Stockbridge, Stevenson, Stetson, Teague, True, A. T. Talbot, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Treat, Weed, Wheeler, Weeks—84.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown, the vote was reconsidered and the bill laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That after undebatable matter which comes up in the morning business is gone through with, business under consideration at the last adjournment of the House, shall first be considered, and after that, matter specially assigned in the order of the assignment.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

A communication from the Secretary of State transmitting the report of the Commissioners on State Industrial School for Girls, came from the Senate and was read.

Petition of inhabitants of school district No. 2, in the city of Rockland, in aid of the petition of Joseph Farwell, for the consolidation of school districts in said city ; and,

Remonstrance of Joseph Bird and others, against the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of John S. Tenney and others, for an act to authorize the town of Norridgewock to loan its credit in aid of the construction of the Somerset Railroad, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Final report of the Committee on Fisheries came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to divorce and annulling of marriages, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate and House on the resolve in relation to the suit against B. D. Peck and sureties, reporting the resolve should be indefinitely postponed.

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

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters to which was re-committed bill "an act to regulate the driving of logs on the Penamaquon river in Pembroke," reporting that the bill needs no further amendment and that it ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs on order reporting

"bill an act to grant certificates of service to soldiers who served in the war for the suppression of the rebellion."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on the report of the Commission on Fisheries, reporting bill "an act to regulate certain fisheries."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act amendatory of chapter 107 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of depositions," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on bill "an act to amend chapter 58 of the revised statutes, relating to agricultural societies," reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, on so much of the Governor's message as refers to public buildings, reporting a "resolve in favor of an appropriation for the repair of the Senate Chamber and Gallery."

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Samuel Hanson and others, reporting a "resolve in favor of Ernest F. Owen and Charles W. Owen, minor children of the late Eben H. Owen."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the report of the Commission on Fisheries, reporting a "resolve to continue in force and amendatory of chapter 78 of the resolves of 1867, in relation to the restoration of sea-fish to the rivers and inland waters of Maine."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolves read once, and Wednesday assigned for a second reading.

Bill "an act in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta moved to insist and appoint conferees.

This motion giving rise to debate, the bill was laid aside, under the rule.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of authorizing the Governor and Council to audit and settle the expense incurred by Chapman and Hunt, appointed by the Governor to arrest the persons who committed the burglary in the house of O'Brien in the county of York, reporting legislation inexpedient, read and accepted by the Senate, concurred in by the House, came back from the Senate, rules suspended, vote reconsidered accepting the report, and recommitted.

The rules were suspended, vote reconsidered accepting the report, and recommitted in concurrence.

Mr. BRIDGES of Marion, was excused from further attendance at this session.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That Judah D. Teague be excused from any further attendance upon this House as a member thereof, from and after Wednesday night, and the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up his pay and travel to the end of the session.

Petition of Emma A. Clark, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to city and town rewards for the apprehension of criminals, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, made the same report on order relating to the security of travellers over railroads.

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition J. D. Emerson and others, for authority to build a fish weir in the town of Jonesport, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, on the petition of the assessors of Monroe for the abatement of certain taxes, reported leave to withdraw.

The same member, from the same Committee, on petition of Joshua Dunbar for an appropriation for the education of indigent idiotic persons, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on the petition

of Lewis Cormier for increase of the fees of the Register of Deeds for Aroostook county, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were read and accepted.

Mr. BLACK, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of F. L. Carney and others, reported bill "an act authorizing Franklin L. Carney to rebuild and maintain a dam across Sheepscot river, between Alna and Newcastle."

Mr. SPEAR, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to amend the charter of the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of inhabitants of D'Aigle, Dion and Madawaska plantations, reported a "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to examine into the situation of the French settlements in the plantations of D'Aigle, Dion and Madawaska."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolve.

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on a "resolve authorizing aid for erecting mills in Eagle Lake plantation," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once and Wednesday assigned for a second reading.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Peter Woolton and others, reported bill "an act to repeal an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the town of Glenwood.'"

The report was read and accepted, rules suspended, bill read three times and laid aside, giving rise to debate.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was recommitted bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company," reported the same without amendment and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, rules suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order reported bill "an act giving to widowed mothers the custody of minor children and the control of their earnings."

Mr. CASE, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to amend chapter 127 of the public laws of 1867, in relation to inspection of petroleum, coal oil and burning fluid," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend section 12, chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Cyrus Patterson, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the public laws of 1858 in relation to liens on vessels."

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee of Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Isaiah Perkins and others, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes relating to the satisfaction of judgment against railroad corporations in certain cases."

These reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act relating to final judgment recovered in certain actions of replevin."

Bill "an act in relation to the competency of witnesses."

Bill "an act to exempt railroad stocks from taxation for a term years, and for other purposes."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on goods in possession."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of codfish, pollock, hake and haddock, in the waters of Frenchman's bay."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands and diverting water for purposes of mills."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to appeals from the decisions of municipal officers in certain cases."

"Resolve to provide for keeping the Land Office open for business in the absence of the Land Agent on official duties."

These printed bills were read twice, and resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society."

Bill "an act to amend sections 2 and 6 of an act to regulate the shad and alewife fishery in the town of Warren, in the county of Lincoln, passed March 6, 1802."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Miller Commercial Wharf Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 364 of the special laws of 1864, relating to salmon in Denny's river."

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Sweet's pond in the town of Orrington."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pushaw Dam Company."

Bill "an act for the further protection of persons who have policies in marine insurance companies."

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions to travel."

"Resolve amendatory of a resolve entitled 'resolve relating to the title of the Grassy islands and fishways at Oldtown.'"

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills three times read, resolve twice read, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act repealing an act entitled 'an act to amend section 36, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay,' approved February 26, 1867," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 78 of the revised statutes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bills "an act to protect the public lands and the rights of settlers."

Bill "an act relating to the volunteer militia."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to authorize William Smith to erect a wharf in tide waters in Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Kennebunk and annex the same to the town of Wells."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford Co-operative Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the People's Twenty-Five Cents Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to provide for a more free navigation of the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterville Hall Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gorham Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to authorize James Perry to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor."

Bill "an act authorizing Horatio E. Alden and W. G. Alden, their heirs, associates and assigns, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings 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 legalize certain doings of the town of Buckfield in exempting town bonds from taxation," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, and reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and pending the question of passing the same to be enacted, it was laid on the table on motion of Mr. PALMER of Gardiner, and ordered to be printed.

Report of the Committee on Elections on the petition of Charles Elliott, praying that he may be declared elected Representative from the classed towns of Knox, Belmont, Waldo, Morrill and Brooks, in place of Eben Littlefield, reporting leave to withdraw, was taken from the table by special assignment, and the question being on the acceptance of the report, Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, moved amendment "A," and Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis moved

and the House ordered that when the question be taken on the amendment it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken the amendment was rejected by yeas 42, nays 90.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Brown, Barnes, Barker, Balkam, Bradbury, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Duran, Downes, Dyer, Doane, Gould, Hackett, Hall, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Norton, Priest, Payson, Rand, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Ricker, Stevens, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, P. S. J. Talbot, Tibbetts, Treat, Wheeler, Walker, Wedgewood—42.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Colby, Curtis, Dingley, Dunning, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Frost, Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, Gould, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hale, Hawes, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Merrill, Morris, May, Morse, Merrow, Marden, Noyes, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, Paine, Parker, Parcher, Reed, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, Spear, Stevenson, Stetson, Teague, True, A. T. Talbot, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb, Weeks—90.

The report was then accepted.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, presented the following order :

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Charles Elliott from the first day of January last, past, to the twenty-first day of February, current, inclusive, and travel the same as a member of this House.

The order was read and under consideration, when the hour fixed for adjournment arrived, and the House was adjourned by the Speaker.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Petition of John R. Farrar for change of name, rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Bill "an act in relation to the publishers of newspapers," rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to protect the public lands and the rights of settlers," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The House resumed the consideration of the order in favor of Charles Elliot, under discussion at the hour of adjournment.

Mr. BILLINGS of Freedom, moved the indefinite postponement of the order, and pending this motion, the House

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of E. F. Collins and others of Anson, for an act to authorize said town to take stock in, or loan its credit to, the Somerset Railroad Company; and

Petition of Dennis Moore of Anson, and others, for same, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and were referred in concurrence under suspension of the rules.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Leather Company," came from the Senate rules being suspended, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence under suspension of the rules.

Final reports of the Committees on Manufactures, Insane Hospital, Public Buildings and Interior Waters, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John H. Ingersoll and others, for amendment of section 2, chapter 316 of the private laws of 1867, annexing the town of Danville to Auburn, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of M. B. Lakeman and others, for revision of the statutes, and on order relating to the same, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to landlords and tenants," reporting the same ought not to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to the publishing of the laws regulating the elective franchise, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to orders of notice, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, on order inquiring what measures if any, are necessary to insure the State House against damage or destruction by fire, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to the removal of the seat of government to the city of Portland, reporting reference to the next legislature.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stockton Savings Bank," came from the Senate, rules being suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The rules were suspended, read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of the Maine Granite Company, reporting bill "an act authorizing the Maine Granite Company and their assigns, to build certain wharves in the city of Hallowell," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to regu-

late the taking of trout in Moosehead lake and Brassua lake," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary, to which was recommitteed the petition of the Mayor and others of the city Hallowell; also, of S. E. Bailey and others, with instruction to report a bill, reporting bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to loan its credit in aid of the construction of steam mills."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to renew and extend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad,' approved February 28, 1867," came from the Senate, read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The rules were suspended, the bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to evidence," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Laid on the table under rule, giving rise to a debate.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono,

Ordered, That Alanson C. Herrick be excused from further attendance from and after Thursday of next week, and that the Committee on Pay Roll make up his day to the end of the session.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act in addition to 'an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate in Cumberland county,' passed March 1, 1867," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under the joint rule.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, on the petitions of John R. Farrar and Emma A. Clark, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Saint John's Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of Ephraim Flint and others, reported a "resolve in favor of Foxcroft Academy."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and Wednesday for a second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to grant certificates of service to soldiers who served in the war for the suppression of the rebellion."

Bill "an act to regulate certain fisheries."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the special laws of 1848, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company.'"

Bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on goods in possession."

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands and diverting water for purposes of mills."

Bill "an act relating to final judgment recovered in certain actions of replevin."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of codfish, pollock, hake and haddock in the waters of Frenchman's bay."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to examine into the situation of the French settlements in the plantations of D'Aigle, Dion and Madawaska."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were read a third, and resolve a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to exempt railroad stock from taxation for a term of years, and for other purposes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third reading, read a third time, amendment "A" offered by Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, pending which the bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 58 of the revised statutes, relating to agricultural societies."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to appeals from the decisions of municipal officers in certain cases."

"Resolve to provide for keeping the Land Office open for business in the absence of the Land Agent on official duties."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were read a third time, and resolve a second time, and pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, laid on the table.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 107 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of depositions," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and pending Senate amendment "A," laid on the table.

Bill "an act in relation to the competency of witnesses," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amendment "A" offered by Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and pending the amendment, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Houlton Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the International Railway Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Camden Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to powers of judges of probate."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act to amend section 28 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location and erection of school-houses."

Bill "an act entitled 'an act to amend section 4 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers.'"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Franklin County Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society."

These bills having had three several readings, 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 authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," was taken from the table, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to the liens on good in possession," was passed to be engrossed, and that the motion be laid on the table, and to-morrow at eleven o'clock assigned, and the House so ordered.

The House resumed the consideration of the order in favor of Charles Elliott, and pending the question of indefinite postponement of the order, the hour for adjournment having arrived, the House was adjourned by the Speaker.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, amendment "A" offered, pending which, it was ordered to be printed.

Order in favor of Charles Elliott, under consideration when the House adjourned, was taken up and considered, and pending its indefinite postponement, the House, on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "an act extending the time in which certain banks shall redeem their bills," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read twice, rules being suspended, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Androscoggin County Delegation on bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for the county of Androscoggin," reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings on order reporting bill "an act relating to the purchase of wood and coal for public buildings, and the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings in making such purchase," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed.

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

Petition of the selectmen and others of Solon, for authority to raise money to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad, came from the Senate, rules being suspended, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order reporting bill "an act amendatory and additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, in relation to towns, their meetings, powers and duties," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Water and Gas Pipe Company," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

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

"Resolve in aid of continuing the road through from Presque Isle by Ball's Mills to Ashland," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act repealing 'an act to amend section 36 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay,' approved February 26, 1867," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, and passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheet "A," came from the Senate, that branch insisting upon its former vote.

Laid on the table, under rule giving rise to debate.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias,

Ordered, That in the pending debate no member be allowed to speak more than fifteen minutes, nor more than once unless by general consent; this order not to apply to the gentleman now having the floor until he shall have concluded his present remarks.

Charles A. Rolf, member of the House from Princeton, was excused from further attendance after Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Report of Hon. George B. Barrows, Commissioner on State Industrial School for Girls, be referred to the Committee on Education.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Petition of Joshua M. Leighton, to be set off from the town of Steuben and annexed to the town of Millbridge, was referred to the next Legislature, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing certain plantations to raise and expend money," presented by Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, was referred, rules being suspended, to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of James Henry and others of plantation No. 11, Aroostook County, for an act to legalize the doings of said plantation, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform under suspension of the rules.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," presented by Mr. FOSTER of Portland, rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. EATON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on order relating to reduction of the expenses of the Adjutant General's office, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the the same report on order inquiring into the expediency of amending section 18, chapter 82 of the revised statutes.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of A. L. Gerrish and others, for aid to the Maine Central Institute in the town of Pittsfield, reported the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of Joseph Barrows and others, reported a resolve in favor of Hebron Academy.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for a second reading.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the public laws of 1858, in relation to liens upon vessels."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the satisfaction of judgment against railroad corporations in certain cases."

These printed bills were read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act authorizing the Maine Granite Company and their assigns, to build and maintain certain wharves in the city of Hal-

lowell," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to regulate taking of trout in Moosehead lake and Brassua lake," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saint John's Lodge No. 51 of Free and accepted Masons."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to loan its credit to aid in the construction of steam mills," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, it was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands in Machias."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway."

✓ Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to renew and extend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad,' approved February 28, 1867."

Bill "an act to grant certificates of service to soldiers who served in the war for the suppression of the rebellion."

Bill "an act to confirm the organization and make valid the doings of the Silver Ridge plantation in the County of Aroostook."

Bill "an act to amend sections 2 and 6 of 'an act to regulate the shad and alewife fishery in the town of Warren, in the County of Lincoln,' passed March 6, 1802."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Committee on Military Affairs."

"Resolve in favor of the Fish River Road."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School."

"Resolve in favor of the Portland Institute and Public Library."

"Resolve in aid of the road across Indian Township in the County of Washington."

"Resolve authorizing the payment of certain private claims from moneys received from the United States."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge in the town of Plymouth, in the County of Penobscot."

"Resolve allowing the plantations of Eagle Lake and Letter L, their school money for 1865."

"Resolve in aid of Van Buren plantation and L and K townships in Aroostook County."

"Resolve in favor of Lewis J. Pollard."

"Resolve in favor of Simeon B. Folsom."

"Resolve in favor of Eunice B. Elliott."

"Resolve relating to the establishment of an asylum for the reformation of inebriates."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Aroostook river at Caribou village in the town of Lyndon."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Monson."

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

The order in favor of Charles Elliott, under consideration when the House adjourned yesterday, was taken up and under discussion, when the hour for adjournment having arrived, the House was adjourned by the Speaker.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act giving to widowed mothers the custody of minor children and the control of their earnings."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 127 of the public laws of 1867, relating to inspection and sale of petroleum, coal oils and burning fluids."

Bill "an act to amend section 12 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

These printed bills were read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

The House resumed the consideration of the order in favor of Charles Elliott, which was indefinitely postponed.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate:

A communication from the Governor transmitting Memorials of the Board of Commissioners of the Cemetery at Gettysburg, Penn., and the Board of Trustees of the National Cemetery at Sharpsburg, Maryland, asking for the transfer of the supervision of these cemeteries to the United States government, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act in relation to roads," reporting the same ought not to pass.

Report of the Committee on Education on the petition of J. L. Goodwin and others, for change in the school laws relating to the employment of school teachers and the building of school-houses, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to the protection and management of cemetery grounds, reporting legislation inexpedient.

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

Bill "an act to further amend 'an act to establish the Penobscot and Kennebec Railroad Company,' approved August 13, 1849, and for other purposes," came from the Senate read twice, rules being

suspended, and passed to be engrossed. Read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to consolidate the school districts in the city of Rockland," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 39, chapter 113, of the revised statutes, and explanatory of said chapter."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the report of the Commission on Fisheries, reporting bill "an act giving certain powers to the Commissioners of Fisheries."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of Tomah Lewy and others, reporting a "resolve to authorize the appointment of a Commission to settle and adjust the claims of the late Captain Lewy."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills and a second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on that part of the Governor's Message relating to the hydrographic survey of the State, reporting a "resolve providing for the publication of certain documents relating to the hydrographic survey of the State," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reporting bill "an act giving additional powers to the Railroad Commissioners," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times, rules being suspended, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on sundry petitions, reporting a "resolve in aid of the roads in the counties of Aroostook, Franklin and Somerset," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for a second reading, under suspension of the rules.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, and indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Farley of Lincoln, Stevens of Kennebec, and Pierce of Waldo appointed conferees.

The House insisted, and concurred in the proposition for a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Dickey of Fort Kent, Cram of Brunswick, and Case of Rockland said Committee on the part of the House.

Petition of C. J. Little and others, for change of the "act to incorporate the Yarmouth Paper Company," rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Greenleaf Law Library," rules being suspended, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 43 of the revised statutes, relating to weighing hay and other articles," was read twice, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Education, on order relating to apportioning a larger per centage of school money to small and destitute districts, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same member, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Superintending School Committee of Portland, for an act au-

thorizing cities and towns to procure school books for the use of schools, at the public expense, reported leave to withdraw.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on the petition of Thomas Pennell and others, for aid to Harpswell Academy, reported reference to the next Legislature.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Representatives' Hall be granted this evening for an exhibition by a delegation of the blind from the Institute for the Blind at South Boston.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on State Printing and Binding, on the petition of the Maine Medical Association, reported a "resolve in favor of printing the publication of the Maine Medical Association."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday of this week assigned for a second reading.

Mr. BLACK, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was recommitted bill "an act authorizing the erection of a dam across Sheepscot river between the towns of Alna and Newcastle," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act extending the time in which certain banks shall redeem their bills."

Bill "an act to regulate the driving of logs on the Penamaquon river in Pembroke."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Water and Gas Pipe Company."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the satisfaction of judgment against railroad corporations."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 127 of the public laws of 1867, relating to inspection and sale of petroleum, coal oils and burning fluids."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 12 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and laid on the table.

Bill "an act relating to the purchase of wood and coal for public buildings and the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings in making such purchase," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to the revised statutes, in relation to towns, their meetings, powers and duties."

Bill "an act giving to widowed mothers the custody of minor children and the control of their earnings."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the public laws of 1858, in relation to liens upon vessels."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stockton Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to regulate certain fisheries."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 128 of the public laws of 1867, and relating to the compensation of the Judge and Register of Probate in Cumberland County."

These bills having had three several readings, 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 exempt railroad stock from taxation for a term of years and for other purposes," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, amendment "A" adopted, and on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the town of Glenwood,'" was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to organize the plantation of Lakeville," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad,'" was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D" and "E," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to recording lost deeds," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

This bill, which was referred by the Senate to the Committee on the Judiciary, non-concurred in by the House, and referred to the next Legislature, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Ludden of Androscoggin, Goodwin of York, and Fairbanks of Franklin appointed said Committee on its part.

The House insisted on its vote, and concurred in the proposition for a conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Porter of Burlington, Bradbury of Hollis, and Case of Rockland conferees on the part of the House.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Joseph L. Giofray and others, for a law closing barbers' shops on Sunday, reporting leave to withdraw, was taken from the table.

This report, which was accepted by the House, came from the Senate recommitted. The House, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, insisted on its former vote.

Bill "an act to authorize certain town officers to remove fences to prevent snow drifts," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. FIELD of Danville, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to define and establish the territorial limits of the town of Deer Isle in the County of Hancock," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, on order, reported bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1868 amounting to \$806,225 09."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act in addition to 'an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for Cumberland County,' passed March 1, 1867," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land," was taken from the table, read the third time, amended as per sheets "A" and "B" on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, also as per sheet "C" on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and as per sheet "D" on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, and as amended passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, by consent of the House, withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on goods in possession," was passed to be engrossed, and the bill sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to Prof. C. C. Bennett, for the delivery of a lecture on the Correlation of Force, on Wednesday evening, February 26.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to appeals from the decisions of municipal officers in certain cases," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. CLARK of Lewiston, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick, moved a reconsideration of this vote, and the House refused to reconsider.

Bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and on motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast, laid on the table.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 64 of the revised statutes, and relating to the bonds of executors," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, amendment "B" withdrawn by Mr. REED of Portland, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act to tax commercial agents and pedlers," reporting the same ought not to pass, was taken from the table, accepted and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," was taken from the table, amendment "A" offered by Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, pending which, laid on the table on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland.

Bill "an act to repeal section 4, chapter 23 of the revised statutes, relating to cattle running at large," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HARTWELL of Oldtown,

Ordered, That F. W. Stimpson, member of this House from Linneus, be excused from further attendance on and after Wednesday next, and the Committee on Pay Roll make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Finance, on "resolve abating State tax, in part, of Bridgton, and assessing the same upon the town of Harrison," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of James Harvey, referred by the House to the Committee on Legal Reform, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "an act relating to the sale of timber and grass on Indian township in Washington County."

"Resolve for an appropriation on the road leading from Caribou village to the Fish river road in the County of Aroostook."

This bill and resolve came from the Senate read twice and passed, and the bill was read twice, resolve once, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bill and second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of H. G. Newton and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Eclectic Medical Society."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on a "resolve providing for the sale of timber and grass on Indian township of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to further appropriations for the destitute orphans of soldiers and seamen, reporting a "resolve relating to destitute orphans of soldiers and seamen of the late war."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bills, and second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of costs," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred in the adoption of amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to protect the public lands and the rights of settlers," passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," came back from the Senate, amendment "A" adopted, amendment "B" amended as per sheet "C," and further amended as per sheet "D."

The House receded and concurred in the the adoption of amendment "C" and "D," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to define the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings and to establish his salary," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House, on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, insisted, and proposed a Committee on Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Hale of Ellsworth, Robinson of Dover and Spear of Rockland, conferees.

Report of the Committee on Education, on order reporting bill "an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Crescent Royal Arch Chapter of Masons," came from the Senate read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The rules were suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. PALMER of Bangor presented bill "an act authorizing a revision of the wards of the city of Bangor."

The rules were suspended, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. PATTEN of Hampden presented by leave a "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a section of land in Crystal

plantation," which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, under suspension of the rules, and sent to the Senate.

George S. Stevenson, member of this House from Newburg, was excused from further attendance at this session, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two branches of the Legislature on "resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society," reported the Committee failed to agree, and recommended that the House adhere to its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. MAY of Winthrop offered the following order :

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, the Legislature adjourn finally on Wednesday of next week, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Laid on the table on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to foreign insurance companies, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CASE, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Topsham Paper Company," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CRAM, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Samuel B. Hunter and others, reported bill "an act to authorize apothecaries and druggists to sell distilled and fermented liquors for certain purposes."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Bill "an act giving certain powers to the Commissioners of Fisheries."

Bill "an act to further amend 'an act to establish the Penobscot and Kennebec Railroad Company,' approved August 13th, 1849, and for other purposes."

"Resolve to authorize the appointment of a commission to settle and adjust the claims of the heirs of the late Capt. Lewy."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read a third time, resolve a second time, and each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve providing for the publication of certain documents relating to the hydrographic survey of the State," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, Senate amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 39 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, and supplementary of said chapter," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 43 of the revised statutes, relating to weighing hay and other articles," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in addition to 'an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for Cumberland County,' approved March 1, 1867."

"Resolve abating State tax in part of Bridgton and assessing the same upon the town of Harrison."

This bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read a third time, resolve a second time, and each passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the erection of a dam across Sheepscot river," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and the question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. GOSS of Bath moved it be referred to the Lincoln County Delegation. Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call, and or-

dered the main question, and the question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, it was so taken, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston presented a resolve relative to the impeachment of Andrew Johnson, and moved the rules be suspended and the resolve read twice at the present time. The same member moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call and ordered the main question. The rules were suspended, resolve read twice, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor moved the previous question, the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question. Mr. WEDGEWOOD of Biddeford moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the resolve was passed to be engrossed by yeas 92, nays 33.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Billings, Black, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Chase, Colby, Case, Curtis, Dingley, Duran, Dunning, Downes, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Glidden, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Judkins, Jeffers, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, Paine, Parker, Parcher, Reed, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, Spear, Stevenson, Stetson, Teague, True, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Woodman, Weed, Wells, Webb, Weeks—92.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Brown, Barker, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Goold, Hall, Ingalls, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Norton, Priest, Payson, Rand, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Stevens, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Stimpson, P. S. J. Talbot, Tibbetts, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—33.

Absentees—

Messrs. Allen, Brickett, Baker, Barnes, Bridges, Caswell, Carle-

ton, Chamberlain, Ford, Frost, Gibbs, Gould, Hackett, Hamor, Hargraves, Hubbard, Haines, Monroe, Morse, Marden, Maddix, Nason, Newhall, Ricker, Tarbox, Treat—26.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of trout in Moosehead lake and Brassua lake."

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 78 of the revised statutes, relating to the courts in Washington County."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pushaw Dam Company."

Bill "an act giving additional powers to the railroad commissioners."

Bill "an act extending the time within which certain banks shall redeem their bills."

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands and diverting water for purposes of mills."

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Swett's pond in the town of Orrington."

Bill "an act to consolidate the school districts in the city of Rockland."

Bill "an act to prevent obstructions to travel."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Miller Commercial Wharf Co."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company."

Bill "an act authorizing the Maine Granite Company and their assigns, to build and maintain certain wharves in the city of Hallowell."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 364 of the laws of 1864, relating to salmon in Denny's river."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of codfish, pollock, hake and haddock, in the waters of Frenchman's bay."

Bill "an act to regulate the driving of logs on the Penamaquon river in Pembroke."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings 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.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Mayor of Portland, reported bill "an act making further provision respecting the loans of credit heretofore made by the city of Portland to the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended on motion of Mr. REED of Portland, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the propriety of requiring local officers to enforce the laws of the State against tippling-shops, gambling-houses and houses of ill-fame, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, moved to amend by striking out of the report the words "legislation inexpedient," and insert the words "accompanying bill."

Pending this motion, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to authorize Augustus Hemenway and Wm. H. Hemenway to construct and maintain wharves in Machias river," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FOSTER of Portland, moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed to be engrossed bill "an act to amend chapter 43 of the revised statutes, in relation to weighing hay and other articles."

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, this motion was laid on the table and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. Weed of Littleton, was excused from further attendance at this session after Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Portland.

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to furnish to this House any and all information he may have received relating to the Insane Hospital since the receipt of the report of the Committee of investigation of the affairs of said institution.

"Resolve for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter 330 of the 'resolves of 1864, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College,'" was taken from the table, and to-morrow at eleven o'clock assigned.

Petition of the inhabitants of Kennebunk for authority to remit certain taxes and bill "an act authorizing school district No. 5 in Kennebunk to raise money for certain purposes," referred by the Senate to the Committee on Legal Reform, nonconcurrent in by the House and referred to the next Legislature, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote.

The House, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, receded and concurred.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Austin Eames, Elisha Purington and David Stevens and others of Embden, for authority to raise money to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad ; and

Petition of Nicholas Smith and others of Bingham, for same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and were referred, under suspension of the rules, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act to amend section 26 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," reporting ought not to pass.

Report of the same Committee, making same report, on bill "an act in relation to fire and marine insurance companies and actions on contracts of insurance."

Report of the same Committee, making same report, on bill "an act to declare the construction of section 19 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to demurrers."

Report of the same Committee, making same report, on bill "an act in relation to the publishers of newspapers."

Report of the same Committee, making same report, on bill "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 1 of the revised statutes, relating to rules of construction."

Report of the same Committee, on bill an act authorizing certain plantations to raise and expend money," reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on the petition of Mary Ann Tyler, that authority be granted Robert Goodenow, guardian of Isaac Tyler, to sell certain unimproved lands in Minnesota, reporting leave to withdraw.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the propriety of relieving towns who were despoiled of their proportion of bank stock for taxable purposes, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover.

"Resolve in favor of protecting the State House against fire," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 146 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the recovery of money paid for taxes upon the land of non-resident owners, where the requirements of the law have not been complied with."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. D. Stewart, reporting bill "an act additional to and amendatory of 'an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court,' approved February 28, 1867."

Report of the Committee on Education, on order, reporting bill "an act increasing the amount of money which towns shall raise for the support of schools."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act additional to 'an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads,'" reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting two resolves in favor of the Insane Hospital, came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick.

Report of the Committee on State Prison, reporting bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 135 of the revised statutes, relating to the time for which convicts may be sentenced to the State Prison."

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to repeal section 4 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes, relating to cattle running at large," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, and Messrs. Farley of Lincoln, Stevens of Kennebec, and Pierce of Waldo appointed conferees.

The House insisted and concurred in the proposed conference, and joined Messrs. Walker of Machias, May of Winthrop and Billings of Freedom to said Committee.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway," reporting the same ought to pass.

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, ordered to be printed as amended by the Senate, and Friday next assigned for a third reading.

Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn presented a "resolve in favor of G. W. Chamberlain," which was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Edmund Curtis, member of this House from Greenwood, was excused from further attendance at this session.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act in relation to the survival of certain actions," reported the same ought not to pass.

The same member, from the same Committee, on order inquiring into the expediency of amending chapter 150 of the public laws of 1862, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John Shaw and others, directors of the Middle River Dyke Company, for amendment of the charter of said company, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the payment of commutation money, also on petitions from the towns of Warren, Millbridge and Berwick, for acts to legalize the doings of said towns in voting such money, reported legislation inexpedient and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

This report was read and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on the Library, on the petition of the Mayor of Biddeford, reported a "resolve in favor of the city of Biddeford."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported a "resolve relating to timber and lumber reserved for common schools."

The same member, from the same Committee, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to an Industrial School for Girls, reported a "resolve relative to a State Industrial School for Girls."

These reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bill and second reading of the resolves.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in certain local corporations."

This report was read and accepted, and bill ordered to be printed under rule.

"Resolve in favor of Hebron Academy," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. SMITH of Medford, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was refused a passage by yeas 52 nays 61.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Balkam, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Colby, Caswell, Case, Dingley, Dickey, Dunning, Field, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, Goss, Henley, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hall, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Merrill, Morris, Noyes, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Payson, Plaisted, Porter, Parcher, Rust, Rolf, Spaulding, Stetson, Teague, True, P. S. J. Talbot, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, A. Thompson, Taylor, Wells, Webb, Walker—52.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Briggs, Buck, Bartlett, Brown, Black, Barker, Boynton, Cram, Chase, Caldwell, Curtis, Duran, Downes, Dyer, Doane, Estes, Ford, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Goold, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Hackett, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Light, Lennox, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, McKenney, May, Merrow, Maddix, Norton, Perry, Pray, Priest, Poor, Patten, Paine, Parker, Rand, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Stevens, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Stockbridge, Stimpson, A. T. Talbot, Tibbetts, Tyler, Treat, Weed, Weymouth, Weeks—63.

Mr. ROBINSON of Dover moved to reconsider, and the House refused.

Bill "an act relating to the sale of timber and grass on Indian township in Washington County."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Eclectic Medical Society."

"Resolve making an annual appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

"Resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

"Resolve providing for the sale of timber and grass on Indian township of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians."

"Resolve making an annual appropriation for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians."

"Resolve for an appropriation on the road leading from Caribou village to the Fish river road in the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve in favor of Ernest F. Owen and Charles W. Owen, minor children of the late Eben H. Owen."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills were read a third time, and the resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Thompson."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to complete the contract made for selling a parcel of land."

These resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing a revision of the wards in the city of Bangor."

Bill "an act to establish schools in Madawaska."

"Resolve authorizing aid for erecting mills in Eagle Lake plantation."

"Resolve to continue in force, and amendatory of chapter 78 of the resolves of 1867, in relation to the restoration of sea fish to the rivers and inland waters of Maine."

"Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the repair and painting of the Senate chamber and gallery."

These resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and laid on the table.

"Resolve in favor of printing the publications of the Maine Medical Association" was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. Brickett of Augusta, and to-morrow at 11 o'clock assigned.

"Resolve relating to destitute orphans of soldiers and seamen of the late war" was reported by the Committee on Bills in the

Third Reading, read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. Porter of Burlington.

"Resolve in aid of roads in the Counties of Aroostook, Franklin and Somerset" was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and pending Senate amendments "A" and "B," the House

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolve in aid of the roads in the counties of Aroostook, Franklin and Somerset; Senate amendment "A" adopted, amendment "B" amended as per sheet "C," and adopted as amended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act to authorize apothecaries and druggists to sell distilled and fermented liquors for certain purposes," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Crescent Royal Arch Chapter of Masons."

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of costs."

Bill "an act giving certain powers to the Commissioners of Fisheries."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Water and Gas Pipe Company."

Bill "an act to protect the public lands and the rights of settlers."

Bill "an act to further amend 'an act to establish the Penobscot and Kennebec Railroad Company,' approved August 13, 1849, and for other purposes,"

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to examine into the situation of the French settlement in the plantations of D'Aigle, Dionne and Madawaska."

"Resolve providing for the publication of certain documents relating to the Hydrographic Survey of the State."

"Resolve in aid of continuing the road through from Presque Isle by Ball's Mills to Ashland."

"Resolve amendatory of resolves entitled 'resolves relating to

the title to the Grassy islands and fishways at Oldtown falls."

"Resolve to authorize the appointment of a commissioner to settle and adjust the claims of the heirs of the late Capt. Lewy."

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

Bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, and the question being on amendment "A," Mr. BRICKETT of Augusta, moved amendment "B" as an amendment to amendment "A."

Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken on amendment "B," it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken it was rejected by yeas 29, nays 89.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Brickett, Bartlett, Baker, Barker, Case, Cowell, Dickey, Dyer, Doanè, Ford, N. A. Foster, Gibbs, Gile, Hackett, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, McKenny, Payson, Rand, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Spear, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Treat, Weed—29.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Ames, Briggs, H. M. Blaisdell, Brown, Beale, Buffum, Billings, Black, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Chase, Caswell, Caldwell, Curtis, Dingley, Duran, Dunning, Downes, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, M. Foster, Farrar, Glidden, Goold, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, Merrill, May, Merrow, Norton, Noyes, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, Priest, Poor, Plaisted, Patten, Parker, Parcher, Reed, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, Stetson, True, P. S. J. Talbot, Tarbox, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Wells, Wheeler, Webb, Weymouth, Walker, Weeks—89.

Mr. DINGLEY moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question. The first ques-

tion being on amendment "A" it was adopted. The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis moved, and the House ordered that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken it was passed to be engrossed by yeas 84, nays 32.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Briggs, H. M. Blaisdell, Brown, Beale, Buffum, Billings, Black, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Caswell, Caldwell, Curtis, Dingley, Dickey, Duran, Downes, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, M. Foster, Glidden, Goold, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, Merrill, May, Merrow, Noyes, Perry, G. S. Palmer, Poor Plaisted, Porter, Parker, Parcher, Reed, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Tarbox, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Treat, Wells, Wheeler, Webb, Weymouth, Walker, Weeks.—84.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Brickett, Bartlett, Baker, Barker, Chase, Case, Cowell, Dunning, Dyer, Doane, Ford, N. A. Foster, Gile, Hackett, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Lennox, McKenney, Maddix, Norton, Payson, Patten, Paine, Rand, Raymond, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Spear, True, Titcomb, Weed.—32.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, and assigned for to-morrow at one half past two o'clock.

"Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and assigned for to-morrow at ten o'clock.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of F. Hilton and others of Starks ; and

Petition of Henry Williamson and others of Starks, that said town be authorized to raise money to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and were referred in concurrence.

Final report of the Committee on Military Affairs, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order relating to lien on the property of persons who become sureties for parties arrested for crime in any court in this State, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report, on order inquiring into the expediency of repealing so much of section 14 of chapter 133 of the revised statutes, as authorizes two justices of the peace and quorum to admit to bail a prisoner before verdict of guilty.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Leather Company," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, to which was recommitted order inquiring into the expediency of authorizing the Governor and Council to audit and settle the expenses incurred by Chapman and Hunt, agents appointed by the Governor and Council to ferret out and arrest the persons who committed burglary in the store of O'Brien of York ; also to settle the expenses incurred in the

pursuit and arrest of the robbers of the Village Bank, Bowdoinham, reporting bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the counties of York and Sagadahoc to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of D. W. O'Brien of Cornish, and the Village Bank of Bowdoinham, in the counties of York and Sagadahoc."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison," reported by the Committee on State Prison, came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read once, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on order, reporting bill "an act to repeal section 85 of chapter 307 of the public laws of 1862, relating to inspection of State arsenals," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of increasing the Insane Hospital property by the purchase of land," reported by the Committee on Insane Hospital, came from the Senate read twice and indefinitely postponed.

The resolve was read once and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Bill "an act to authorize certain town officers to remove fences to prevent snow drifts," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred in the adoption of amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land," amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C" and "D," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the

Senate, House amendments adopted, and further amended as per sheet "E," and passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment "E" was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication from the Governor was received through the Secretary of State, in compliance with an order of the House of Representatives, transmitting certain documents relating to the investigation into the affairs of the Insane Hospital, which was read, and on motion of Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick, laid on the table, and to-morrow at half past two o'clock assigned.

J. G. Patten, member of the House from Hampden, was excused from further attendance this session after Saturday next.

Gilbert Balkam, member from Robbinston, was excused from further attendance after this date.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause 400 copies of the Journal of the House to be printed for distribution.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That during the remainder of the session each member be restricted to fifteen minutes in debating any subject that may be under consideration in this House.

On motion of Mr. PERRY of Mars Hill,

Ordered, That, the Senate concurring, the Legislature adjourn finally on Thursday of next week, at ten o'clock.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Elections, reported finally, reporting the following persons as legally elected members of this House :

COUNTY OF ANDROSCOGGIN.

Auburn,	T. A. D. Fessenden.
Danville,	Daniel Fields.
Lewiston,	George A. Clark.
	Nelson Dingley, Jr.
Leeds,	Wallace R. Leadbetter.
Lisbon,	Israel K. Estes.
Livermore,	Sylvan G. Shurtleff.
Wales,	Joel Ham.

COUNTY OF AROOSTOOK.

Crystal plantation,	James Cunningham.
Fort Kent,	William Dickey.
Littleton,	John R. Weed.
Linneus,	Fred. W. Stimpson.
Lyndon,	Judah D. Teague.
Mars Hill,	Henry O. Perry.

COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND.

Baldwin,	James Norton.
Brunswick,	Marshall Cram.
Bridgton,	Charles E. Gibbs.
Casco,	David Duran.
Cape Elizabeth,	George F. Henley.
Freeport,	John A. Briggs.
Gorham,	Albion P. Files.
North Yarmouth,	Moses True.
Gray,	George T. Merrill.
Portland,	Charles J. Morris.
	Granville M. Chase.
	Newel A. Foster.
	Thomas B. Reed, Jr.
Pownal,	Isaac Lobdell.
Raymond,	William Nason.
Sebago,	Charles A. McKenney.
Westbrook,	Charles B. Stevens.
Windham,	George Goold.

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN.

Avon,	Asa T. Talbot.
Farmington,	Stillman Tarbox.
Freeman,	Ephraim Hackett.
Industry,	John Frost.
Jay,	Stillman Noyes, Jr.

COUNTY OF HANCOCK.

Bucksport,	Theodore C. Woodman.
Brooklin,	Eben B. Smith.
Dedham,	James Wells.
Eden,	James E. Hamor.

COUNTY OF HANCOCK, (CONTINUED.)

Ellsworth,	Eugene Hale.
Orland,	John A. Buck.
Otis,	Humphrey M. Blaisdell.
Sullivan,	Elijah S. Doane.
Swan Island,	John Stockbridge.

COUNTY OF KENNEBEC.

Augusta,	Samuel Titcomb.
	George E. Brickett.
Albion,	Ezra Pray.
Belgrade,	Albert Caswell.
Gardiner,	G. S. Palmer.
Hallowell,	Isaac F. Thompson.
Litchfield,	James Colby.
Readfield,	Bradbury H. Thomas.
Pittston,	Sumner R. Tibbetts.
Vassalborough,	Orrick Hawes.
West Waterville,	E. P. Blaisdell.
Winslow,	Charles A. Priest.
Winthrop,	John May.

COUNTY OF KNOX.

Appleton,	Joseph M. Light.
Camden,	P. J. Carleton.
Cushing,	Samuel Payson.
Rockland,	E. R. Spear.
	John S. Case.
South Thomaston,	James Newhall.
Thomaston,	Halsey H. Monroe,
Warren,	Edwin Smith, Jr.

COUNTY OF LINCOLN.

Bristol,	Francis Wheeler.
Jefferson,	Joseph Ford.
Newcastle,	Edward H. Glidden.
Somerville,	Winthrop Weeks.
Waldoborough,	George W. Caldwell.
Westport,	Joel Bartlett.
Wiscasset,	Alfred Lennox.

COUNTY OF OXFORD.

Andover,	Sylvanus Poor.
Brownfield,	Samuel Tyler.
Buckfield,	Sullivan C. Andrews.
Canton,	Calvin S. Brown.
Denmark,	Edmund P. Ingalls.
Greenwood,	Edmund Curtis.
Hebron,	Alanson C. Herrick.
Upton,	Otis H. Abbott.
Waterford,	John B. Rand.

COUNTY OF PENOBSCOT.

Bangor,	Arad Thompson.
	Harris M. Plaisted.
	Joab W. Palmer.
Burlington,	Joseph W. Porter.
Carmel,	George W. Chamberlain.
Charleston,	Solomon Dunning.
Corinna,	Francis G. Robinson.
Drew plantation,	Roswell Leavitt.
Exeter,	Amasa Stetson.
Hampden,	Jeremiah G. Patten.
Hudson,	Charles Beale.
Lincoln,	William R. Hersey.
Milford,	Irvin W. Ames.
Newburg,	George S. Stevenson.
Oldtown,	Nathaniel M. Hartwell.
Orono,	Charles Buffum.
Orrington,	Joseph D. Baker.
Plymouth,	George B. Leavitt.

COUNTY OF PISCATAQUIS.

Dover,	Alexander M. Robinson.
Foxcroft,	Phineas M. Jeffards.
Medford,	Willoughby Smith.

COUNTY OF SAGADAHOC.

Bath,	Jacob P. Morse.
	Guy C. Goss.
Bowdoinham,	Josiah Merrow.
Richmond,	Joseph W. Spaulding.
Woolwich,	William Barnes.

COUNTY OF SOMERSET.

Canaan,	Max Foster.
Cornville,	Levi E. Judkins.
Flagstaff,	Augustus J. Lane.
Hartland,	Luther H. Webb.
New Portland,	Hiram F. Weymouth.
Norridgewock,	Joseph Taylor.
Ripley,	David Farrar.
Smithfield,	Jonas W. Gould.

COUNTY OF WALDO.

Belfast,	William M. Rust.
Brooks,	Ebenezer Littlefield.
Freedom,	A. J. Billings.
Jackson,	Amos Hatch.
Lincolnville,	Joseph F. Hall.
Monroe,	James R. Files.
Palermo,	Hiram T. Black.
Stockton,	Ezra B. Marden.
Winterport,	Franklin Treat.

COUNTY OF WASHINGTON.

Calais,	George E. Downes.
Eastport,	Charles B. Paine.
East Machias,	P. S. J. Talbot.
Dennysville,	Theophilus W. Allen.
Jonesport,	Charles F. Barker.
Machias,	George Walker.
Marion,	Abram Bridges.
Millbridge,	Ezekiel Dyer.
Princeton,	Charles A. Rolf.
Robbinston,	Gilbert Balkam.

COUNTY OF YORK.

Alfred,	Jeremiah R. Gile.
Biddeford,	Edwin W. Wedgewood.
	Charles G. Haines.
Cornish,	Ammi Boynton.
Dayton,	James Maddix.
Hollis,	Henry K. Bradbury.
Kittery,	Joseph D. Parker.
Lebanon,	Edmund F. Cowell.
Limerick,	Joseph H. Gilpatrick.
Lyman,	Bradford Raymond.
North Berwick,	Timothy H. Hubbard.
Saco,	George Parcher.
Shapleigh,	Edward Hargraves.
South Berwick,	Shipley W. Ricker.
Wells,	Benjamin B. Eaton.

Mr. RUST of Belfast, presented bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Savings Bank," which was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of Joseph F. Merrill."

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John B. Bodwell, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Preble Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Ivory K. Knight, reported bill "an act to repeal section 1 of chapter 306 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled 'an act granting certain powers to the Baptist Society in Berwick.'"

Mr. HERSEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported a resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a section of land.

These reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading of the bill, and a second reading of the resolve.

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Chelsea, reported bill "an act relieving the town of Chelsea from liability for damages on the roads leading over the lands ceded to the United States for a Military Asylum."

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, on the petition of Rufus Deering and others, reported bill "an act relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials."

Mr. RUST, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the city government of Belfast, reported bill "an act amendatory of, and additional to chapter 308 of the laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company.'"

These reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act additional to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads, approved March 26th, A. D. 1858."

Bill "an act additional to, and amendatory of, 'an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court,' approved Feb. 28, 1867."

"Resolve in favor of protecting the State House against fire."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read a third time, the resolve a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to timber and lumber reserved for common schools."

"Resolve relative to a State Industrial School for Girls."

"Resolve in favor of the city of Biddeford."

These resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

Bill "an act increasing the amount of money which towns shall raise for the support of schools."

Bill "an act to authorize apothecaries and druggists to sell distilled and fermented liquors for certain purposes."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third

Reading, were read a third time, and pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend section 146 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the recovery of money paid for taxes upon the land of non-resident owners where the requirements of the law have not been complied with."

"Resolve in favor of Foxcroft Academy."

This bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill was three times, and resolve twice read, and pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, laid on the table under rule giving rise to debate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, in relation to lien on goods in possession."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 127 of the public laws of 1867, relating to inspection and sale of petroleum, coal oils and burning fluids."

Bill "an act to organize the plantation of Lakeville."

Bill "an act relating to the sale of timber and grass on the Indian township in Washington County."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Eclectic Medical Society."

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad.'"

Bill "an act additional to chapter 64 of the revised statutes, and relating to the bonds of executors."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the satisfaction of judgment against railroad corporations."

Bill "an act to define and establish the territorial limits of the town of Deer Isle in the County of Hancock."

Bill "an act to amend section 39 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes and explanatory of said chapter."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. John's Lodge No. 51 of Free and Accepted Masons."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the town of Glenwood.'"

The foregoing bills having had three several readings, 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.

The report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding, was taken from the table by special assignment.

Mr. COLBY of Litchfield, offered the following order :

Ordered, That the Joint Select Committee on State Printing and Binding, be instructed to execute a contract on the part of the State with Charles H. True for the public printing, and with Hartford and Smith for binding and stitching, for the current political year.

Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, offered amendment "A," and the question being on the adoption of the amendment, Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the amendment was rejected by yeas 42, nays 80.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, Buffum, Barnes, Black, Clark, Dingley, Duran, Dunning, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, M. Foster, Farrar, Glidden, Gile, Henley, Hackett, Hale, Herrick, Hall, Judkins, R. Leavitt, Merrill, Noyes, Pray, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Patten, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, W. Smith, Stetson, Titcomb, A. Thompson, Tyler, Weed, Wells, Webb—42.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Baker, Billings, Barker, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Cunningham, Cram, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Caldwell, Curtis, Cowell, Downes, Dyer, Doane, Ford, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, Gibbs, Goold, Goss, Gilpatrick, Hawes, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hargraves, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, Lane, Littlefield, Morris, McKenney, Morse, Mellow, Norton, Perry, Raymond, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Spear, True, A. T. Talbot, Tarbox, Thomas, Tibbetts, Taylor, Treat, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood, Weeks—80.

Pending the order, the House

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The House resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on Printing and Binding, and the order under discussion when the House adjourned. The question being on giving the order a passage, Mr. BRADBURY moved the previous question, and the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question, and the order was passed. Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved to reconsider the vote, and the House refused.

On motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington,

Ordered, That the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding be directed to write in any contract that they make, that no payments shall be made on account of said contract, until bills shall have been presented and audited by the Governor and Council, or any person whom they may appoint, and all payments shall be made on the first day of each of the months of April, July, October and January.

The foregoing order and report were sent to the Senate.

“Resolve for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter 330 of the resolves of 1864, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College,” was taken from the table by special assignment, and was under consideration, when the House, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Assumption of the Municipal War Debts, on that part of the Governor's Message relating thereto, and on the report of the Commissioners on Assumption, reporting bill "an act providing for the equalization of municipal war debts, and a limited assumption and reimbursement thereof by the State;" also,

"Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution, so as to authorize a limited reimbursement of municipal war expenditures by loaning the credit of the State."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F," "G," "H," "I," "K," "L," "M," "N," "O" and "P," and passed to be engrossed.

Resolves read twice, amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F" and "G," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and Tuesday assigned for a third reading, and the Senate amendments ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston.

The resolves were read once, and Tuesday assigned for a second reading, and the amendments ordered to be printed.

Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, presented bill "an act providing for a limited equalization of bounties and of municipal war debts," which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on the Library, on the report of the State Librarian, reported a resolve in favor of the city of Lewiston.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Leather Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a section of land," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve making an annual appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

"Resolve in favor Ernest F. Owen and Charles W. Owen, minor children of the late Eben H. Owen."

"Resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

"Resolve for an appropriation on the road leading from Caribou village to the Fish river road, in the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve providing for the sale of timber and grass in Indian township of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians."

"Resolve relating to the impeachment of Andrew Johnson."

"Resolve making an appropriation for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians."

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

Bill "an act increasing the amount of money which towns shall raise for the support of schools," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House resumed the consideration of the "resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College," pending yesterday at the hour of adjournment.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, offered amendment "A," which was adopted, and the question then being on passing the resolve to be engrossed as amended, Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was refused a passage by yeas 48, nays 75.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Ames, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale,

Buffum, Baker, Billings, Clark, Cram, Chase, Caswell, Dingley, Downes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, Glidden, Henley, Hackett, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hall, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Morris, Noyes, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Payson, Plaisted, Porter, Reed, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Rolf, Stetson, P. S. J. Talbot, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, A. Thompson, Taylor, Wells, Webb—48.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Bartlett, Brown, Barnes, Black, Barker, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Cunningham, Colby, Case, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Duran, Dunning, Doane, Estes, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Goold, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hargraves, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Light, Lennox, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, Merrill, McKenney, Morse, Merrow, Maddix, Norton, Perry, Pray, Priest, Poor, Patten, Parker, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, Raymond, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Stockbridge, True, A. T. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood, Weeks—75.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved a reconsideration of the vote, and the House refused to reconsider.

The resolve was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal section 85 of chapter 307 of the public laws of 1865, relating to inspection of State arsenals."

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads,' approved March 28, 1858."

Bill "an act relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land."

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of 'an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court,' approved February 28, 1867."

Bill "an act to authorize certain town officers to remove fences to prevent snow drifts."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings 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 aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway," special assignment for to-day, was

reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time, and pending Senate amendment "A," the House

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act amendatory of, and additional to chapter 308 of the laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company.'"

Bill "an act relieving the town of Chelsea from liability for damages on the roads leading over the lands ceded to the United States for a Military Asylum."

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in certain local corporations."

Bill "an act relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials."

The foregoing printed bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the Counties of York and Sagadahoc, to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of D. W. O'Brien of Cornish, and the Village Bank of Bowdoinham, in the Counties of York and Sagadahoc," was reported to the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, amendment "A" offered by Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham, pending which, the bill was laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned for a further consideration.

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

Bill "an act to repeal section 1 of chapter 306 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled 'an act granting certain powers to the Baptist Society in Berwick,'" was reported by the Committee on Bills in the third reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland,

Ordered, That the vote on the pending question be taken at 5

o'clock this afternoon, first on pending amendments, and then upon the main question, and that the vote on the main question shall be taken by yeas and nays.

The House resumed the consideration of bill "an act to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway," and the question being on Senate amendment "A," Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, moved to amend the amendment as per sheet "B," which was adopted; amendment "A" was then adopted. The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed as amended, and the House having ordered that it be taken by yeas and nays, it was so taken, and passed to be engrossed by yeas 71, nays 43.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Ames, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Balkam, Boynton, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Chase, Caswell, Case, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Dunning, Estes, Fessenden, Ford, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, Glidden, Henley, Hackett, Herrick, Hersey, Hall, Hargraves, Hubbard, Haines, Hartwell, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Merrill, Morris, Monroe, Morse, Perry, Pray, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Parcher, Reed, A. M. Robinson, Rust, W. Smith, Spaulding, Spear, Stetson, P. S. J. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Taylor, Titcomb, Weed, Wells, Webb, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—71.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brown, Barnes, Black, Barker, Cram, Curtis, Dingley, Downes, Dyer, Doane, Eaton, Field, M. Foster, Gould, Gile, Gilpatrick, Hatch, Ingalls, Littlefield, McKenney, Mellow, Maddix, Norton, Noyes, G. S. Palmer, Payson, Patten, Paine, Parker, F. G. Robinson, Raymond, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, Stockbridge, True, A. T. Talbot, Tarbox, Tyler, Weeks—43.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis moved to reconsider, and the House refused, and the bill was sent to the Senate.

The communication from the Governor, relating to the Insane Hospital, was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick, and Wednesday of next week assigned.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Publishing Company," came from the Senate read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Rules suspended, read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State," came from the Senate read twice, under suspension of rules, and passed to be engrossed, and was read once, and Monday assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act defining a mutual and open account current,' approved February 28, 1867."

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on order, reporting "resolve relating to the disposal of arsenal grounds."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve read once, and Monday assigned for a third reading of the bill and second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act relating to fire insurance companies doing business in this State," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the city of Biddeford, in the County of York," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend chap-

ter 346 of the private and special laws of the year 1867, entitled 'an act to establish a Municipal Court in the city of Saco,' reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of Francis G. Butler and others, reporting a "resolve in favor of Wilton Academy," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and recommitted.

Report of the same Committee, on petition of the Trustees of Bridgton Academy, reporting a "resolve in favor of Bridgton Academy."

Report of the same Committee, on petition of the Trustees of Richmond Academy, reporting "resolve in favor of Richmond Academy."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Trustees of Titcomb Academy and citizens of Belgrade, reporting a "resolve in favor of the Belgrade Titcomb Academy."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and recommitted.

The reports were read and accepted, and the resolves recommitted in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Hebron Academy," refused a passage by the House, came from the Senate, read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and recommitted.

The House receded and recommitted the resolve in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the city of Biddeford," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, concurred in amendment "A," and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B" and passed to be engrossed.

The House, on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, insisted, and appointed Messrs. Case of Rockland, Carleton of Camden, and Rust of Belfast, conferees.

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, Solomon Dunning, member of this House from Charleston, was excused from further attendance at this session after Wednesday next.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, presented bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society," which was read twice, rules being suspended, and Monday assigned for a third reading.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on so much of the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools as refers to a State Association of Teachers and Educators, reported a "resolve relating to the Maine State Educational Association."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to repeal the death penalty and regulate punishment," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials."

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in certain local corporations."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relieving the town of Chelsea from liability for damages on the roads leading over the lands ceded to the United States for a Military Asylum."

Bill "an act amendatory of, and additional to chapter 308 of the laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company.'"

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and laid on the table

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order relating to the abolishing of imprisonment for debt, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report, on order relating to the treatment of prisoners in county jails.

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act taxing deposits in Savings Banks."

These reports were taken from the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, accepted and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the relief of towns who were despoiled of their proportion of bank stock for taxable purposes, reporting legislation inexpedient, was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 107 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of depositions," was taken from the table, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 58 of the revised statutes, relating to agricultural societies," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 107 section 8 of the revised statutes, relating to depositions," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act amendatory and additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, in relation to towns, their meetings, powers and duties," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 12 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act giving to widowed mothers the custody of minor children and the control of their earnings."

These bills were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in relation to the competency of witnesses," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve to continue in force, and amendatory of, chapter 78 of the resolves of 1867, in relation to the restoration of sea fish to the

rivers and inland waters of Maine," was taken from the table, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and further amended as per sheets "B," "C" and "D," on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing a revision of the wards of the city of Bangor," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act relating to evidence," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, amendment "A" concurred in, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 146 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the recovery of money paid for taxes upon the land of non-resident owners, where the requirements of the law have not been complied with," was taken from the table, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed in concurrence, it was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of printing the publications of the Maine Medical Association," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relieving the town of Chelsea from liability for damages on the roads leading over the lands ceded to the United States for a Military Asylum," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Winthrop Weeks, member of this House, was excused from further attendance.

"Resolve authorizing aid for erecting mills in Eagle Lake plantation," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the erection of a dam across Sheepscot river," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House non-concurred and insisted on its vote, passing the bill to be engrossed.

Sent up for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ezekiel Dyer, member of this House, was excused from further attendance after Wednesday next.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Sidney, and authorizing said town to raise money for certain purposes," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, and pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, moved an adjournment. Mr. BRICKETT moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken the House refused to adjourn by yeas 12, nays 48.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allen, Cram, Field, Payson, Reed, Rust, Stevens, Tarbox, I. F. Thompson, Woodman, Walker, Weeks—12.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Barnes, Billings, Black, Balkam, Cunningham, Case, Cowell, Dickey, Duran, Dunning, Dyer, Doane, Estes, Farrar, Goold, Gile, Gilpatrick, Hackett, Hersey, Ingalls, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Lane, Littlefield, Merrill, May, Monroe, Pray, Plaisted, Parker, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Weed, Wheeler, Webb, Weymouth—48.

Absentees—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Baker, Barker, Bridges, Boynton, Bradbury,

Clark, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Carleton, Caldwell, Curtis, Chamberlain, Dingley, Downes, Eaton, Fessenden, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Frost, Gibbs, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Ham, Henley, Hamor, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hartwell, Hatch, Hall, Hargraves, Hubbard, Haines, Judkins, Jefferds, Light, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Morris, McKenney, Morse, Merrow, Marden, Maddix, Norton, Nason, Noyes, Newhall, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Poor, Porter, Patten, Paine, Parcher, Rand, F. G. Robinson, Rolf, Ricker, E. Smith, Jr., Spaulding, Stevenson, Stimpson, Teague, True, P. S. J. Talbot, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Treat, Wells, Wedgewood—91.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. EVANS of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Final report of the Committee on Legal Reform came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick.

Final report of the Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to cede to the United States, jurisdiction over certain lands in Wiscasset," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules. The rules were suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the memorial of the Board of Trustees of the National Cemetery at Sharpsburg,

Maryland, reporting a "resolve relating to Antietam National Cemetery."

Report of the same Committee, on the memorial of the Board of Commissioners of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, reporting a "resolve relating to the Soldiers' National Cemetery."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary," refused a passage by the House, came from the Senate, vote reconsidered passing the same to be engrossed, and referred to the next Legislature.

The House recessed and concurred.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington presented, by leave, table explanatory of section 6 of bill "an act for the assumption of the municipal war debts, which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta presented, by leave, a "resolve in favor of Samuel Larrabee."

The rules were suspended, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

George E. Downes, member of this House, was excused from further attendance at this session.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on re-committed bill "an act to amend chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to set off," reported the same ought not to pass.

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act defining a mutual and open account current,' approved February 28, 1867."

"Resolve relating to the disposal of arsenal grounds."

The foregoing bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill was read a third time, the resolve a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the city of Biddeford."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the private and special laws of the year 1867, entitled 'an act to establish a Municipal Court in the city of Saco.'"

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, Senate amendment "A" to each bill adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to fire insurance companies doing business in this State," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, and pending Senate amendment "A," laid on the table, on motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society."

"Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State."

The foregoing bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read a third time, the resolve a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The motion of Mr. FOSTER of Portland, to reconsider the vote whereby bill "an act to amend chapter 43 of the revised statutes, relative to weighing hay and other articles," was passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and the vote reconsidered; also the vote by which amendment "A" was adopted. Amendment "A" was then rejected, and the bill passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers and their settlement," was taken from the table and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 135 of the revised statutes, relating to the time for which convicts may be sentenced to the State Prison," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the repair and painting of the Senate chamber and gallery," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations," passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table.

The House insisted and appointed Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta, Porter of Burlington, and Fessenden of Auburn, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, and passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheet "A," and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize apothecaries and druggists to sell distilled and fermented liquors for certain purposes," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, amended as per sheet "A," an motion of Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 146 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the recovery of money paid for taxes upon the land of non-resident owners, where the requirements of law have not been complied with," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, recommitted by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote, and proposing a Committee of Conference.

The House, on motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono, receded and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act repealing 'an act to amend section 36 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay,' approved February 26, 1867," was taken from the table.

This bill was passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote, passing the same to be engrossed.

The House on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington, receded, and rejected amendments "A" and "B," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, moved that the House adjourn.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, moved and the House ordered, that

when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to adjourn by yeas 23, nays 41.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. E. P. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Black, Barker, Balkam, Cram, Duran, Doane, Eaton, J. R. Files, Jefferds, Littlefield, Merrill, Poor, Porter, Paine, F. G. Robinson, True, I. F. Thompson, Tyler, Woodman, Walker—23.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Allen, H. M. Blaisdell, Cunningham, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Dunning, Dyer, Estes, Field, Farrar, Glidden, Goold, Gile, Gilpatrick, Henley, Hackett, Hersey, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, Lane, Maddix, Pray, Priest, Payson, Plaisted, Parker, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Stevens, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, Tarbox, Titcomb, Weed, Wheeler, Webb, Weymouth,—41.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison,” was taken from the table, read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of the inhabitants of Kennebunk, reporting bill “an act authorizing the inhabitants of Kennebunk to abate the poll tax of the members of Mousam Engine Company, in school district No. 5 in said town.”

Report of the same Committee, on bill “an act authorizing the inhabitants of school district No. 5, in the town of Kennebunk, to raise money for certain purposes,” reporting the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and passed to be engrossed.

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

“Resolve relating to the Insane Hospital,” came from the Senate read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono, the vote whereby the the House receded and concurred with the Senate, in passing to be engrossed, bill "an act repealing an 'act to amend section 36 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay,' approved February 26th, 1867," was reconsidered, and the House on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, insisted on its former vote, passing the same to be engrossed as amended, proposed a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Rust of Belfast, Field of Danville, and Treat of Frankfort, conferees on the part of the House.

Bill "an act in addition to 'an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for Cumberland County,' approved March 1, 1867."

Bill "an act to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway."

Bill "an act to establish schools in Madawaska."

Bill "an act for the further protection of persons who have policies in marine insurance companies."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Topsham Paper Company."

Bill "an act increasing the amount of money which towns shall raise for the support of schools."

Bill "an act making further provisions respecting the loans of credit heretofore made by the city of Portland, to the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Leather Company."

"Resolve in aid of the roads in the counties of Aroostook, Franklin, Somerset and Piscataquis."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Thompson."

"Resolve abating State taxes in part of Bridgton and assessing the same upon the town of Harrison."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to complete the contract made for selling a parcel of land."

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

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Nelson Dingley, Jr., be appointed Speaker *pro tempore* of the House.

No Chaplain present.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, that gentleman was charged with, and conveyed, a message to the Senate, informing that branch that the House, in the absence of the Speaker, had made choice of Nelson Dingley, Jr., as Speaker *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, that gentleman was charged with, and conveyed, a similar message to the Governor and Council.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act relating to ways," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act relating to recording lost deeds," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal section 1 of chapter 306 of the special laws of 1867, entitled 'an act granting certain powers to the Bap-

tist Society in Berwick," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth.

Bill "an act to authorize the erection of a dam across Sheepscot river, passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate, votes adopting amendments "A" and "B" reconsidered, and the amendments rejected, amended as per sheet "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "C," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, Stillman Tarbox, member of this House, was excused from further attendance from and after March 4th.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the form of justice writs, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, by leave, presented bill "an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in the County of Cumberland."

The rules were suspended, bill read twice, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, presented a "resolve in favor of Stevens and Sayward."

The rules were suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Samuel Larrabee," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1868, amounting to \$806, 224.09."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Publishing Company."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 107 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of depositions."

Bill "an act relating to evidence."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Preble Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons."

"Resolves in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State."

"Resolve in favor of the city of Lewiston."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison."

"Resolve in favor of George W. Chamberlain."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a section of land."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

"Resolve in favor of the cities of Biddeford and Bangor."

"Resolve relating to Soldiers' National Cemetery."

"Resolve authorizing aid for erecting mills at Eagle Lake plantation."

"Resolve relating to Maine State Educational Association."

"Resolve relating to the disposal of arsenal grounds."

"Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the repair of the Senate chamber and gallery."

"Resolve relating to timber and lumber reserved for common schools."

The foregoing bills having been read three times, and the resolves read twice, 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 finally passed, and was signed by the Speaker *pro tempore*, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, and to-morrow at ten o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 186 of the special laws of 1848, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company,'" passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate, recommitted to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The House recessed and concurred.

Bill "an act providing for the equalization of municipal war debts, and a limited assumption and reimbursement thereof by the

State," was taken from the table by special assignment, read a third time, Senate amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D," were adopted, "F" adopted, modified as per sheet "Q," Senate amendments "H," "I," "K," "N" and "P" adopted, pending amendment "L," Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, offered amendment "R," pending which, the House

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Final report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reporting bill "an act explanatory of chapter 119 of the laws of 1867, entitled an 'act authorizing any city or town in this State to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this State.'"

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order, reporting bill "an act providing for the appointment of a Bank and Insurance Examiner, and defining his duties."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 28 of the revised statutes, in relation to appeals from the decisions of municipal officers in certain cases," amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate, amendment "A" adopted, and indefinitely postponed.

The House, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, insisted and proposed a Committee of Conference. The SPEAKER *pro tem.* appointed Messrs. Fessenden of Auburn, Clark of Lewiston and Dickey of Fort Kent, conferees on the part of the House.

Bill "an act relating to final judgment recovered in certain actions of replevin," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, concurred in amendment "A" and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of George W. Chamberlain, finally passed by the House, came from the Senate, vote passing the same to be engrossed, reconsidered, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The vote by which the resolve was finally passed was reconsidered, also the vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Printed bill "an act to abolish the death penalty," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, moved, and the House ordered, under a suspension of the rules, a reconsideration of the vote by which "resolve in favor of protecting the State House against fire," was passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was amended as per sheet "A," on motion of the same member, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That during the remainder of the session, commencing with to-day, an evening session of the House be held, beginning at seven o'clock; and that the afternoon session be closed, by the Speaker, without a vote of the House, at five o'clock.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, presented by leave a "resolve in favor of Messrs. Pillsbury & Smith," which was read twice, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

The House resumed the consideration of bill "an act providing for the equalization of municipal war debts, and a limited assumption and reimbursement thereof," and the first question being on amendment "R," offered by Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, as an amendment to Senate amendment "L," it was taken, and the amendment was rejected.

The question then being on Senate amendment "L," Mr. REED of Portland moved to amend the amendment as per sheet "S."

Mr. SPEAR of Rockland moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays.

Pending amendment "S," the hour fixed for adjournment having arrived, the House was adjourned by the SPEAKER *pro tem*.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Report of the Committee on Education, on order, reporting bill "an act to constrain the attendance of children and youths between the ages of eight and sixteen years in the public schools of this State."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order, reporting bill "an act to enable parties to written contracts to fix the rate of interest on the same."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice and indefinitely postponed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read three times, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned for a further consideration.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on a communication from the Chief Justice, reporting "bill an act repealing chapter 89 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for uniformity in the taxation of legal costs by the clerks of the courts of this State.'"

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned for a further consideration.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend chapter 520 of the private and special laws of 1865, entitled 'an act to set off a part St. George and annex the same to South Thomaston,'" reporting that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

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

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover,

Ordered, That at 12 o'clock, meridian, to-morrow, the House proceed to vote on bill "an act relating to the assumption of municipal war debts," first on pending amendments, and then on the engrossment of the bill.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill under discussion at the hour of adjournment this afternoon, the question being on amendment "S," proposed by Mr. REED of Portland, pending which, the bill was laid on the table.

"Resolve in favor of the destitute orphans of the soldiers and seamen of the late war," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes," was taken from the table, further amended as per sheet "B" on motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond, and passed to be engrossed as amended per sheets "A" and "B," and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," was taken from the table, amendment "A" withdrawn, amended as per sheets "B" and "C," and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was passed to be engrossed by yeas 70, nays 13.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbot, Andrews, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Billings, Black, Barker, Balkam, Clark, Cunningham, Chase, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dingley, Dickey, Duran, Dyer, Estes, Field, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Glidden, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hackett, Hersey, Hatch, Hargraves, Judkins, Lobdell, Lennox, R. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, McKenney, Monroe, Morse, Maddix, Pray, Poor, Plaisted, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Ricker, Stevens, E. B. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, True, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Wells, Webb—70.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. BrADBURY, Cram, Dunning, Doane, Fessenden, Farrar, Gile, G. B. Leavitt, Noyes Reed, Spaulding, Stetson, Tarbox,—13.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

"Resolve to provide for keeping the Land Office open for business in the absence of the Land Agent on official business," was

taken from the table on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. STETSON of Exeter, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. WOODMAN, in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. LAPHAM of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Final report of the Committee on Banks and Banking came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the State Board of Education," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted and indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted and proposed a Committee of Conference. The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston, Walker of Machias, and Webb of Hartland, conferees on the part of the House.

Bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes," amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amendment "A" adopted and indefinitely postponed.

Laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Bill "an act to amend section 36 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch adhering to its former vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

The House, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, adhered.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 58 of the revised statutes, indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed and a Committee of Conference proposed, and Messrs. Stevens of Kennebec, Farley of Lincoln, and Pierce of Waldo, appointed conferees on its part.

The House insisted and concurred in the proposition for a conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta, Billings of Freedom, and Field of Danville, conferees on the part of the House.

"Resolve to continue in force and amendatory of chapter 78 of the resolves of 1867 in relation to the restoration of sea-fish to the rivers and inland waters of Maine," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, amended as per sheet "A," passed to be engrossed by the House, Senate amendment adopted, and further amended as per sheets "B," "C" and "D," came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote.

The House, on motion of Mr. PERRY of Mars Hill, receded, rejected amendments "B," "C" and "D," and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to furnish the plantations of Fort Kent and Van Buren with all the books and laws as furnished to towns.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the State Librarian be authorized to furnish the Librarian of the Maine Historical Society with one copy of all the Legislative documents to promote the increase of the library of that institution, provided that there are surplus copies of the same in the State Library.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to chapter 265 of the laws of 1864, relating to the redemption of railroad mortgages," reported reference of the same to the next Legislature with order of notice.

This report was read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

The same member, from the same Committee, on order reported

bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the revised statutes, relating to the writ for replevying a person."

This report was read and accepted, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Education, on recommitted "resolve in favor of Richmond Academy," reported the same in a new draft.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and this afternoon assigned for a further consideration on motion of Mr. LENNOX of Wiscasset.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of George Later and others, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of Pleasant Ridge plantation in raising money for war purposes."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the inhabitants of school district No. 5, in the town of Kennebunk, to raise money for certain purposes."

Bill "an act relieving the town of Chelsea from liability for damages on the roads leading over the lands ceded to the United States for a military asylum."

Bill "an act to amend section 146 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the recovery of money paid for taxes upon land of non-resident owners where the requirements of the law have not been complied with."

Bill "an act to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands in Wiscasset."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 346 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Saco.'"

Bill "an act to amend chapter 43 of the revised statutes, relating to the weighing of hay and other articles."

Bill "an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the city of Biddeford."

Bill "an act giving to widowed mothers the custody of minor children, and the control of their earnings."

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in certain local corporations."

Bill "an act to amend section 12 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Kennebunk to abate the poll tax of the members of Mousam Engine Company, in school district No. 5, in said town."

"Resolve in favor of printing the publications of the Maine Medical Association."

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolve two several readings, 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 finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, the House ordered that the time for taking the vote on the bill relating to the assumption of municipal war debts, be fixed for twelve and a half o'clock instead of twelve, M., as ordered yesterday, and that the order fixing the hour of adjournment at twelve and a half o'clock be suspended for this day.

Bill "an act providing for the equalization of municipal war debts, and a limited assumption and reimbursement thereof by the State," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, the question being on amendment "S," proposed by Mr. REED of Portland, as an amendment to Senate amendment "L."

The House having ordered the question to be taken by yeas and nays, it was so taken, and the amendment was adopted by yeas 71, nays 57.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Black, Clark, Cram, Chase, Case, Dingley, Dickey, Duran, Dunning, Dyer, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Goold, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hackett, Hale, Hartwell, Judkins, Lennox, Merrill, Morris, May, Monroe, Morse, Merrow, Marden, Noyes, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Payson, Plaisted, Porter, Paine, Reed, Rand, Rust, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, Spaulding, Spear, Stetson, True, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Taylor, Woodman, Weed, Wells, Wedgewood.—71.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Ames, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Barker, Balkam, Bradbury, Cunningham, Caswell, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Downes, Doane, Estes, Eaton, Ford, Farrar, Glidden, Gould, Gile, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hatch, Hall, Hargraves, Hubbard, Ingalls, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, McKenney, Maddix, Priest, Poor, Parker, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Ricker, W. Smith, Stockbridge, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Tibbetts, Tyler, Treat, Wheeler, Webb, Weymouth, Walker, Weeks.—57.

Senate amendments "L" and "O" were adopted, amendment "M" rejected.

The bill was further amended as per sheets "T" and "U," on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta. Pending amendment "V," offered by the same member,

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Report of the Committee on Education, to which was recommit-
ted the petition of the Trustees of Wilton Academy for aid,
reporting reference to the next Legislature, came from the Senate
read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act explan-
atory of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, entitled 'an act
for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, and of
chapter 130 of the public laws of 1867, entitled an act additional
to and amendatory of the same.'"

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read
twice, and amended as per sheet "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice,
and to-morrow assigned for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make
up the pay of the Reporter of the House at the sum of two hun-
dred and seventy-five dollars for the session.

On motion of Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham, Edward P. Ingalls,
member of the House, was excused from further attendance after
to-morrow.

Edward Hargraves was excused from further attendance after to-day.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, to which was recommitted a "resolve in favor of Hebron Academy," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover.

Mr. WELLS, from the Committee on Education, to which was recommitted a "resolve in favor of the Belgrade Titcomb Academy," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

The House resumed the consideration of bill "an act relating to the assumption of the municipal war debts." The question being on amendment "V" pending when the House adjourned, it was adopted. The bill was further amended as per sheet "W," on motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate, being amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D," "E," "F," "H," "I," "K," "L," "N," "O," "P," "Q," "S," "T," "U," "V" and "W."

"Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution, so as to authorize a limited reimbursement of municipal war expenditures by loaning the credit of the State," were taken from the table, read twice, Senate amendments "A" and "C" adopted. Amendments "B," "D" and "E" were rejected. The question then being on Senate amendment "F," Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the amendment was adopted by yeas 72, nays 42.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Clark, Cram, Chase, Colby, Case, Dingley, Duran, Fessenden, Field, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Gould, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hale, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Judkins, Leadbetter, Lennox, Merrill, Morris, May, Monroe,

Morse, Merrow, Marden, Noyes, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Payson, Plaisted, Porter, Paine, Read, Rust, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, Spear, Stetson, True, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tibbetts, Taylor, Wells, Wedgewood—72.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Balkam, Bradbury, Caswell, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Eaton, Glidden, Goold, Gile, Hackett, Hatch, Hargraves, Hubbard, Jefferds, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, McKenney, Maddix, Priest, Poor, Parker, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, W. Smith, Stockbridge, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Tyler, Treat, Weed, Wheeler, Webb, Weymouth, Walker—42.

Amendment "G" was then adopted, and the question then being on passing the resolve to be engrossed, Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the resolves were passed to be engrossed, by yeas 99, nays 12.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Bradbury, Clark, Cram, Colby, Case, Dingley, Duran, Doane, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Glidden, Goold, Gould, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hackett, Hale, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hargraves, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Morse, Merrow, Mardin, Maddix, Noyes, Pray, Priest, Payson, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Paine, Parker, Reed, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Shurtleff, Stevens, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spaulding, Spear, Stetson, True, A. T. Talbot, Tarbox, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Taylor, Treat, Weed, Wells, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—99.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Balkam, Caswell, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Hubbard, Lane, Monroe, Perry, J. W. Palmer, Webb—12.

The resolve was sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, made final report, which was read and accepted.

Bill "an act to abolish the death penalty."

Bill "an act providing for the appointment of a Bank and Insurance Examiner and defining his duties."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and laid on the table; the former on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and to-morrow at 10 o'clock assigned; the latter, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis.

Bill "an act explanatory of chapter 119 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act authorizing any city or town in this State to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this State,' " was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in national banks," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, read three times, rules being suspended, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," on motion of the same member, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of increasing the Insane Hospital property by the purchase of land," was taken from the table, read a second time, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, read a second time, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis presented the following order:

Ordered, That the report of the Commissioners of investigation of the Insane Asylum, also the report of the Committee on the Insane Asylum, together with the memorial of Tobias Lord, with accompanying papers relating to the same subject, transmitted to the House by the Governor, be committed to a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three members of the House with such as the Senate may join, with instructions to consider the whole subject embraced in said reports and memorial, and report to this Legislature by bill or otherwise.

Pending this order,

Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Order directing the Secretary of State to furnish each member and officer of the Senate and House of Representatives with one copy of the Acts and Resolves of the year 1868, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Messrs. Joel Ham and Wallace Leadbetter, members of this House, were excused from further attendance at this session from and after Friday.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on "resolve in favor of the Greenleaf Law Library," reporting the same ought to pass.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The House resumed the consideration of the order relating to the Insane Hospital, which was amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

Mr. BRICKETT moved the indefinite postponement of the order.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis moved and the House ordered, that when the question is taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to indefinitely postpone by yeas 3, nays 78.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Merrill, Plaisted, W. Smith—3.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Barker, Bradbury, Clark, Cunningham, Chase, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Duran, Dyer, Doane, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, Gibbs, Glidden, Goold, Gould, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Hargraves, Hubbard, Jefferds, Light, Lennox, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, McKenney, Merrow, Marden, Maddox, Noyes, Perry, Pray, Payson, Poor, Porter, Parcher, Reed, Raymond, Stevens, E. B. Smith, Stockbridge, Spaulding, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Wells, Wheeler, Webb, Walker, Wedgewood—78.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed, amended as per sheets "B" and "C" by the House, came from the Senate, amendments "B" and "C" adopted, further amended as per sheet "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted Senate amendment "D," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the Counties of York and Sagadahoc, to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of D. W. O'Brien of Cornish, and the Village Bank of Bowdoinham, in the Counties of York and Sagadahoc," was taken from the table by Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham, the question being on amendment "A," Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, offered amendments "B" and "C."

Pending these amendments,

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to prepare a Legislative Manual for 1868, containing the usual statistical matter, rules and diagram, and cause the usual number of copies of the same to be published for the use of the House.

Messrs. Smith of Brooklin, Gile of Alfred, Marden of Stockton, Hackett of Freeman, and Doane of Sullivan, members of the House, were excused from further attendance, and the Committee on Pay Roll directed to make up their pay to the end of the session.

Mr. ANDREWS of Buckfield, by leave, laid on the table bill "an act to extend the time for building and completing the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad," which was read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, presented a "resolve relating to the State printing." The rules suspended, read twice and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEYMOUTH of New Portland, presented the following order, which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BILLINGS of Freedom :

Ordered, That all members of this House who remain to the end of the session shall have their pay made up on a gold basis.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to amend chapter 58 of the revised statutes, relating to agricultural societies," reported that the same ought to pass, and recommended that the House recede and concur with the Senate in passing the bill to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, and the House receded and concurred.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to define the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings and to establish his salary," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to repeal section 4 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes, relating to cattle running at large," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, indefinitely postponed by the House, reported that the House recede and concur with the Senate.

The report was read and accepted.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in passing the bill to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of the Belgrade Titcomb Academy," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a second time, and referred to the next Legislature on motion of Mr. Poor of Andover.

Bill "an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Superior Court in the County of Cumberland."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the revised statutes, relating to the writ for replevying a person."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act explanatory of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, entitled 'an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, and of chapter 130 of the public laws of 1867, additional to, and amendatory of the same,'" was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read a third time, Senate amendment "C" was adopted, Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved amendment "D," the same gentleman moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken the amendment was rejected by yeas 35, nays 83.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Brickett, Bartlett, Brown, Barnes, Boynton, Bradbury, Caswell, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Doane, Goold, Hackett, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Maddix, Priest, Reed, A. M. Robinson, Raymond, Stevens, P. S. J. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Treat, Woodman, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—35.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Chase, Colby, Case, Dingley, Duran, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hale, Hawes, Herrick, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Judkins, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, Paine, Parker, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, Spear, Stetson, True, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb—83.

Mr. PORTER of Burlington, moved amendment "E," which was adopted.

Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell, moved amendment "F," and the question being on this amendment, Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was adopted by yeas 66, nays 59.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Ames, Brickett, Bartlett, Brown, Barnes, Barker, Boynton, Bradbury, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dingley, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Eaton, Ford, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, Gibbs, Goold, Gile, Gilpatrick, Hackett, Hale, Hawes, Hersey, Hartwell, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Jeffers, Light, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Morse, Maddix, Priest, Patten, Reed, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Shurtleff, Stevens, Spear, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Treat, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—66.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Allen, Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Duran, Estes, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, M. Foster, Farrar, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Ham, Henley, Herrick, Hatch, Leadbetter, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Paine, Parker, Parcher, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, True, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb—57.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, moved, and the House ordered, a reconsideration of the vote by which amendment "F" was adopted. The question being on the adoption of amendment "F," Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was adopted by yeas 60, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Brickett, Bartlett, Brown, Barnes, Barker, Boynton, Bradbury, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Eaton, Ford, J. R. Files, Gibbs, Goold, Hackett, Hale, Hersey, Hartwell, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Light, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Monroe, Morse, Maddix, Priest, Payson, Patten, Reed, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Stevens, Stockbridge, Spear, Stetson,

A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Treat, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—60.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Dingley, Duran, Estes, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, M. Foster, Farrar, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Ham, Henley, Hawes, Herrick, Hatch, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Noyes, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Paine, Parcher, W. Smith, Spaulding, True, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb—54.

The question then being on the passage of the bill to be engrossed as amended, Mr. PERRY of Mars Hill, moved and the House ordered, that when it be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was passed to be engrossed by yeas 62, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Brickett, Bartlett, Brown, Barnes, Barker, Boynton, Bradbury, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Dickey, Dyer, Deane, Eaton, Ford, J. R. Files, Gibbs, Gould, Gile, Hackett, Hale, Hersey, Hartwell, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Light, Lennox, Lane, McKenny, Monroe, Morse, Maddix, Priest, Payson, Patten, Reed, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Stevens, Stockbridge, Spear, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Treat, Weed, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—62.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Dingley, Duran, Estes, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Ham, Henley, Hawes, Herrick, Hall, Lobdell, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Merrill, May, Merrow, Marden, Noyes, Perry, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Poor, Plaisted, Paine, Parker, W. Smith, Spaulding, True, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Wells, Webb—54.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to renew the charter of the Lime Rock Bank of Rockland, and of the North Bank of Rockland," came from the

Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed under suspension of the rules.

The bill was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, the order fixing the hour of adjournment was suspended for this day.

Bill "an act relating to recording lost deeds."

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled 'an act defining a mutual and open account current.'"

Bill "an act in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations."

Bill "an act relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials."

Bill "an act relating to final judgment recovered in certain actions of replevin."

Bill "an act to repeal the 22d section of chapter 24 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society."

Bill "an act to authorize the erection of a dam across Sheepscot river."

These bills having had three several readings, 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 druggists and apothecaries to sell distilled and fermented liquors for certain purposes," having had three several readings, passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and the question being on passing the same to be enacted, Mr. MERROW of Bowdoinham moved its reference to the next Legislature. Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was referred to the next Legislature by yeas 72, nays 46.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Clark, Cunningham, Cram, Chase, Colby, Case, Cowell, Dingley, Duran,

Estes, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Gibbs, Gould, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Hackett, Her-
rick, Hatch, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, R. Leavitt, G. B.
Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Maddix, Noyes,
Perry, G. S. Palmer, Payson, Poor, Parker, Parcher, Reed, Shurt-
leff, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Spaulding, Stetson, True, A. T. Tal-
bot, Titcomb, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Weed, Wells,
Webb—72.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Brickett, Bartlett, Brown, Barnes, Boynton,
Bradbury, Caswell, Caldwell, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Eaton, Ford,
J. R. Files, Glidden, Goold, Hale, Hersey, Hartwell, Hubbard,
Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Lennox, Lane, McKenney, Morse, J. W.
Palmer, Priest, Plaisted, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Ricker,
Stevens; Stockbridge, Spear, P. S. J. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, Tib-
betts, Treat, Wheeler, Weymouth, Walker, Wedgewood—46.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover,

Ordered, That hereafter, until the close of the session of the
Legislature, debate in this House be limited to five minutes.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee of Conference, on " resolve laying a tax
on the several counties in this State," reporting that Senate amend-
ment "A" be amended as per sheet "C," and that the resolve as
then amended ought to pass.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted; the resolve
amended as recommended, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, the House receded and
adopted amendment "A" amended per sheet "C," and passed the
resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act repealing
chapter 106 of the public laws of 1867," reporting a new bill enti-
tled "an act relating to tare on pressed hay."

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on sundry petitions, reporting bill "an act authorizing certain towns to raise money to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, to which was recommit-
ted a "resolve in favor of Bridgton Academy," reporting the same ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and referred to the next Legislature.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Phippsburg, in the county of Sagadahoc, to exempt certain property from taxation," came from the Senate read twice, rules being suspended and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to amend chapter 186 of the special laws of 1848, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company,'" reporting the same ought not to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing the Governor and Council to sell the arsenal grounds at Portland," came from the Senate read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on Printing and Binding to contract with Charles H. True to do the State printing for the current

political year, passed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" and passed.

The House, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, adhered.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. FOSTER of Portland, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The House resumed the consideration of bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the counties of York and Sagadahoc to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of D. W. O'Brien of Cornish, and the Village Bank of Bowdoinham, in the counties of York and Sagadahoc." Amendment "A" was rejected, amendment "B" was withdrawn by Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, amendment "C" was adopted, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 380 of the laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company,'" was taken from the table.

The question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. CRAM of Brunswick, moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was passed to be engrossed by yeas 82, nays 17.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Allen, Briggs, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Black, Barker, Cunningham, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Cowell, Duran, Estes, Ford, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, M. Foster, Gould, Goss, Gile, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hackett, Herrick, Hersey, Haines, Jefferds, Leadbetter, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, McKenney, May, Monroe, Merrow, Marden, Perry, Pray, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Poor, Plaisted, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Ricker, Shurtleff, E. B. Smith, W. Smith, Stockbridge, True, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Treat, Weed, Wells, Webb—82.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Brown, Bradbury, Cram, Dingley, Dickey, Dyer, Doane,

Fessenden, Field, Gibbs, Glidden, Hartwell, G. S. Palmer, Reed, Stetson, Woodman, Wedgewood—17.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to legalize certain acts of the town of Buckfield in exempting town bonds from taxation," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. PALMER of Gardiner.

On motion of the same member, the rules were suspended and the House ordered a reconsideration of the vote passing the bill to be engrossed. The bill was then amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BUF-FUM of Orono, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn,

Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

"Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to determine the number of clerks to be employed by the Adjutant General, Secretary of State and State Treasurer," came from the Senate, read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the revised statutes, relating to the writ for replevyng a person," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred in amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 380 of the laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company,'" passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred in amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Hebron Academy," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of Richmond Academy," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of Foxcroft Academy," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing resolves were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEDGEWOOD of Biddeford, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts was passed to be engrossed.

This motion was laid on the table, and to-morrow at ten o'clock assigned on motion of Mr. PORTER of Burlington.

Bill "an act relating to fire insurance companies, existing or doing business in this State," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. HALE of Elsworth, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to loan its credit to aid in the construction of steam mills," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act providing for the appointment of a Bank and Insurance Examiner and defining his duties," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to constrain the attendance of children and youths between the ages of eight and sixteen years in the public schools of this State," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the public laws of 1858, in relation to liens upon vessels," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. CASE of Rockland, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the counties of York and Sagadahoc to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of D. W. O'Brien of Cornish, and the Village Bank of Bowdoinham, in the counties of York and Sagadahoc," passed to be engrossed amended as per sheet "C," came from the Senate

amendment "C" adopted, further amended as per sheet "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The House concurred in Senate amendment "D," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RUST of Belfast,

Ordered, That the meeting of the House to-morrow morning be at 9 o'clock.

Bill "an act to amend the act incorporating the city of Saco," approved February 5, 1867, came from the Senate, rules being suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The House refused to suspend the rules and receive the bill.

Bill "an act relating to the volunteer militia," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled 'an act granting certain powers to the Baptist Society in Berwick,' " was taken from the table, and the House receded from its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and concurred with the Senate in its indefinite postponement.

Bill "an act explanatory of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, entitled 'an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling-shops, and of chapter 130 of the public laws of 1867, additional to, and amendatory of the same,' " passed to be engrossed, amended as per sheets "C," "E" and "F" by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "C," and proposing a Committee of Conference with Messrs. Robie of Cumberland, Stevens and Snell of Kennebec, appointed conferees.

The House insisted and concurred in the proposition for a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Brickett of Augusta, Hale of Ellsworth and Spear of Rockland conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to exempt railroad stock from taxation for a term of years, and for other purposes," was taken from the table. Mr. BILLINGS moved the indefinite postponement, of the bill. Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis, moved, and the House ordered, that when

the question be taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was indefinitely postponed by yeas 57, nays 29.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Ames, Briggs, Brickett, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Baker, Billings, Black, Barker, Bradbury, Clark, Cram, Caswell, Cowell, Dingley, Dickey, Dyer, Doane, Fessenden, Field, Farrar, Gould, Gile, Gilpatrick, Henley, Hale, Hartwell, Hubbard, Judkins, Leadbetter, G. B. Leavitt, Lane, Littlefield, McKenney, Merrow, Maddix, Norton, Noyes, Priest, Payson, Paine, Parker, Parcher, Reed, Raymond, Ricker, Shurtleff, Stevens, Spaulding, True, A. T. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, Wedgewood—57.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Case, Carleton, Caldwell, Duran, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Glidden, Goold, Goss, Ham, Hersey, Hatch, Jefferds, Lobdell, Light, Merrill, J. W. Palmer, Poor, A. M. Robinson, Rust, W. Smith, Stockbridge, Spear, Stetson, A. Thompson, Taylor, Wells, Wheeler, Webb—29.

Mr. WEDGEWOOD of Biddeford moved to reconsider the vote, and the House refused.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act repealing chapter 89 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for uniformity in the taxation of legal costs by the clerks of the courts of this State,'" was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes," was taken from the table.

The House receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and it was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve relating to destitute orphans of soldiers and seamen of the late war."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel Larrabee."

"Resolve in favor of Stevens and Sayward."

"Resolve relating to the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve relative to a State Industrial School for Girls."

"Resolve to continue in force and amendatory of chapter 78 of the resolves of 1867, relative to the restoration of sea fish to the rivers and inland waters of Maine."

“Resolve in favor of protecting the State House against fire.”

“Resolve in favor of George W. Chamberlain.”

“Resolve relating to Antietam National Cemetery.”

“Resolve in favor of Pillsbury and Smith.”

The foregoing resolves having had two several readings, passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee as truly and strictly engrossed, were finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill “an act additional to chapter 14 of the revised statutes, relating to contagious diseases and to insure vaccination,” reporting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, the bill read three times, rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Oxford county to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of J. P. and N. B. Hubbard of Hiram in said county,” came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The House refused to suspend the rules and receive the bill.

On motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to distribute to each of the workmen employed about the State House one box of stationery.

Bill "an act authorizing the Governor and Council to sell the Arsenal grounds at Portland," having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, was read a third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to increase the efficiency of the State Supervision of Common Schools," reported that the House recede from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed and amend the same by striking out sections 5, 6 and 7, and make the title read, "an act to increase the efficiency of the State Supervision of Common Schools," and pass the bill to be engrossed as amended; and that the Senate recede from its vote indefinitely postponing the bill and concur in the foregoing amendments, and in passing the same to be engrossed as amended.

The report was read and accepted, the House receded, amended the bill in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee, and passed the same to be engrossed and sent it to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal the death penalty," was taken from the table. Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, moved its indefinite postponement. Mr. FIELD of Danville, moved and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was indefinitely postponed by yeas 73, nays 42.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Allen, Briggs, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Baker, Barnes, Clark, Cunningham, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Cowell, Dingley, Doane, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, J. R. Files, M. Foster, Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hale, Haines, Ingalls, Lobdell, Lennox, Lane, Merrill, Morris, May, Monroe, Morse, Mellow, Marden, Noyes, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Poor, Pat-ten, Parker, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Stockbridge, Spaulding, Stetson, True, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Wheeler, Webb, Weymouth, Walker—73.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Ames, H. M. Blaisdell, Billings, Black, Boynton, Bradbury, Cram, Carleton, Dickey, Duran, Dyer, Estes, Ford, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, Gould, Hersey, Hartwell, Judkins, Jefferds, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, McKenney, Maddix, Norton,

Plaisted, Porter, Paine, Reed, A. M. Robinson, E. B. Smith, E. Smith, Jr., W. Smith, Spear, A. T. Talbot, Tyler, Treat, Woodman, Wedgewood—42.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

A communication was received from Max Foster, resigning his seat in the House of Representatives from and after the final adjournment of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland, the Clerk of the House was requested to notify the Selectmen of the towns of Skowhegan and Canaan of the resignation of Mr. Foster, those towns comprising the district represented by Mr. Foster.

Mr. RUST, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, on order, reported a "resolve in relation to printing certain documents."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company,' approved February 29, 1868," was presented by Mr. PALMER of Gardiner, rules being suspended, read three times and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Messrs. Smith of Medford, and Jefferds of Foxcroft, members of this House, were excused from further attendance this session, and the Committee on Pay Roll were directed to make up their pay.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State is hereby directed to furnish the plantations of Fort Kent and Van Buren the books, Laws, Law Reports and Digests, which have been heretofore and are to be furnished to towns.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on so much of the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools as relates to the Normal School, reported a "resolve in relation to the State Normal School."

Mr. WEDGEWOOD, from the same Committee, on so much of

the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools as refers to the duties of that office, reported a "resolve relating to State Superintendent of Common Schools."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The hour having arrived, the motion of Mr. WEDGEWOOD of Biddeford to reconsider the vote by which the resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts was passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table.

The question being on the motion to reconsider, Mr. WEDGEWOOD moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the vote was reconsidered by yeas 63, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Allen, Briggs, Brown, Barnes, Boynton, Bradbury, Uram, Chase, Colby, Caswell, Case, Cowell, Dingley, Duran, Doane, Estes, Eaton, Field, Ford, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Gibbs, Gould, Goold, Goss, Ham, Ingalls, Judkins, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, Lane, Merrill, McKenney, Morse, Merrow, Maddix, Norton, Pray, Payson, Parker, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Ricker, Stevens, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Spear, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Titcomb, I. F. Thompson, Tibbetts, Tyler, Treat, Wheeler, Weymouth, Wedgewood—63.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Ames, Buck, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Billings, Black, Cunningham, Fessenden, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, Gilpatrick, Henley, Hale, Hersey, Hartwell, Hatch, Jefferds, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Morris, May, Perry, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, A. M. Robinson, W. Smith, Spaulding, Stetson, True, Thomas, A. Thompson, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb, Walker—45.

The resolve was amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act explanatory of chapter 119 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act authorizing any city or town in this State to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this State.'"

Bill "an act to renew the charter of the Lime Rock Bank of Rockland, and the North Bank of Rockland."

Bill "an act to extend the time for building and completing the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad."

Bill "an act to provide for the taxation of shares in National Banks."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of Pleasant Ridge plantation, in raising money for war purposes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolve two several readings, 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 finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act entitled 'an act explanatory of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, entitled an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops,' and of chapter 130 of the public laws of 1867, additional to and amendatory of the same," reporting the same in a new draft, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolves relating to the Insane Hospital," finally passed by the House, came from the Senate, vote reconsidered passing the resolve to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House reconsidered the votes, finally passing the resolves, and passing the same to be engrossed, Senate amendment "C" concurred in, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of the State paying a part of the expenses incurred in the arrest of the Bowdoinham Bank robbers, reporting legislation inexpedient, was taken from the table, amended by striking out the words "legislation inexpedient," and inserting

the words, "accompanying resolve entitled a 'resolve in favor of the National Village Bank of Bowdoinham.'"

The resolve was read twice under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize Augustus Hemenway and William H. Hemenway to construct and maintain wharves in Machias river," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate postponed till the first Wednesday of January, 1869.

The House insisted on its former vote, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Walker of Machias, Hartwell of Oldtown and Goss of Bath, conferees on the part of the House.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

"Resolve in favor of Richmond Academy," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted, proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Spaulding of Richmond, Dingley of Lewiston, and Fessenden of Auburn, conferees.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital on the Memorial of Tobias Lord, and other papers, reporting bill "an act for the better management of the Insane Hospital," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to define the rights of the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company under certain conditions," came from the Senate read twice, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

The House refused to suspend the rules and receive the bill.

Bill "an act to repeal the death penalty," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House, on motion of Mr. BILLINGS of Freedom, recessed and concurred.

Bill "an act to enable parties to written contracts to fix the rate of interest on the same," was taken from the table and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence with the Senate.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the town of Sidney and authorizing said town to raise money for certain purposes," was taken from the table.

Mr. FESSENDEN moved the bill be indefinitely postponed. Mr. BRADBURY moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was indefinitely postponed by yeas 57, nays 38.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Buck, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Black, Clark, Cram, Chase, Dingley, Duran, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, Ford, A. P. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Gould, Goss, Gilpatrick, Ham, Henley, Hale, Hartwell, Light, G. B. Leavitt, Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, May, Merrow, Maddix, Perry, Pray, G. S. Palmer, Plaisted, Patten, Paine, Parker, Parcher, Reed, F. G. Robinson, Rust, Shurtleff, Stetson, True, A. T. Talbot, Thomas, Taylor, Weed, Wells, Webb—57.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Briggs, E. P. Blaisdell, Brown, Beale, Billings, Boynton, Bradbury, Colby, Caswell, Case, Dickey, Gibbs, Glidden, Goold, Hatch, Hubbard, Haines, Ingalls, R. Leavitt, McKenney, Monroe, Norton, J. W. Palmer, Priest, Payson, Porter, A. M. Robinson, Stevens, E. Smith, Jr., Stockbridge, Titcomb, Tibbetts, Wheeler, Walker, Wedgewood—38.

"Resolve to authorize the Governor and Council to determine the number of clerks to be employed by the Adjutant General, Secretary of State, and State Treasurer," having had two several readings, passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and the question being on the final passage of the same, Mr. CRAM of Brunswick moved, and the House ordered a reconsideration of the vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

The resolve was amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Phippsburg in the county of Sagadahoc, to exempt certain property from taxation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 58 of the revised statutes, relating to Agricultural Societies."

Bill "an act to repeal section 4 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes, relating to cattle running at large."

"Resolve in favor of the Greenleaf Law Library."

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolve two several readings 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 finally passed, signed by the SPEAKER and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve relating to the State Printing and Binding," was presented by Mr. PORTER of Burlington. The rules were suspended, the resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROBINSON of Dover,

Ordered, That the State Librarian be, and he hereby is, authorized to deliver to the Chaplain of the United States Asylum at Togus, such public documents as towns and plantations are now entitled to under existing laws, excepting the judicial reports and digest.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, relating to the propriety of the State paying a part of the expenses incurred in arresting the robbers of the Bowdoinham Bank, reporting legislation inexpedient, amended by the House as per sheet "A," came from the Senate amendment "A" rejected, and the report read and accepted.

The House, on motion of Mr. Thompson of Hallowell, referred the same to the next Legislature.

Sent up for concurrence.

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 14 of the revised statutes, relating to contagious diseases, and to insure vaccination," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote, passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference.

The House, on motion of Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and adhered to its former vote.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the propriety of requiring local officers to enforce the laws against tippling-shops, reporting legislation inexpedient, was taken from the table, amended, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, by striking out the words "legislation inexpedient" and inserting the words "accompanying bill, entitled an act to require municipal officers and constables of towns and cities and assessors of plantations, to enforce the laws against drinking-houses, gambling-rooms and houses of ill-fame," as per sheet "A." The rules were suspended, bill read three times, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston moved, and the House ordered, that when the question be taken it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was passed to be engrossed, by yeas 45, nays 36.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allen, Briggs, E. P. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Beale, Baker, Billings, Black, Cunningham, Cram, Case, Dingley, Duran, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, M. Foster, Gibbs, Glidden, Gould, Henley, Herrick, Hatch, Lobdell, Light, Littlefield, Merrill, Perry, J. W. Palmer, Payson, Poor, Plaisted, Patten, Parcher, Shurtleff, Spaulding, True, Titcomb, Thomas, A. Thompson, Tyler, Wells, Webb—45.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Andrews, Buck, H. M. Blaisdell, Barnes, Bradbury, Colby, Dickey, N. A. Foster, Goold, Gilpatrick, Hale, Hartwell, Haines, Ingalls, Judkins, Lennox, Monroe, Morse, Maddix, G. S. Palmer, Porter, Reed, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson, Rust, Raymond, Ricker, Stevens, E. Smith, jr., Spear, Stetson, A. T. Talbot, I. F. Thompson, Taylor, Weed, Wheeler—36.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 33 of the laws of 1858, and of chapter 130 of the laws of 1867, for the suppression of drinking-houses and tippling-shops," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on sundry orders relating to national affairs, reporting "resolves relating to national affairs," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. HALE of Ellsworth.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, presented bill "an act additional to 'an act for the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy,' approved February 17, 1868."

The rules were suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act additional to chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to appeals from the decisions of municipal officers in certain cases," reported that the House recede and concur with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the county of York to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of D. W. O'Brien of Cornish, in the county of York."

Bill "an act repealing chapter 89 of the public laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to provide for uniformity in the taxation of legal costs by the Clerks of the Courts of this State.'"

Bill "an act relating to tare on pressed hay."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to loan its credit to aid in the construction of steam mills."

Bill "an act to define the duties of the Superintendent of Public Buildings, and to establish his salary."

Bill "an act authorizing certain towns to raise money to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad."

The foregoing bills having had three several readings, 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.

Adjourned.

• EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the sale of property by minors, reporting legislation inexpedient, come from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 33 of the laws of 1858, and of chapter 130 of the laws of 1867, for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, and Messrs. Stetson of Penobscot, Lindsey of Somerset and Merrow of York, appointed conferees on its part.

The House insisted and concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Dingley, Hale and Fessenden, conferees.

Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, presented "resolve in favor of W. E. S. Whitman," the rules were suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve relating to the State Printing," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act additional to chapter 33 of the laws of 1858, and of chapter 130 of the laws of 1867," reported that the House recede, reject amendments "A" and "B," and pass the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

The report was read and accepted, and bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an

act to authorize Augustus and W. H. Hemenway, to erect and maintain wharves in Machias river," reported that the House adhere.

The report was read and accepted, and the House voted to adhere.

Bill an "act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of the County of Cumberland."

Bill "an act amendatory of, and additional to, chapter 380 of the laws of 1867, entitled 'an act to incorporate the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company.'"

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the revised statutes, relating to the writ for replevying a person."

Bill "an act to authorize the Governor and Council to sell and convey the lot of land and buildings of the State Arsenal at Portland."

Bill "an act explanatory of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, entitled 'an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, and of chapter 130 of the public laws of 1867, additional to and amendatory of the same.'"

The foregoing bills having had three several readings, 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.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, reported bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

A communication from I. F. Thompson was received, resigning his seat in the House of Representatives, from and after the final adjournment of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Machias, the Clerk of the House was directed to notify the Mayor of the city of Hallowell of the resignation of Mr. Thompson.

Adjourned.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1868.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate."

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House."

The foregoing resolves were read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on Finance, on the petition of Spaulding Robinson and others, for abatement of taxes of the town of Sherman, reported leave to withdraw.

The report was read and accepted.

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House."

"Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate."

Bill "an act providing for the appointment of a Bank and Insurance Examiner and defining his duties."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company,' approved January 29, 1868."

Bill "an act for the better management of the Insane Hospital."

Bill "an act additional to an act for the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy, approved February 17, 1867."

Bill "an act to repeal the 22d section of chapter 24 of the revised statutes."

"Resolve in favor of Hebron Academy."

"Resolve in favor of W. E. S. Whitman."

"Resolve in favor of Foxcroft Academy."

"Resolves relating to the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve relating to State printing and binding."

"Resolve relating to State Superintendent of Common Schools."

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

"Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to determine the number of clerks to be employed by the Adjutant General, Secretary of State, and State Treasurer."

"Resolve relating to the State printing."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State."

"Resolve relative to the State Normal School."

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 33 of the laws of 1858, and of chapter 130 of the laws of 1867, for the suppression of drinking-houses and tippling-shops."

Bill "an act to legalize certain acts of the town of Buckfield in exempting town bonds from taxation."

Bill "an act to require municipal officers and constables of towns and cities and assessors of plantations to enforce the laws against drinking-houses, gambling-rooms and houses of ill-fame."

Bill "an act providing for the equalization of municipal war debts and a limited assumption and reimbursement thereof by the State."

Bill "act to increase the efficiency of the State Supervisor of Common Schools."

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

The foregoing bills having had three and the resolves two several readings, 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 finally passed, each signed by the SPEAKER and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution, so as to authorize a limited reimbursement of municipal war debts by loaning the credit of the State."

This resolve having had two several readings, passed to be engrossed, reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, and the question being on finally passing the same, and requiring a two-thirds vote, it was taken by yeas and nays, and finally passed by yeas 84, nays 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Abbott, Andrews, Ames, Allen, Briggs, Buck, Brickett, E. P. Blaisdell, H. M. Blaisdell, Bartlett, Brown, Beale, Buffum, Baker, Barnes, Billings, Black, Boynton, Bradbury, Cunningham, Cram, Case, Dingley, Duran, Estes, Eaton, Fessenden, Field, A. P. Files, J. R. Files, N. A. Foster, M. Foster, Farrar, Gibbs, Glidden, Gould, Goss, Gilpatrick, Henley, Hale, Hartwell, Hatch, Hubbard, Judkins, Lobdell, Light, Lennox, R. Leavitt, G. B. Leavitt, Lane,

Littlefield, Merrill, Morris, McKenney, Merrow, Pray, Priest, Poor, Plaisted, Porter, Patten, Parker, Parcher, F. G. Robinson, A. M. Robinson (under protest), Rust, Spaulding, Spear, Stetson, True, A. T. Talbot, P. S. J. Talbot, Thomas, I. F. Thompson, A. Thompson, Tyler, Taylor, Woodman, Weed, Wells, Webb, Wedgewood—84.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Dickey, Perry, J. W. Palmer, Reed, W. Smith—5.

The resolve was signed by the SPEAKER and sent to the Senate.

Ordered, That the House concurring, the Legislature adjourn finally Saturday, March 7th, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

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

Mr. PORTER of Burlington was charged with, and conveyed, a message to the Senate, informing that branch that the House had disposed of all business before it requiring concurrent action.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Parks of Sagadahoc, informing the House that the Senate had disposed of all business before it requiring concurrent action.

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that both branches of the Legislature, having acted on all matters before them, are now ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Robie, Farley, and Stetson appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Cram of Brunswick, Titcomb of Augusta, Andrews of Buckfield, Stetson of Exeter, Wells of Dedham, Taylor of Norridgewock, and Robinson of Dover, joined to said committee on the part of the House.

Mr. CRAM, from this Committee, subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duty assigned them, and the Governor was pleased to say he would communicate forthwith through the Secretary of State.

A message was thereupon received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting a list of the acts and resolves signed by him, numbering 327 acts and 101 resolves, and informing the House that he had no further communication to make.

Mr. PLAISTED of Bangor, introduced the following resolve:

Resolved, That the thanks of the House be tendered to the Clerk and other officers of the House for the faithful and efficient manner in which they have discharged their respective duties.

Adopted unanimously.

Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, addressed the House, saying:

MR. SPEAKER:—The hour for our final adjournment being near at hand, I rise in behalf of the members of this House, to extend to you our heart-felt congratulations upon the happy and successful termination of your labors as presiding officer over our deliberations. Permit me to say, sir, that the noble sentiment advanced by you on taking the chair, at the commencement of the session, viz: "with charity in our hearts, and not merely upon our lips," has tended in a great degree to promote that kind and gentlemanly intercourse which has existed between all the members of this House, during its entire season.

He then said:

MR. CLERK:—In order to give a formal expression to what I believe to be the unanimous sentiment of this House, I ask leave to lay upon your table the following resolve, and request that the question of its adoption be taken by rising:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the House are due, and are hereby tendered to Hon. T. C. Woodman, for the able, courteous and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of Speaker, during the session now drawing to a close.

Mr. ROBINSON of Dover, seconded the resolution and said:

MR. CLERK:—I second this resolution with great pleasure. The Speaker has filled the measure of his high position. His opening address, a gem in its way, pointed the course which has been happily pursued by him to a successful termination of honorable and arduous official duty. To the minority he has been just; he has been more than just—he has been generous. Never yet in the history of this Legislature, I am told, has such harmony, sympathy and courteous bearing existed between the members, as the one

just now closing. (This pleasing fact may be attributed in some strong measure, to the courteous and dignified bearing of the presiding officer. Our labors are now closing, and we are soon to turn from each other, "homeward bound." In the prospective home greeting, we feel a thrill of joy, yet not of unmixed joy: for in this busy hour of separation and departure, a voice—low, and sad, and dirge-like—steals in, admonishing, that in this world, we shall never as now all meet again.

Great acts have characterized this Legislature—acts harmonizing with a domestic policy, boldly sketched by our Executive, and which in my judgment, if carried steadily and firmly forward, will in good time place our State, so broad in area and rich in all the elements of natural wealth, along side the most favored and prosperous States in this Union. To this great end we have labored and trusted.

I have only now, in closing this brief address, in behalf of the minority of this House, to acknowledge the uniform kindness received by them at the hands of the presiding officer, and of all the members of this body, and in return to tender to each and all our kind regards, and best wishes for their future welfare and prosperity.

Mr. FESSENDEN of Auburn, said:

MR. CLERK :—Youth is the season of imagination. Then we pelt the hours with rose leaves; we look forward to a happy future. Manhood is the season of active life, of strife, of warfare. We have assembled here, my brethren, in obedience to the commands of the people of this State; and I rejoice with you in the kindness, in the urbanity, in the ability which has characterized the Speaker of this House, in relation to everything he has had to pass upon connected with his official duties. I rejoice especially in that kindness, charity and good fellowship which has characterized the members of this House in their discussions with each other, that there has been manifested a degree of friendliness, warmth of heart and affection among us, which I trust will ever after make this Legislature a model in that regard.

I believe it is our duty in the difficult affairs of life to cultivate all those tender feelings and affections, so that life may be made beautiful and happy instead of dark and cloudy. I join most cordially in the sentiments which the resolution expresses. I hope if we never meet here again, all of us, in this life, that finally we

may meet in a country where parting shall be no more forever, where sorrow never comes, where tears are wiped from off all eyes, where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.

Mr. HUBBARD of North Berwick said :

Mr. CLERK :—I rise, sir, to express my hearty concurrence with the sentiments expressed by the gentleman from East Machias and the gentleman from Dover. It is indeed true that the Speaker has been kind and just to the minority of this House, and has presided over our deliberations with great ability as well as impartiality ; and, sir, none regret the separation we are now about to make more than myself. Friendships have been kindled here that should and I trust will prove lasting, and although all of us may never meet here again, may the recollections of this meeting ever gladden and bloom in our hearts. The spirit that thus animated the Speaker, in his treatment of the minority, has been manifested by the majority, and the sharp corners of political strife have been rounded by a courtesy that has proved how entirely we may differ and yet be brothers. Upon this theme I would like to linger, but the moment allotted me has expired. Again allow me to say I fully concur in the sentiments of the resolution.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent said that he rose simply to add his concurrence to what had already been said. He felt as when he heard of the first booming across the waters on Sumter, that he knew no party, nothing but his country, that our political enmities here were absorbed in party. We were not personal enemies. We have cultivated mutual good friendship during this session. He had a large amount of small matters to look after, and he could but thank the Speaker and the gentlemen of the majority of this House for their universal kindness to him in all his matters. In parting, he said : Allow me to add that I part with sadness, though I have been long separated from my family and home. I feel sad to part, though glad to return home.

Mr. HALE of Ellsworth, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I rise to give my voice of hearty assent to the resolution and sentiments expressed therein. Old friendship and and ties ever growing stronger from year to year, have led me to place the highest confidence in the fairness and unswerving in-

tegrity of the Speaker; and all that has passed here this winter, has showed that I could not put them too high. I have felt, as has been said by the gentleman from Dover, that much of the pleasant feeling and genial manner in which the business of our association has been conducted, was owing to the conduct in the chair and elsewhere of the Speaker. I am sure in going from here we shall all feel that to him our highest thanks are due for all that has been done here. I cordially join in the resolution. There are things that are higher than party. *That* has been proved in the friendships that have been formed here. I have learned, not here but before in life, what has been confirmed here, that there are better men opposed to us than many men with whom we associate. We are forced in political life, to meet each other and do hard battle. I am sure this winter such meetings have left no abiding influence. When we break up and give each other the parting hand and bid good bye, the pressure will not be abated in any degree by the reflection that we have been or may be opposed politically.

Mr. ANDREWS of Buckfield, said he wished upon this sad and interesting occasion to join in those noble sentiments contained in the resolution. He wished to expressed his grateful feelings, not only to the Speaker, but to every gentleman in this House, most of whom he met as strangers, all of whom he trusted he parted with as friends. He certainly felt that he could do no less than to extend his warmest thanks to the Speaker for his uniform kindness, and to express a like sentiment to every gentleman upon the floor of this House.

Mr. BRADBURY of Hollis said:

Mr. CLERK:—I rise, sir, to express my full concurrence in the sentiments embodied in the resolve offered by the gentleman from East Machias. To say that our honored Speaker, in presiding over our deliberations, has discharged his arduous and delicate duties with a fidelity, a patience, and an impartiality which left nothing to be desired, is only inadequately to express our sense of his urbanity, justice and firmness. I feel justified in saying that he will take with him, in separating from us, the esteem and honest wishes of every member of this House.

In these last hours of a legislative life, which has been fraught with so much excitement and burdened with so many arduous labors, which has been at once characterized by a spirit of patient

investigation and by the uniform exhibition on the part of members of mutual kindness of feeling and courtesy, the purest sentiments of our common humanity rise to the surface, gather new intensity and hold sway over us. We are drawn nearer to each other by the sympathies of a universal brotherhood; we come to appreciate more purely and more justly whatever is best and most worthy in each others' characters, and the pleasure with which we anticipate the return to our homes and firesides and friends is shaded with an earnest and profound regret at the near approaching end of the official and social intercourse which is made precious by so many pleasing associations. In an hour like this every unpleasant memory vanishes, and only the recollections of many acts of reciprocal kindness and of genuine manifestations of good will remain, a catholic sentiment of charity, which, like the divine virtue of mercy, blesses at once him who offers and him who receives, expands our hearts and gives dominion to the refining influences of our better nature.

I but do justice to all my associates, when I say that these feelings of friendliness and genuine good will animate us all on this interesting occasion with no ordinary degree of intensity. I only do justice to myself when I add that I recognize and appreciate the personal kindness which I have uniformly received at the hands of all the members of this House, and that I shall bear with me and always cherish only the most grateful recollections of my intercourse with them all.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, said:

Mr. CLERK:—I simply desire to say that I concur entirely in the resolve which is before the House, and in the sentiments which have been expressed by the gentlemen who have preceded me, with reference to the gentleman who has presided over this House during this session. I may say with them that we are greatly indebted to the forbearance and courtesy and skill which the gentleman who has presided over the House has conducted our business. We came here, many of us, as strangers; we shall part, not simply as acquaintances, but as friends. We never shall meet again; but let us carry from here those precious memories, those tender associations which will always be among the sweetest recollections of life.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by the members rising.

Mr. WOODMAN, the Speaker, said :

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :—No one could more heartily appreciate, than I do, the kindness which during the present session of the Legislature has been shown to me by each and every member of the House. The earnest desire expressed by me when I assumed the chair to observe strict impartiality in the discharge of its duties, and which I have endeavored faithfully to maintain, has been rewarded by the uniform respect and courtesy towards myself exhibited by you all.

We are now about to part, once more to engage in the customary business and duties of life. While we are all glad to return once more to our families and friends, to be with the loved ones at home, it is not without a feeling of regret that we do so. In the coming political struggle, the memory of the last two months will, I trust, do something towards allaying whatever of bitterness it may occasion, and the friendships we have formed in this brief episode, will serve to strengthen our love for the Union and our devotion to our country, in whose perpetuity and prosperity, the welfare of ourselves and our children is so inseparably connected. Let us hope that a kind Providence will protect it from the dangers with which it is menaced, and that God in his own good time will lead us through the dark waters to a haven of rest and peace.

Again I thank you for your kindness. You have my best wishes for your future happiness, and may God bless you all.

By invitation of the SPEAKER, prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Wells of the House.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM of Orono, the House adjourned *without day*.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1868.

PUBLIC LAWS.

An act to provide for the removal of persons imprisoned or under arrest, from one county to another when different offences are charged in the two counties.

to amend section nineteen of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes, relating to liens on logs and lumber.

to amend section two of chapter two hundred and fifty-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to the compensation of temporary clerks in the office of secretary of state.

to amend section sixth of chapter eighteenth of the revised statutes, to authorize county commissioners to reverse a part or all of their proceedings, by reason of excessive damages assessed, under a petition for increase of damages.

to amend section twenty-two of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes.

concerning specie payments.

additional to chapter fifty-three of the revised statutes of this state, relating to telegraph companies.

relating to the organization of corporations.

to provide for the security of the sinking fund and cancelling of coupons and treasury warrants.

to repeal chapter one hundred and twenty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "an act to provide for a state police in certain cases."

to amend chapter eighty-six of the revised statutes, relating to trustee disclosures.

to amend section thirty-seven of chapter six of the revised statutes.

An act to amend chapter one hundred and sixteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, relating to the appointment of stenographers in the supreme judicial court.

additional to the one hundred and thirteenth chapter of the revised statutes, relating to bonds of poor debtors.

to amend section fourteen of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes.

to amend section forty-six of chapter four of the revised statutes, relating to contested elections.

to amend section two of chapter one-hundred and thirty-eight of the revised statutes.

to facilitate the prompt administration of justice by establishing a superior court in the county of Cumberland.

relating to waiver of demand and notice by endorsers of promissory notes and bills of exchange.

to amend section forty-nine of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes.

regulating the duties of road commissioners and highway surveyors.

providing for the amendment of the returns of deceased officers, on certain civil processes.

additional to chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, in relation to maintaining cross-actions against persons not residents of this state.

to provide for the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy.

to amend section fifty-five of chapter eighty-six of the revised statutes, in relation to trustee process.

to amend section twenty of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes.

additional to chapter six of the revised statutes, concerning taxes.

relating to foreign express companies.

to prohibit members of city governments and boards of selectmen from voting or being parties to contracts in certain cases.

to amend section two of chapter one hundred and sixteen of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of trial justices and justices of the peace.

An act relating to reviews in certain cases.

to amend section one of chapter one hundred and five of the public laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

to regulate the sale of lobsters by weight instead of count.

to amend chapter one hundred and eleven of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries.

to repeal chapter one hundred and fifty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled "an act additional to chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions."

to amend section one of chapter seventy-one of the revised statutes, relating to powers of judges of probate.

authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

to amend chapter three hundred and twenty-one of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, relating to railroads.

to amend section twenty-eight of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the location and erection of school-houses.

to grant certificates of service to soldiers who served in the war for the suppression of the rebellion.

to regulate certain fisheries.

to prevent obstructions to travel.

to amend section nine of chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes, relating to the courts in Washington county.

in addition to chapter ninety-two of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands and diverting water for purposes of mills.

extending the time within which certain banks shall redeem their bills.

giving additional powers to the railroad commissioners.

to provide for the taxation of costs.

to protect the public lands and the rights of settlers.

additional to chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes, in relation to liens on goods in possession.

to amend section thirty-nine of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the revised statutes, and explanatory of said chapter.

An act to repeal an act entitled "an act to amend section four of chapter thirty-four of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers."

giving certain powers to the commissioners of fisheries.

additional to chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to the satisfaction of judgments against railroad corporations in certain cases.

to amend chapter one hundred and twenty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, relating to inspection and sale of petroleum, coal oils and burning fluids.

additional to chapter sixty-four of the revised statutes, and relating to the bonds of executors.

to authorize certain town officers to remove fences to prevent snow drifts.

to repeal section eighty-five of chapter three hundred and seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, relating to inspection of state arsenals.

relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land.

additional to and amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the supreme judicial court, approved February twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

additional to "an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads," approved March twenty-six, anno domini eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

for the further protection of persons who have policies in marine insurance companies.

in addition to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the court of probate for Cumberland county, approved March one, eighteen hundred sixty-seven.

increasing the amount of money which towns shall raise for the support of schools.

relating to evidence.

amendatory of chapter one hundred and seven of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of depositions.

to amend section one hundred and forty-six of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to the recovery of money paid for taxes upon land of non-resident owners, where the requirements of the law have not been complied with.

- An act to amend chapter forty-three of the revised statutes relating to weighing of hay and other articles.
- to amend section twelve of chapter sixty-six of the revised statutes relating to insolvent estates.
- to provide for the taxation of shares in certain local corporations.
- giving to widowed mothers the custody of minor children, and the control of their earnings.
- relating to recording lost deeds.
- relating to final judgment recovered in certain actions of replevin.
- additional to an act entitled "an act defining a mutual and open account current," approved February twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.
- relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials.
- in relation to bills in equity brought to redeem mortgages given by railroad corporations.
- to provide for the taxation of shares in national banks.
- explanatory of chapter one hundred and nineteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-seven entitled "an act authorizing any city or town in this state to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this state."
- to repeal section four of chapter twenty-three of revised statutes relating to cattle running at large.
- to amend chapter fifty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to agricultural societies.
- to define the duties of the superintendent of public buildings and to establish his salary.
- relating to tare on pressed hay.
- repealing chapter eighty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-seven, entitled "an act to provide for uniformity in the taxation of legal costs by the clerks of the courts of this state."
- to enlarge the jurisdiction of the superior court in the county of Cumberland.
- to amend chapter one hundred and one of the revised statutes, relating to the writ for replevying a person.

- * An act explanatory of chapter thirty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, entitled an act for the suppression of drinking-houses and tippling-shops, and of chapter one hundred and thirty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, additional to and amendatory of the same.
- to repeal the twenty-second section of chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes.
- providing for the appointment of a bank and insurance examiner, and defining his duties.
- to increase the efficiency of the state supervision of common schools.
- to require municipal officers and constables of towns and cities, and assessors of plantations, to enforce the laws against drinking-houses, gambling rooms and houses of ill fame.
- additional to an act for the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy, approved February seventeen, eighteen hundred sixty-eight.
- additional to and amendatory of chapter thirty-three of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, and of chapter one hundred and thirty of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven for the suppression of drinking-houses and tippling-shops.
- providing for the equalization of municipal war debts and a limited assumption and reimbursement thereof by the state.
- for the better management of the insane hospital.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

- An act to amend the charter of the Escutasis Dam Company.
- to establish the line between the town of Burnham and Unity plantation.
- authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Franklin to reassess certain taxes.
- to authorize Francis Cobb, H. W. Wight and John S. Case, to extend a breakwater and wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor, in the town of South Thomaston.
- to incorporate Lebanon Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

An act to authorize the Portland Grain Warehouse Company to issue bonds.

to change the name of Emma Frances Butterfield.

to authorize William H. Sargent to erect and maintain a wharf in the town of Sedgwick.

authorizing David W. Campbell and others, to erect and maintain a dam across Narraguagus river.

to make valid certain doings of the town of Ellsworth.

to authorize the village district in Brunswick to raise money for the erection of a school-house or school-houses in said district.

to make valid the doings of the town of Eastport, in paying more than six per cent. interest in town notes and town orders.

to change the name of the Bangor Company.

to incorporate the Maine Steamship Company.

to authorize William Mitchell to build and maintain a wharf in tide waters at Machiasport.

to incorporate the Eastern Steamboat Company.

to incorporate the trustees of the Bethel Society of Portland.

to incorporate the Presque Isle Trotting Park Association. authorizing Drew plantation to raise money for certain purposes.

to change the name of the Sabattis River Manufacturing Company.

to change the name of Adaline J. Small.

to incorporate the C. P. Kimball Company of Portland.

to make valid the doings of school district number five, in the town of Robbinston.

authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Eastport to hire money.

to authorize the town of Dover to raise money to aid in the construction of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad.

to incorporate the Cobbsseecontee Fish Cultivating Company.

to incorporate the Bangor Foundry Company.

to incorporate the Royal River Paper Company.

to incorporate the Western Transportation and Mining Company.

An act to amend chapter three hundred and forty-six of private laws of eighteen hundred and forty-six, authorizing the erection of a dam across Weskeag river in South Thomaston.

to authorize the town of Bethel to collect toll on the bridge over the Androscoggin river at Barker's Ferry.

authorizing Tobias Roberts to construct a wharf into tide waters at Bar harbor in the town of Eden.

to authorize Ariel Wall, Lydia Wall, Charles G. Wall and George J. Wall, to extend their wharf in the city of Hallowell.

to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell and others, to extend wharves into the tide waters of Vinalhaven.

to change the name of Ellen G. Williams.

to incorporate the Knox Woollen Company.

authorizing the maintenance and extension of wharves in Augusta.

to incorporate the Eastern Business College.

to incorporate the Portland and Waldoboro' Steamboat Company.

to incorporate the Bangor Business College.

to incorporate the Maple Grove Cemetery Association of West Pittston.

to authorize the Frontier Steamboat Company to increase their capital stock.

to incorporate Harwood Lodge number ninety-one of Free and Accepted Masons.

to authorize the towns of Brewer and Helden to sell the town landings in Brewer.

to authorize the directors of the Calais and St. Stephen Gas Light Company to assess and levy a tax.

to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fishing Insurance Company.

to authorize the building of a railroad in the town of Pembroke.

to incorporate the Richmond Library Association.

to incorporate The Bradley Union Hall Company.

to authorize Frederick J. Alley to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay, in Eden.

to incorporate the Casco Preserving Company.

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- An act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river.
- to fix the salary of the county attorney of the county of Knox.
- to incorporate the Augusta and Hallowell Railroad Company.
- to amend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company.
- to authorize the First Congregational Society in Eastport to loan money and mortgage their parsonage lot of land.
- to establish a ferry across Penobscot river between Ayer's falls and Marsh rips.
- to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Camp-Meeting Association.
- to extend the corporate powers of the president, directors and company of the Waterville Bank.
- to amend section one of chapter three hundred and ninety-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.
- to incorporate the Maine Slate Company.
- granting to the towns of Bucksport and Verona the right to fish with seines along the bridge connecting said towns.
- to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Exchange street in said city to low water mark in Penobscot river.
- to incorporate the Appleton Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
- to regulate the taking of trout and pickerel in Wilson pond in the town of Auburn.
- to protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy river ponds and Lufkin pond.
- providing for the surrender of the charter of the Hallowell Granite Company.
- to incorporate The Lee Trotting Park Society.
- to provide for the election of a superintending school committee and superintendent of schools in the city of Lewiston.
- to change the name of the Great Works Stream Log Driving Company to the name of the Great Works Dam Company.

An act for the relief of the town of Woodstock.

to authorize William Carleton and E. E. Carleton to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor.

authorizing Samuel Barrett and Amos Barrett to extend and maintain a wharf into and over the tide waters of Rockport harbor, in the town of Camden.

to authorize the city of Bangor to aid the construction of a railroad into Piscataquis county.

to incorporate the city of Auburn.

to authorize I. A. Clark and O. B. Jones to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Seal harbor.

to authorize Ezra Hall to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor.

to establish an additional session of the county commissioners of the county of Piscataquis.

authorizing William Frye to extend a wharf in the tide waters of Camden harbor.

to authorize Joseph R. Bodwell to extend his wharf in Hallowell into tide waters.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Slate Company," approved February sixteen, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to authorize Richard G. Hinman and Eben Blunt to erect a pier in the Penobscot river at East Hampden.

to authorize David L. Fernald and Seth C. Mullen to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor.

to prevent obstructions in Weskeag creek, in the town of South Thomaston.

to change the names of certain persons.

to incorporate the Eagle Floor Oil-Cloth Company.

to incorporate the Maine State Christian Association.

to incorporate the Norombega Coal Company.

authorizing the proprietors of the bridge over north branch of Marsh river, in Frankfort, to surrender their charter, and for other purposes.

to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Granite Company.

to incorporate the Fox Island and Spruce Head Granite Company.

An act to authorize the construction of a marine railway at West Harbor, in the town of Boothbay.

to make valid the doings of the town of Foxcroft in voting to raise money to aid in the construction and equipment of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad.

to make valid the doings of Saint John's parish in Orono.

to incorporate the Piscataquis Iron Works.

to regulate the taking of trout, pickerel and perch in certain ponds in Kennebec and Somerset counties.

to incorporate the Harrison Water Power Company.

to separate the Seminary Department from Bates College and incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary.

to amend the charter of Bates College.

additional to an act entitled "an act to supply the people of Portland with pure water."

to incorporate the Eastern Peat Company.

to incorporate the Lincoln Centre Union Hall Association.

to establish the Sagadahoc Petroleum, Coal and Mining Company.

to amend chapter two hundred fifty-one of the private laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "an act additional to incorporate the Augusta Free Bridge Company."

to authorize the European and North American Railway Company and the city of Bangor to construct sidewalks over tide waters.

giving additional powers to the Union Insurance Company.

to incorporate the International Saw Sharpening Company.

to incorporate Siloam Lodge, number ninety-two, of Free and Accepted Masons.

to incorporate the Pejepscot Mining Company.

to amend an act to incorporate the Knox County Fire Insurance Company.

giving additional powers to the Bangor Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to prevent the taking of pickerel and trout in Great Bear pond and Little Bear pond in the town of Hartford.

to authorize the Bangor Savings Bank to purchase and hold real estate.

An act relating to the Alfred Bank.

to incorporate the City Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Saco, Maine.

to incorporate the Maine Pharmaceutical Association.

to increase the pay of the county commissioners of Penobscot county.

to amend the acts to incorporate the Portland Five Cents Savings Bank.

to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the town of Lebanon.

to abolish the June term of the county commissioners' court in Aroostook county.

to incorporate the Lewiston Young Men's Christian Association.

to incorporate the Young Men's Christian Association of Auburn.

to establish the salary of the county attorney for Sagadahoc county.

authorizing Sheridan plantation to raise money for certain purposes.

to change the names of certain persons.

authorizing Alfred Lennox, his associates and assigns, to extend the Brooks wharf, so called, eastward to ship channel.

to make valid certain doings of the town of Crawford, and of its assessors.

additional to an act to incorporate the Quantabacook Water Company, approved February eighteen, eighteen hundred sixty-seven.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Calais."

to make valid the acts of the selectmen and assessors of the town of Leeds.

to amend section two, chapter two hundred and nine, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "an act to incorporate the Hinckly Knitting Machine Company."

to increase the pay of the sheriff of the county of Aroostook.
to regulate the service of grand jurors in the county of Lincoln.

An act authorizing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company to change the location of its road.

to incorporate the Penobscot Agricultural Society.

authorizing the city of Portland to dredge Portland harbor.

additional to an act to regulate the taking of fish in the

Damariscotta river, approved January twenty-fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

An act additional to "an act to incorporate the Freewill Baptist Foreign Mission Society."

to incorporate the Eureka Match Company.

to reduce the valuation of the town of Phippsburg.

to authorize Abernethy Grover and others, to improve Sunday river and collect toll on logs.

in addition to an act incorporating the third parish at Bath.

to incorporate Portland Dry Dock and Warehouse Company.

to incorporate the Pondicherry Mills Company.

to authorize the town of Eastport to subscribe for and take stock in the Eastport Hotel Company and to issue bonds.

to extend the time for the completion of the European and North American Railway to Lincoln and to amend its location.

to amend chapter eighty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, relating to Somerset Railroad.

to incorporate the Gray Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Boothbay Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Piscataquis Horse Railroad Company.

additional to an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge."

to incorporate the Orono Savings Bank.

to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of York.

to authorize Joseph Erskin and John K. Erskin to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Sheepscot river.

to renew the charters of certain banks.

to incorporate the Bath Marine Insurance Company.

An act to incorporate the People's Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Auburn Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Waterville Hall Association.

to provide for a more free navigation of Penobscot river.

to authorize James Perry to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor.

to incorporate the Biddeford Coöperative Society.

to incorporate the Gorham Savings Bank.

to authorize William Smith to erect a wharf in tide waters in Vinalhaven.

to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank.

to set off a part of the town of Kennebunk and annex the same to the town of Wells.

authorizing Horatio E. Alden and William G. Alden, their heirs, associates and assigns, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor.

to incorporate the Rockland Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society.

to incorporate the Franklin County Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Houlton Village Corporation.

to incorporate the International Railway Company.

to confirm the organization and make valid the doings of Silver Ridge plantation in the county of Aroostook.

to incorporate the Camden Savings Bank.

to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway.

to incorporate the Maine General Hospital.

to amend sections two and six of an act to regulate the shad and alewife fishery in the town of Warren in the county of Lincoln, passed March six, eighteen hundred and two.

to amend an act entitled "an act to renew and extend the charter of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad," approved February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred sixty-seven.

to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain land in Machias.

to incorporate the Stockton Savings Bank.

An act to amend chapter three hundred and sixty-four of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to salmon in Denny's river.

authorizing the Maine Granite Company and their assigns to build and maintain certain wharves in the city of Hallowell.

for the preservation of fish in Swett's pond, in the town of Orrington.

to regulate the taking of trout in Moosehead lake and Brassua lake.

to regulate the taking of codfish, pollock, hake and had-dock in the waters of Frenchman's bay.

to consolidate the school districts in the city of Rockland. additional to chapter one hundred and twenty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, and relating to the compensation of the judge and register of probate in Cumberland county.

to incorporate the Pushaw Dam Company.

to increase the capital stock of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company.

to incorporate the Miller Commercial Wharf Company.

to regulate the driving of logs on the Penamaquon river in Pembroke.

to incorporate the Saint John's Lodge number fifty-one, of Free and Accepted Masons.

to change the names of certain persons.

additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company.

relating to the sale of timber and grass on the Indian township in Washington county.

to repeal an act entitled "an act to incorporate the town of Glenwood."

to incorporate the Portland Water and Gas Pipe Company.

to further amend "an act to establish the Penobscot and Kennebec Railroad Company," approved August thirteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and for other purposes.

to incorporate the Crescent Royal Arch Chapter of Masons.

to incorporate the Maine Eclectic Medical Society.

- An act to define and establish the territorial limits of the town of Deer Isle, in the county of Hancock.
- to organize the plantation of Lakeville.
- to incorporate the Topsham Paper Company.
- making further provisions respecting the loans of credit heretofore made by the city of Portland to the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Portland Leather Company.
- to establish schools in Madawaska territory.
- to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway.
- for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, amounting to eight hundred six thousand two hundred twenty-five dollars nine cents.
- to incorporate the Belfast Savings Bank.
- to incorporate the Maine Publishing Company.
- to incorporate the Preble Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.
- to enlarge the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford.
- to cede to the United States jurisdiction over certain land in Wiscasset.
- to amend chapter three hundred and forty-six of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Saco."
- relieving the town of Chelsea from liability for damages on the roads leading over the lands ceded to the United States for a military asylum.
- authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Kennebunk to abate the poll tax of the members of Mousam Engine Company, in school district number five, in said town.
- authorizing the inhabitants of school district number five in the town of Kennebunk to raise money for certain purposes.
- to authorize the erection of a dam across Sheepscot river.
- to incorporate the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society.

An act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company.

to make valid the doings of Pleasant Ridge plantation in raising money for war purposes.

to renew the charters of the Lime Rock Bank of Rockland and the North Bank of Rockland.

to extend the time for building and completing the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad.

authorizing the town of Phippsburg, in the county of Sagadahoc, to exempt certain property from taxation.

authorizing certain towns to raise money to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad, or Somerset and Kennebec Railroad.

to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company.

to authorize the city of Hallowell to loan its credit to aid in the construction of steam mills.

to authorize the county commissioners of the county of York, to audit, allow and pay the expenses incurred in the pursuit, detection and arrest of the persons who robbed the safe of D. W. O'Brien, of Cornish, in the county of York.

amendatory of and additional to chapter three hundred and eighty of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "an act to incorporate the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company."

to authorize the governor and council to sell and convey the lot of land and buildings occupied for the state arsenal at Portland.

to legalize certain acts of the town of Buckfield in exempting town bonds from taxation.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Cobbosseecontee Fish Cultivating Company," approved January twenty-nine, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

TITLES OF RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1868.

Resolves relating to the claim of the state against the sureties of
B. D. Peck, late treasurer of state.

Resolve in favor of Peropole Sabattis.

Resolves in relation to the law of the United States providing for
the taxation of the stock of national banks.
in relation to naturalized citizens of the United States.

Resolve authorizing the land agent to convey a lot of land to the
heirs of the late John Mathison.

relating to probate court in Lincoln county.

for the distribution of books to the judges of the courts of
the United States in this district.

in favor of Alexander Kennedy.

in favor of Lucy J. Story.

Resolves authorizing the county of Sagadahoc to procure a loan.

Resolve relating to the title to the Grassy Islands and Fishways
at Oldtown Falls.

in favor of Elizabeth S. Dolley, and the children of the late
William F. Dolley.

Resolves relating to the shipping interest of Maine.

Resolve in favor of John B. Hayes.

in favor of Mary Waite.

in favor John A. Rowe.

in favor of Lawrence O'Keeffe.

authorizing the conveyance of a lot of land to Rhoda Hen-
drick.

authorizing the conveyance of lot of land to Perez Thomas.

in favor of Joseph Hinckley.

in favor of the town of Cornish.

in favor of the town of Lyndon.

authorizing the secretary of state to furnish the town of
Mars Hill with certain documents.

- Resolve in favor of the Richmond Library Association.
in favor of Sockabasin Swassian.
relating to appropriation for the state library.
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for the relief of D'Aigle plantation, in the county of Aroostook.
- Resolves relating to obstructions in Penobscot river.
- Resolve relating to exchange of agricultural documents.
in favor of the heirs of the late James H. Lebroke.
in favor of the joint standing committee on state reform school.
in favor of the Portland Institute and Public Library.
in favor of the joint committee on military affairs.
in favor of Lewis J. Pollard.
- Resolves in favor of the town of Monson.
- Resolve relating to the establishment of an asylum for the reformation of inebriates.
in favor of Fish River road.
in favor of Simeon B. Folsom.
allowing the plantations of Eagle Lake, and Letter L, their school money for eighteen hundred and sixty-five.
in aid of the road across Indian township, in the county of Washington.
in favor of Van Buren plantation, and L and K townships, in Aroostook county.
in aid of building a bridge over the Aroostook river, at Caribou village, in the town of Lyndon.
in aid of building a bridge in the town of Plymouth, in the county of Penobscot.
in favor of Eunice B. Elliot.
authorizing the payment of certain private claims, from moneys received from the United States.
authorizing the land agent to examine into the situation of the French settlements in the plantations of D'Aigle, Dion and Madawaska.
providing for the publication of certain documents relating to the hydrographic survey of the state.
amendatory of a resolve entitled "resolve relating to the title to the Grassy Islands and fishways at Oldtown Falls."

Resolve in aid of continuing the road through from Presque Isle by Ball's Mills to Ashland.

to authorize the appointment of a commission to settle and adjust the claims of the heirs of the late Captain Lewy.

Resolves relative to the impeachment of Andrew Johnson.

Resolve making an appropriation for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

Resolves making an annual appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of the state reform school.

for an appropriation on the road leading from Caribou village to the Fish River road in the county of Aroostook. providing for the sale of timber and grass on Indian township of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

in favor of Ernest F. Owen and Charles W. Owen, minor children of the late Eben H. Owen.

in aid of roads in the counties of Aroostook, Franklin, Somerset and Piscataquis.

abating state taxes in part of Bridgton, and assessing the same upon the town of Harrison.

authorizing the land agent to complete the contract made for selling a parcel of land.

in favor of Samuel H. Thompson.

in favor of the state prison.

authorizing the land agent to convey a section of land.

Resolves relating to Soldiers National Cemetery.

in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this state.

Resolve in favor of the cities of Biddeford and Bangor.

relating to Maine State Educational Association.

relating to timber and lumber reserved for common schools.

in favor of the city of Lewiston.

relating to the disposal of arsenal grounds.

in favor of an appropriation for the repair of the senate chamber and gallery.

in favor of the joint standing committee on the state prison.

in favor of printing the publications of the Maine Medical Association.

authorizing aid for erecting mills at Eagle Lake plantation.

in favor of George W. Chamberlain.

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- Resolves relating to Antietam National Cemetery.
- Resolve relative to a state industrial school for girls.
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 - in favor of Stevens and Sayward.
 - in favor of the insane asylum.
 - in favor of protecting the state house against fire.
 - relating to destitute orphans of soldiers and seamen of the late war.
- Resolves to continue in force and amendatory of chapter seventy-eight of the resolves of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, in relation to the restoration of sea fish to the rivers and inland waters of Maine.
- Resolve in favor of Pillsbury and Smith.
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- Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this state.
- in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.
- Resolves authorizing the governor and council to determine the number of clerks to be employed by the adjutant general, secretary of state, and state treasurer.
- providing for an amendment of the constitution so as to authorize a limited reimbursement of municipal war expenditures by loaning the credit of the state.
- Resolve in favor of Foxcroft Academy.
- in favor of Hebron Academy.
 - relative to state superintendent of common schools.
 - relative to state normal school.
 - in favor of W. E. S. Whitman.
 - relating to the state printing and binding.
 - relating to the state printing.
 - on the pay roll of the house.
 - on the pay roll of the senate.

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Page 153. Act additional to chapter 265 of the laws of 1864 relating to railroad mortgages, instead of 256.

Page 155. Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire if any further legislation is needed to amend chapter 187 of the revised statutes relating to depositions, read chapter 107.

Page 244. Mr. Spear, from the Committee on Railroads, &c., reported ought to pass on bill an act to amend chapter 322, laws of 1865, relating to railroads, read chapter 321.

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