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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 26, 1870. }

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,  
ORDERED, That the Clerk be directed to publish the usual number of copies of the  
Journal of the House for distribution.  
Read and passed.

A true copy—

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

ATTEST :

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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AUGUSTA,  
WEDNESDAY, January 5, 1870. }

Pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, the members of the House of Representatives elect, convened in the Representatives' Hall, and were called to order by S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk of the House for the year 1869.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BINGHAM of Augusta.

The certified roll of Representatives elect, furnished by the Secretary of State in compliance with the provisions of chapter 67 of the public laws of 1869, entitled "an act to regulate the organization of the Legislature," was called by the Clerk, and 142 members elect responded to the call and a quorum found to be present.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, that gentleman 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. Dickey subsequently reported that he had discharged 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. BRADFORD of Eastport,  
Messrs. Bradford of Eastport, Harriman of Belfast, Hinks of

Bucksport, Twitchell of Portland, Blake of Auburn, Dunning of Bangor, and Spaulding of Richmond, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker of the House.

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

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| Whole number of votes.....  | 140 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 71  |
| Reuben Foster has.....      | 113 |
| William Dickey.....         | 27  |

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

The SPEAKER was conducted to the Chair by Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and addressed the House as follows :

*Gentlemen of the House of Representatives*:—I thank you kindly for this honor. But it will not give rise to vanity on my part, for I regard myself as your debtor, and in payment, you shall have my most industrious and earnest efforts to perform the duties of this office faithfully, right, as my judgment and conscience shall give me to see the right, and with all dispatch possible, consistent with due performance.

I shall ever regard your will and strive to give expression to it. You are aware, gentlemen, that this position involves the decision of questions oftentimes difficult and delicate. Without experience in presiding, I expect to make mistakes, to commit errors. They shall not be wanton. I therefore ask your forbearance, your generous assistance, and coöperation. With these, I hope for success.

I hope, too, allow me to say, that avoiding partizan feeling and party questions, we may all, while providing for the interests of our constituents, look beyond to the general good, and in every proper and judicious way give encouragement to the development of the ample resources of this our loved State of Maine.

Gentlemen, I am now at your service.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,

Messrs. Barton of Benton, Folsom of Skowhegan, Irish of Sherman, Brawn of Oldtown, Bonney of Portland, Brown of Anson, and Ham of Lewiston, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk of the House.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. BARTON reported :

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| Whole number of votes.....    | 131 |
| Necessary for a choice.....   | 66  |
| Sumner J. Chadbourne has..... | 107 |
| William H. Anthony.....       | 24  |

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

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell, the same Committee proceeded to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Clerk.

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

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of votes.....  | 111 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 56  |
| Z. A. Smith has.....        | 111 |

The report was read and accepted, and Z. A. Smith was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk of the House.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, that gentlemen was charged with a message to the Governor and Council, informing that branch of the civil government of the organization of the House of Representatives, by the election of Hon. Reuben Foster as Speaker, and Sumner J. Chadbourne as Clerk.

Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport, was charged with a message of the same import to the Senate.

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

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, that gentleman accompanied the Clerk and Assistant Clerk to the Governor, to take and subscribe the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Mr. Twitchell subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Sumner J. Chadbourne and Z. A. Smith had taken and subscribed the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Thereupon Sumner J. Chadbourne and Z. A. Smith appeared and entered upon the discharge of their official duties.

Attest:     S. J CHADBOURNE,  
Clerk of the House of 1869.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Lang of Kennebec, announcing the organization of that branch by the election of Hon. William W. Bolster as President, and S. W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

On motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport,

*Ordered*, That Charles E. Avery be Messenger, J. B. Walker and Daniel C. Lombard be Assistant Messengers.

Mr. DAVIS of Lubec, presented the following order, which was read and laid on the table :

*Ordered*, That the Messenger of this House be directed to appoint a suitable person for Folder and General Assistant.

Mr. BARTON of Benton, offered the following order :

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House be directed to furnish each member and officer of the House with one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal during the session.

The order was amended, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, by adding after the word "Journal," the words, "Eastern Argus," and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

Mr. BAKER of Augusta, presented the following, which was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. FARWELL :

*Ordered*, That the Joint Rules and Orders of last session be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this session till otherwise ordered, except that a Committee on the Revision of the Statutes be substituted in place of the Committee on Legal Reform.

On motion of Mr. DUNNING of Bangor,

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

On motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House cause to be prepared for the use of the House, a Register of the names of the members of the House alphabetically arranged, with the number of seat, boarding place, residence, post office address, politics, occupation, religion, and diagram of the House, and cause the usual number to be printed.

On motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House be directed to prepare a

Card containing the order of Legislative business, and that three hundred copies be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais,

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

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,

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

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,

*Ordered*, That the House hold one session each secular day, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. on Mondays, at 9 o'clock on Saturdays, and at 10 o'clock on other days, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, announced the attendance of A. Judson Ray of Harrington, member elect of the House.

Mr. DUNNING of Bangor, announced the attendance of Harvey D. Clark of Holden, member elect.

These gentlemen were conducted to the Council Chamber where they took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Messrs. Ray and Clark subsequently appeared and took their seats in the House.

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, read, and laid on the table.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered*, The House concurring, that 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 this order be published in the Kennebec Journal until that date.

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

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Governor, came from the Senate read, and was read in concurrence.

*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. Morse of Sagadahoc, Cushing of Waldo, Roberts of York, Minot of Kennebec, Webb of Somerset, Torrey of Knox, and Buffum of Penobscot, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Farwell of Augusta, Bearce of Lewiston, Stickney of Presque Isle, Stover of Harpswell, Wheeler of Chesterville, Wasson of Surry, Bliss of Washington, Mears of Bristol, Chase of Woodstock, Humphrey of Bangor, Foss of Abbot, Spaulding of Richmond, Folsom of Skowhegan, Harriman of Belfast, Peavey of Whiting, and Cousens of Kennebunkport, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.



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THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, presented bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Bleachery Company," approved March 29, 1853; also, bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Bates Manufacturing Company, Lewiston."

These bills were read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, presented bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland."

The bill was read twice, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That a Joint Special Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to which shall be referred the revision of the statutes.

This order was read and passed.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House cause to be prepared for the use of the members, a catalogue containing the names, alphabetically arranged, with residence, post office address, boarding place, and number of seat, of each member, and a diagram of the House, and that the usual number of copies be printed and distributed at the earliest practicable day.

Mr. WILDER of Washburn, presented the following order, which was indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport:

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be required to furnish each member of the House ten dollars' worth of United States postage stamps at the expense of the State.

The order directing the Clerk to supply members of the House with the Kennebec Journal and Eastern Argus, was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport, and passed.

Mr. BLISS of Washington, announced the attendance of Samuel W. Campbell of Deer Isle, member elect, and conducted him to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon his official duties.

Mr. Campbell subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Remonstrance of H. K. Bradbury against the right of John W. Lane to a seat in this House, was presented by Mr. LANE of Hollis.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention, this day, at 11½ o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General, Land Agent, and seven Executive Councillors, for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

The hour fixed for the Convention 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, Carvill of Cumberland, Blake of Auburn, Powers of Houlton, Jordan of Brunswick, Martin of Rumford, and Farwell of Augusta, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of votes.....  | 155 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 78  |
| Franklin M. Drew has.....   | 133 |
| John M. Goodwin.....        | 22  |

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

On motion of Mr. CUSHING of the Senate,  
Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Twitchell of Portland, Green of  
Wilton, Bliss of Washington, Brown of Anson, Jones of Norway,  
and Cushing of Sidney, were appointed a Committee to receive,  
sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

Having attended to that duty, Mr. CUSHING, from the Com-  
mittee, reported :

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of votes.....  | 153 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 77  |
| Thomas B. Reed has .....    | 127 |
| Albert W. Bradbury.....     | 26  |

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. Thomas B. Reed  
declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political  
year.

On motion of Mr. WEBB of the Senate,  
Messrs. Webb of Somerset, Minot of Kennebec, Whidden of  
Calais, Waterhouse of Portland, Darling of Chesterville, Mayo of  
Windham, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count  
the votes for Adjutant General.

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

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of votes.....  | 164 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 83  |
| B. B. Murray, Jr., has..... | 131 |
| Charles W. Roberts.....     | 32  |
| Albert W. Bradbury.....     | 1   |

The report was read and accepted, and Gen. B. B. Murray, Jr.,  
declared duly elected Adjutant General for the current political  
year.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY of the Senate,  
Messrs. Kingsbury of Penobscot, Lang of Kennebec, Wasson of  
Surry, Palmer of Gardiner, Watts of Thomaston, Dunning of Ban-  
gor, and Skinner of St. Albans, were appointed a Committee to  
receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

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

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of votes.....  | 139 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 70  |
| Parker P. Burleigh.....     | 139 |

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

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of the Senate,

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, Nealley of York, Chase of Woodstock, Whitney of Exeter, Foss of Abbot, Adams of Mayfield, and Lewis of Liberty, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

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

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of votes.....  | 162 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 82  |
| Uranus O. Brackett has..... | 128 |
| William Deering.....        | 128 |
| William Rogers.....         | 128 |
| A. H. Abbot.....            | 128 |
| E. R. Spear.....            | 128 |
| Joseph W. Porter.....       | 128 |
| D. K. Hobart.....           | 127 |
| Trafton Hatch.....          | 34  |
| Charles E. Morrill.....     | 34  |
| John Reed.....              | 34  |
| Oliver Moses.....           | 34  |
| E. K. O'Brien.....          | 34  |
| James F. Rawson.....        | 34  |
| Samuel D. Leavitt.....      | 34  |

The report was read and accepted, and Messrs. Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, A. H. Abbot, E. R. Spear, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart, were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. BUCK of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to inform Franklin M. Drew of his election as Secretary of State, Thomas B. Reed of his election as Attorney General, B. B. Murray, Jr., of his election as Adjutant General, Parker P. Burleigh of his election as Land Agent, Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, A. H. Abbot, E. R. Spear, Joseph W. Porter, and E. K. Hobart, of their election as Executive Councillors.

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

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Mr. BLISS of Washington, presented the following resolve, which was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta :

*Resolved*, That the Senate concurring, the members of both branches of the Legislature are hereby requested to attend in a body, with the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments, the ceremonial at Portland, on the arrival of the remains of the late George Peabody.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That when this House adjourn, it be to meet this evening 7 at o'clock.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered*, That the House concurring, the Joint Rules and Orders of 1869 be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature, until otherwise ordered.

This order came from Senate read, amended as per sheet "A," and passed; and was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

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

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Whole number of votes.....     | 95,275 |
| Necessary for a choice.....    | 47,638 |
| Joshua L. Chamberlain had..... | 51,314 |
| Franklin Smith.....            | 39,033 |
| Nathan G. Hichborn.....        | 4,735  |
| J. L. Chamberlain.....         | 37     |
| Joshua Chamberlain.....        | 88     |
| N. G. Hichborn.....            | 45     |
| N. H. Hichborn.....            | 3      |
| Sidney Perham.....             | 4      |
| Ebenezer Knowlton.....         | 2      |
| Anson P. Morrill.....          | 2      |
| Samuel F. Hersey.....          | 1      |
| Ezra T. Beal.....              | 1      |
| Scattering.....                | 10     |

There were many irregularities in the details of returns, which the Committee in the exercise of their discretion, counted. But

there were several returns so glaringly incorrect, that the Committee were obliged to reject them. Mapleton, in Aroostook county, made no return of the candidates voted for, for Governor.

St. Francis plantation appears to have voted for eleven men for Governor, these among other reasons caused the rejection of its returns. Talmadge, in Washington county, sent a *blank* return legally signed by town officers.

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.

(Signed) T. H. CUSHING, *for the Committee.*

*Ordered,* That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Lane of Cumberland, and Lindsey of Somerset, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. McGilvery of Searsport, Chamberlain of Ellsworth, White of Bangor, Stone of Kennebunk, Reed of Waldoborough, Patten of Bath, and Irish of Sherman, were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. MCGILVERY 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 might indicate to take and subscribe the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature this evening, at seven o'clock, in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor elect, the oaths 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.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the

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Senate signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for Convention.

Adjourned.

#### EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Bleachery Company, approved March 29, 1853";

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Bates Manufacturing Company in Lewiston";

These bills having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, were, under suspension of the rules, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

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

#### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. LANG of Kennebec,

That Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, 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. Lang 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.

Whereupon, the Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor elect, attended by the Executive Council and Heads of Departments, came in, and in the 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.

Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, then made the following

#### PROCLAMATION.

The votes for Governor which have been returned to the office of Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the

Legislature, who have declared that a majority thereof were given to Joshua L. Chamberlain, and that he is duly elected, and he having in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of that office, I therefore declare and make known to all persons in this State who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all good citizens thereof, that JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN is *Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the State of Maine*, and that due obedience should be rendered to all lawful acts and commands as such.

*God save the State of Maine!*

The PRESIDENT of the Convention then announced to the Governor that they were prepared to listen to any communication which he desired to make.

The Governor was then 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:*

In approaching the duties of another session, it is well to impress upon the mind a due estimate of their importance; and acknowledging and invoking the Divine favor, seek for wisdom in their faithful discharge. It is true that the councils of the Nation have more to do with the greater matters of our common weal or woe; but the questions which are within your control, and the duties to which you are now solemnly devoted, are worthy of your best thought and conscience and wisdom.

While the dark burden of the war rolled its gloom over us, the people were not niggardly in giving nor over-critical in receiving whatever promised aid in the great deliverance. With a patriotism which knew no class or section, with a generosity which counted no cost, and a devotion that shrank from no sacrifice, they poured their choicest treasure and their most precious life into the field where the great issue was joined for the guaranties of liberty and a government of law. Intent on this they paid little attention to little things; they did not stop to challenge either men or measures that came in the guise and color of the common cause. But the crisis now is past; the field won. The times are different; our duties new. We must challenge both measures and men, cast out the false, displace the weak, entrench the strong. We



must look back over the tumultuous track and see where ruin can be repaired and abuses corrected;—false channels cut by the wild overflow stopped up; true currents of prosperity restored. We must look forward, not only to see what must be borne, but what must be done,—stifled energies to be set free, new powers put in motion. No spiritless or timid reluctance to grapple with the vexed questions which may claim our attention, should be allowed to settle upon us from the too modest impression that our acts are of little consequence. On the contrary never was sound judgment and generous toil, and the clear, sharp scrutiny that runs before and after, more demanded by the exigency of the times and the interests of the people.

A government has something more to do than to govern, and levy taxes to pay the governors. It is something more than a police to arrest evil and punish wrong. It must also encourage good, point out improvements, open roads of prosperity and infuse life into all right enterprises. It should combine the insight and foresight of the best minds of the State for all the high ends for which society is established and to which man aspires. That gives us much to do. We sit down here to devise things for the public good. Let us be at the work early, and do it both well and quickly. For both are possible. Promptitude and activity will enable us to avoid a protracted session, omitting nothing and at the same time considering well. That there will be conflicts of opinion and differences of judgment may be expected, and is well. Where men are thoughtful there will seldom be unanimity. Where men are honest there will be sharp individuality. Independence, if it is genuine, is no evil, but a good. The great requisite, indeed, on the part of those who make or administer laws, is moral courage. We cannot expect much that is good from laws enacted under clamor or to meet some crisis, nor from statesmen who are chiefly concerned in contriving to keep their place and power. One thing we may be sure of,—the virtue in the hearts of the people. That instinct may be deceived, but will not be defeated. It demands honesty; and will pardon us if in that cause we are over bold.

One man, indeed, we have lost from active participation and influence in our affairs. One voice is silent that was wont to speak only honest conviction, without favor and without fear. WILLIAM PITT FESSENDEN is gone. The race of men that dare be right has suffered loss. The man who will calmly resolve and give judg-

ment with understanding, unmoved by the voice of those who seeing not so clearly, feel more violently—the man who aims for the ultimate right, rather than for the near advantage—the man who in the tremendous hour of responsibility when great issues hang upon his action, hearing above the tumult of taunting foes and supplicating friends, the deeper voices of reason and conscience, fixes his single eye on duty, and stakes his all upon the blow—that man it is hard to find, and hard indeed to lose. One by one the great men around whom our hearts rallied in the dark days of the Republic, are passing from our view. We feel that we are lost, rather than they. Happy will it be if the young men now rising to their places, shall learn from their example, and be able when the day of trial comes to do their duty as unselfishly, as boldly, and as well. The deeds of such men live after them. Their words are gone out unto the end of the world. Their light shall shine along the heights of history, as the glory lives on the Alpine peaks when the sun is seen no more.

The vacancy in the United States Senate it became my duty to fill for the time, and I accordingly appointed Hon. Lot M. Morrill. It now devolves on you to elect a Senator for the remainder of the term ending March 4th, 1871.

I proceed to lay before you an abstract of the condition of the State, with the few suggestions which appear needful to be made: the more complete details and cogent reasons will for the most part appear in the several reports and other documents submitted to your inspection.

#### FINANCIAL.

The report of the Treasurer will present a most interesting statement and history of our finances. Our receipts during the past year have been \$939,814.50, and our expenditures \$919,609.80. On the old civil debt we have paid the annual installment of \$37,000, leaving a balance of \$384,000. Our war debt December 31, 1869, was \$4,632,500. This is amply provided for by the sinking fund arising from the tax of three-fourths of a mill on the dollar by the valuation of 1860. Of this debt \$800,000 falls due in 1871. The sinking fund, with the collections from the general government applied to extinguish this debt, already amounts to \$972,530, so that we are already \$172,530 in advance of our liabilities in 1871, and at the present rate of increase we shall be \$300,000 ahead.

Our whole public debt January 1, 1870, including the civil and the war debt, and the municipal reimbursement loan is \$8,100,900. Notwithstanding the heavy drain on the Treasury last year, expenditures have been so economized and cut short, that the loan authorized to meet current expenses has not been resorted to, nor have even the appropriations been exhausted. It is estimated that with all that may reasonably be contemplated, the rate of taxation this year will fall somewhat short of the last. Still, we should make all reasonable appropriations. It would be poor economy to refuse to expend any money till our debts are paid.

The remarkable feature of our finances this year is the assumption by the State of a portion of the war expenses of towns. This is made at the rate of \$100 for every three years' man actually furnished for the war. After a long and thorough examination of the most tangled and perplexing matters, the commissioners appointed to adjust the reimbursement have now made their report, which will be found to contain serious matters of history in regard to the method of furnishing men for the war. They adjudge the sum of \$3,105,183.33. The fractional parts of \$100 required to be paid in currency in this distribution amount to \$20,783.33. For the rest, viz. \$3,084,400, Bonds of the State are now ready for issue bearing interest from October 1, 1869, at the rate of six per cent., payable semi-annually. To provide for this interest and the ratable portion of the sinking fund required to extinguish this debt, you will need to assess the sum of about \$80,000.

It would serve as a protection against loss or robbery, if you were to provide for the registration of these bonds as the holders might desire. If a portion of this loan finds its way to the market, there is no reason to apprehend a serious depreciation. Under the late stringency which so severely tested all bonded securities, ours fell off not more than two or three per cent. from par. When we consider also the much higher rates of interest offered by other securities which flood the market, we cannot but congratulate ourselves upon the public confidence in our financial soundness.

The liabilities, which, one way or another, grew out of the war, have laid a heavy burden on us. Were it not for this, it will be perceived, they would be but light. But it must be borne in mind that this debt does not represent what is wasted and lost. It is a heritage of honor, and a patent of nobility; and if that seems too unsubstantial a consolation to those who dwell on the

more striking fact that our taxes continue high, they may be reminded that more than half this debt is for money that has been scattered broadcast among our own citizens.

The report of the Examiner of Banks and Insurance Companies will suggest matters of unusual importance. It will be seen that our old banks, under State charter, are almost extinct. The policy of the Government is hostile, and we shall probably have to abandon the system.

The recommendation of a tax to be laid upon foreign Insurance Companies doing business in this State, seems well supported by argument.

Those who are interested in the condition of our people, will not be content to estimate the prosperity of the State from the operations of capitalists and the balance of trade. They will also look upon the great masses, and see if they can live upon their daily labor; to what use they put their earnings, and to what advantage their small savings. There you can best discover whether you are rightly solving the problems of political economy, or realizing the objects of society. There are now thirty-seven Savings Banks in Maine, several having been recently chartered in what we might call our country towns; the chief apprehension in regard to which is, that they may not be able to afford suitable security against robbery. The deposits for the past year amount to \$10,839,955, by about 40,000 depositors; making an average of something over \$250 each. An interesting comparison is shown by the fact that the amount thus laid in store from honest and hard-earned gains, is already more than a million and a quarter larger than the aggregate capital of all our banks of issue, State and National, and nearly two and three-quarter millions larger than the whole of our bonded public debt.

It is urged by some that a direct tax should be laid on savings banks. It is a sound principle that property should share as equally as possible the public burden; and it seems, at first sight, that savings banks should no more be exceptions to the rule than any other banks. But it will be seen upon reflection that the spirit and intent of deposits in savings banks differ entirely from the object and operation of deposits in other banks; and it is a grave question whether this difference is not of such a nature and result as to make the savings banks a positive benefit to the State, which might even entitle them to special grace, practically amount-

ing to a bounty, or premium, if you please. These banks are the special depositories of the poor; treasuries of pittances which could in no other way be so well guarded and made profitable. If not kept here many of them would not be kept at all. Besides the actual saving of earnings, and the positive addition to wealth thence accruing,—itself an object worthy of your thoughtful care,—there are incidental and even more valuable advantages. The moment he has money in the bank, the humblest feels a bracing up of his self-respect and whole moral force. From that moment springs an incentive to industry, frugality, temperance, enterprise; to all, in fact, which constitutes good citizenship, and advances the character and condition of men. Anything, therefore, which tends to discourage deposits in savings banks should be scrupulously avoided. If there were any way to reach the large depositors by requiring the officers of banks to make returns to the assessors of towns for the purpose of taxation, it would certainly be well. But first premising that large sums are less likely than small ones to escape taxation in the ordinary way, it is to be said that such depositors might still easily evade the law, and the burden would fall back on those less able to bear it.

Indeed the mere fact itself of publishing Savings Banks deposits would intimidate and dishearten many whose very struggle and merit it is to keep this pittance from the willful and wasteful hands which would at the same time destroy it and themselves. By the very confidential relations of these banks many a poor woman is helped in her heroic struggle to bear her unequal burden. Therefore it seems to me better even to suffer such evils as we do, than in the attempt to correct them to subvert a far greater good.

What this State needs is capital—money in motion, whether gold or currency. Our material is stagnant, our industry crippled, our enterprise staggered for want of money, which is power. What makes the sinews of war, makes also the sinews of peace. Maine strikes me as quite different in her circumstances from the other New England States, with their denser population, developed arts and industries, their centralization of forces and accumulation of capital. She reminds me more of the Western States in her condition and needs,—a virgin soil, undeveloped powers, vast forests, and vigorous men, but no money. Like them she is trying to build railroads, invite immigration and develop her resources, and perhaps is not so much in love with a high tariff as some of

her more cultivated sisters. The elements and powers of nature, and the energy and enterprise of men in order to be turned to account for the great uses of civilization, must wait on capital. Unfortunately we cannot hold our own: we can keep neither our men nor our money at home. Higher rates of interest for the one, and quicker and larger returns for the other, win the game. The result is a double drain which keeps all our channels low. This evil must be remedied or Maine will have to wait a great while for her coronation. What can be done it is not easy to say specifically. We must look to the National Government to strike off some of our fetters and lighten some of our burdens. To me it seems unwise to cramp our energies with duties and taxes in trying to do everything in one day. I have no great pride against letting somebody else help pay the cost of the war. The great debt of the country is a boon which we must invite posterity to share, along with the blessings which they will inherit with it. We gave our strength, our blood, our tears; let the delivered future bear a part at least in the thank-offering. If we can do anything that will make labor, skill, talent and capital remunerative, that let us do. People will come and will stay; money will be kept and brought, if we can manage to make it pay. What we can do for money does not readily appear. But we can look over the situation. As I have said, higher rates of interest abroad lure our money away. Money will seek the highest level as sure as water. Argument and entreaty will not change the course of this inexorable law. Capitalists are reluctant. Some scruple to receive an illegal rate and so refuse. Some stipulating for these rates, knowing that they can only trust the honor of the borrower for the continuance, want a better security. But mortgages of real estate, which is about all we have, carry a long right of redemption, and the lender is liable to be kept three years out of the money at merely the low legal rate. The result is he will not accept even the mortgage, but demands an outright deed, and then the borrower must trust the honor of the lender, which in turn may not be very valuable security.

Two things would undoubtedly tend to make money more plenty. 1. To perfect and make practicable our free banking law. 2. To legalize higher rates of interest. Of course the suggestion of evils growing out of the latter proposal at once arises. But it may be that the example of the General Government which com-

pelled us to suspend specie payments, may also compel us for a time to recognize a rate of interest corresponding with this general practice and sanction.

The Commissioners on the State valuation will submit the result of their labors for your action, which will require your careful scrutiny and impartial judgment.

#### INSTITUTIONS, REFORMATORY AND SANITARY.

The various institutions under the care of the State are generally in a prosperous condition. The Reform School shows excellent management. The business is conducted with judgment and energy; the discipline and care of the boys is wise and kind; and although this is in some sense a prison it is in the best sense a school. It is a greater task than we might think to administer the affairs of such an institution with entire success. We have every reason to be gratified with the present results.

I trust we shall not lose sight of the proposition so cordially received two years ago, to establish an Industrial School for girls. Such an institution would do much good, and save from vast evils. The subject cannot but command the sympathy of every humane and considerate man.

So far as I can judge of the State Prison, everything about it appears to be well managed. The sum of \$15,000 was placed last year in the hands of the Warden for a working capital. The experiment has proved successful. The books show this year an excess of earnings over expenses of \$689.19, which is a marked change in the balance of accounts. Great care is taken for the welfare and improvement of the convicts, and every thing is done for their good which the nature of the case will permit.

I am constrained to say here, that the jail system in this State is far from being so satisfactory. As I have said before, it is attended by evils which are disastrous in the extreme, and I would respectfully renew my recommendation that you provide some method to reach this matter.

The Executive Council have given particular attention to the condition of the deaf, dumb and blind, who are now sent to institutions out of the State. Some matters of detail have been corrected and improved, but upon the whole the present mode of caring for those unfortunates is approved as the best provision we could make.

The Hospital for the Insane is still crowded with inmates. Applicants are awaiting the completion of the new wing. This it will be necessary to provide for. The building will then be architecturally complete, and the institution as large as can be advantageously managed. The adjacent lands on the south have been purchased, and the grounds are now convenient and symmetrical. Cordially conceding all that is claimed for the sincere efforts of those who have the management of the institution in charge, I still remain of the opinion that we are somewhat short of perfection in our methods, if not in our system, of caring for the insane. Cells and corridors and stone walls are dreary confines for minds broken under the weight of real or fancied wrongs. It may be justified on the homœopathic principle that the proper medicine for a sick man is that which produces the same disease in a well one; for a brief treatment of a sane man in these crowded corridors would very soon give him a title to stay there. I cannot venture to point out (even were I able) precisely what should be done, but we may reasonably expect that those who are especially charged with this responsibility, instead of troubling themselves too much to defend what they do, should set themselves to search out and correct the evils which inevitably grow up in such institutions, and think it no confession of fault if they strive to improve in every possible way their methods, instrumentalities, and even their system.

If I were to permit myself a suggestion, it would be that we strive to make the Hospital less of a prison, and attend more to the healing influences of Nature. Let the inmates come in contact as much as possible with that which is calm, and free, and natural, and sane. I think that the laying out of the grounds on some artistic plan would afford salutary employment and recreation to many of the inmates, and thus without much outlay by the State, the place may be made attractive, and the gloom which pervades the atmosphere of such an institution be mitigated if not dispelled, by the beauty and salubrity of its surroundings.

For some reason which does not now clearly appear, the Insane Hospital is largely exempt from that responsibility to the Executive Council which affects other institutes of the State. The practical effects of this appear in many ways, and have not contributed to relieve the doubts which have sometimes arisen in regard to the management of the establishment. I would therefore recom-



mend that the Hospital be placed under the same supervision as other Institutions sustaining a similar relation to the State.

The Trustees of the Maine General Hospital will ask your aid. It is understood that generous private benefactions are ready to follow an appropriate endowment by the State. This petition is eminently proper, and should be received with the most favorable disposition.

#### EDUCATIONAL.

There is probably no branch of our public interests where such improvement has been made as in that of our common schools. Not that any striking changes or brilliant results have as yet appeared; but what I mean to say is, that we are set upon right ways; that the faults, the wastes, and the wants of our former practices have been brought out, and appropriate means have been set in motion which can scarcely fail to work salutary and permanent effects. We are seeking, not so much to change the system, as to infuse life into it; so that the best appliances, the best methods and the experience of the best minds, can be extended to remote and humble places; so that in an educational sense, we can secure through every nook and corner of the State, the equal rights of all.

It is moreover no exaggeration to say, that the present is a new era in teaching. It is not a little singular to find novelty in an art so old. But the spirit of our institutions, and the demands of the times, have necessitated aims, objects, and methods which render education altogether a different business from what it was a generation ago. It no longer seeks to cram the mind with strange forms and aggregated facts, without harmony, relation, life, or permanence; it now teaches the mind from the very start to observe, compare, analyse, assimilate—to master and make its own;—in fact it is education—the training, unfolding, leading and fashioning forth of the mind. Teachers must now have something more than a good moral character—that, and something besides—they must demonstrate that they have character at all. They cannot teach merely what they have borrowed over night; but only that which they have wrought out and made their own. This tells on the young mind; gives it edge and point, and in many ways tends to fit all, both teacher and taught, to enter undismayed the arena of these stirring and eventful times. I think the highest

good is flowing from our Normal Schools, and Institutes and County Supervisorships. They have caught the right spirit and transfuse it. They are the means mainly by which the State is to be reached and brought within the better modes.

That the people are awake in this matter, it is easy to see. They have raised over \$800,000, this past year, by direct taxation, and expended the total sum of \$1,100,000 for the support of schools. It remains for us to take care, by all means in our power, that such provisions are not wasted and such intentions foiled. We want, among other things, to see that all have a fair chance; that, for instance, the cost and changes and variety of books do not put poor parents to distress to keep the means of education within their children's reach.

I feel that these are important matters, and have thus spoken that we may understand the spirit in which we shall be called to act. We have wasted a good deal of time and money hitherto; but I believe we have now begun better things, and that with the intelligence, good sense and vigor now brought to bear on these interests, our people will before long be satisfied with the results of their generosity and care.

As to our College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts, although generous devotion to duty has been manifest on the part of all who are charged with its immediate concerns, it yet fails to attain to quite the prosperity which we hoped, and which I believe is still possible for it. It is my duty to say that, so far as appears, there are two principal causes of its present feeble and uncertain condition. 1st, The neglect of mechanics and manufacturers and masters of the Industrial Arts, to assert their rights in the college. 2d, The deep-settled feeling on the part of many, that the location is unfavorable. The existence of these two disadvantages it is worse than folly to deny, or pass over with soft words. The truth is, we must come to an understanding and agreement in the matter. It is a pity to waste money and mind, even for the best of motives, without hope of a successful end. The \$28,000 voted last winter in condition of a perfect deed of the property to the State, has fallen dead through failure of the town to make the full conveyance. If we are all in earnest to have the college go on where it is, neither the State nor the town need insist much upon conditions. But if it is the intention to remove the college, then it would be best not to expend more money there. I am unable to give you the least

information or advice on this point. But I am ready to assure you that unless we keep in mind the scope and generous intent of this institution, it will never greatly thrive. A farmers' college is a good and worthy idea, but limited to that alone, such an institution will not live and move. There are not boys enough who mean to go back to a farm after they have got through the college. Farming is not at present a business of that inviting sort in Maine. But a school embracing all the material industries, teaching our young men skill in the handicrafts which invite them to worthy and profitable employment, training and nerving them to strike a sure and a good blow in the manly rivalries of peace or war—such a school in fact as hundreds of our young men go out of the State to seek, would not only live and flourish, but would be a powerful and preëminent good. Whether we can make such a school of ours I do not know; but such an one we must have, or our money and our efforts will have been spent in vain.

The splendid volume published by the Historical Society forming the first in the series of the Documentary History of Maine, authorized by the Legislature of 1867, which traces the discovery of this coast from the Northmen in 990 to the Charter of Gilbert in 1578, has doubtless been laid before you. A volume quite as remarkable containing the first publication of an original manuscript of the celebrated Hakluyt in which he urges upon Queen Elizabeth the vigorous prosecution of colonization on this coast, is in course of preparation. It is proposed to go on with the history of the actual occupation of this territory under the influence and efforts of Sir Ferdinando Gorges. These works are a credit to the liberality of the State and the learning of the society, and are attracting much attention as valuable contributions to American History.

#### MILITARY.

The question of an efficient and economical militia system has been long agitated, but still unsettled. For the last three years I have given the matter much thought. You will bear me witness that I have not shown a disposition to exalt unduly the military element, to incur the expenses or abuse the powers which the law places in the control of the Executive. It is unsafe however to be without some military force at call in case of need. The moderate

suggestion was made and adopted at the last session, of authorizing ten companies of infantry to be fully equipped by the State. The orders of the Department will show with what care and caution the intent of the Legislature has been carried out. Applications have been thoroughly considered; companies have been accepted only where the several localities appeared fully in earnest to maintain them, and only those men mustered, who upon rigorous examination were found able to do full duty. The result vindicates the wisdom of the statute. We have now an incentive to military duty, and a premium on good soldiership. It will be work and not play, a school of discipline for manliness. Seven companies with an aggregate of 413 men have been accepted. The appropriation intended to accompany the Act having been overlooked, no uniforms have as yet been issued, with the exception of overcoats for the two Portland companies, which are under orders to appear on duty. We can the better afford to expend money judiciously, because we have not expended any foolishly. These companies were not to be organized as a regiment. That especially I wished to avoid. 1st. They extend over too much space to be best handled in that way. 2nd. The rank of Colonel would be too low for the actual command of our whole effective force. 3d. This office being elective, the personal and local rivalries that would ensue would be harmful to good discipline. 4th. It was the pith of the whole plan to have these companies independent corps, responsible only to the Commander-in-Chief, and capable by the character of the men, their military knowledge, spirit and discipline, of being expanded into regiments and even brigades, at very short notice, with officers ready, competent and understanding. This I am satisfied is the right way for us, and at a trifling expense we may have a body of soldiers which might well be a pride and example as well as a defence to the State. Our present militia law is a good one and sufficient for all exigencies, and need not be touched.

A large lot of material accumulated in the Arsenals, and practically worthless to the State, has been very advantageously sold under the direction of a committee of the Council, and the proceeds, \$2,564.61, paid into the Treasury.

The State Pension Law has been administered with much care. The whole number of applications for 1869 is 772. Of these 635 have been allowed at various rates. The whole amount expended

to date is \$24,562. The pension year ends somewhat awkwardly, on the 23d of February, which constantly renders a complete report to the Legislature impossible. It would be better to make the pension account end with the year. It is estimated that some fifty claims more will be presented and allowed, rendering the whole number of pensions some 700, and swelling the amount paid for the full year to about \$35,000. These figures we may now regard as about the settled amounts of our liabilities on the score of pensions. The law and its application is now so well understood that few but meritorious cases will apply, and these, it may be presumed, are now nearly all in. It will be seen that the amounts received by the pensioners fall very far short of the maximum allowed by law, viz. \$96 each. The average is now very nearly \$50. The appropriation being limited, we are, of course, anxious to keep within the amount; while the applicants are so many that to render aid to all, the sum allowed to each must necessarily be small, and some have to be sent away empty, and perhaps rather summarily. You will doubtless continue this aid. It seems indeed pitifully small, compared with the great gift these widows and orphans and wounded men have made to the nation in her hour of peril. This pittance does not restore health, nor the son, or husband, or father. The guide of youth and the stay of age is smitten from their sight. The best we can do is poor—the most we can give is little. That at any rate we should do and should give. The cost of the pension office will be \$2,100 for the year. Perhaps some saving might be made and some other advantages secured by placing this business in the Adjutant General's office. The ordinary duties of that office will naturally be less as we gradually settle up the accounts of the war. One disadvantage would be obviated—the changing of hands each year. In all doubtful or disputed cases as now, appeal might still be had to the Governor.

The Board of Guardians of destitute orphans of soldiers and sailors have used such diligence as they could in fulfilling their trust. The duties of this Board are varied and wide. Besides receiving applications, they have to search out cases, visiting distant places for the personal inspection of reported destitution, and sometimes assuming the entire care of the homeless and unprotected. The result has shown many bereaved families, and much suffering. The number of orphans now on our list is 2,270. Of

these, 1,200 have more or less been aided. Sixty have been absolutely taken into our care, and most of them placed in those beneficent institutions which are well called Homes. The Orphan Asylum, at Bangor, has received twenty-five, and the amount paid for their support thus far is \$1,000. This Institution is not primarily devoted to orphans of this class. But the broad and tender charity that presides over it has admitted these little ones as a special favor, which we were authorized by the Legislature to accept. The Orphan's Home, at Bath, is now established under the most happy auspices. The conditions annexed to the appropriation of last winter were promptly fulfilled by generous citizens of Bath, whose names are already venerated for acts of charity, and a commodious estate was bought and refitted for the Home. It is not completely furnished as yet, but the space is ample, and with the benefactions which will follow, this institution will become the dispenser of many blessings. There are thirty-three orphans now there. The amount paid for their support is \$2,000. The whole amount disbursed up to the present time is \$11,230; remaining in the hands of the Board for disbursement during the next quarter \$2,920; expenses of the Board thus far \$850; making the total amount drawn from the treasury on this account for the year \$15,000, which leaves the balance of the appropriation, viz. \$5,000, unexpended and not drawn from the treasury. Whatever means you provide for the care of these orphans, it is a duty too sacred to be slighted. The alms-house, the hovel, and the street, are sad homes for the sons of martyrs.

#### LEGAL.

The Attorney General suggests important changes in our law. Especially do I concur in his recommendation that the act of 1869 relating to reviews in capital cases, together with the related and consequent sections of other acts, be repealed. This was one of those acts hurried through near the close of the session without due consideration. Although impressed with grave doubts as to its constitutionality, and fitness to promote the ends of justice, I was in that brief time unable to prepare and present such reasons of public policy as would warrant me opposing an act which had the weighty sanction of a majority of the Legislature. I believe the intent and practical working of the law were not at that time fully understood.

The Governor and Council were instructed at the late session to provide for a revision and consolidation of the Public Statutes by contract or commission. After careful consideration it was deemed advisable to appoint Commissioners for that purpose. These gentlemen have been diligently employed upon their work, and their report will be laid before you at an early day. The matter of changing the phraseology, be it never so slightly, of existing laws in order to harmonize and consolidate them, is so delicate a task that you will pardon me if I remind you of the close scrutiny with which such a revision must be examined before it is passed upon, making no doubt at the same time that the work of the board will be found in a high degree accurate and judicious. The period happens to be a critical one; the census about to be taken, the new valuation of property to hold for the next ten years, and various matters of unusual importance awaiting your decision, render it of the utmost importance that you should use the best discretion and foresight in repealing obnoxious or unnecessary laws, and in enacting such as incorporated into this revision may give it some chance of standing for ten years without being so mutilated and overlaid as soon to become almost without advantage.

The complaint is not unfrequently made that the administration of justice is not so prompt as it should be in this State. If this is so the remedy is beyond the reach of my suggestions. I am of opinion, however, that an injustice is done the court as well as the people, by reason of the fact that the Judges of the Supreme Court are required to travel over the length and breadth of this State without proper remuneration. I am not aware that this is the case with any other officer on public duty. It is well known the salaries of the judges are inadequate, and without derogating aught from that high reverence for the court which is naturally entertained by us all, and so especially commanded by the character of our present Bench, it is still by no means unnatural that a judge detained from home at heavy expense, every day making deeper inroads upon his scanty means of support, might become impatient of long terms, and in his anxiety possibly slight some duties. When it is the case as now, that the more one does the less pay he has, the tendency and effect it is not difficult to perceive. An unembarrassed, independent judiciary is of inestimable value. I would respectfully suggest that the

actual circuit expenses of the Justices of the Supreme Court be audited and paid by the State.

It was made the duty of the Governor and Council to count and report the vote on the proposed amendment to the Constitution, authorizing the legislature to divide towns into voting districts. The whole number of votes upon this amendment was 5,186. Number voting "Yes," 2,809; number voting "No," 2,377. So the Constitution is amended accordingly.

The accounts of the State Liquor Commissioner and his method of doing business have been carefully examined and are found highly satisfactory. Some points remarked on in his report, will demand your attention. The practice of turning in confiscated liquors—always more or less impure—to the town agencies, taken in connection with the fact that we have provided a State Commissioner who is paid and placed under bonds to furnish nothing but the purest liquors, which the town agents are imperatively required to purchase exclusively of him, is so absurd that good logic, if not good morals, demand that it should be prohibited.

It is proper that I should inform you that there seems to be a general falling off in respect for our liquor laws. The enforcement of these laws comes in no manner within the power of the Executive. It very properly devolves upon municipal officers, and the degree of their zeal and efficiency is measured by the prevailing local sentiment. It is not an unreasonable theory that the State should secure the even and impartial execution of her laws throughout her jurisdiction. So far probably all good citizens would agree; but the erection of a special police for the purpose mainly of enforcing the liquor law beyond, certainly, if not against the wishes of the municipalities, has been urged by some as a proper measure, and proclaimed by a few as a test of allegiance to the cause of Temperance. But in a government like ours one of the most delicate things which a State could be called upon to do, is to invade the ancient rights and dignities of towns, which the historian and statesman know, are at the foundation of our liberties. It is still more difficult when the issue is upon a contested question of social ethics, or public morals, on which even good men might be divided, and bad men find pretext for giving the most dangerous passions way. The antagonism to excessive measures is likely to react against a virtue which all good citizens hold high.



Unfortunately we have made the experiment our own ; and the salutary lesson to be learned from it may warrant me in taking public notice of it here.

A principle prized by all was arrogated by a few, and made the placard if not the watchword of a political organization. The result, as might have been expected, was to give to a worthy and a sacred cause the appearance of defeat. The cause has suffered, but should not be held to blame. Its very virtue was its misfortune. The strong hold which it had upon the hearts of the people was the occasion of its being seized upon to cover sinister intentions. Various elements of disaffection availed themselves of the confusion which their cries had raised, and rallied in a strange companionship, under a banner which had never been so entrusted to them, and which lost its consecration by their laying on of hands. The elements which conspired in this movement and the animus which impelled it, appear to have been so well understood by our people as to require no analysis by me. 4,700 votes in a total of nearly 100,000 after the unparalleled resorts of that campaign, prove that whoever else voted that way the Temperance men of Maine did not. They answer to a longer roll-call. They muster a nobler host. The people of this State are a temperate people, and "in favor of temperance," if that can mean anything more. They are also a manly people. They do not fear to express their opinions, nor shrink from espousing any just cause. What they desire of right or expedient in their laws they will in their own good time have. But anything forced upon them contrary to their best judgment, and consequent upon their good nature alone, cannot be expected to receive their hearty moral support, or be productive of real good. It is a sad day, however, for the welfare of this State when any rash measure must be adopted simply because no one dares for a moment to question its expediency lest its champions should taunt him with infidelity to a creed of which they are not the chosen apostles, and anathematize him in the name of a power which they have usurped.

Gentlemen, I yield to no man in respect for the rights of minorities. This is the glory and nobility of liberty. Men may vote as they please and be protected. They may do and say what they please, perhaps ; but not without being held responsible for the abuse of the privilege. And if I may be allowed the opportunity

to advert to matters which, although of a personal nature, yet in their effects rise to the dignity of a public consideration, let me here deprecate the practice so recklessly resorted to in the last campaign, of aspersing the motives of official conduct, and of misrepresenting private character for political and sinister ends. So far as those efforts were successful, I fear they did no good to the cause of temperance, or to the young men of Maine. It is a regard for their welfare, and solicitude that those who have followed me on other fields may not be seduced to wrong ways, by the false fancy that they are following me still, that I ask you to let me lift my standard for a moment that they may see where I am. Let them not think that the record of a life-long loyalty is so easily reversed. I shall not seek safety in the lines of the enemy to escape the mutinies of the discontented, more anxious for their own way than for a right cause; nor turn back to camp because some raw recruit on picket, with the impetuosity of terror, unable to discern front from rear, or friend from foe, shrieks at me for the countersign.

Let us not, however, in our scorn of hypocrisy, or resistance to ill-judged or encroaching measures, be forced into a seeming antagonism to virtue, and to those who love and labor for its cause. But rather with cool brain and steady nerve, summoning all the agencies of good, whether of heart or hand, go on to practice and promote the things that are honest and pure and of good report. Those who join wisdom with zeal to promote virtue among the people, will labor to nourish a right public sentiment as well as to secure punitive enactment. Some margin must always be left for differences of moral sentiment. Otherwise we might break down the public conscience. For one, however, I do not object to a law's being somewhat in advance of public opinion—that is, more stringent in its provisions than the people really like to obey. The requisitions of even an impossible virtue may avail for good. Its broad, high aspect may strengthen and hold up some that would otherwise fall before the influence of bad surroundings, and the terrors of its penalty might cool the recklessness of some who would not be restrained by milder persuasives. But when a law is widely different from the people's judgment, and provokingly contrary to their wishes; then, instead of expecting it to go on crushing its way like an unrelenting law of the universe, it would be better to look for one that takes some cognizance of human

conditions, and reach out a hand that will meet half way the trembling instincts of good. These are questions which go to the foundations of society. Indeed it may be said that wisdom consists in seeing the practical points of contact between the abstract and the human right. For the human law is not as the divine. That declares the ways of absolute Justice and the inexorable Right. But the object of human law is to protect individual rights so that every man may be free according to his own conscience to work out his obedience to the higher. Any law, therefore, which proposes to abridge personal rights, should be ventured upon with the utmost caution, and administered with the widest charity. There are other things to be thought of besides restraining men from the use of intoxicating drinks. Although this be a parent of crime, and begets monsters from which all the good avert their faces and seek to save their fellows, yet we must not expect that it can be wholly subdued and driven from among men. The laws against intoxicating liquors have been as well executed and obeyed as the laws against profanity, theft, unchastity or murder. Even if they are executed, they will not avail to extinguish crime, nor banish evil from the hearts of wicked men. We must consider what can be done. Restrain and intimidate as much as you can by law; it is only by the Gospel still that men can be converted from evil.

I see no reason why measures for the promotion of temperance should not be approached as calmly, and, if need be, as boldly as any other question of so much moment. Nay, it is such questions as these, most of all, which demand the full measure of your wisdom, your candor and your courage.

#### MATERIAL INTERESTS.

Agriculture, considered in reference either to the amount of property it represents, or to the numbers employed in it, stands at the head of our material interests. Our wide and thinly settled territory, while it makes this a leading industry, still gives it a certain character which is in some respects unfortunate. The tendency is to too much breadth, and too little skill. If farming is a hard business at the best, then we cannot afford to do it otherwise than well. But of late we see more thoughtfulness and more courage. The best agencies are brought to bear upon this interest, and the discussions and Reports of the Board of Agriculture show

what sturdy good sense and what fine talent these pursuits may develop. Farming is rather a hard way to get rich, but it is a good way to be independent. And I think as a general thing farmers are far happier and more comfortable than any other class of men who work as hard, whether with hands or brains.

I have upon other occasions endeavored to express my sense of the importance of this great branch of our industries, and I shall not now venture more than two suggestions;—that we do not waste our forests, which are more valuable than we have been taught to think; and that we try to raise our own breadstuffs, and save the enormous loss of paying three or four profits on foreign grain, and twice as many more on its transportation.

The Commissioners on the settlement of our Public Lands, will make their report to you. It has not passed under my eye. I learn, however, that well-matured and feasible plans are proposed for encouraging worthy settlers on the rich lands now lying idle. It is a little curious, to see that everybody who really examines the subject of Swedish immigration, whatever may have been his prejudice from the failure of imperfect experiment, comes to a warm support of the measure. I confess I can see no reason why we should not make good work of this, as well as the Western States, who find it an element of wealth and power. A little retouching of our color by the infusion of fresh, young Northern blood, would do us no harm.

Two instrumentalities, which will powerfully aid us in proportion as they flourish, are Manufactures and Railroads. It appears to me that the last few years have witnessed such an awakening of interest in these matters as almost to mark an epoch in our history. Capitalists from abroad are beginning to understand our extraordinary facilities, and improve their own opportunities; yet much—almost all—remains to be done. I will not weary you with iterations upon our wants and our advantages—you already know them, or you may. The now completed work on the Water-power of Maine, which I cannot mention with any feeling less than that of pride, I commend to your careful perusal, and for a wide distribution. You cannot contemplate the astonishing results so admirably presented in this report without seeing where our nearest way to prosperity lies, and what is yet to be the work and the wealth and the fame of Maine. Shipping has been our glory, but we shall look in vain for that preëminence

to return. Causes more powerful than any within human control have turned the tide from our shores. Still our power is in the waters. We may lay hands upon their wild career and ask of them a service and a blessing ere they mingle with the sea. We must foster this great interest which is the hope of the State. We must do it generously, yet judiciously. We have still to bear the sight of our noble powers running wild, our rich materials lying waste, waiting the magic touch of mind and skill; our abundant products sent away, raw, or rudely shaped, to receive their chief value elsewhere. To export abundance of raw material is thought by some to be great prosperity; though the most that they receive in payment is a portion of the same material finished into costly fabrics for a thousand uses, by the skill of other hands. This may do where civilization has not much advanced, but does not seem a wise policy for a State which is mature, and has abundant facilities for manufacturing. Take for example one of our common trees, worth in the rude shape we give it for the market, say twenty dollars. Now set talent and skill at work upon it, fashion it for all the fine uses and finish it to the high perfection which sooner or later it would have found elsewhere—put \$100 worth of such work upon it and you have made it worth \$200. You have done more. You have gained the countless advantages of cherishing the industry and skill, the talent and character employed upon it. Carry this out on a large scale and into all the fields of enterprise that invite us on every side, and you are doing something for others as well as yourselves. You encourage diversified industries and increase wealth. You lend a helping hand to humble toil and honest ambition. You quicken hope, and pride, and higher aspirations. You carry life into deserts, and happiness into homes. This I somewhat more than fancy is the right policy for a State like Maine, with her unparalleled advantages, and her strong sinews anxious and eager to be at work.

Then as to Railroads, we are doing all that is possible. More than 250 miles of new road are now building in many directions, wherever enterprise points. The great road which connects us with Halifax,—hence already freighted with so many stirring hopes of good—now lacks but about fifty miles of completion; to secure and hasten this, the State has already made generous gifts, and an effort is to be made to induce Congress to recognize the claim as-

signed to the road by Maine and Massachusetts. We trust this may be successful, and that the year may witness the consummation.

In the west, too, we have openings which are scarcely less, if not indeed more, in their promise of good. The courage and energy of Portland, in undertaking the task of cutting her way through to the great lakes and the greater west, forming thus a link in the magnificent continental chain, has already ensured victory. Other efforts as worthy I can scarcely name here, but they also deserve our interest and care.

The Railroad Commissioners make valuable suggestions in their Report, which I commend to your attention. The feature of immediate interest which will come before us; is the proposed consolidation of prominent lines in the State. If this means to place the public at the mercy of a monopoly unrestrained by responsibility to the State, and relieved from the checks of competition, I cannot recommend it to your favor. But this probably is not the case. The roads, however, have already the power to consolidate to all practical intents, by lease. What they want I understand is, that the rights they already severally have be brought under one organization and legalized, so as to economize their own efforts, and provide better securities for their public obligations. It is not the mere authority to fix times and rates. That they already claim to have. I do not believe, however, that they are independent of the State. Whatever their charters may contain, I do not believe it is competent for a State to grant away her powers over great public thoroughfares like these. It is to cede away her "right of eminent domain." These corporations took private property for public uses. Have they no responsibility to that public for whose uses this property was taken? It is the indefeasible duty of the State to take care of herself, and of her citizens. Everything is hers, if need be,—our fortunes and our lives. Shall railroads claim immunity? With this understanding, I need not feel it necessary to oppose consolidation. There are manifest advantages for the State in it. 1st, We may take the occasion, if there is any doubt, to declare or reaffirm the ultimate right of the State over the roads. 2d, The public convenience may be thereby facilitated. 3d, Better securities based on the whole property and franchise would be given in exchange for old ones. 4th, The wrangling which railroads have indulged

in before the Legislature, and the political control which they have sought, would be entirely at an end. 5th, It would be a saving of money and strength. These things I can see in favor of the measure. But I leave the decision to your better judgment.

The things we have been considering are great matters. We must not let them drift; but seize them with a strong hand, and wield them for the common welfare. It is not enough to call a power into exercise; we must be able to guide and control it, and shape it to useful ends. We must be ready when the incubus is lifted from enterprise, and the bolts thrown back from capital, to receive the influx of strength and population that will surely come, and to take part in the great reciprocities of civilization which are as the tides of life to nations.

Gentlemen, we have reached the fiftieth year of our existence as a State. We are not ashamed of her history. One of the earliest in discovery and colonization, she is one of the latest in the development of her resources, and the fruits of civilization. Yet all the obscure trial and toil that have intervened wrought for the times that were to come. The State sees her place and owns her duty; and does not spurn the task that enfolds the triumph. The gates of Destiny are opened, and she enters on her proud career. We shall watch with admiring interest, and help with untiring toil her onward way. Nor can it be that we hope and prophecy in vain. Our work may be obscure and the reward far off; but both will live. The early discoverers of this territory foresaw the future, and foretold its glory. Then by reason of human weakness and immature times, they fell short or perished. Then came two centuries of dull mechanical advance—slow moving by mere force of physical laws, without any grand mastery of mind and inspiration of idea. But in fact beneath this dull and lifeless seeming, forces were in preparation, elements in ferment, and germs maturing, which were in due time to ripen into blessings of which all that work and waiting were actual powers. The seeming death foretold and foreordained the life. The thrilling story of the voyagers rang round the world, and seemed to have rung itself away. But it is heard again coming round on the other side, swelling with the yet more wondrous harmonies of prophecy fulfilled.

So we may be "building better than we know." Our humble works wrought in faith are regenerated by a mightier spirit than

that in which they were conceived, and built into loftier monuments than our hands have reared. We pass and are forgotten; but amidst the silent or tumultuous years our good deeds are working free from the taint of our imperfection, and stand solid and shining in the perfect day. God deals with men as the melter of metals. He puts the earth-mingled ores into his crucible, and seals it up in fiery furnaces, out of view. Men forget it, but He does not. In the fullness of time it is opened—lo, on one side the dull earth, on the other the glittering ore. Surely, He “sits as a refiner of silver.”

He who thinks of these things will be humble, but will not be idle; trustful but not spiritless; reverential but not afraid. He is the true worker, heir of the ages past, and testator to the “all hail hereafter.” It is thus that they who labor must also wait; that they who are faithful shall endure. It matters little what becomes of us, if we so conduct our great concerns that they who come after us are thereby made wiser and better than we. It matters little that our poor toil seems buried in the dust, if so be that it shall spring up again to bless the coming time.

The ways of Providence seem slow to our brief, impetuous lives; but they are swift in the centuries of God.

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Address concluded, the Governor and suite retired, and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of TWITCHELL of Portland, it was ordered that when they adjourn it be to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



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FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,

*Ordered*, That 2500 copies of the Governor's Message be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Lubec,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House be directed to make up the pay of Benjamin F. Cary as Messenger for 12 days' attendance and travel.

On motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop,

*Ordered*, That the chaplains of this House be allowed the same privileges and rights to the State Library as members of the House.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

The resolve relating to the attendance of the Legislature upon the ceremonials at Portland on the arrival of the remains of the late George Peabody, was taken up, considered and laid on the table on motion of Mr. STONE of Kennebunk.

Communication from Hon. Franklin M. Drew signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State; also from Parker P. Burleigh signifying his acceptance of the office of Land Agent.

Communications from Hons. Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, Joseph W. Porter, and Daniel K. Hobart, signifying their acceptance of the office of Councillors for the current political year, came from the Senate and were read.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature this day at 10½ o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, Joseph W. Porter, and Daniel K. Hobart, Councillors

elect, the oaths required to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate informing that branch of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

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

#### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. METCALF of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart, Councillors elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are 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 Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart, Councillors elect, were pleased to say they would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart, 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.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the Governor by the Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart, as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

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.

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On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, the vote was reconsidered by which the order providing for a Joint Special Committee on Revision of Statutes was passed, and the order indefinitely postponed.

Papers from the Senate:

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to take into consideration and report what proceedings, if any, it is proper and desirable for the Legislature to make to testify the respect of the State for the memory of the late George Peabody.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Lang of Kennebec, Lindsey of Somerset, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Bliss of Washington, Bradford of Eastport, Dickey of Fort Kent, Whidden of Calais, Farwell of Augusta, Barker of Stetson, and Reed of Waldoborough, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,

*Ordered*, That when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock A. M. on Monday.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of Friday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communications from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual reports of the Insane Hospital, and Bank and Insurance Examiner for the year 1869.

Communication from Gen. B. B. Murray, Jr., signifying his acceptance of the office of Adjutant General for the current year.

These communications came from the Senate and were read.

The SPEAKER announced the Monitors of the House as follows :

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| First Division..... | Chamberlain of Ellsworth. |
| Second " .....      | Hammond of Paris.         |
| Third " .....       | Hinks of Bucksport.       |
| Fourth " .....      | Humphrey of Bangor.       |
| Fifth " .....       | Wasson of Surry.          |
| Sixth " .....       | Smith of Hodgdon.         |
| Seventh " .....     | Conforth of Fairfield.    |
| Eighth " .....      | May of Winthrop.          |

Remonstrance of Peter Charles Keegan of Madawaska, against the right of William Dickey to a seat in this House, was presented by Mr. BARKER of Stetson, and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk supply each Monitor, for the use of his division, a copy of the Revised Statutes, and a copy of the Acts and Resolves of each year since the revision.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, the order relating to the adoption of the Joint Rules and Orders of 1869 as the Rules of this House, was taken from the table, amendment "A" providing that so much of rule 1st as provides for the ap-

pointment of a Committee on Appropriations be stricken out, was adopted and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Paper from the Senate :

*Ordered,* That the Report of the Treasurer be referred to a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Talbot of Washington, Buffum of Penobscot, and Collins of Aroostook, appointed on said Committee.

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

A communication from the Treasurer of State, transmitting Annual Report for the year ending December, 1869, was received and read.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Attorney General for the year 1869; also, transmitting the Report of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison.

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. Gott of Leeds, Monitor of the 8th Division, in place of Mr. May of Winthrop, declined.

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

*On the Judiciary.*

Messrs. Lindsey of Somerset,  
 Lane of Cumberland,  
 Reed of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;

Messrs. Whidden of Calais,  
 Barker of Stetson,  
 Smith of Saco,  
 Bonney of Portland,  
 Bliss of Washington,  
 Powers of Houlton,  
 Vose of Winterport, *of the House.*

*On Federal Relations.*

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford,  
 Lindsey of Somerset,  
 Reed of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;

Messrs. Barker of Stetson,  
 Stone of Kennebunk,  
 McGilvery of Searsport,  
 Whidden of Calais,  
 Burgess of Portland,  
 Smith of Warren,  
 Jordan of Brunswick, *of the House.*

*On Military Affairs.*

Messrs. Gibbs of Cumberland,  
 Nealley of York,  
 Hanson of York, *of the Senate* ;

Messrs. White of Bangor,  
 Duncan of Kittery,  
 Spaulding of Richmond,  
 Phillips of Weld,  
 Sturgis of Standish,  
 Dennett of South Berwick,  
 Alexander of Belmont, *of the House.*

*On Coast and Frontier Defences.*

- Messrs. Morse of Sagadahoc,  
 Cushing of Waldo,  
 Talbot of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Blake of Auburn,  
 Brawn of Oldtown,  
 Moulton of Porter,  
 Ames of Jefferson,  
 Mayo of Windham,  
 Page of Vinalhaven,  
 Gates of Robbinston, *of the House*.

*On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.*

- Messrs. Cushing of Waldo,  
 Morse of Sagadahoc,  
 Holland of Androscoggin, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hinks of Bucksport,  
 Twitchell of Portland,  
 Foster of Argyle,  
 Farwell of Augusta,  
 Lane of Hollis,  
 Patten of Bath,  
 Dickey of Fort Kent, *of the House*.

*On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.*

- Messrs. Buck of Hancock,  
 Carvill of Cumberland,  
 Metcalf of Lincoln, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Holbrook of Freeport,  
 Chamberlain of Ellsworth,  
 Blake of Auburn,  
 Warren of Veazie,  
 Gannett of Bath,  
 Watts of Thomaston,  
 Harding of Gorham, *of the House*.

*On Legal Reform.*

- Messrs. Lane of Cumberland,  
 Nealley of York,  
 Cleaves of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Baker of Augusta,  
 Humphrey of Bangor,  
 Harriman of Belfast,  
 Hume of Cherryfield,  
 Spaulding of Richmond,  
 Barton of Benton,  
 Mildram of Wells, *of the House.*

*On Education.*

- Messrs. Buffum of Penobscot,  
 French of Franklin,  
 Minot of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Farwell of Augusta,  
 Humphrey of Bangor,  
 Bonney of Portland,  
 Gott of Leeds,  
 Hathorn of Pittsfield,  
 Smith of Litchfield,  
 Daggett of Strong, *of the House.*

*On Banks and Banking.*

- Messrs. Metcalf of Lincoln,  
 Reed of Cumberland,  
 Gray of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Dunning of Bangor,  
 Reed of Waldoborough,  
 Twitchell of Portland,  
 Waterhouse of Portland,  
 Bird of Rockland,  
 Palmer of Gardiner,  
 Adams of Biddeford, *of the House.*



*On Agriculture.*

- Messrs. Lang of Kennebec,  
 Garcelon of Waldo,  
 Bartlett of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Green of Wilton,  
 Wasson of Surry,  
 Thurlough of Newburg,  
 Wentworth of North Berwick,  
 Moulton of Porter,  
 Boothby of Embden,  
 Darling of Lincoln, *of the House.*

*On Manufactures.*

- Messrs. Hanson of York,  
 Gibbs of Cumberland,  
 Mayo of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Ham of Lewiston,  
 Purinton of Bowdoinham,  
 Cole of Cape Elizabeth,  
 Foss of Abbot,  
 Lewis of Pittston,  
 Burnham of Biddeford,  
 Cousens of Kennebunkport, *of the House.*

*On Interior Waters.*

- Messrs. Talbot of Washington,  
 Buffum of Penobscot,  
 Gibbs of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hammond of Westbrook,  
 Folsom of Skowhegan,  
 McGilvery of Searsport,  
 Bearce of Lewiston,  
 Cox of East Machias,  
 Hamilton of Orono,  
 Skinner of St. Albans, *of the House.*

*On State Lands and State Roads.*

- Messrs. Lang of Kennebec,  
Kingsbury of Penobscot,  
Webb of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Smith of Hodgdon,  
Crockett of Rockland,  
Chase of Woodstock,  
Irish of Sherman,  
Martin of Rumford,  
Chase of Winn,  
Sherman of Camden, *of the House.*

*On Division of Towns.*

- Messrs. Webb of Somerset,  
Gray of Kennebec,  
Bartlett of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Wasson of Surry,  
White of Bangor,  
Weston of Poland,  
Kimball of Bethel,  
Thompson of Hallowell,  
Smith of Parsonsfield,  
Peavey of Whiting, *of the House.*

*On Division of Counties.*

- Messrs. Carvill of Cumberland,  
Torrey of Knox,  
Kingsbury of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Tobey of Athens,  
Berry of Buxton,  
Milliken of Tremont,  
Mason of Hiram,  
Wilder of Fort Fairfield,  
Douglass of Naples,  
Adams of Mayfield, *of the House.*

*On Incorporation of Towns.*

- Messrs. Holland of Androscoggin,  
 Collins of Aroostook,  
 Carvill of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Foss of Abbot,  
 Cushing of Sidney,  
 Tobey of Athens,  
 Clark of Holden,  
 Libbey of Limerick,  
 Cotton of Troy,  
 Bean of Corinth, *of the House.*

*On Fisheries.*

- Messrs. Bartlett of Hancock,  
 Metcalf of Lincoln,  
 Carleton of Knox, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Stover of Harpswell,  
 Mears of Bristol,  
 Davis of Lubec,  
 Means of Sedgwick,  
 Bartlett of Harrison,  
 Newcomb of Brewer,  
 Riggs of Georgetown, *of the House.*

*On Indian Affairs.*

- Messrs. Kingsbury of Penobscot,  
 Rolfe of Washington,  
 Fuller of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Bradford of Eastport,  
 Brawn of Oldtown,  
 Brown of Anson,  
 Gould of Albany,  
 McLain of New Vineyard,  
 Campbell of Deer Isle,  
 Sargent of Hermon, *of the House.*

*On Claims.*

- Messrs. Rolfe of Washington,  
 Carleton of Knox,  
 Collins of Aroostook, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Bliss of Washington,  
 Clark of Readfield,  
 Boyd of Newcastle,  
 Guptill of Gouldsborough,  
 Plummer of Lisbon,  
 Holman of Dixfield,  
 Whitehouse of St. George, *of the House.*

*On Pensions.*

- Messrs. Fuller of Penobscot,  
 Gibbs of Cumberland,  
 Roberts of York, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Gannet of Bath,  
 Stickney of Presque Isle,  
 Greenleaf of Edgecomb,  
 Wilson of Bradford,  
 Mills of Brooksville,  
 Brackett of Cumberland,  
 McDougal of Meddybemps, *of the House.*

*On Insane Hospital.*

- Messrs. Gray of Kennebec,  
 Webb of Somerset,  
 Gibbs of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Main of Unity,  
 Sturgis of Standish,  
 Burgess of Portland,  
 Burbank of Acton,  
 Jones of Norway,  
 Pierce of Machias,  
 Jordan of Minot, *of the House.*

*On Reform School.*

- Messrs. Nealley of York,  
 Buck of Hancock,  
 Talbot of Washington, *of the Senate*;
- Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle,  
 May of Winthrop,  
 Leighton of Yarmouth,  
 Whitney of Exeter,  
 Wheeler of Chesterville,  
 Duncan of Kittery,  
 Berry of Damariscotta, *of the House*.

*On State Prison.*

- Messrs. Minot of Kennebec,  
 Garcelon of Waldo,  
 Roberts of York, *of the Senate*;
- Messrs. Hammond of Paris,  
 Cole of Cape Elizabeth,  
 Cornforth of Fairfield,  
 Bearce of Turner,  
 Hussey of Sangerville,  
 Ames of Jefferson,  
 Ray of Harrington, *of the House*.

*On Public Buildings.*

- Messrs. French of Franklin,  
 Holland of Androscoggin,  
 Torrey of Knox, *of the Senate*;
- Messrs. Crockett of Rockland,  
 Allen of Corinna,  
 Lord of Lebanon,  
 Lewis of Liberty,  
 Dearborn of Falmouth,  
 McKown of Boothbay,  
 Sherman of Islesborough, *of the House*.

*On Library.*

Messrs. Reed of Cumberland,  
 Cleaves of Oxford,  
 Cushing of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;  
 Messrs. Skinner of St. Albans,  
 Cousens of Kennebunkport,  
 Mason of Hiram,  
 Nickerson of Swanville,  
 Wentworth of North Berwick,  
 Young of Hancock,  
 Sawyer of Gray, *of the House.*

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

*On Engrossed Bills.*

Messrs. Cushing of Sidney,  
 Burgess of Portland,  
 Nickerson of Swanville,  
 Vose of Winteport,  
 Bartlett of Harrison,  
 Gould of Albany,  
 Guptill of Gouldsborough.

*On Bills in the Third Reading.*

Messrs. Hume of Cherryfield,  
 Chase of Woodstock,  
 Smith of Litchfield,  
 Mildram of Wells,  
 Spaulding of Richmond,  
 Main of Unity,  
 Hathorn of Pittsfield.

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*On Leave of Absence.*

Messrs. Purrington of Bowdoinham,  
Hamilton of Orono,  
Gates of Robbinston,  
Burbank of Acton,  
Bearce of Turner,  
Brown of Anson,  
Sherman of Islesborough.

*On Pay Roll.*

Messrs. Folsom of Skowhegan,  
Smith of Hodgdon,  
Crockett of Rockland,  
Kimball of Bethél,  
Waterhouse of Portland,  
Brawn of Oldtown,  
Adams of Biddeford.

*On Change of Names.*

Messrs. Chase of Woodstock,  
Darling of Lincoln,  
Chase of Winn,  
Martin of Rumford,  
Adams of Mayfield,  
Whitehouse of St. George,  
McDougal of Meddybemps.

*On County Estimates.*

Messrs. Blake of Auburn,  
Irish of Sherman,  
May of Winthrop,  
Mears of Bristol,  
Chamberlain of Ellsworth,  
Foster of Argyle,  
Holbrook of Freeport,  
Bradford of Eastport,  
Cousens of Kennebunkport,  
Gannett of Bath,  
Tobey of Athens,  
Lewis of Liberty,  
Wheeler of Chesterville,  
Chase of Woodstock,  
Foss of Abbot,  
Sherman of Camden.

*On Finance.*

Messrs. Twitchell of Portland,  
McGilvery of Searsport,  
Bearce of Lewiston,  
Patten of Bath,  
Barton of Benton,  
Reed of Waldoborough,  
Adams of Biddeford,

*On Elections.*

Messrs. Smith of Saco,  
Powers of Houlton,  
Ham of Lewiston,  
Stover of Harpswell,  
Hawes of Vassalborough,  
Brawn of Oldtown,  
Smith of Warren.



Mr. WASSON of Surry, presented certificate of election issued to Samuel H. Richards as Representative from Eden, which was referred to the Committee on Elections.

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

Bill "an act entitled an act additional conferring certain powers on the city of Portland, relating to sidewalks," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. S. Townsend and others for aid to build a school house in Fort Fairfield; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference";

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Albert Blaisdell and others, to be set off from North Yarmouth and annexed to Yarmouth, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of the selectmen of Patten, for reimbursement of money expended for the support of certain paupers, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond in Franklin county"; and

Petition of John Patten and 227 others, for the repeal of chapter 213 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act to protect smelts in the Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers";

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Luther Maddocks and others, for incorporation of Algae Fertilizer Company, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, presented the following order, which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson :

*Ordered*, That, the Senate concurring, there be appointed a Committee on State Valuation, consisting of one on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House from each Councillor

district, and that the delegations of the several districts be requested to indicate to the presiding officers the names of members to compose said Committee.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont,

*Ordered*, That the Adjutant General be requested to inform this House if his forthcoming report will contain the amount due the State from the several towns, with the sums due from each, as shown by the books in his office.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the State Treasurer be respectfully requested to lay before the Legislature, any valuation list or communication that he may have received from the Valuation Commission as soon as may be.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending section 5, chapter 60 of the public laws of 1869.

This order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,

*Ordered*, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to put under the desk of each Monitor of the House, a shelf or desk for the reception of the books he has in charge.

A communication from the Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot, signifying his acceptance of the office of Councillor for the current year, came from the Senate, and was read.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, this day, at half-past 11 o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, the oaths required to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his 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 proposition for a Convention.

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

## IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL of Cumberland,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are assembled in Convention, for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and the Hon. Councillor elect was pleased to say, that he would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor 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 him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Hon. Councillor then retired.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Washington,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify the Governor of the election and qualification of Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

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

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, presented "resolves in commemoration of the character and services of Edwin M. Stanton." The resolves were ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport.

Bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered*, That the Committees on State Prison, Insane Hospital, and Reform School, be authorized to visit those institutions and report thereon during the present session.

*Ordered*, That all business of the last Legislature referred to this, be taken from the files and referred to the appropriate Committees.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether any legislation be necessary to render chapter 57, laws of 1868, applicable to involuntary bankrupts.

*Ordered*, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to reviews in capital cases and to the Supreme Judicial Court, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

*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 political year, subject to the approval of the Legislature.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Lang of Kennebec, Garcelon of Waldo, and Cleaves of Oxford, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Cushing of Sidney, Whidden of Calais, Dunning of Bangor, Spaulding of Richmond, Crockett of Rockland, Nickerson of Swanville, and Moulton of Porter, were joined on the part of the House.

*Ordered*, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed on the

Governor's message, who shall report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Minot of Kennebec, and Kingsbury of Penobscot, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Barker of Stetson, Stone of Kennebunk, Powers of Houlton, Hinks of Bucksport, Stover of Harpswell, Harriman of Belfast, and Gannet of Bath, were joined on the part of the House.

A communication from the Adjutant General, in response to an order from the House inquiring as to the amount due the State from the several towns as appears by the books in his office, was received and read.

Petition of William Higgins and others of Kenduskeag, for an act to authorize the Congregational Society in Kenduskeag to sell their meeting-house in said town; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 87 laws of 1862, relating to laying out highways"; and

Petition of George B. Leavitt and others, for change of game laws;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Solon White and others, for an act to legalize the doings of the pewholders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House in Richmond; also

Petition of John Lamson and 80 others, for the repeal of chapter 211 of the laws of 1868, relating to cattle running at large;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Josiah Merrow and 30 others, for repeal of an act entitled "an act to protect smelts in Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers";

Petition of James Thomas and 78 others of Richmond, in aid of the same; and

Petition of the inhabitants of Hartford, for an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Swan pond;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of S. Ricker and 599 others, for the division of the town of Westbrook; also

Petition of Alanson Gooding and 59 others, for the division of the town of Trenton; also

Petition of S. N. Eaton and others, in aid of the same; and  
Remonstrance of certain inhabitants of Trenton against the same; also

Petition of James F. Farmer and John Perry, to be set off from Silver Ridge plantation and annexed to Sherman; and

Petition of E. T. Luce and others, for amendment of the act annexing the town of Auburn to the city of Lewiston;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of James C. Madigan and others, for the incorporation of the Bangor and Aroostook Railway Company; and

Petition of G. W. Haskell and others, in aid of the same;

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

Petition of Otis S. Godfrey and others of Cherryfield, for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act to change the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county"; and

Petition of Harrison Z. Smith and others of Machias, in aid of same; also

Petition of inhabitants of the towns of Palermo, Somerville and Washington, for an act to set off a part of Lincoln county and annex the same to Waldo county: also

Petition of Nathan Perry and others, praying that the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county be holden at Presque Isle; also

Petition of Francis Stowe and 12 others of Perham plantation; and

Petition of Charles Kidder and 39 others of Bridgewater, in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Remonstrance of A. D. Fisher and others of Bath, against the taxation of Foreign Insurance Companies doing business in this State; and

Remonstrance of B. Plummer and Sons of Bangor, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of William Reed and others, praying that the Land Agent be authorized to exchange certain lots in number 11, range 1, Aroostook county;

Petition of William Reed and others, for deed of lot of land to Mrs. Abigail Davis; and

Petition of James Timoney and others, for aid on the road in Oakfield plantation;

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

Resolve in favor of the Clerks of the Valuation Commission, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Martin Bodwell and others, for the incorporation of the Solon Village Cemetery, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of William W. Quimby, for renewal of State pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of George G. Hillman and 51 others of Lubec, for an act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in said town, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Simon Carpenter of Patten, for an act to incorporate the Shin Brook Dam Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Proposal of P. O. Vickery, to do State printing, was referred to the Committee on State Printing.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Victoria Fenlason, Edward Wanco, Charles E. Welch, and Edwin Treworgy, for change of name, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the fee bill of officers serving legal precepts that no constructive travel shall be allowed.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be requested to procure from the clerk of the courts in each county, the number of days that the Supreme Judicial Court was held in his county at the trial terms for the years 1868 and 1869, and lay the same before the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Printing and Binding be requested to inquire into the expediency of substituting for the use of the House, the Maine State Political Manual and Annual Reg-

ister for the Legislative Manual, and report immediately the terms on which said register will be furnished, in the same form and of the same size as the manual, to contain all the information embraced in the manual which is not published in the register.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Manufactures be instructed to inquire into the expediency of distributing copies of the Water Power of Maine to the manufacturing corporations in the New England States, New York, England, France and Germany, as the Committee deem necessary.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont,

*Ordered*, That the Adjutant General be directed to furnish this House with the amount due the State from the several cities, towns and plantations, as shown by the books in his office, with the sum due from each, and the cause of such indebtedness; also the sum, if any, due from the State to any city, town or plantation; also the balances between the several towns and the State due for war purposes which have been settled.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to the Superintendent of Common Schools in the afternoon and evening on the 18th of the present month, and to and including the 21st, for the sessions of the Board of Education.

Mr. GREEN of Wilton, asked to be and was excused from serving upon the Committee on Reform School.

Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville, asked to be and was excused from serving upon the Committee on Agriculture.

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. GREEN upon the Committee on Agriculture, and Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville upon the Committee on the Reform School.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson, the order providing for the appointment of a Valuation Committee, was taken from the table and passed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MAY of Winthrop, announced the death of Francis E. Webb, Esq., late Representative elect from Winthrop, who died



November 20th, A. D. 1869, and presented the following resolution which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That in the sudden death of Francis E. Webb of Winthrop, the House has been deprived of the services of an able and sound legislator, and the State lost one of its best citizens.

Eulogies were pronounced by Messrs. May of Winthrop, and Baker of Augusta.

As a tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased, the House, on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of William K. Kimball and others of Oxford county, for the restoration of the December term of the Supreme Judicial Court, or the establishment of a Court of intermediate jurisdiction in said county, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Jacob Randall and others, for the incorporation of the East Livermore Camp-Meeting Association, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of P. M. Edmunds and others of Mexico and Byron, to be set off from said towns and annexed to Rumford, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of William Woodbury and others of Mexico, for abatement of State taxes for 1869, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to prepare a Legislative Manual for 1870, containing a diagram of the Senate Chamber and House of Representatives, and the usual statistical matter, and that three hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate, and the usual number for the use of the House.

This order came from the Senate read and passed.

The order was read and referred to the Committee on State Printing and Binding, on motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary in relation to the manner of engrossing the acts and resolves, and for preserving the same, as now provided in chapter 6 of the resolves of 1866, approved February 10, 1866.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of requiring a record of notes containing stipulations that the chattels for which the notes are given shall remain the property of the payee until payment.

*Ordered*, That the suggestions for the enactment of the criminal laws of the State contained in the report of the Attorney General be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the purchase and distribution of the second volume of Virgin's Digest, which is now in manuscript.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 11, section 53 of the revised statutes.

*Ordered*, That the Secretary be directed to take from the files of last year the petition of the town of Surry and accompanying papers, praying to be reimbursed for bounty money paid to one Nelson Smith, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

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

Mr. PATTEN of Bath, presented bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Eureka Milling Company," which was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Franklin Muzzy and others of Bangor, for aid to the Maine General Hospital, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Joseph T. Grant, for an act to establish the rate of tolls on lumber passing through the sluice at Rocky pond in Otis; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company"; and

Bill "an act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth";

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of S. H. Bradbury and others, for change of time and place of holding court in Washington county; also

Petition of James Gilpatrick and others; also

Petition of Jeremiah Foster and others of East Machias; also

Petition of William H. Pope and others of East Machias; and

Petition of Levi Laughton and others of Columbia, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Petition of William Connor and others, for repeal of the act incorporating the Fairfield Village Corporation; and

Petition of Silas Bates and others, for an act to make valid the doings of the Somerset Hall Corporation;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of E. S. Higgins and another, to be set off from Hallowell and annexed to Manchester; and

Petition of Jonathan Blake and others, to be set off from the Norway Village Corporation;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of Freeland Howe and others of Norway; and

Remonstrance of John H. Bradford, against taxation of foreign insurance companies doing business in this State;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of the Selectmen of Dixfield and Mexico, for authority to divide their school fund; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Dexter and Corinna, for an act to establish the Ridge School District;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the inhabitants of Island Falls, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge in said plantation; and

Petition of Paul Taber for deed of lot of land ;

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

Petition of Oliver Emery, for authority to build wharves and weirs in tide waters of Johnson's Cove, Eastport, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Nathaniel S. Green, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Russell Eaton and others, for incorporation of a Savings Bank at Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Ira Sidelinger, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. WARREN of Veazie,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 21 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes, that the violation of said article be made a criminal offence.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 11 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act in relation to conditional sales of personal property."

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 143, section 20 of the revised statutes, that disabilities incident to pauperism shall attach to persons supported as paupers in the Insane Hospital.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 207, laws of 1868, entitled "an act relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials."

On motion of the same Member,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 15, laws of 1868, entitled "an act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels."

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

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Mr. HAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company," reported the same 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.

Remonstrance of H. K. Bradbury, against the right of John M. Lane to a seat in this House; and

Remonstrance of Peter Charles Keegan, against the right of William Dickey to a seat in this House;

Were taken from the table, and referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson, the vote by which resolve in favor of the Clerks of the Valuation Commission was referred to the Committee on Claims, was reconsidered, resolve amended as per sheet "A," passed to be engrossed, rules being suspended, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. DAVIS of Lubec, was excused from serving on the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. CHASE of Woodstock, was excused from serving upon the Committee on Fisheries, and appointed upon the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. DAVIS was appointed on the Committee on Fisheries.

On motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of D. L. Milliken and 500 others, praying that the County Commissioners of Kennebec county may be authorized to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river between the towns of Waterville and Winslow, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

Petition of James McKeen and others, for an act to incorporate the Mount Ararat Cemetery Association, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House non-concurred and referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Archie S. Downs, for an act to protect pickerel in the town of Lyman, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Cyrus P. Church, for incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of A. Hobert and others, for increase of the pay of County Commissioners of Washington county, came from the Senate referred to the Delegation from Washington County.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of establishing, by law, the number of days that shall constitute a school week, and the number of weeks that shall constitute a school month.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing by law for State uniformity of text-books in the schools in the State.

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

The Joint Select Committee on State Valuation on the part of the Senate, came from that branch, were joined on the part of the House, and is as follows :

Messrs. Nealley of York,  
 Carvill of Cumberland,  
 Holland of Androscoggin,  
 Gray of Kennebec,  
 Carleton of Knox,  
 Buffum of Penobscot,  
 Talbot of Washington, *of the Senate* ;

Messrs. Stone of Kennebunk,  
 Kimball of Bethel,  
 Moulton of Porter,  
 Waterhouse of Portland,  
 Holbrook of Freeport,  
 Harding of Gorham,  
 Weston of Poland,  
 Gannett of Bath,  
 Green of Wilton,  
 Baker of Augusta,  
 Folsom of Skowhegan,  
 Skinner of St. Albans,  
 McGilvery of Searsport,  
 Crockett of Rockland,  
 Reed of Waldoborough,  
 Barker of Stetson,  
 Humphrey of Bangor,  
 Foss of Abbot,  
 Peavey of Whiting,  
 Wasson of Surry.  
 Smith of Hodgdon, *of the House*.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for an act to authorized the treasurer of said county to procure a loan ;

Petition of A. H. Chase and 70 others ; also

Petition of Corydon Felker and 26 others ; also

Petition of E. W. Bowen and 25 others ; also

Petition of T. F. Boothby and 12 others—all for amendment of pauper law ; and

Petition of John Moulton and others of Porter, for an act to make valid the doings of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John Morean and 78 others of Whitneyville; also

Petition of H. C. Peaslee and others of Jonesport; also

Petition of John F. Harmon and others of Marshfield; and

Petition of James J. Davis and others of Northfield—for an act to change the time and place of holding court in Washington county;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Petition of N. Perry and others of Presque Isle, for an appropriation to aid in building a road in Castle Hill, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of William McGilvery, for authority to extend his wharf in tide waters at Brewer, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 25 of the laws of 1869, relating to the sale of milk," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of the Register of Deeds for Washington county, for increase of fees, was referred to the Washington county Delegation.

Petition of David W. Dinsmore, for damages for false imprisonment, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Erastus Cole and others of Porter, for an act to protect trout in the west branch of Ten Mile brook in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of George A. Fletcher and others of North Anson, for incorporation of a Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of George W. Patch, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. WENTWORTH of North Berwick,

*Ordered*, That in calling the yeas and nays, the names of absent members be entered on the Journal of the House, and the Re-



porter be requested to furnish a list of the same for publication in the Daily Kennebec Journal, to be printed with the yeas and nays.

Mr. BARTON of Benton, presented a resolve relating to the Valuation Commission, which was read twice under suspension of the rules, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast.

On motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 18 of the revised statutes, that when a town by a two-thirds vote refuses to accept a town way laid out by the Selectmen, there shall be no appeal to the County Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. BRACKETT of Cumberland,

*Ordered,* That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 24, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to fences on the line of railways.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

*Ordered,* That the same Committee be directed to inquire what legislation, if any, is required to make the provisions of chapter 6 of the public laws of 1869 more effectual.

On motion of Mr. MILLS of Brooksville,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire what legislation, if any, is required to punish selectmen of towns and assessors of plantations for malfeasance in office.

On motion of Mr. TOBEY of Athens,

*Ordered,* That the same Committee be and hereby are instructed to inquire into the expediency of reducing the tax upon polls.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Strong,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing by legislation that the Superintending School Committees of the several cities, towns and plantations of the State shall have power and be authorized to employ school teachers and have the exclusive supervision of the schools.

On motion of Mr. GOTT of Leeds,

*Ordered,* That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the public law so that no child shall

attend the common schools until six years of age, instead of four years as now provided.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend chapter 87 of the laws of 1862, 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 the Joint Rule.

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Eureka Milling Company."

"Resolve in favor of clerks to the Valuation Commission."

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

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, the order limiting private legislation was taken from the table and amended by striking out the word "first" and inserting "twelfth." Pending the motion to publish the order in all the weekly and daily papers in the State, it was laid on the table on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland.

The following memorial and resolution came from the Senate:

*The People of the State of Maine by their Senators and Representatives in Legislature assembled:* Joining in the national lamentation over the death of WILLIAM PITT FESSENDEN with a sorrow peculiarly their own, deem it fitting that there should be on the records at the capitol some memorial showing their appreciation of the career of a great man who has honored them by his deeds more than they can honor him by their words.

His history needs not to be here recorded. Here were the scenes of his earlier triumphs, and from this place he was three times sent to fill the highest office in the gift of the State. It was here that he first showed those great qualities which made him in that larger arena as easily without a superior, as he was among us without peer.

He was many times a representative in the Legislature and in Congress. He was Secretary of the Treasury, and three times

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Senator of the United States. He first stated the principles on which his country, rent asunder, was afterwards solidly united.

If the high positions which he filled and the deeds he did, do not preserve him much longer than most men from the oblivion which sooner or later awaits the mightiest, it will be because he always preferred to fame, the consciousness within himself of doing with all his might what his hand found to do for the safety and stability of his country.

As a citizen he was without reproach. As a lawyer he was always true to his client but never untrue to justice. As a statesman he was a friend of liberty when her friends were few. He was tried on many critical occasions and was equal to all, and at last crowned a long life of service by steadfastly enduring for what he thought right the reproaches of friends and the praise of foes. The example of his stainless character and of the steady courage with which he met obloquy for the sake of convictions, in its effect upon the lives of those who come after him will carry his influence and power to centuries which his name may never reach.

In recognition of his worth it is

*Resolved*, That as a testimonial of the reverence in which we hold his memory the foregoing be spread upon the journals of the Senate and House, and a copy be sent by the Secretary of the Senate to his family.

The resolve was adopted unanimously in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, the House as a further token of respect to the memory of the deceased,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Samuel Adams and others of Castine, for abatement of State tax, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of the assessors of Glenwood plantation, for an act to allow municipal officers the control of public lands in plantations, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered,* That rule first of the Joint Rules and Orders, be amended, by adding after the words "on Agriculture," the words, "on State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read. Amended by inserting the word "and" before the words "on State College," &c., and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta.

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Manufactures be directed to inquire what legislation may be necessary to prevent the obstruction of the water power of the State in a manner prejudicial to the interest of manufactures.

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

Communication from the Treasurer of State, in response to an order of the Legislature, transmitting a communication from the Valuation Commission, came from the Senate, and was read.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as a justice of the peace," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend his wharf into tide waters of Rockland harbor," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of John Polleys and others, for amendment of the charter of the Baring Toll Bridge Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of J. B. Peaks and 63 others, against taxing foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of D. J. Sawyer and others of Jonesport, for change of time and place for holding court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GREEN of Wilton,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending sections 13 and 14 of the school laws of the State of Maine, regarding habitual truants.

On motion of Mr. MILDAM of Wells,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 75 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act for the establishment of County Supervisorships for Schools."

This order was amended, by substituting Education for Legal Reform, on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner," 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.

Order referring so much of the Bank and Insurance Examiner's Report as relates to insurance, to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider what action, if any, it is desirable for the Legislature to take, to testify the respect of the State for the memory of the late George Peabody, came from the Senate, and is as follows :

REPORT.

That inasmuch as the Governor and Council have taken action upon the same subject, and in behalf of the State and representatives of the government thereof, have decided to attend the reception ceremonies at Portland on the arrival of the remains of our distinguished countrymen, and fully sensible that the honor and respect of the people of the State for the memory of George Peabody will be thus completely manifested by the Executive branch of the State government, and the dignity of the occasion most amply and appropriately sustained, we are of the opinion that action on the part of the legislative branch of the government looking to an attendance of the Legislature upon the funeral ceremonies would not be advisable, and we respectfully report legislative action inexpedient.

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| T. H. CUSHING, | LEWIS BARKER,   | } <i>Committee.</i> |
| T. S. LANG,    | A. B. FARWELL,  |                     |
| S. D. LINDSEY, | ALDEN BRADFORD, |                     |
| C. R. WHIDDEN, | W. DICKEY,      |                     |

The report came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read, and pending its acceptance, laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington.

Petition of the inhabitants of Dalton, for an act to legalize the doings of said town ; and

Petition of Jeremiah Mason and others, for repeal of the charter of the city of Saco ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Otis H. Sawyer and others, against the petition of William Connor, for repeal of the charter of the Fairfield Village Corporation, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, for an act to ratify the lease of said road, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of G. H. Freeman, for deed of a lot of land ; and

Petition of the Assessors of Plantation No. 11, R. 1, Aroostook county, for an appropriation to build a bridge in said plantation ;

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

Petition of the inhabitants of Dalton, for abatement of State tax, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Robert Walker and 138 others of Brooksville and Sedgwick, for amendment of the law regulating the river and interior fisheries ; and

Petition of Newell Powers and 92 others of Brooklin, for repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of the inhabitants of Veazie, for annexation of said town to the city of Bangor ; and

Petition of Benjamin L. Kelley and others of Trescott, to be set off from said town and annexed to Whiting ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Joshua Lane and others, for repeal of the law regulating the sale of milk, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Henry H. Piper, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 53 of the acts of 1858, entitled "an act to amend chapter 82 of the revised statutes, in relation to the levy of executions against towns."

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be directed to inquire what changes, if any, are expedient in chapter 51 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads.

On motion of Mr. PHILLIPS of Weld,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the public laws so as to require \$1.25 for each inhabitant for the support of public schools, instead of \$1.00, as now required.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the House proceed to vote for a United States Senator, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William Pitt Fessenden, at 11½ o'clock A. M. on Tuesday next.

A communication from Hon. Edward R. Spear, Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance, came from the Senate, and was read.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Convention of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of administering to Hon. Edward R. Spear, Councillor elect, the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, signifying the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention.

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

#### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. BUCK of Hancock, the Secretary of the Convention was charged with a message to the Hon. Edward R. Spear,



Executive Councillor elect, informing him that the Legislature is now in Convention assembled, in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of administering to him the necessary oaths of office to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and the Councillor elect was pleased to say he would forthwith attend the Convention.

Thereupon the Hon. Edward R. Spear came in, and in presence of the Legislature, before the President of the Convention, took and subscribed the oaths of office necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Councillor then retired.

The Secretary of the Convention was ordered to inform the Governor of the election and qualification of Hon. Edward R. Spear as Councillor for the current political year.

The purposes for which the Convention was formed having been accomplished, the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

“Resolve relating to the valuation commission,” was taken from the table on motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast, and pending amendment “A,” offered by the same gentleman, the resolve was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CORTIS of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of David Doe, for deed of lot of land in Lyndon ; also

Petition of John P. Parks and others, for exchange of certain lots of land in Township K, R. 2, W. E. L. S.; and

Petition of Willard Glidden and 13 others, inhabitants of Woodland, for control of the public lands in said plantation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of J. S. Minot and others, pew-holders of the Baptist meeting-house in Belgrade, for an act of incorporation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Warren M. True and others, for incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "an act relating to evidence," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for extension of said road in the town of Farmington, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of Francis Stowe and others of Perham ; also

Petition of Charles Kidder and others of Bridgewater ; and

Petition of Nathan Perry and others of Presque Isle, for change of place for holding the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Aroostook, referred in the House to the Committee on Division of Counties, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House recessed and concurred.

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 43, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, that constables may be authorized to serve writs and precepts where the damage claimed does not exceed five hundred dollars, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That a Joint Special Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider such part of the Governor's Message as refers to the subject of Temperance, and report what changes, if any, are desirable in the present law.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Lang of Kennebec, Cleaves of Oxford, and Webb of Somerset, appointed.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Whidden of Calais, Wasson of Surry, Bearce of Turner, Brown of Anson, Hawes of Vassalborough, Burgess of Portland, and Lewis of Liberty, joined on the part of the House.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Reform School, was received and read.

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbance of religious meetings"; also

Bill "an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for the county of Cumberland"; also

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 39 of the revised statutes"; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 63 of the revised statutes"; also

Petition of R. K. Cushing, for an appropriation in aid of the Maine General Hospital; and

Memorial of George M. Weston, for allowance of his claim against the State;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. D. Wyer and 128 others of Harpswell and vicinity, for authority to build a bridge from Bailey's Island to Orr's Island; and

Petition of the Directors of the Somerset Railroad Company, for extension of charter ;

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

Remonstrance of Woodbury Davis and 510 others ; also

Remonstrance of M. W. Farr and 75 others of Hallowell—against the taxation of insurance companies ; and

Petition of the Directors of the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for change of charter ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of L. H. Ingersoll and others of Columbia, Columbia Falls and Addison, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into Pleasant river ; and

Remonstrance of A. S. Hathaway and others, against the same ; and

Petition of Oliver Welt and 19 others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into Medomak river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of William D. Rice and others, for “ an act to amend an act entitled an act granting Mary E. Balch authority to construct weirs in Moose river ” ; and

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others, in aid of the same ; and

Petition of Ann Ramsdell and others, in aid of the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of George W. Webber, for a deed of lot of land to Franklin F. Young ; and

Petition of W. T. Sleeper, for a deed of a lot of land to Sarah J. Caldwell ;

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

Petition of Charles W. Cobb of Portland, for State aid, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of N. H. Hubbard and others, for increase of the salary of the Judge of Probate for Waldo county, was referred to the Waldo County Delegation.

Petition of Jerome Wass of Columbia Falls, for change of time and place of holding court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

“ Resolve in relation to the shipping interest of Maine, ” was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Remonstrance of Silas Skillin and others of North Yarmouth, against the petition of Albert Blaisdell and others, to be set off from said town, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of John W. Fogg, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. HUMPHREY, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference," reported the same ought to pass.

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

Printed bill "an act to repeal chapter 87 of the laws of 1862, relating to appeals from decisions of County Commissioners," was read twice, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve relating to the attendance of the Legislature upon the Peabody ceremonials at Portland," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington, and considered.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, moved it be laid on the table.

Mr. BLISS moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the resolve was laid on the table by yeas 78, nays 39.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allan, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bird, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Bradford, Brawn, Brown, Burnham, Burgess, Campbell, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Conforth, Cox, Crockett, Daggett, Darling, Davis, Dunning, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Gannett, Gott, Gould, Green, Greenleaf, Guptill, Hamilton, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Hume, Irish, Jordan of Brunswick,

Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Main, McGilvery, McLain, Means, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Newcomb, Palmer, Patten, Pierce, Purinton, Sargent, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Thurlough, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Wheeler, Whidden, Whitehouse, Whitney, Wilson, Young—78.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Blake, Bliss, Brackett, Clark of Holden, Dearborn, Dickey, Gates, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Harding, Humphrey, Hussey, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Martin, Mason, McDougal, McKown, Mears, Mildram, Nickerson, Peavey, Phillips, Powers, Ray, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Saco, Spaulding, Stover, Thompson, Wentworth, White, Wilder—39.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Ames, Bartlett, Berry of Buxton, Bunker, Burbank, Cotton, Cousens, Cushing, Dennett, Douglass, Duncan, Foster of Argyle, Holman, Jones, Libby, May, Mayo, Paige, Plummer, Pray, Reed, Riggs, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Smith of Warren, Sturgis, Stone, Tobey, Wasson, Watts, Weston—33.

The order relating to the same subject, was then taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport, and indefinitely postponed.

Report of the Committee on order relating to the same subject, was taken from the table, and accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

*Ordered*, That in voting for United States Senator this day, each member as his name is called by the Clerk, shall rise in his place and give his vote.

The hour having arrived fixed by an order of the House to vote for a Senator in the Congress of the United States to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden, and this being the second Tuesday subsequent to the meeting and organization of the Legislature of this State, the day designated by an act of Congress entitled "an act to regulate the time and manner of holding elections for Senators in Congress," approved

July 25th, A. D. 1866, the House proceeded openly and by a *viva voce* vote of each member present, on call of the roll by the Clerk, to name a person for Senator in Congress from this State, and with the following result :

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| Whole number of votes..... | 120 |
| Lot M. Morrill had.....    | 100 |
| Isaac Reed.....            | 20  |

Lot M. Morrill had a majority of all the votes.

The members who voted for Hon. Lot M. Morrill were—

Messrs. Allan, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Bird, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Bradford, Brawn, Brown, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cole, Conforth, Cox, Crockett, Daggett, Darling, Davis, Dunning, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Waterville, Gannett, Gates, Gott, Gould, Green, Greenleaf, Guptill, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lord, Main, Martin, Mason, May, McGilvery, McLain, Means, Mears, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Patten, Phillips, Pierce, Powers, Purinton, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Thompson, Thurlough, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whidden, White, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson, Young—100.

The members who voted for Hon. Isaac Reed were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Brackett, Burnham, Campbell, Dearborn, Dickey, Harding, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, McDougal, McKown, Mildram, Peavey, Ray, Sargent, Sherman of Islesborough, Stover, Whitehouse—20.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Ames, Berry of Buxton, Bunker, Burbank, Cotton, Cousens, Cushing, Dennett, Douglass, Duncan, Foster of Argyle, Holman, Lewis of Pittston, Libby, Mayo, Paige, Plummer, Pray, Reed, Riggs, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Smith of Warren, Sturgis, Stone, Tobey, Wasson, Watts—30.

“Resolve relating to the valuation commission,” was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton.

Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, offered amendment “B” as an amendment to amendment “A,” pending which, laid on the table on motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. STORRS of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of J. A. Buck, for authority to extend his wharf into tide waters, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill “an act to amend an act in relation to Savings Banks and Savings Institutions,” came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered,* That the delegation from Cumberland county inquire whether any further legislation is needed to regulate the salary of the Register of Probate for said county.

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, so as to limit the time of commencing actions against towns for damages from defective highways to one year.

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

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 :



## REPORT.

The Committee has fully examined the books and accounts in the Treasurer's office, and find them to have been carefully kept, correctly cast, and accompanied with satisfactory vouchers, and that they all 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 thirteen thousand one hundred forty-five dollars.

A record of the same has been made upon the books of the Treasurer.            Respectfully submitted.

F. LORING TALBOT,  
S. W. COLLINS,  
CHARLES BUFFUM,  
THOMAS E. TWITCHELL,  
JAMES F. PATTEN,  
SAMUEL BEARCE,  
A. H. BARTON,  
WILLIAM MCGILVERY.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers"; also

Bill "an act to establish certain rules for the construction of repealing statutes"; also

Petition of J. B. Condon and 39 others, for change of place for holding the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county; and

Petition of C. B. Ferguson and 38 others of Maysville, for the same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of James Jewett and 34 others of Bath and Westport, for change of the charter of the Arrowsic Bridge Company; and

Petition of J. B. Swanton and 33 others of Bath, in aid of the same; also

Petition of C. Dunn and also of Amity; and

Petition of C. S. Wiggin and others, in aid of the petition of J. C. Madigan, for charter for a railroad in Aroostook county; and

Petition of Francis G. Butler and others of Farmington Village Corporation, for authority to raise money to aid in the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad ;

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

Petition of P. B. Soule and others, to be set off from the Penobscot Agricultural Society and united with the proposed Penobscot Central ; and

Remonstrance of J. F. Jordan and others of Penobscot county, against any change in the law relating to the sale of milk ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Jonah Norris and 37 others of Wayne, for authority to aid manufactures in said town, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of C. B. Sanford, for the incorporation of the Bangor Ice and Coal Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Smullen and Prince, for authority to build a wharf in in the tide waters of Harpswell, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Oliver Eaton and others of Bluehill ; and

Petition of Wilfred Freatly and others of Brooklin—for repeal of the law of 1869 relating to the taking of porgies ; and

Remonstrance of George Morang and others, against the petition of Oliver Emery, for authority to build weirs and wharves in Johnson's cove ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

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

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of separating the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court who act on questions of law from those who hold jury trials.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Normal School law so as to admit of a graduated scale of Diplomas.

On motion of Mr. WHITE of Bangor,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Liquor Law be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the liquor law that the proper authorities of cities, towns and plantations may make seizures of liquor without previously taking out warrants.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of J. D. Wyer, for authority to lay out a bridge from Bailey's Island to Orr's Island, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

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

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as a Justice of the Peace, reported the same 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. FARWELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to lease their road and for other purposes," reported the same ought to pass.

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolves in commemoration of the character and services of Edwin M. Stanton," were taken from the table on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, and unanimously adopted, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the Senate proposing that the Convention of the two branches of the Legislature required by law to be held this day at 12 o'clock to declare the vote for United States Senator, be held in the Representatives' Hall, and also that

upon the conclusion of that duty, the Convention proceed to the election of a State Treasurer for the current fiscal year.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed the message.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., informing the House of the concurrence of that branch in the proposition.

The hour of 12 meridian, having arrived, the time fixed by "an act of Congress approved July 25, A. D. 1866," for the two Houses of the Legislature to convene in Joint Assembly for the purpose of comparing the votes cast for a Senator in Congress from this State, (to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden,) and for other purposes mentioned in said act, the Senate came in, and a Convention formed

#### IN CONVENTION.

The Journal of each House for the preceding day was read, and Hon. Lot M. Morrill having received a majority of all the votes in each House, was declared duly elected Senator to represent the State of Maine in the Congress of the United States to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden.

On motion of Mr. LANG of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to inform the Governor that Lot M. Morrill has been duly elected by the Legislature a Senator from this State to fill the vacancy caused by the decease of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden.

On motion of Mr. REED of the Senate,

Messrs. Reed of Cumberland, Lang of Kennebec, Baker of Augusta, Chase of Woodstock, and Patten of Bath, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for State Treasurer.

Mr. REED, from the Committee, subsequently reported :

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| Whole number of votes.....  | 141 |
| Necessary for a choice..... | 71  |
| William Caldwell has.....   | 141 |

The report was read and accepted, and William Caldwell declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to

notify William Caldwell that he has been duly elected State Treasurer for the current fiscal year.

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

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act relative to reversal of judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence."

Petition of G. C. Gray and others of Wesley, for change of time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Washington.

Memorial of John E. Godfrey and others, for change of the probate laws.

The foregoing came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Thomas C. Allen and others of Waterborough, for the preservation of fish in Ossipee lake, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mattawankeag Steam Navigation Company"; and

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corpora-

tions," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petitions from citizens of Washington county, for change of time and place for holding court in said county, referred by the House to the Committee on Division of Counties, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House recessed and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of E. T. Luce and others, reporting bill "an act to amend chapter 195, laws of 1869, entitled an act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston," 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 passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act relating to evidence," reporting the same ought to pass; and

Report of the same Committee, on petition of D. L. Milliken, reporting bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river between the towns of Winslow and Waterville," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

These reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the resignation of William H. Paige, Representative elect from the District composed of the towns of Vinalhaven, North Haven and South Thomaston, was received and the resignation accepted.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, the SPEAKER of the House was requested to notify the Selectmen of the towns of Vinalhaven, North Haven and South Thomaston, of the resignation of Mr. Paige.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 102 of the revised statutes, relating to writs of error in criminal cases"; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, concerning assignments"; also

Petition of J. M. Talbot and others, for change of the time and place of holding court in Washington county; and

Petition of Horace Ford, for an act to incorporate the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Biddeford;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of S. Titcomb and others, against the taxation of foreign insurance companies;

Remonstrance of Frank Foss and others of Saco; and

Remonstrance of Alfred Pierce and 217 others of Biddeford, for same; and

Petition of the Ocean Insurance Company, for extension of charter;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of James Anderson, for charter for railroad from Whitneyville to Ellsworth; also

Petition of Seth Tisdale, for charter for railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth; and

Petition of M. T. Eldridge and others, for an act to loan the credit of the town of Orrington to aid in the construction of a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth;

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

Petition of J. R. Bodwell and others, to be set off from Manchester and annexed to Hallowell; and

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Hallowell, in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill "an act to amend an act to regulate the taking of porgies in the waters of Maine"; and

Petition of Job F. Wilson and others, for repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of John C. Condon, for leave to extend his wharf in Belfast, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Phineas Yeaton and others, for incorporation of the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company, with bill, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of B. H. Huston, for deed of a lot of land in Mt. Chase, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Elijah Upton, Register of Probate for Sagadahoc county, for increase of salary, was referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of William O. G. Campbell, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll be instructed to make up the pay of William H. Paige, member elect from the town of Vinalhaven, for mileage and per diem to and including this day, at three dollars per day.

Mr. FOSS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on order relating to the distribution of the "Water Power of Maine," reported legislation inexpedient.

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

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," reported the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. COLE, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. GREEN, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of Luther Maddocks, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Algæ Fertilizer Company."

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Finance, presented bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FOSS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. FARWELL, from the Committee on Education, on petition of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, taken from the files of the last



Legislature, reported a "resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College."

These reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act entitled an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to lease their road and for other purposes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate

A communication from the Adjutant General, in response to an order of the House requesting information in relation to the amount due the State from the several cities, towns and plantations in the State, with the sum due from each, and the cause of such indebtedness, &c., was received, and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson, together with the order calling for the information.

Also, the following order presented by Mr. HUME of Cherryfield :

*Ordered*, That a Committee of seven on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate, be appointed to investigate the matter referred to in the communication this day made by the Adjutant General to this House. And that said Committee be empowered to send for persons, papers and records.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRANE of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Peter Sepsis and others of the Passamaquoddy Indians, for appropriations for said tribe, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and was referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to the division of towns into school districts, so as to provide for a uniform system of graded schools.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act additional conferring certain powers on the city of Portland."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth."

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 their third reading.

Petition of Roscoe Doble and others of Independence, for an act to legalize the doings of said plantation ; also

Petition of H. W. Ramsdell and others of Harrington ; and

Petition of Thomas G. Smith and others of Edmunds, for change of place for holding court in Washington county ; also

Bill "an act for the incorporation of public cemeteries"; and

Petition of Samuel Mowry and others of Lubec, for repeal of the

law of 1869 making valid the doings of towns in voting commutation ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of James Devine, for additional compensation for supplying the State House with water, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Charles Comery and 46 others of Waldoborough, for an act to protect trout in Gross pond ; also

Remonstrance of Roland Carleton and 157 others ; and

Remonstrance of John Cain and 90 others, against the repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Veranus Chandler and others, for exchange of certain lots of land in Mapleton plantation ; and

Petition of Asa Smith and others, for an appropriation to aid in the repair of the Mattawamkeag bridge ;

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

Petition of William Carr and others, in aid of the petition of Simeon Carpenter, for authority to erect a dam on Shin Pond brook ; and

Petition of Charles E. Barrett and others, for authority to use the water of the Oxford and Cumberland Canal for manufacturing purposes ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of A. D. Manson and others of Bangor, for an act to incorporate the Merchants Marine Insurance Company ; and

Remonstrance of Charles H. Treat and 46 others of Winterport ; and

Remonstrance of John T. Wallace and others, against the taxation of insurance companies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Remonstrance of J. William Woodbury and others, against the petition of P. M. Edmunds and others, for division of the town of Mexico ; and

Petition of David Townsend and others of Somerville, to be set off to the town of Washington ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Charles Campbell and others, for charter for a railroad

from Cherryfield to Ellsworth, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of G. C. Nelson and others, for the incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of William F. Moody and others, for an act to authorize the straightening of the town lines between Kennebunkport and Biddeford.

On motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport,

*Ordered,* That notice be and is hereby given, by publishing the same one week in the two daily papers ordered by this House, and by serving the same on the Clerk of Kennebunkport and Clerk or Mayor of said Biddeford, by any officer qualified to serve civil precepts, within five days, that the foregoing petition has been presented this day to this Legislature.

This petition and order were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending sections 55, 56 and 57 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators.

*Ordered,* That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing that the process of forcible entry and detainer may be commenced by an action instead of complaint and warrant.

*Ordered,* That the same Committee inquire what amendment, if any, is expedient in chapter 46, section 19 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations.

*Ordered,* That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 74, section 9 of the revised statutes, relating to wills.

*Ordered,* That the same Committee inquire what change is necessary in chapter 230 of the acts of 1864, to effect the purpose intended.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for authority

to procure a loan, reported reference to the Penobscot County Delegation.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbance of religious meetings," reported ought not to pass.

The reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Francis G. Butler, reported bill "an act to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad."

Mr. NICKERSON, from the Waldo County Delegation, on petition of N. H. Hubbard and others, reported bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Waldo."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

Printed bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was read twice, and Wednesday next assigned for the third reading, on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Mr. WHIDDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers," reported ought to pass.

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under Joint Rule.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company," was 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 relating to evidence."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as Justice of the Peace."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across Kennebec river between the towns of Waterville and Winslow."

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

Senate order limiting private legislation to February 1st, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport. Amendment "B" was rejected. The order was then passed and sent to the Senate, being amended by striking out the word "first" and inserting the word "twentieth."

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Judah D. Teague and 101 others of Lyndon, praying that said town may be made a half shire town of Aroostook county ; also

Petition of John Eddy and 32 others ; and

Petition of William Small and 19 others, for same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of D. R. Hastings and others of Fryeburg, against the taxation of foreign insurance companies, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Valuation be instructed to inquire into the expediency of furnishing yearly to the assessors of the several cities, towns and plantations in this State, uniform headings for a valuation list for purposes of taxation, in order to secure a more uniform description and appraisal of property throughout the State.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relative to the manner of engrossing the acts and resolves, reporting the same be referred to the Committee on State Printing and Binding.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on order relative to the claim of the town of Surry, reporting reference to the Committee on Claims.

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

Report of the Joint Special Committee on the Governor's Address, reporting the following :

The Committee to which was referred the Governor's Address for assignment of its several subjects to appropriate Committees, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report :

That that part of the address upon the Insane Hospital, be assigned to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

That upon education, to the Committee on Education.

That upon the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, to the Committee on Agriculture.

That upon reviews in capital cases, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon consolidation of railroads, to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

That upon registration of State bonds, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon taxing foreign insurance companies, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon savings banks and banking, to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

That upon free banking law, to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

That relating to legalizing a higher rate of interest than six per cent., to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon the industrial school for girls, to the Committee on Reform School.

That relating to jail reform, to the Committee on Regal Reform.

This report came from the Senate read, amended as per sheet "A," and accepted.

The report was read, amendment "A" adopted, and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition, reporting bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad."

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 the third reading.



A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the resignation of Perez Bunker of Barnard, Representative elect, was received, the resignation accepted, and the SPEAKER, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, requested to notify the Selectmen of the towns composing the class in that Representative District.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Perez Bunker to and including this day, at three dollars a day, and for travel.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association"; also

Petition of Daniel Randall and others of Island Falls; and

Petition of D. N. Rogers and others of Dalton, praying that the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Aroostook county may be holden in Presque Isle; also

Petition of J. C. Googins and others of Steuben; also

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others of Cutler; and

Petition of E. G. Coffin and others of Machiasport, all for change of place for holding court in Washington county;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George M. Weston and others, for charter for a railroad from Sebec lake to Elliotsville; and

Petition of Hiram Gardner and others, for charter for a railroad from Cherryfield to Ellsworth;

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

Petition of the Bangor Water Power Company, for extension of certain franchises; and

Petition of George M. Weston and others, for authority to remove obstructions from Ship Pond stream;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of William H. Shailer and others of Portland, against State uniformity of text-books, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the Passamaquoddy Indians, for an appropriation to repair their Hall, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, laid on the table petition of the Maine General Hospital for an appropriation, which was ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire what change or reform, if any, is required in the provisions of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, to insure a more prompt collection of municipal taxes.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Benjamin L. Kelley and others, to be set off from Trecott and annexed to the town of Whiting, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. DAGGETT, from the Committee on Education, on order relative to increasing the amount of school money towns may raise for school purposes, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of James McKeen for incorporation of the Mount Ararat Cemetery Association, reported ought not to pass.

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

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to incorporate the Solon Village Cemetery," reported ought to pass.

Mr. FOLSOM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize John A. Buck to extend his wharf into tide water in the town of Bucksport."

Mr. COX, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor."

Mr. BEARCE, from the same Committee, made the same report, on bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and Monday next assigned for their third reading.

Bill "an act additional conferring certain powers on the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth."

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

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Waldo."

Bill "an act to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad."

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

Paper from the Senate :

*Ordered,* That this Legislature, on receiving notice of the arrival of the fleet at Portland conveying to our shores the remains of the late George Peabody of London, and the time fixed for their disembarkation and obsequies, do adjourn over that day, that we may thereby in our official capacity and as individuals, testify our respect for the excellent character and distinguished services of one so entirely noble.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read, and amended, on motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, as follows : Amend, by striking out all after the word "day," and inserting in place thereof: "and that we will in a body, in our official capacity, attend the ceremonies on the occasion, as a testimonial of our respect for his character and services."

The order, as amended, was then passed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Root of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of John Buck and others of Orland, for an act to loan the credit of said town to aid in the construction of a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of William H. Smith and others, for charter for a railroad from Milo to Sebec village.

Petition of E. K. O'Brien and others, for an act to incorporate the Thomaston Savings Bank, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of William McPheters and others, for amendment of the charter of the Birch Stream Dam Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of Henry W. Park and others, against setting off a part of the town of Mexico and annexing the same to Rumford, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of the Selectmen of Dexter and Corinna, for an act to establish the Ridge School District, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of John Patten, reporting bill "an act to repeal chapter 213 of the private and special laws of 1869, entitled an act to protect smelts in Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers," 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 the third reading.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company"; also

Petition of Thomas A. Irish and 105 others of Sherman; also .

Petition of Randall Gallison and 910 others; and

Petition of T. F. Smith and 31 others of Silver Ridge, for incorporation of the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company; also

Petition of G. W. Allen and others of Surry; and

Petition of John M. Merrill and others of Surry, for an act to authorize said town to aid in the construction of a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth; also

Petition of John D. Hopkins and 146 others; and

Petition of H. M. Hall and others of Ellsworth, for an act to loan the credit of said city in aid of a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth;

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

Petition of F. W. Witham and 59 others, for amendment of the law of 1869 relating to the taking of porgies; also

Petition of Solomon J. Treworgy and others; and

Petition of Henry J. Milliken and others, in aid of the same; also

Remonstrance of Samuel Adams and 39 others of Castine, against any change in the porgy law; and

Petition of George W. McLellan, for authority to construct and maintain fish weirs in the tide waters of Herring cove in Trescott;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Sidney Cook, for a release in part of certain claims in the Land Office against him; and

Petition of J. W. Hines of Presque Isle, for compensation for a lot of land deeded to H. B. Elliott;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of C. F. Pillsbury and 51 others, for a change of the pauper law; and

Petition of J. H. Sprague and others of Presque Isle, praying that the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Aroostook county be holden at Presque Isle;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of William D. Rice and others of Trescott, against any change in the law relating to cattle running at large; and

Petition of Nathan Kimball and others, for an act to authorize municipal officers to appoint highway surveyors;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Remonstrance of Orren Tufts and others of Kingfield ; also  
 Remonstrance of L. G. Downes and others of Machias ; and  
 Remonstrance of Henry C. Packard and others of Readfield—  
 against the taxation of foreign insurance companies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Resolve to convey a lot of land to Francis Albert, Jr. ;

Petition of inhabitants of Island Falls, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge across Fish stream ;

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

Remonstrance of Joseph Carr and others ;

Remonstrance of S. C. Hatch and others of Bangor—against annexing the town of Veazie to Bangor ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of John Francis and others, Passamaquoddy Indians, for an appropriation to repair their chapel, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, be directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the several counties, cities and towns in this State, to purchase and make free all the toll bridges and turnpikes where tolls are payable, and maintain the same as public highways.

On motion of Mr. WENTWORTH of North Berwick,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the public laws that the bondsmen of collectors of taxes shall be holden only for a definite time from the date of commitment of tax lists to said collectors.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act additional to an act entitled an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Bill “an act to authorize the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad.”

Bill “an act additional to an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company.”

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

Bill "an act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the proprietors of Solon Village Cemetery."

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 to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 195 of the private laws of 1869, entitled an act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston."

Bill "an act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth."

Bill "an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railway Company to lease their road and for other purposes."

"Resolve in commemoration of the character and services of Edwin M. Stanton."

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

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of T. J. Southard and others, for an act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company, with bill, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Charles G. Whittier and 48 others, praying that Lyndon be made a half shire town of Aroostook county; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 157 of the laws of 1868."

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Jacob Randall, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association."

Report of the same Committee, on petition of John S. Minot and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Baptist Meeting-House Society in Belgrade."

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 the third reading.

Order relative to the attendance of the Legislature upon the Peabody ceremonials at Portland, came back from the Senate amendment "A" rejected. The question being on receding, Mr. HINKS moved its indefinite postponement, and that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to indefinitely postpone, by yeas 16, nays 90.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Boyd, Guptill, Hinks, Irish, Lewis of Pittston, Mills



Milliken, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Thurlough, Vose, Wasson, Weston, Whitney, Young—16.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Ames, Baker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Blake, Bliss, Brackett, Bradford, Brawn, Burnham, Burgess, Campbell, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cole, Cousens, Cox, Cushing, Daggett, Darling, Dearborn, Dennett, Dickey, Douglass, Dunning, Farwell, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gates, Gott, Greenlief, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Harding, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Holman, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lord, Martin, May, Mayo, McDougal, McGilvery, McKown, McLain, Means, Mears, Mildram, Moulton, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Peavey, Pierce, Plummer, Powers, Ray, Riggs, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Warren, Spaulding, Sturgis, Stover, Thompson, Tobey, Twitchell, Warren, Waterhouse, Wentworth, Whidden, Wilder—90.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Alexander, Barker, Bartlett, Bean, Bird, Bonney, Boothby, Brown, Burbank, Chase of Winn, Conforth, Crockett, Davis, Duncan, Folsom, Gould, Green, Hamilton, Holbrook, Lane, Libby, Main, Mason, Patten, Phillips, Purinton, Reed, Sargent, Sawyer, Smith of Saco, Stone, Watts, Wheeler, White, Whitehouse, Wilson—39.

The House, on motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, voted to insist and appoint conferees.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Whidden of Calais, Barker of Stetson, and Farwell of Augusta, conferees.

Petition of O. C. Livermore and 300 others of Eastport, for change of time and place of holding court in Washington county; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 119 of the public laws of 1867, authorizing cities and towns to raise money in aid of the construction of railroads in this State"; also

Petition of Benjamin M. Royal and others, for an act to amend section 2, chapter 316 of the private laws of 1867; and

Petition of Charles W. Deering and others of Gorham, for further legislation to secure their rights under chapter 341, private laws of 1864;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of O. M. Crawford and 305 others of Warren; also

Petition of George Alexander and 103 others of Belmont; also

Petition of James Fuller and 47 others of Searsmont; also

Petition of S. B. Ripley and 13 others of Appleton; also

Petition of W. B. Thayer and others of Searsmont; also

Petition of John Arnold and 138 others of Appleton; and

Petition of Charles Fogler—for charter for a railroad from Warren to Belfast; and

Petition of Ambrose White and 195 others of Bucksport, for authority to loan the credit of said town in aid of the construction of a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth;

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

Petition of William Godfrey and others, for authority to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in Steuben, with bill, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Henry E. Prentiss and others, for an act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company, with bill; and

Petition of Nathaniel Perkins, for authority to extend a wharf in Kennebec river;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to amend an act to aid the children of William J. Deane, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Benjamin L. Kelley and others, for payment of the full amount due the town of Trescott, as appears by the Report of the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of Zenas Lane and others; and

Remonstrance of John S. Kimball and others of Bangor, against the taxation of foreign insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Severin Cormier and others, for a grant of land to aid in building mills in letter L township in Aroostook county, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Memorial of the Executive Committee of the Maine General Hospital, for aid from the State to establish said hospital, was

taken from the table on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, and referred to a Joint Special Committee, consisting on the part of the House of Messrs. Barker of Stetson, Baker of Augusta, Reed of Waldoborough, Whidden of Calais, Sturgis of Standish, Patten of Bath, and Main of Unity.

Petition of John A. Wheeler and others ; also  
 Petition of David Torrey and others of Westbrook ; also  
 Petition of Elijah L. Hamlin and others of Bangor ; also  
 Petition of Joseph P. Fessenden and others of Lewiston ; also  
 Petition of A. B. Thompson and others of Brunswick ; also  
 Petition of Nathan Weston and others of Augusta ; also  
 Petition of B. F. Barton and others ; also  
 Petition of Thomas Lambard and others of Augusta ; also  
 Petition of P. H. Harding and others of Ellsworth ; also  
 Petition of William D. Sewall and others ; also  
 Petition of William H. Simpson and others of Belfast ; also  
 Petition of William G. Crosby and others of Belfast ; and  
 Petition of Nehemiah Abbott and others of Belfast—all in aid of the foregoing petition for aid to the Maine General Hospital ;  
 Were referred to the Joint Special Committee.  
 The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DARLING of Patten,  
*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to compute the mileage of members of the Legislature by the nearest stage or railroad route to their places of residence.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Elections, on remonstrance of Henry K. Bradbury, against the right of John W. Lane to a seat in this House, reported the following resolve :

*Resolved*, That John W. Lane is entitled to represent the district composed of Hollis and Waterborough, in this House, and that the remonstrant against his right have leave to withdraw.

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

Mr. POWERS, from the same Committee, on certificate of election issued to Samuel H. Richards of Eden, reported that said certificate was issued by mistake, and that said Richards is not entitled to a seat in this House.

The report was read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. POWERS,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll make up the pay of Samuel H. Richards, for ten days' attendance, at two dollars a day, and mileage.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers."

Bill "an act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes."

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

Mr. WHIDDEN, from the Committee of Conference, on order relating to the Peabody ceremonials at Portland, reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House in the passage of the order as amended.

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

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 213 of the laws of 1869, entitled an act to protect smelts in the Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize John A. Buck to extend his wharf into tide water in the town of Bucksport," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 275 of the private laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland," being on

its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, the rules were suspended, and the votes reconsidered by which the orders were passed directing the Committee on Pay Roll to make up the pay of Perez Bunker and William H. Paige.

The orders were then indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PAINE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act relating to collection of debts where no administration has been taken out," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Richmond L. Williams, for the exclusive right to navigate Moose pond, in Somerset county, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Somerset county, for change of the law relating to roads over unincorporated townships, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of A. S. Packard and others of Brunswick, against State uniformity of text books, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of James Devine, for additional compensation for supplying the State House with water, came back from the Senate,

that branch non-concurring in reference to the Committee on Claims, and voting leave to withdraw.

The House, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, non-concurred and insisted on its former vote.

*Ordered*, That, that part of the Railroad Commissioners' Report relating to stopping engines at railroad crossings, and that part relating to power of Railroad Commissioners to interfere in speed of railroad trains or defective tracks, be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on Memorial of John E. Godfrey and others, on bill "an act additional further regulating Probate Courts and proceedings," reporting that the same be printed, came from the Senate read and accepted and recommitted. The report was read, accepted and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Commissioners on Revision of the Statutes, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform. The same was read and referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of E. K. O'Brien, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Thomaston Savings Bank," 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.

Petition of Joseph Nash and others of Addison; also

Petition of Charles H. Farnsworth and others of Beddington; also

Petition of Warren Leighton and others of Milbridge; and

Petition of H. Willey and others of Cherryfield—all for change of time and place for holding court in the county of Washington; also

Bill "an act to amend the city charter of Bangor"; and

Memorial of the Mayor of Rockland, for amendment of city charter;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Isaac Sawyer and others, to be set off from Limington and annexed to the town of Limerick ; and

Remonstrance of George Warren and 668 others, against division of the town of Westbrook ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Albert S. Rice and others of Rockland ; also

Petition of Washington Long and others of Eastport ; also

Petition of Philo Clark and others ; also

Petition of A. P. Snow and others of Winthrop ; also

Petition of Abial Libby and others of Richmond ; and

Petition of J. G. Alden and others of Warren, for an appropriation to the Maine General Hospital ;

Were referred to the Joint Special Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Petition of P. G. Blanchard and others of Yarmouth, for amendment of the law regulating the taking of porgies ; also

Petition of Paul Pendexter, for an act to protect fish in Sand pond in Parsonsfield ; also

Petition of Joel Long and others of Bluehill, for repeal of the law relating to the taking of porgies ; also

Petition of Samuel Herrick and others of Sedgwick ; also

Petition of N. K. Sawyer and others of Ellsworth ; also

Petition of J. N. Chatto and others ; and

Petition of E. C. Chatto and others—all in aid of the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of David Dudley and others of Presque Isle, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Oldtown, for authority to take the Upper Stillwater Bridge ; also

Bill "an act entitled an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and the bills ordered to be printed.

Remonstrance of A. F. Bradbury and others of Dexter, against the taxation of foreign insurance companies ; and

Petition of the Stockholders of Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company, for renewal of charter ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of A. F. Bradbury of Dexter, for amendment of the law relating to Savings Banks, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "an act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Joseph Parodis, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge in Dickeyville, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of A. S. Richards, for incorporation of the town of Van Buren, was referred to the Committee on incorporation of Towns.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WATERHOUSE of Portland,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pensions inquire into the expediency of repealing all resolves granting pensions to any person prior to the year 1862, or any part thereof.

On motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of continuing in force the provisions of chapter 170, public laws of 1868, entitled "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," and that so much of the Governor's Address as relates to this subject be referred to the same Committee.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve giving Lewis Selbing a State pension, commencing with the first day of July, 1869.

On motion of Mr. STURGIS of Standish,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relative to paupers who are not residents of the State, that towns that assist such paupers may receive pay from the State.

On motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, under the direction of the Governor and Council, to purchase a wood lot for said tribe.

On motion of the same member,



*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire as to whether any additional legislation is necessary in relation to leasing the shores on the islands in the Penobscot river belonging to the Penobscot Indians.

On motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath,

*Ordered*, That so much of the Report of the Bank and Insurance Examiner as relates to taxing foreign insurance companies, be referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. YOUNG of Hancock,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes, relating to the measuring of wood and bark.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 168 of the public laws of 1868, relating to executions against railroad corporations.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to amendment of section 21, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. CROCKETT, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of the citizens of Sherman, for deed of a lot of land to Franklin F. Young, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. FARWELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," reported the same be printed and recommitted.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act 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," reported the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. CROCKETT, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported a "resolve in favor of Paul Taber."

Mr. HAMMOND, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing the extending of a wharf into tide waters of Harpswell," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of James F. Farmer, reported bill "an act to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of John Polleys, reported bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Baring Bridge."

Mr. SKINNER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report, on bill "an act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolve.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Elections, on the remonstrance of Peter Charles Keegan against the right of William Dickey to a seat in this House, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. HAM, from the minority of said Committee, reported the following resolve:

*Resolved*, That Peter Charles Keegan having received a majority of all the legal votes cast in the Madawaska District for Representative in the Legislature, is entitled to his seat in this House.

The foregoing reports were ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 157 of the public laws of 1868."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Belgrade Baptist Meeting-House Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers."

Bill "an act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes."

"Resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell."

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

Bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table and Wednesday next assigned on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College," was read the second time, and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. HUME, and assigned for next Wednesday.

Bill "an act to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad."

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Waldo."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 213 of the private laws of 1869, entitled an act to protect smelts in Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 275 of the laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland," was taken from the table and recommitted, on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act for extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to make all necessary arrangements for the Legislature to attend the Peabody cere-

monials at Portland to-morrow, and report before adjournment this day.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Bliss of Washington, May of Winthrop, and Sherman of Camden.

The order was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Joint Special Committee of Arrangements on Peabody Ceremonials, came from the Senate, and is as follows :

REPORT.

That the members of both branches of the Legislature, together with the officers of both branches, attend in a body, leaving the depot in Augusta at half-past six o'clock on the morning of January 27th, and thence proceed to Portland. Your Committee further report, that Col. T. H. Cushing act as Chief Marshal, and Col. A. B. Farwell and Hon. C. R. Whidden as Assistant Marshals.

Signed,

J. P. MORSE,

H. BLISS, JR., *for Committee.*

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

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

*Ordered,* That when the House adjourns, it be till five o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. BLISS of Washington, presented the following order :

*Ordered,* That the Senate concurring, both branches of the Legislature, with its officers, attend in a body the ceremonials at Portland, upon the disembarkation of the remains of the late George Peabody, leaving depot, Saturday, 6.30 o'clock A. M.

The order, on motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Charles B. Sanford, for authority to build a wharf in Winterport; and

Petition of E. Swazey and others, for authority to extend their wharf in Bucksport, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Archibald Lime and others, for incorporation of the Hartland Savings Bank, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of John S. Hopkins and 156 others of Vinalhaven, for the removal of gates from highways in said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of M. R. Ludwig and others of Thomaston; also

Petition of James B. Severy and others of Farmington; also

Petition of William Swasey and others of Limerick; also

Petition of Josiah F. Day and others of Alfred; and

Petition of Alfred Small and others of Lubec—all for an appropriation to the Maine General Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Special Committee on Maine General Hospital.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of Russell Eaton and others, for Savings Bank at Augusta, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of A. D. Manson, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Marine Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence," reporting 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 their third reading.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Ice and Coal Company," came from the Senate read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting estimates for the expenses of the several counties in this State for the year 1870, was received, and referred to the Committee on County Estimates on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport.

Petition of Penobscot Tribe of Indians, for an appropriation for schools and farming purposes ; and

Petition of same, for division of rents for shoreage ;

Were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Moses Drew and others of New Limerick ; also

Petition of Albert Kelly and others of Bancroft ; also

Petition of J. H. Collins and others of Bridgewater ; also

Petition of Leonard Pierce and others of Houlton ; also

Petition of D. Williams and others of Amity ; also

Petition of John Rollins and others of Bancroft ; and

Petition of Alfred Plummer and others of Linneus—for an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company ; also

Petition of J. Hinks and others ; and

Petition of C. O. Farrington and others of Brewer, for an act to loan the credit of said town in aid of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company ;

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

Petition of Daniel Williams and others, for conveyance of a lot of land in the town of Amity ; also

Petition of Joseph L. Young, for a deed of a lot of land ; and

Petition of John G. Kelso, for authority to purchase a lot of land ;

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

Petition of Gorham L. Boynton and others, for an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company, with bill ; also

Bill "an act to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf; and

Petition of the Stillwater Canal Corporation, for increase of tolls; Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of N. B. Nutt and others;

Remonstrance of Webster Treat and others;

Remonstrance of William Hill and others of Berwick;

Remonstrance of Amos J. Wardwell and others—against taxation of foreign insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to offers to be defaulted"; and

Petition of Daniel McGowen, for repeal of the law relating to cattle running at large;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of William Lowder and others of Veazie, against annexation of said town to the city of Bangor, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Alexander Campbell and others of Cherryfield, for an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels in the streets of said town, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Charles Balch and others, for authority to erect fish weirs in Bailey's Mistake cove in Trescott, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Alphonso Dolloph, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House and Secretary of the Senate are directed to enter in books kept for the purpose and constantly open to inspection, all orders, resolves or acts granting money or lands for any purpose, with title or purpose thereof, and the amount of money or land so granted, and the date of their passage.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

*Ordered*, That the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire if any legislation is necessary concerning bonds given by Inspector General of Lime.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire whether appropriations of money made to literary and educational institutions, as endowments, may be recovered by the State where such institutions cease to exist as literary or educational institutions.

On motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that the statute of limitations be suspended in certain cases while proceedings in bankruptcy are pending, so that actions may be brought against bankrupts within six months after the discharge of such bankrupt is denied.

On motion of the same member,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of so changing the statutes, that purchasers of land at sales for the non-payment of taxes, shall account for all timber and lumber cut on said land toward the payment of the tax on the redemption of the land.

On motion of the same member,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by law that non-resident owners of land sold for taxes shall be entitled to commence, maintain or defend any action or suit in law or equity, on any ground involving the validity of such sale, until the taxes and legal charges and interest shall have been paid or tendered by the party contesting the validity of the sale.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARTON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of William Connor, for repeal of all acts relating to the Fairfield Village Corporation, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the acceptance of town ways laid out by selectmen of towns, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee, on petition of the Selectmen of Mt. Chase, for State aid, reported reference to the Governor and Council.

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

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on order, reported bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies."



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

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the pew-holders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House at Richmond."

Mr. BURNHAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Phineas Yeaton, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company."

Mr. MCGILVERY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing John C. Condon to extend his wharf in the city of Belfast," reported ought to pass.

Printed bill "an act additional to an act authorizing any city or town in this State to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this State.

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Company."

Bill "an act to authorize William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer."

Bill "an act authorizing Samuel E. Smullen to extend a wharf into tide waters at Harpswell."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Baring bridge."

The foregoing 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 to authorize John A. Buck to extend his wharf into tide waters in the town of Bucksport."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Baptist Meeting-House in Belgrade."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Thomaston Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 157, laws of 1868, re-

lating to the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy.”

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

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That when the House adjourn on Monday next, it adjourn to Wednesday following.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, gave notice that he should on tomorrow move a reconsideration of the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Russel Eaton, for savings bank in Augusta.

On motion of Mr. BRAWN, of Oldtown,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Greenlief M. Fogg and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge across the Passamaquoddy river at Rocky Rips, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for the repair of their church, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the propriety of amending chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to selectmen, assessors and treasurers of towns.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of aiding in the publication of the Maine Educational Journal.

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of the inhabitants of Palermo, Somerville and Washington to set off a part of Lincoln county to Waldo county, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Joseph T. Grant, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler 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 to-morrow assigned.

"Resolves relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed.

These resolves were read once and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, and sent to the Senate.

Petition of Noah Boothby and others, for an act to authorize the town of Waterville to purchase Ticonic Bridge; and

Petition of Alfred Winslow and others of Winslow in aid of the same; also

Petition of John Ayers and 469 others, for repeal of the act authorizing County Commissioners to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river between Winslow and Waterville; and

Petition of Ashabel T. Webb and others, in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. K. Nelson and others of Bridgewater;

Petition of Cyrus Chase and others of Westfield;

Petition of B. H. Huston and others of Dayton;

Petition of Ira Fish and others of Patten ;

Petition of C. T. Ferguson and others of Maysville—all in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

Remonstrance of M. C. Brooks and others of Georgetown, against alteration of the charter of the Arrowsic Bridge Company ;

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

Petition of Stephen A. Wilcox and others, for repeal of the law relating to cattle running at large ; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Cornville, for reduction of poll taxes ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of E. G. Guptill and others of Plantation No. 7, to be set off from said plantation and annexed to Gouldsbrough ;

Petition of inhabitants of Gouldsbrough, in aid of the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of H. A. Balch, against the petition of Charles Balch, for authority to build fish weirs in Trescott ;

Petition of David Roderick, for leave to extend a fish weir in Frenchman's Bay ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of F. Muzzy and others, for change of the law relating to the measure of milk, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, the Senate concurring, That when the Legislature adjourns this day, that it adjourn to Monday next at 11 o'clock A. M., and that this order act as a revocation of all former orders relating to adjournment in connection with the Peabody ceremonies.

On motion of Mr. BOOTHBY of Embden,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law, that personal property shall be holden for taxes the same as real estate.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Fisheries be instructed to inquire what change is necessary in the law regulating the size of herring boxes.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John F. Harmon and others, for change of time and place of holding court in Washington county, reported leave to withdraw.

The report was read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport.

Mr. STOVER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Archie S. Downs and others, for protection of pickerel in Bunganal pond, reported reference to the next Legislature.

The same member made the same report on petition of Erastus Cole, for the protection of fish in Ten Mile brook in Porter.

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

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to repeal chapter 53 of the acts of 1858, and sections 32, 33 and 34 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes, and to amend section 51 of the same chapter, relating to levy of executions against towns."

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

Mr. PATTEN, from the Sagadahoc Delegation, on petition of Elijah Upton, reported bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county."

Mr. MEARS, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of William Bicknell, reported bill "an act to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Swan pond in the town of Hartford."

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company," reported ought to pass.

Mr. BRADFORD, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on credentials of Louis Bennewit, reported a "resolve in favor of Louis Bennewit."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants Mutual Marine Insurance Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the pewholders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House at Richmond."

Bill "an act to authorize John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in Belfast."

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 additional to an act 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 relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence."

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 additional to an act entitled an act for the extension of the Bangor Boom Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Ice and Coal Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Solon Village Cemetery."

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

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Russel Eaton, was reconsidered, and recommitted to the Committee, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. BINGHAM of Augusta.

The Journal of Friday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of A. K. Knight and 46 others, citizens of Hanover, for charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls ;

Petition of H. W. Park and 56 others, citizens of Mexico ;

Petition of S. A. Reed and 30 others, citizens of Roxbury ;

Petition of H. H. Wyman and 52 others, citizens of Rumford ;

Petition of William H. Harding and 45 others of Andover ;

Petition of C. P. Edmunds and 60 others of Byron ;

Petition of Thomas J. Cox and others of Dixfield, in aid of the same, came from the Senate severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Benjamin Babb and others, for the incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Nathan Wood and others, for incorporation of the Madison Manufacturing Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of A. D. Lockwood and 33 others of Lewiston, in aid of the Maine General Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Joint Special Committee on the Maine General Hospital.

Petition of D. S. Plumly and 28 others of Lincoln, for an act to legalize the doings of said town ; and

Petition of William Allen, for the abolition of the law for the settlement of paupers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for salary of Governor and Lieut. Governor ; and

Petition of the same, for salary for priest, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Remonstrance of John Allen of Farmington, against taxing foreign insurance companies ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Communication of the Hon. William Caldwell, Treasurer of State elect, signifying his acceptance, and transmitting his official bond, came from the Senate referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Report.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State transmitting Annual Report of the State Superintendent of Common Schools, came from the Senate, and was read.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of David Doe, for a lot of land in the town of Lyndon, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Jonathan Blake and others, reporting bill "an act to set off certain estates with the inhabitants thereon from the Norway Village Corporation," 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 the third reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, laying before the House the Report of the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts.

Petition of C. O. Stoddard and 32 others of Fort Fairfield, praying that the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county be holden at Presque Isle;

Petition of Robert Wilder and 24 others of Washburn, for same;  
Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and 35 others, for appropriation to open road from Presque Isle to Molunkus; also

Petition of D. F. Adams and A. A. Green, for an act to authorize the Land Agent to deed them lot No. 71, in township No. 14, Range 3; and

Petition of E. F. Jones and 37 others, for appropriation to open a road through townships F and G, Range 1, Aroostook county;

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



Remonstrance of S. H. Talbot and 19 others of East Machias, against taxing foreign insurance companies ;

Remonstrance of John Gray and 15 others, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Joseph Pollard and 28 others of Masardis, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company ;

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

Petition of George Walker and 218 others, in aid of petition of W. H. Hemenway for authority to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Machias river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of M. L. Elwell and 42 others, for the repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of John Allen and 132 others of Presque Isle and Maysville, for the union of the two towns under the name of Presque Isle, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of John B. and Charlotte C. Britt, to be allowed to adopt two children and to change their names, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, asked leave to lay on the table a statement of facts relative to the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, and on his motion, the same was ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Hodgdon, the House ordered that the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to Fred. Hutchins, for the delivery of a lecture on the State of Nevada, on Tuesday evening, February 1st.

Mr. BARKER, from the Penobscot County Delegation, on petition, reported a "resolve to authorize the County of Penobscot to procure a loan'

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to prevent the taking of pickerel in Swan pond in the town of Hartford."

Bill "an act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company, approved February 22d, 1865."

The foregoing 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 to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company."

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

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate in Sagadahoc county," reported by the Sagadahoc Delegation, was ordered printed under the rules.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, it was ordered that the thanks of the House be tendered to Judge Rice, President of the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company, for his courtesy in offering the Legislature a free train to attend the Peabody obsequies.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville, the House Adjourned.

Z. A. SMITH, *Clerk pro tem.*

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

The Journal of Monday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of the members of Hancock County Bar, for change of the time of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in said county, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George Hopkins and 51 others of Franklin plantation, for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Hiram Holt & Co. and 49 others of Wilton, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, bark and other refuse into Wilson's stream in Wilton, with bill accompanying, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Thomas H. Brown and 11 others of Paris, in aid of petition of Executive Committee of Maine General Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Special Committee on General Hospital.

Petition of Jesse Smith, an emancipated slave, for pensions for war services, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Remonstrance of H. G. Virgin and 137 others, against petition of H. W. Park and others, for division of town of Mexico and establishment of town line as asked for in petition, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 23 of the public laws of 1861, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, reporting that they have concluded a contract with Messrs.

Sprague, Owen & Nash, and submitting duplicate contracts, came from the Senate read and approved.

The report was read and accepted, and the contract read and approved in concurrence.

Report of same Committee on the proposition of P. O. Vickery in relation to engrossing and printing the revised statutes, reporting legislation inexpedient, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Webb pond in Franklin county," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of same Committee, on bill entitled "an act to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association," reported 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 to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Petition of Winslow Bates and others, for amendment of section 2, chapter 23 of the revised statutes, so that there may be a lien on beasts ; also

Petition of Robert Crosby and others of Albion, for authority to sell the meeting-house of the Christian Society in said town ; and

Petition of Gilman Chapman and others of Bethel, asking that the doings of the First Parish in said town during the past year may be made legal, with accompanying bill ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of D. M. Potter and 27 others of Perham ; also

Petition of Isaac Hacker and 127 others of Fort Fairfield ; also

Petition of George Seely and 138 others of Fort Kent ; also

Petition of R. M. Davis and 377 others of Madawaska ; also

Petition of Walter Dockindoff and 43 others of Eaton ; also

Petition of S. Nowland and 36 others of Dalton ; also

Petition of Francis Soule and 110 others of Mapleton ; also

Petition of Frank Reynolds and 116 others of Lyndon ; also

Petition of Frank Hartt and 248 others of Limestone ; also

Petition of John Waddell and 83 others of Castle Hill ; also

Petition of Warren Preble and 53 others of Mars Hill ; also

Petition of Samuel Doe and 50 others of Crystal plantation; also  
Petition of H. O. Perry and 36 others of Alva; also

Petition of George W. Collins and 25 others of Bridgewater;  
also

Petition of W. C. Hammond and 143 others of Van Buren; and  
Petition of Mayloien Cyr and 150 others of Dickeyville—all in  
aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad;

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

Petition of James W. Moore and others, Trustees of Cherryfield  
Academy, for an act to amend section 1, chapter 170 of the private  
and special laws of 1869, with bill accompanying, was referred to  
the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of A. S. Washburn and 43 others, in aid of the petition  
of J. R. Bodwell and others, to set off certain estate from Man-  
chester to Hallowell, was referred to the Committee on Division  
of Towns.

Remonstrance of H. H. Cleaveland and 41 others of Camden,  
against taxing foreign insurance companies, was referred to the  
Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Remonstrance of Cyr plantation, against incorporation and an-  
nexation to Van Buren, was referred to the Committee on Incor-  
poration of Towns.

Petition of Trustees of Bridgton Academy, for aid, was referred  
to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Edmund Benner and 347 others of Belfast, for au-  
thority to locate a bridge over tide waters at Belfast;

Petition of Jonathan Durham and 18 others; and

Petition of I. R. Grant and 80 others of Monroe, in aid of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Smith Gilman & Co., for lots of land to aid in building  
mills in No. 6, R. 5, to be designated and set apart, was referred  
to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of William H. Jordan, for change of name of Eugene  
W. Libby, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Printed bill "an act to repeal chapter 53 of public laws of 1858,  
and sections 32, 33 and 34 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes,  
and to amend section 31 of same chapter," was read twice, and  
to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Printed bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies," was, on motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath, recommitted to the Committee on Banks and Banking, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to set off certain estates, with the inhabitants thereon, from the Norway Village Corporation"; and

"Resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan";

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third time, the resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 24, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to trespassers on adjoining lands."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victuallers."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Marine Insurance Company."

"Resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell."

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

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Strong, the House  
Adjourned.

Z. A. SMITH, *Clerk pro tem.*

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1870.

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 M. N. Lufkin and 62 others of Rumford ; also

Petition of John J. Holman and 370 others of Dixfield ; and

Petition of John B. Staples and 112 others of Carthage, for railroad from Lewiston to Rumford, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of the municipal officers of the town of Harmony, for additional allowance of money under the law for the Equalization of Municipal War Debts ; and

Petition of the same, for change of chapter 47, public laws of 1869, relating to the settlement of paupers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of S. B. Bean and others of Brownfield, against taxation of foreign insurance companies, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of the Selectmen of Moscow, for an appropriation on the county road leading through said town ; and

Petitions of citizens of Moscow, Carratunk, The Forks, West Forks, Lower Cold Stream, Jackman, Holden and Moose River, for appropriation in aid of the State road known as the Canada road, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of Penobscot Indians, against division of rents received for lease of shores, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society"; and

Remonstrance of citizens of Corinth, Peter Barker and others, Simon G. Jerrard and others, Joseph P. Lincoln, also citizens of

Stetson, Newport, Corinna, Garland, Exeter and Dexter, against the division of the West Penobscot Agricultural Society ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of W. C. Hammond and others, praying that Van Buren may be made a half shire town of Aroostook county ; also

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Stetson to aid the Stetson Manufacturing Company"; also

Petition of Walter G. Morrill, for an act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company, with bill ; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Dam Company"; also

Petition of Joel Valley and others of Alva, in favor of holding the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county in Presque Isle ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Nelson Herrin, for a lot of land ; also

Petition of Romain Michaud, for repayment of money paid for a lot of land ; also

Petition of Jesse Murphy, for compensation for opening a road from Chesuncook lake to Moosehead lake ; also

Petition of A. Coburn and others, for charter for a turnpike from Moosehead Lake to Penobscot West Branch ; also

Petition of S. T. Williams, for an appropriation to aid in building a road from Kingsbury to Abbot ; also

Petition of Narcis Dufour and others, for an appropriation to build a road in Madawaska ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Crystal plantation, for aid to build a road in said plantation ; also

Petition of Isaac Hacker, for deed of a lot of land ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge in said town ; also

Petition of James Nutting, for an appropriation to aid in opening a road leading from Presque Isle to Molunkus ; and

Petition of L. R. Page and others, and of G. W. Curtis and others of Dexter, for an appropriation on the road leading from Monson to Greenville ;

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

Remonstrance of the Mayor and Aldermen of Belfast ; and

Remonstrance of William H. Simpson and others—against the chartering of a bridge over tide waters in said city ; also



Petition of John H. Eveleth, for incorporation of the North Piscataquis Dam Company; also

Remonstrance of Shaw and Kingman, against allowing any person the exclusive right to navigate Mattawamkeag river; and

Petition of Leonard McCobb, for authority to extend his wharf into tide waters of Boothbay harbor;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Dennys river";

Petition of Thomas Thompson and others of Unity, for an act to regulate the taking of fish in Winnecook lake;

Petition of William Hopkins and others of Bluehill, for change of the porgy law; and

Petition of George W. Hardy and others of Deer Isle;

Petition of John Stevens and others of Bluehill;

Petition of W. P. Joy and others;

Petition of George F. Smith and others—in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of W. S. Kimball and others of Easton;

Petition of A. S. Townsend and others of Fort Fairfield;

Petition of Samuel T. Gilman and others of Washburn;

Petition of David Collins and others of Forestville;

Petition of W. S. Dwinel and others;

Petition of Judah D. Teague and others of Lyndon—in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad; and

Petition of H. J. Milliken and others of Surry, for authority to loan the credit of said town in aid of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad;

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

Remonstrance of Orin Gilpatrick and others of Somerville, against setting off any part of said town to Washington; also

Petition of Peter E. Vose and others of Dennysville, in aid of the petition of certain inhabitants of Edmunds, to be set off to said Dennysville; and

Petition of Selectmen and others of Yarmouth, in aid of the petition of Joseph S. Bailey to be set off from Yarmouth to North Yarmouth;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of Oakes Angier and others of Belfast, against

taxation of foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the pauper laws, and report if additional legislation is necessary to give overseers of poor more power over the personal and real estate of paupers.

On motion of Mr. BEARCE of Lewiston,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to ascertain whether any additional legislation is necessary in regard to the building and repairing of roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 14, acts of 1869, relating to writs of executors where the person who recovered judgment has deceased.

On motion of Mr. HAWES of Vassalborough,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the public laws as to abolish capital punishment.

On motion of Mr. BRAUN of Oldtown,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 26 of the revised statutes, so that towns may be authorized to compensate enginemen for their services.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Strong,

*Ordered*, That 1,000 copies of the Tabular Report of the Treasurer and Trustees of the State College of Agriculture of Maine, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

*Ordered*, That, the Senate concurring, the Senate and the House meet in the Representatives' Hall, in Convention, to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, for the purpose of an exhibition of beneficiaries of this State attending the American Asylum for deaf and dumb at Hartford, Conn.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Maine Historical Society for the evening of Thursday, February 10th.

Mr. HOLMAN, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of David W. Dinsmore, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of B. F. Buxton and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," and the same be printed and recommitted.

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

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for the county of Cumberland," reported ought to pass.

Mr. BEARCE, from the Committee on Interior Waters, made the same report on bill "an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company."

Mr. FOLSOM, from the same Committee, on petition of L. H. Ingersoll and others, reported bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Pleasant river."

Mr. COX, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company," reported ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Mr. WHITE, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 1 of an act to aid the minor children of William J. Deane."

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

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond in Franklin county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association."

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

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 53 act of 1858, and sections 32, 33 and 34 of chapter 84. of the revised statutes, relating to levy of executions against towns."

"Resolve in favor of Louis Bennewit."

"Resolve in favor of Paul Taber."

The foregoing bill and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer and to build a marine railway."

Bill "an act authorizing Samuel E. Smallen and Sylvanus C. Prince to extend a wharf into the tide waters at Harpswell."

Bill "an act authorizing John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in the city of Belfast."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Baring Bridge."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the pew-holders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House in Richmond."

Bill "an act to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company."

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

"Resolves for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter 330 of the resolves of 1864, in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College," special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table. The question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. FARWELL of Augusta moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed to be engrossed, by yeas 70, nays 38.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Ames, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bean, Bird, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brackett, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Conforth, Crockett, Cushing, Daggett, Dearborn, Dennett, Dickey, Douglass, Dunning, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Green, Greenlief, Guptill, Hammond of Westbrook, Hamilton, Harding, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Holbrook, Humphrey, Irish, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Lord, May, Mayo, McDougal, McGilvery,

McLain, Mears, Mildram, Newcomb, Palmer, Patten, Plummer, Purinton, Reed, Smith of Hodgdon, Spaulding, Twitchell, Vose, Whidden, Wilson—70.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Allan, Alexander, Berry of Damariscotta, Bradford, Chase of Winn, Clark of Holden, Cox, Darling, Davis, Hinks, Holman, Hume, Hussey, Jordan of Brunswick, Lewis of Pittston, Martin, Means, Mills, Milliken, Nickerson, Peavey, Ray, Riggs, Sargent, Sherman of Camden, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Warren, Stickney, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Whitney, Wilder, Young—38.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Buxton, Brawn, Brown, Burbank, Burnham, Campbell, Cole, Cotton, Cousens, Gates, Gott, Gould, Ham, Hammond of Paris, Jones, Main, Mason, McKown, Moulton, Phillips, Pierce, Powers, Pray, Sawyer, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Sturgis, Stone, Stover, Thompson, Thurlough, Tobey, Warren, Waterhouse, Watts, White—40.

So the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. QUINBY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands and funds arising therefrom"; and

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting a schedule showing the number of days the Supreme Judicial Court was held in the several counties in the State, at the trial terms for the years 1868 and 1869, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of N. S. Allen and others of Edmunds, for division of said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Lee Strickland and others, for charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of M. B. Pinkham and others, for incorporation of the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on State Lands and State Roads to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the town of Mexico, in Oxford county, to rebuild a bridge at the mouth of Swift river in said town.

Order directing the same Committee to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 142 of the acts of 1862, relating to the sale of swamp and meadow lands.

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Henry W. Parks and others, for division of the town of Mexico, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf."

Report of the same Committee, making the same report on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Bangor Water Power Company."

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Alanson Googings and others, reporting bill "an act to set off part of the town of Trenton and incorporate the town of Lamoine."

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 the third reading.

Petition of Zibba Burrill and others, for amendment of the law relating to the throwing of slabs into the Penobscot river;

Petition of W. H. Hemenway and others, for authority to maintain a wharf in Machias river; and

Petition of M. G. Crooker and others, in aid of the same; and

Petition of Charles H. Bartlett, for authority to build a wharf in Piscataqua river;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of inhabitants of Oakfield, for an appropriation in aid of a road in said plantation; also

Petition of Dominique Daigle and others, for an appropriation in aid of building a bridge in Fort Kent; and

Petition of O. R. Sirois and others, for an appropriation in aid of building a bridge over Dafour stream in Madawaska;

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

Petition of Charles Sweson and others, for an appropriation in aid of schools in Dickeyville; also

Petition of the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy for aid; and

Remonstrance of Fred N. Dow and others, against State uniformity of text books;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Abraham Bridges for State Pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of H. B. Record and others, for an act to protect pick-erel in Turner, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of T. B. Kimball and others, for an act to incorporate the Auburn and Lewiston Ice Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Remonstrance of Rufus Wood and others, against the division of Westbrook, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of S. Doane and others of Orrington, against repeal of the law regulating the sale of milk, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Augustus Conant and 300 others of Turner, for charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Thomas Stearns and Abijah Cram for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending article 2, section 1 of the Constitution of the State, as that persons therein designated paupers shall not for the reason that they are paupers be denied the right to vote.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be instructed to report a bill establishing the number of pounds of coal which shall constitute a ton.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk be directed to notify the Governor and Council of the vacancies existing in this body occasioned by the resignation of members elect Perez Bunker of Barnard, and William H. Paige.

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order relative to the measuring of wood and bark, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. MILDRAM, from the same Committee, on order relative to reduction of poll taxes, reported reference to the Committee on the Judiciary.



The same member, from the same Committee, on petitions of A. Wilcox, John Lamson and others, for change of the law relating to cattle running at large, reported reference to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

Mr. BARTON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of Nathan Kimball and others, reported bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors."

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

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow-rimmed wheels for hauling lumber over the streets of Cherryfield," reported ought to pass.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 170, laws of 1869, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money."

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, made the same report on bill "an act further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for the County of Cumberland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Pleasant river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company."

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 to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company."

Bill "an act to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Swan pond in the town of Hartford."

Bill "an act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company."

Bill "an act to set off certain estates with the inhabitants thereon from the Norway Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company."

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

Bill "an act additional to an act 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 taken from the table, on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson, the Majority and Minority Reports of the Committee on Elections, on the remonstrance of Peter Charles Keegan, against the right of William Dickey to a seat in this House, were taken from the table.

The same gentleman moved to amend by substituting the Minority for the Majority Report; pending this question, the House, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrances of A. M. Robinson and others of Foxcroft, A. G. Poland and others of Brunswick, H. F. Howard and others of Dixfield, and O. B. Cheney and others, against uniformity of textbooks, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of citizens of Mexico, in aid of the petition of the Selectmen of Byron, for an appropriation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on claims.

Report of the Trustees and Treasurer of the College of Agriculture, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Joseph M. Soccalexis,” came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, under suspension of the rules.

The rules were suspended, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Treasurer's Report, on the official bond of William Caldwell, Treasurer of State, reporting that the bond is correctly drawn, that the sureties are responsible and sufficient, and recommend its approval.

The report came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bond approved.

The report was read and accepted and the bond approved in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries.

Petition of Ezekiel Prescott and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs into Georges river in Montville; also

Petition of E. C. Simpson and others of Harpswell, for authority to extend their wharf into tide waters ; and

Petition of James Peterson and others, in aid of the petition of W. H. Hemenway ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Ansel Packard and others, for aid to build a bridge in Washburn ;

Petition of Daniel Everett and others ; and

Petition of J. W. Brown and others, in aid of the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of Grant Isle, for aid to build a bridge in said plantation ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Hamlin, for an appropriation to complete the road leading from Hamlin to Limestone ; and

Petition of John Kilgore and others, for an appropriation for the repair of roads in Oxford county ;

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

Remonstrance of Jesse Bakeman and others of Brooksville, against a repeal of the laws regulating the taking of porgies ; and

Petition of C. T. Daniels and others, for an act to protect trout in Alden stream in Corinna ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Remonstrance of N. H. Fenderson and others of Scarborough ; and

Remonstrance of A. H. Burbank and others of Yarmouth—against the taxation of foreign insurance companies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of citizens of Exeter ; also

Petition of citizens of Newport ; and

Petition of citizens of Stetson, for uniformity of text books ;

Remonstrance of A. G. Wakefield and others of Bangor, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of inhabitants of Van Buren, for incorporation of said plantation into a town by the name of Violette, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of E. C. Spaulding and others, to be set off from South Thomaston and annexed to the city of Rockland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill “ an act to change the name of the Gardiner District Camp-

meeting Association," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of the revised statutes"; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 11 of the laws of 1858"; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 19, laws of 1858"; also

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes"; and

Bill "an act to provide for payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences";

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Lubec,

*Ordered*, That the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries, laid before the members of the Legislature, be referred to the Committee on Fisheries for action upon the suggestions therein contained.

The order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. MILLS, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition of Nathaniel S. Green for pension, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. STOVER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Charles Balch and others, for authority to erect a fish weir in Bailey's Mistake Cove, reported leave to withdraw.

The same member, from the same Committee, made the same report on petition of W. D. Rice and others, for amendment of "an act authorizing Mary E. Balch to construct fish weirs in Moose river in Trescott."

Mr. GREEN, from the Committee on Agriculture, made the same report on petition for the incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Veranus Chandler for deed of a lot of land, reported leave to withdraw:

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, made the same report, on petition of G. H. Freeman for deed of a lot of land.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MILLS, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition of W. W. Quinby for State pension, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Wm. T. Moody for straightening the town lines between Kennebunk and Biddeford, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

The reports were read and laid on the table.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime, reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on order, reported bill "an act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 170, laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under Joint Rule.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize George McLellan to construct and main fish weirs and wharves in the tide waters of Herring cove in the town of Trescott."

Mr. MEARS, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond in the town of Waldoborough."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Trenton and incorporate the same into a town by the name of Lamoine."

Bill "an act to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 170 of the laws of 1869, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money."

Bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow-rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield."

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Bill "an act further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Bangor Water Power Company."

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 additional to 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 for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond in Franklin county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oquosoc Angling Association."

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

The House resumed the consideration of the reports of the Committee on Elections, the question being on the amendment, pending which, the House, on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of citizens of Greenbush, for State uniformity of text books ; and

Remonstrance of J. E. Moore and others of Thomaston, against the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of B. D. Metcalf and others, for incorporation of the Damariscotta Village Cemetery, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of the County Commissioners of Cumberland county, for authority to pay Miltimore Watts for services as agent on Martin's Point bridge, came from the Senate referred to the Cumberland County Delegation.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to foreclosure of mortgages, so as to lessen the time allowed for redemption.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to ascertain what amount will be required to repair the Houlton road across the Indian township, in Washington county.

*Ordered*, That the delegation from Cumberland county inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to regulate the salary of the Judge of Probate of said county ; also whether it is necessary to raise the salary of the County Commissioners.

*Ordered*, That all matters referred to in Report of State Superintendent of Common Schools, be referred to the Committee on Education.

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



Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of T. F. Boothby and others, E. W. Bowen and others, and H. Chase and others, for amendment of the pauper law, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report, on petition of the municipal officers of Harmony, for additional compensation under the equalization act.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report, on petition of William Allen, for repeal of the law for settlement of paupers.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report, on petition of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Harmony, for amendment of chapter 47, laws of 1869, relating to the settlement of paupers.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of the Penobscot Indians, for division of rents for shoreage, 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 State Lands and State Roads, on petition of County Commissioners of Somerset county, reporting bill "an act to amend the 8th section of chapter 191 of the public laws of 1868."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on order reporting "resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of a Supplemental Digest of the Maine Reports."

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, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned.

Report of the Joint Committee on Printing and Binding, reporting a contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith for the State binding for the ensuing year, came from the Senate read and accepted and the contract approved.

The report was read and accepted, and the contract laid on the

table on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, and Tuesday next assigned.

Petition of Byron Hill and others; and

Petition of Charles Kendall and others, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad;

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

Petition of Ezekiel Warren of Mapleton, for deed of a lot of land; and

Petition of John Allen and others, for an appropriation on the road from Presque Isle to Molunkus;

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

Petition of Superintending School Committee of Holden;

Petition of citizens of Orono;

Petition of Joseph Chadbourne and others of Bradford;

Petition of B. F. Fernald and others of Winn;

Petition of C. J. Howse and others of Lee;

Petition of the Selectmen of Eastport—for uniformity of textbooks;

Remonstrance of Superintending School Committee of Biddeford, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Hollis R. Montforth, for incorporation of the Grove Pond Dam Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of C. E. Hayward and others, against the division of the town of Edmunds, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Joseph B. Hall, for incorporation of the Mayfield Slate Company, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

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

Bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies"; and

Bill "an act to provide for enforcing liens on logs and lumber";

Were ordered to be printed, and the former referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and the latter to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Hallowell,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the expediency of furnishing to Judges of Probate and Municipal Courts, one copy each of the acts and resolves of this and subsequent Legislatures.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pensions be directed to inquire into the expediency of recommending that volunteers actually mustered into the military or naval service of the United States on the quota of Maine to aid in the suppression of the rebellion, and not receiving a State bounty therefor, be exempted from payment of a poll tax for a term of years.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Davis R. Stockwell, for incorporation of the Mattawamkeag Steam Navigation Company, reported leave to withdraw.

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

Mr. BEARCE, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Edward Swazey and others to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport."

Mr. COX, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor."

Mr. HAMILTON, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize Nathaniel Perkins and J. W. Perkins to build a wharf into tide water of Kennebec river at Phipsburg."

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Smith, Gilman & Co., reported "resolve directing the Land Agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolve.

Mr. FARWELL, from the Committee on Education, on order, reported bill "an act establishing school week and month."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize George W. McLellan to construct and maintain fish weirs and wharves in the tide waters of Herring cove in Trescott."

Bill "an act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond in Waldoborough."

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 to set off part of the town of Trenton and incorporate the town of Lamoine."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 53 of the acts of 1858, and sections 32, 33 and 34 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes, relating to the levy of executions against towns."

Bill "an act to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf."

"Resolve to authorize the County of Penobscot to procure a loan."

"Resolve in favor of Louis Bennewit."

"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."

The foregoing bills having had three, the resolves two several readings, and 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.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of William F. Moody, was taken from the table, and assigned for Wednesday of next week, on motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport.

On motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relative to the taxing of land for the location of school-houses.

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

Report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding, on order relating to change in the manner of engrossing the acts and resolves, reporting legislation inexpedient.

This report 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 to incorporate the Howard Slate Company," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, making the same report on "resolves relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15."

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 in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading. The resolve was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Waldo," was referred to the Waldo County Delegation.

Petition of Lewis DeLaitte and others ; and

Petition of John R. Weed and others of Littleton—in aid of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad ;

Petition of G. H. Fuller and others of Hartford ; also

Petition of G. B. Strickland and others of Livermore ; also

Petition of Orrison Rollins and others ; and

Petition of E. T. Stetson and others—for charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls ;

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

Bill “an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend certain streets to low water mark in Penobscot river and Kenduskeag stream” ; and

Bill “an act to amend section 27 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in the Supreme Judicial Court” ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Kenduskeag ; and

Rémonstrance of J. B. Nash and others of Windham—against taxation of foreign insurance companies ; and

Bill “an act additional to chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctioneers” ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Rufus Fickett and others of Millbridge, for authority to construct a fish weir in said town ; and

Petition of Paul Johnson and others, for authority to build wharves and fish weirs in Johnson’s cove at Eastport ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill “an act to incorporate the town of Van Buren,” was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Remonstrance of Superintending School Committee of Calais, against uniformity of text books, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, presented the following :

*Ordered*, That the Senate concurring, the following be adopted as Rule 18 of the Joint Rules of this Legislature :

“When the rights of other persons or corporations may be affected by granting the prayer of a petition presented to the Legislature, no hearing shall be given by any Committee of the Legislature without the consent of both parties, unless the notice

prescribed in chapter 127 of the acts of 1860 shall have been given."

Mr. BAKER of Augusta, presented the following:

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of finishing the general business of the session as soon as practicable, and then take a recess of some one or two months, while the Committee on the Valuation is examining the valuation, and the Commissioners on the Revision of the Public Laws are incorporating the public laws of this session with the new revision.

These orders were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, concerning the distribution of lists of Justices of the Peace, as to insert after "Clerks of Courts," "Registers of Probate."

On motion of the same member,

*Ordered,* That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of giving city marshals the powers of constables in civil cases as well as criminal.

On motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire into the expediency of amending an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river, by providing that one-half of the penalties be paid to the prosecutor, so as to render said act more efficient.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Gardiner,

*Ordered,* That the same Committee be directed to inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to secure and protect the public in their winter travel upon the navigable rivers and waters within this State, and to prohibit the cutting and removal of the ice in said waters at such places as are usually designated and used for a public road and common travel.

On motion of Mr. TOBEY of Athens,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending or adding to the law of taxation, as to make it the duty of the assessors of towns and plantations, whenever they find in taking the inventory, any taxa-

ble property not by law taxable in the town or plantation where it is found, shall notify the assessors of the town or plantation where such property is by law taxable.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. FOLSOM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of William McPheters and others, for repeal of the charter of the Birch Stream Dam Company, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, made the same report on petition of Ann Ramsdell and others, for authority to construct fish weirs and to amend the act authorizing Mary E. Balch to construct fish weirs in Moose river.

Mr. McDUGAL, from the Washington County Delegation, on petition of Register of Probate for said county, for increase of salary, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the Report of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Public Laws, reported that chapter 81 as revised, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

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

Mr. WHIDDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Mayor, reported bill "an act to authorize the city of Rockland to raise money for certain purposes."

The same member, from the same Committee, on memorial of the Mayor, reported "bill an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Rockland."

Mr. SKINNER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford to build a wharf in the town of Winterport."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime."

Bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to the choice of highway surveyors."

Bill "an act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 170, laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county."

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



Bill "an act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company."

Bill "an act to amend the 8th section of chapter 191 of the public laws of 1868."

"Resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of a Supplemental Digest of the Maine Reports."

The foregoing bills were read the third time, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Edward Swazey and others, to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor."

Bill "an act authorizing Nathaniel Perkins and others, to build a wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river, at Phipsburg."

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 to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Pleasant river."

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for the county of Cumberland."

Bill "an act establishing the school week, and month."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Bangor Water Power Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company."

Resolve in favor of Joseph M. Soccalexis."

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

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, the rules were suspended, and bill an act to provide for the payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences, was read three

times, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to prevent the manufacture or sale of poisonous and adulterated liquors, came from the Senate referred to the Select Committee on Temperance.

Petition of Edward Holden and others of Moose river, for aid to repair the Canada road, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of C. C. Humphrey and others of Brunswick, against taxing foreign insurance companies, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of John J. Perry and others, for a Superior Court for the counties of Oxford, Androscoggin and Franklin, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Paul Pendexter, reporting bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in Parsonsfield."

Report of the same Committee, on petition of Thomas C. Allen and others, reporting bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Ossipee lake and its tributaries."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Ziba Burrill, reporting bill "an act amendatory of and additional to an act to amend an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river."

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 the third reading.

Petition of the Selectmen of Byron, for aid to repair bridges in said town ;

Petition of inhabitants of Dixfield ;

Petition of inhabitants of Rumford ;

Petition of inhabitants of Andover—all in aid of the same ; and  
Petition of Allen M. Dudley and others of Castle Hill, for exchange of public lots in said plantation ;

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

Petition of Darius Wellington, for authority to build fish weirs in Trescott ; also

Petition of Alexander Berry and others, for an act to prohibit the taking of fish in Porter and Hiram ; also

Remonstrance of John W. Perry and others of Brunswick ; also

Remonstrance of A. H. Curtis and others of Harpswell ; and

Remonstrance of J. F. Lawson and others of Harpswell—against repeal of the law relating to the taking of porgies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of J. S. Brackett and others of Buxton, for bounty on hawks ; also

Petition of P. C. Bradford and others, for incorporation of Annescook Steamboat Company ; and

Bill “an act relating to the removal of cases from the State to the United States court” ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Remonstrance of S. S. Record and others of Westbrook ; also

Remonstrance of Comfort Pettengill and others of East Livermore ; also

Remonstrance of Francis J. Folsom and others ; and

Remonstrance of Lorenzo D. Stacy—against taxing foreign insurance companies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill “an act to make valid the acts of the Parish of the High Street Church in Portland” ; also

Petition of the Trustees of Maine General Hospital, for amendment of charter, with bill; and

Petition of the Freewill Baptist Church in Augusta, for authority to mortgage their meeting-house;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of the Superintending School Committees of Westbrook, Gorham and Scarborough; also

Remonstrance of D. L. Smith and others of Litchfield; and

Remonstrance of J. W. Porter and others of Strong—all against State uniformity of text-books;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of Stephen Pratt and others of Yarmouth, against the petition of Albert Blaisdell, to be set of from North Yarmouth to Yarmouth; and

Petitions of A. F. Watson and D. Harrison, for annexation of Unity plantation to the town of Unity;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of B. P. Butler and others of Minot and Poland, for savings bank at Mechanic Falls, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Edward McPheters and others, for bounty on crows, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of A. T. Moore and others of Dalton, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad, was referred to the Committee on Railroad, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Arthur Berry and others, for an act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company, with bill, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Edward and Prentis McPheters, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. STOVER of Harpswell,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of legislation, authorizing towns to deduct from commutation notes outstanding, an amount equal to the unpaid taxes on the same, during the years they were not taxed.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed

to inquire into the expediency of allowing the city of Augusta to build and maintain a street on the east and south sides of the State House.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHIDDEN, from the Washington County Delegation, on petition of Aaron Hobert and others, reported bill "an act to establish the fees of the County Commissioners of Washington county."

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

Bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors," was read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford to build a wharf in the town of Winterport."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Rockland to raise and expend money for certain purposes."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county."

Bill "an act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 170, laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to inspection of lime."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Rockland."

The foregoing 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 further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 170 of the laws of 1869, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money."

Bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow-rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield."

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

Contract of Messrs. Hartford and Smith, for doing the State binding for the ensuing year, was taken from the table and approved in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Elections, on the case of Peter Charles Keegan against William Dickey, was taken from the table, the question being the amendment of the majority report by substituting the minority report, pending which, the House, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators;" and

Bill "an act to amend section 27, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, for an act to authorize the city of Bangor to further aid said Company ;

Petition of J. M. Demerit and others of Peru ;

Petition of W. A. Holt and others of Weld ;

Petition of Timothy Walker and others of Rumford ;

Petition of B. W. Stockwell and others of Mexico—for charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of William W. Walker and others, against the petition of Hiram Holt and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Wilson stream in the town of Wilton, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 97 of the revised statutes, by inserting in the second line of said section, the words, "or his deputy," after the word "sheriff."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The same was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Petition of M. Jones and others; and

Petition of Nathaniel R. Merrill and others of Turner, in aid of a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls;

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

Petition of citizens of Charleston, for change of the school laws, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Edward Spring and others, for an act to regulate the taking of pickerel in Pattee's pond in Winslow; and

Petition of A. Crabtree and others, for change of the law regulating the taking of porgies;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 46 of the revised statutes, relating to corporations; also

Petition of Laura M. Nutt and others of Pembroke, for the right of suffrage to women; and

Petition of L. D. Stacy, for an act to authorize County Commissioners and Selectmen to change the course of small streams;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor; and

Petition of Jarad C. Nash, for incorporation of a dyke company in Addison;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Moses Perry, for reimbursement of money expended for labor on State roads; and

Petition of the inhabitants of Van Buren, for aid in building a bridge in same plantation;

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

Petition of W. R. Johnson and others, for division of the town of Westbrook; and

Remonstrance of E. P. Briggs and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Hamlin plantation, against incorporation and annexation to Van Buren, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Remonstrance of R. H. Thompson and others of Canton, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of John Hanscom, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Superintending School Committee of Augusta, for State uniformity of text books, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Delia M. Austin, Hollis A. and Lulla A. Keene, and Isabel W. Colpit and Mabel Colpit, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Valley Steamship Company," was presented by Mr. DUNNING of Bangor, rules suspended, read three times, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle,

*Ordered*, That the petition of John Allen and others, for the union of the towns of Presque Isle and Maysville, referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, be referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

This order was sent to the Senate.



Mr. SKINNER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation."

Mr. HOLMAN, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of the inhabitants of Dalton, for abatement of State tax, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Hiram Ford, reported bill "an act to incorporate the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Biddeford."

These reports were read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river in the town of Waldoborough."

Mr. HAMMOND, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act to authorize Erastus C. Simpson and others to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell."

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport, to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark."

Mr. STOVER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of his own land on Pinkham Island, in the town of Milbridge."

The same member, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize William Godfrey and others to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to establish the fees of the County Commissioners of Washington county."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of an act to aid the minor children of William J. Deane, approved February 22, 1869."

Resolve directing the Land Agent to designate and set apart

certain lots of land, in aid of mills in Moro plantation, in Aroostook county.

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

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to an act to amend an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river, approved March 5, 1869," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend the 8th section of chapter 191, laws of 1868, relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company."

Bill "an act to authorize George W. McLellan to construct and maintain fish weirs and wharves in the tide waters of Herring cove, in the town of Trescott."

Bill "an act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond, in the town of Waldoborough."

"Resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of a Supplemental Digest of the Maine Reports."

"Resolves relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advance made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15."

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

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, the vote by which bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12, chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors," was passed, was reconsidered, and the bill recommitted to the Committee on Legal Reform, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, it was ordered that when the House adjourns, it be to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow.

Resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on

Elections, in the case of Peter Charles Keegan against William Dickey, and was pending when the House Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of S. L. Milliken and others of Belfast, for an act to authorize the counties of Kennebec and Waldo to pay the claim of Bickford C. Mathews, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Albert Blaisdell and others, to be set off from the town of North Yarmouth to Yarmouth, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Shin Pond Dam Company," reporting the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water"; and

Memorial of the Bangor Water Power Company, praying that the city of Bangor may be authorized to aid said Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to close a guardianship"; and

Petition of R. Thompson and others, for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. B. Coyle and others, praying that a part of the

town of Westbrook may be set off to the city of Portland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Petition of Albert Emerson and others, for a toll bridge across Piscataquis river in Howland, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of A. H. S. Davis, for an act to protect forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of Josiah Maxcy and others of Gardiner, against taxing foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Hodgdon,

*Ordered*, That so much of the Land Agent's Report as recommends legislation, be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring what legislation is required to make more effectual the provisions of chapter 6, public laws of 1869, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same member, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of A. Wilcox and others, for repeal of the law relating to cattle running at large.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report on petition of I. S. Brackett and others, for bounty on hawks.

Mr. BARTON, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order inquiring into the expediency of authorizing towns to compensate enginemen for their services.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of George B. Leavitt for change of game laws, reported the same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on Report of the Commissioners on Revision of the Public Laws, reported bill "an act providing for the organization of plantations," that the same be printed and recommitted.

The reports were read, accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MILDRAM, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act relating to penalties of selectmen or assessors for malfeasance in office."

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the recommendations of the Commissioners on Revision of the Public Laws, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to notices in Probate Court."

The same gentleman also reported bill "an act for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations."

Mr. SPAULDING, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to abolish capital punishment."

Mr. HATHORN, from the Committee on Education, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills and resolve ordered printed.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to make valid the acts of the High Street Church in Portland."

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on recommitted bill "an act additional to chapter 275, private laws of 1863, conferring special powers on the city of Portland," reported the same ought to pass in a new draft.

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital," reported the same ought to pass.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to change the name of the Gardiner Camp-meeting Association."

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made the same report, on bill "an act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company."

Mr. MILDRAM, from the same Committee, made the same report, on bill "an act to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation."

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition, reported bill "an act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in the town of Lubec."

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures."

Mr. COUSENS, from the same Committee, reported ought to

pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for their third reading.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river, in the town of Waldoboro'."

Bill "an act giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport, to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark in said town."

Bill "an act to authorize Erastus C. Simpson and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell."

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 for the preservation of fish in Ossipee lake and its tributaries," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor."

Bill "an act to provide for payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences."

Bill "an act authorizing Nathaniel Perkins and J. M. Perkins to build a wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river at Phipsburg."

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

The House resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Elections, the question being on amendment of the same by substituting the Minority Report.

Mr. DAVIS of Lubec, moved and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the amendment was adopted by yeas 79, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allan, Alexander, Barker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Turner, Blake, Bonney, Boothby, Brown, Chamberlain, Chase of

Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Holden, Cole, Conforth, Cox, Crockett, Darling, Davis, Douglass, Duncan, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gott, Gould, Green, Greenleaf, Guptill, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hamilton, Holbrook, Hume, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Libby, Main, Martin, Mason, McGilvery, McLain, Means, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Newcomb, Nickerson, Phillips, Pierce, Pray, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Sturgis, Stone, Vose, Warren, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson, Young—79.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Ames, Baker, Bearce of Lewiston, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bliss, Brackett, Bradford, Brawn, Burnham, Burgess, Campbell, Clark of Readfield, Cousens, Daggett, Dearborn, Dennett, Dunning, Farwell, Folsom, Gates, Harding, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holman, Humphrey, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, May, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, Mears, Mildram, Palmer, Patten, Peavey, Powers, Ray, Reed, Riggs, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Warren, Stover, Whidden, White, Whitehouse—54.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Bird, Boyd, Burbank, Cushing, Foss, Hammond of Paris, Harriman, Lord, Plummer, Purinton, Smith of Saco, Thompson, Watts—13.

The report was then accepted as amended and the following resolve adopted:

“Resolved that Peter Charles Keegan having received a majority of all the legal votes cast in the Madawaska district for Representative in the Legislature, is entitled to his seat in this House.”

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll make up the pay of William Dickey, as a member of this House, with usual travel and pay at \$2.50 per diem, including the days of this week.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Litchfield,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John Buck and others of Orland, for an act to loan the credit of said town in aid of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad, reporting reference to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Report of the same Committee, on order relating to bonds given by Inspector General of Lime, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report, on order relating to paupers who are not residents of the State, and payment to towns by the State such sums as may be expended in support of such paupers.

Report of the same Committee, reporting the same on order relating to the repeal of chapter 23 of the public laws of 1861.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting same on order relating to furnishing Judges of Police and Municipal Courts with the acts and resolves of this and subsequent Legislatures.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Charles F. Pillsbury and others, for change of the pauper laws.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on petition of Noah Boothby and others, for an act to authorize the towns of Winslow and Waterville to purchase the charter of Ticonic Bridge.

Report of the same Committee, making the same report on petition of John Ayers and others, for repeal of the act authorizing the County Commissioners to lay out a highway across Kennebec river between Waterville and Winslow.

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



*Ordered*, the House concurring, That a Joint Special Committee of three on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House, be appointed to join the Committee on Agriculture, and said Committee so formed, be directed to visit the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts during the present session of the Legislature, and make such report of the condition of the college as the true interest of the State seems to demand.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Buffum of Penobscot, French of Franklin, and Lane of Cumberland, appointed on the part of the Senate.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Hamilton of Orono, Reed of Waldoborough, Lane of Hollis, Douglass of Naples, McLain of New Vineyard, Hammond of Westbrook, and Dearborn of Falmouth, were joined on the part of the House.

Petition of Joseph Toothaker and others, for change of law relating to the killing of fur bearing animals ; also

Petition of Joseph Howard and others of Portland, for enlargement of the powers of constables ; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Steamboat Company"; also

Petition of William Curtis and others of York county, for an act to authorize the Commissioners of said county to lay out a highway over Little river ; and

Petition of N. S. Hempson and others of Kennebunk, for an act to prevent the filling up of Mousam river ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of H. B. Williams and others of China, for the preservation of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of N. C. Hellenbrand and others of Oldtown, for change in the liquor law, was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Remonstrance of C. H. Sampson and others of Georgetown, against taxing foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Harris Garcelon and others of East Livermore, for an act to loan the credit of said town in aid of manufactures, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Toppan Robie and others of Gorham ; also

Petition of John N. Swazey and others of Bucksport ; and

Petition of Joel M. Marshall and others of Buxton—for aid to the Maine General Hospital;

Were referred to the Committee on Maine General Hospital.

These petitions were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Joseph H. Newman of Weld, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Constitution of the State of Maine that sheriffs shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice of the Council.

This order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be requested to inform this House why an act entitled an act to amend section 14 of chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, and make the same conform to the public laws of the year 1868; also to amend chapter 48, section 1 of the public laws of 1858, which appears on the Journal of the Senate to have passed to be enacted by both houses of the Legislature on the 13th day of March, A. D. 1869, does not appear among the public laws of 1869, as promulgated by him.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of so amending the statutes, that purchasers of land sold for the non-payment of taxes, shall account for all timber and lumber cut on said land toward the payment of the tax on the redemption of the land, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. MILLS, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition of Abraham Bridges for aid from the State, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. MOULTON, from the Committee on Agriculture, made the same report, on petition of Edward McPheters for bounty on crows.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made the same report, on petition of D. F. Adams and others for deed of a lot of land in Township 14, Range 3.

Mr. SMITH, from the same Committee, made the same report, on petition of Nelson Herrin for reimbursement of cash paid for a lot of land in Limestone.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, made the same report, on petition of J. B. Swanton and others for change of the charter of the Arrowsic Bridge Company.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 63 of the revised statutes."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company," reported the same be printed and recommitted.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of E. G. Guptill, reported bill "an act to set off a part of Plantation No. 7, and annex the same to the town of Gouldsboro."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Bangor, passed February 12, 1834."

The same member, from same Committee, reported the same on bill "an act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, made the same report, on bill "an act to authorize the sale of the Christian Meeting House in Albion."

Mr. BLAKE, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company."

Printed bill "an act to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations."

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of John Hanscom."

Mr. GOTT, from the Committee on Education, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Wilton Academy."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Shin Pond Dam Company."

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Sand pond and its tributaries, in Parsonsfield."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third

Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in Lubec."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Gardiner District Camp Meeting Association."

Bill "an act to authorize William Godfrey and others to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in Steuben."

Bill "an act to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pinkham's island in the town of Millbridge."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the acts of the Parish of the High Street Church in Portland."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 275, private laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation."

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 to incorporate the Howard Slate Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Edward Swazey and others, to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport."

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to an act to amend an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river," approved March 5, 1869.

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

On motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, the order providing for the appointment of a Joint Special Committee to consider a com-

munication received from the Adjutant General, January 20, was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A, and passed.

The order as amended reads as follows :

"That a Committee of seven on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate, be appointed to investigate in a public manner the matter referred to in the communication this day made by the Adjutant General to this House ; also to take into consideration so much of the Report of the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts as relates to Naval Commission Men and Paper Credits, and other matters therein named, and that said Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records."

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Hume of Cherryfield, Humphrey of Bangor, Wasson of Surry, Spaulding of Richmond, Stickney of Presque Isle, Hawes of Vassalborough, and Stover of Harpswell, on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish the Legislature with the Report of the Investigating Committee of 1865 on Naval Credits and other matters, with accompanying documents.

On motion of Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunk, the report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of W. F. Moody, for straightening the town lines between the the town of Kennebunkport and the city of Biddeford, was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report order of notice.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WATERHOUSE of Portland,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CORTIS of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of S. I. Roberts, for aid to the Maine General Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Petition of John A. Peters and others, for authority to improve Wassataquoik Stream in the county of Piscataquis, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order directing all the papers relating to the petition of W. H. Hemenway and others, for authority to erect and maintain a wharf at Machias, on the files of the Senate, be placed in the hands of the Committee on Interior Waters, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of D. S. Plumley and others of Lincoln, for an act to legalize the doings of said town, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting same, on petition of the assessors of Glenwood plantation, for authority to control the public lots in said plantation.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of John Allen and others, for the union of the towns of Maysville and Presque Isle, reporting reference to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of M. B. Pinkham, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company."

Report of the Waldo County Delegation, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Waldo."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Hollis R. Mountfort and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Nathan Wood and others, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company."

Report of the Committee on the Insane Hospital, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to that institution, reporting "resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of the Selectmen of Dexter and Corinna for the establishment of Ridge School District, accepted by the House, came from the Senate recommitted.

"Resolve in favor of Paul Taber," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were recommitted in concurrence.

A communication from the Secretary of State, in response to an order of the House yesterday, was received and read.

Remonstrance of Superintending School Committee of Wales; and

Remonstrance of F. A. Robinson and others of Maine Wesleyan Seminary—against uniformity of text books;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of C. R. Mallard and others of Rockland, against incorporation of the Georges Valley Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act for the protection of wild game"; and

Bill "an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1858, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of John B. Bray and others of Bridgton, against

taxation of foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Beriah Brown, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of G. W. Whitney and others of Newport, for change of the law relating to savings banks and savings institutions, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of H. Lancaster and others of Stillwater, for change in the liquor law, was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Remonstrance of Henry R. Downs, against the union of Presque Isle and Maysville, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of William Dyer and others, Trustees of Waterville Savings Bank, for authority to make loans on the security of three or more good names, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MILDRAM of Wells, presented the following order, which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport:

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll be instructed to make up the pay of Henry K. Bradbury of Hollis, for twenty days' attendance at \$2.50 per day and mileage.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Ezekiel Vasseur, for land, reported leave to withdraw.

The same member, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of John Reed and others, for a deed of a lot of land to Abigail Davis.

The same member, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Daniel Williams, for deed of a lot of land.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reported bill "an act relating to toll bridges and turnpikes," that the same be printed and recommitted.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Severin Cormier for grant of land to David Cyr.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.



Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on recommended bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors," reported the same in a new draft.

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

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act authorizing the town of Stetson to aid the Stetson Manufacturing Company."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported same on bill "an act for the incorporation of public cemeteries."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought to pass, on recommended bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof."

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor," reported ought to pass.

Mr. FOLSOM, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot bay, in the town of Lincolnville."

Mr. HAMMOND, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company."

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported a "resolve in favor of Bachelor H. Huston."

The same member, from the same Committee, reported "resolve in favor of John G. Kelso"; also

"Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young."

Mr. SMITH, from the same Committee, on petition of William Reed and others, reported a "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of public lots in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, Aroostook county."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition of inhabitants of Castle Hill, reported a "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of a public lot in Castle Hill plantation, Aroostook county."

Mr. CHASE, from same Committee, on petition of Isaac Hacker,

reported a "resolve for perfecting a State deed, given by the Land Agent to Isaac Hacker in 1866."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to notices in Probate Courts."

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment."

Bill "an act relating to penalties of selectmen or assessors for malfeasance in office."

These printed bills were read twice, and Monday assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the sale of the Christian Meeting House in Albion."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Bangor, passed February 12, 1834."

Bill "an act to set off a part of Plantation No. 7 and annex the same to the town of Gouldsboro'."

Bill "an act to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company."

The foregoing 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.

"Resolve directing the Land Agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation in Aroostook county," being on its final passage, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland.

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of an act to aid the minor children of William J. Deane."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Valley Steamship Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Rockland to raise and expend money for certain purposes."

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Ossipee lake and its tributaries."

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Bill "an act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 170, laws of 1861, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

Bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford to build a wharf in the town of Winterport."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Society in Biddeford."

Bill "an act to establish the fees of the County Commissioners of Washington county."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime."

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

Bill "an act relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BAKER, and assigned for Wednesday of next week.

On motion of Mr. MILDRAM of Wells,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. STORRS of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of W. C. Holway against petition of W. H. Hemenway, for authority to build and maintain a wharf in Machias, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Concord," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order reporting bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors."

Report of the same Committee on petition reporting bill "an act to authorize the First Freewill Baptist Parish of Augusta, to borrow money to pay its debt, and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same."

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 the third reading.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., informing the House that in the absence of the President, Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves had been chosen President *pro tem*.

Mr. WASSON of Surry, asked to be, and was excused from serving on the Joint Special Committee on the subject of Temperance.

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. IRISH of Sherman, to fill the vacancy.

Remonstrance of S. D. Carleton and others ; and  
 Remonstrance of D. Knowlton and others of Camden ; and  
 Remonstrance of David Howes and others of Lincolnville—  
 against charter for the Georges Valley Railroad ;

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

Petition of Emery Sawyer and others of Belfast, for further jurisdiction to trial justices in said city ; and

Petition of William Hackleton and others, for “an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 17, in the town of Bristol” ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Paul Sanborn and others, for “an act to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company,” was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of D. M. Nash and others of Columbia, for “an act to incorporate the Branch Dyke Company” ; and

Bill “an act to prevent the throwing of refuse lumber into Walker’s stream” ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of James Fuller against the destruction of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company,” was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

“Resolve relating to the payment of the debts of the State contracted prior to February 25, 1862,” was presented by Mr. MILDRAM of Wells, and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. THURLOUGH of Newburg,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Agriculture be directed to see what legislation is necessary to place the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society on an equality with other societies of like character in this State.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Federal Relations be directed to inquire into the expediency of reporting resolves instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to favor a reduction of the tariff on bituminous coal from a dollar and twenty-five cents to fifty cents per ton.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MILDGRAM of Wells,

*Ordered,* That the Clerk be instructed to furnish and hang up in this hall a map of the State of Maine, for the use of the members.

Mr. WHIDDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on memorial of the Mayor, reported bill "an act to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," being on its passage to be engrossed, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast.

Bill "act to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Waldo."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company."

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

Bill "an act relating to penalties of Selectmen or Assessors for malfeasance in office."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof."

Bill "an act for the incorporation of public cemeteries."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to notices in Probate Courts."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company."

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Bill "an act authorizing the town of Stetson to aid the Stetson Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot bay, in the town of Lincolnville."

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 giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport, to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark in said town."

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in the town of Parsonsfield."

Bill "an act relative to reversal of final judgment in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river in the town of Waldo-borough."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Rockland."

Bill "an act to authorize Erastus C. Simpson and others to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Shin Brook Dam Company."

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

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

A communication from the Secretary of State in response to an order of the Legislature, requesting him to furnish the report of the Investigating Committee of 1865 on naval credits and other matters, with accompanying documents, informing the Legislature that said report was not received in his office, came from the Senate referred to the Special Committee to Investigate Naval Credits.

Petition of Selectmen of Brunswick, for authority to raise money for the erection of a town hall, with bill, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters of Rockport harbor, in the town of Camden," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on State Lands and State Roads to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law to protect bridges from damage from driving lumber, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass on bill to amend "an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1, 1869."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition reporting bill "an act to authorize David Rodic to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay in Eden." \*

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting ought to pass, on "resolve granting a lot of land to Francis Albert, Jr."



Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, the latter amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week assigned for the second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 71, revised statutes, relating to the Supreme Court"; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage"; also

Petition of Samuel H. Dale and others of Bangor, for "an act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor"; also

Petition of B. S. Kelly and others of Winthrop, for change of the law relating to auctions and auctioneers"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson High School and Library Association";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court"; also

Petition of Daniel Clark and others of Richmond, for "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company"; and

Petition of Samuel D. Reed and others of Bath, for change of the law relating to the practice and proceedings in court;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Trustees of the Fort Fairfield High School, for aid to build a school-house; and

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes";

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Frederick Spofford, for authority to build a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bucksport; and

Bill "an act relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden";

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of M. L. Wilder and others of Pembroke; and

Petition of James Lawrence and others of Bucksport—for protection of forest trees ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of D. Wyer and others, against the repeal of chapter 36, laws of 1869, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of G. W. Herbert and others of Bucksport, for charter for savings bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Remonstrance of Reuben Carver and others of Vinalhaven, against the petition of John S. Hopkins, for removal of gates across highways in said town ; and

Petition of E. H. Hayden and others, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

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

“Resolve in favor of Grant Isle plantation,” was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill “an act to amend an act amendatory of and additional to an act to incorporate the city of Calais, approved February 26, 1869” ; and

Bill “an act to amend an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Calais, approved February 18, 1868” ;

Were presented by Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, rules suspended, read three times, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 118 of the laws of 1867, relating to testimony of persons taken in the trial of civil causes who have since deceased.

On motion of Mr. PATTEN of Bath,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Federal Relations be directed to inquire into the expediency of reporting resolves instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to favor a reduction of the tariff on pig iron from nine dollars to three dollars per ton.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be requested to inquire into the condition of the two great roads

leading to the St. John river, viz: the road leading from Caribou to Van Buren, and the road leading from Dalton to Fort Kent.

On motion of Mr. STICKNEY, of Presque Isle,

*Ordered*, That 1500 copies of the Report of the Commissioners on the Settlement of the Public Lands of Maine be printed for the use of the Legislature.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be requested to lay before the Committee on Pensions all papers on file in his office relating to pension granted to William W. Quinby, with date of the resolve granting said pension.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That the use of this hall be granted to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges for the purpose of a hearing on the bill for the consolidation of railroads, this afternoon at 2½ o'clock.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Jesse Murphy for pay for opening a winter road, reported leave to withdraw.

The same member from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of Daniel Everett and others, for aid to build a bridge over Aroostook river in Washburn.

These reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHIDDEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order reported bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act for reviews in criminal cases, approved March 3, 1869."

The same member, from the same Committee, on order reported bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered printed under Joint Rule.

Printed bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to the choice of highway surveyors," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton."

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 additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors."

Bill "an act to authorize the First Freewill Baptist Parish of Augusta to borrow money to pay its debt and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to authorize William Godfrey and others, to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben, also in the tide waters of Dyer's bay in the same town."

Bill "an act to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Pinkham's island in Millbridge."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Co."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 275, private laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Rockland."

Bill "an act to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Gardiner District Camp-meeting Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures."

Bill "an act to make valid the acts of the parish of the High Street Church in the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital."

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of the county of Waldo."

Bill "an act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in the town of Lubec."

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

“Resolve directing the Land Agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation,” was taken from the table, finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company,” being on its passage to be enacted, was recommitted to the Committee on Manufactures, with instructions, on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company,” was taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on petition of W. W. Quinby for pension, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, and recommitted, with instructions to report a resolve in accordance with the prayer of the petitioner.

Bill “an act to abolish capital punishment,” was taken from the table.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, moved its indefinite postponement.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond, this motion was laid on the table and Thursday next assigned.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from the Governor, transmitting proposals for heating the State House by steam, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.

Petition of D. Cowan and others, for incorporation of the Aurora Mills, with bill, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of Robert Goodenow and others, against the petition of John J. Perry, for the establishment of a Superior Court for the counties of Oxford, Androscoggin and Franklin, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to promote the navigation of Sebec lake," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Public Buildings, to which was referred the communication of the Governor in relation to the condition of the capitol, be directed, in connection with said communication, to inquire into the state of the building, and submit estimates of the probable cost of repairs; also to inquire into the expediency of removing the seat of Government to some other section of the State; and the propriety of the appointment of Commissioners by the Governor and Council to examine all questions connected with said removal, and report to the present or next Legislature.

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

Order relating to the expediency of requesting our Representatives and instructing our Senators in Congress, to favor a re-

duction of tariff on coal, passed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed.

The House recessed, adopted amendment "A," and passed the order in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of John P. Parks and others, for exchange of certain lots of land in Township K, Range 2, Aroostook county.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act in relation to the Supreme Judicial Court."

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 to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein"; and

Remonstrance of Ezekiel Treat and others of East Livermore, against authorizing said town to loan its credit in aid of manufactures;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of O. Robinson, against granting charter to the Georges Valley Railroad Company; also

Petition of John Merrill and others of Sanford, for an act to legalize the doings of said town; also

Petition of Oliver Moses, for an act to amend the charter of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company; also

Petition of D. Parker of Steuben, for charter for railroad from Machias to Ellsworth; and

Remonstrance of Mortimer Bodwell and others of Solon, against consolidation of railroads in this State;

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

Remonstrance of John A. Wheeler and others, against the petition of William Curtis, for the laying out of a road in Kennebunkport and Biddeford; and

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Kennebunkport, against the same;

Petition of G. J. Pendexter, for an act to authorize the election of a new Board of Trustees for Parsonsfield Seminary; also

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators; and

Bill "an act in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes in the town of Phipsburg for 1869";

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Oliver Moses and others of Bath, for change of the law to regulate river and interior fisheries; also

Petition of Lincoln Webb and others of Woolwich; and

Petition of John H. McLellan of Bath, for same; also

Petition of J. D. Parker and others of Steuben, for an act for the propagation of fish in said town; and

Petition of W. H. Lewis of Steuben, for authority to build a fish weir in said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of G. Andrews and others, for an act to prohibit the trapping of birds; and

Bill "an act additional to chapter 90, revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of Henry Wilson and others of Mars Hill; and

Petition of Benjamin Tilton—praying that certain towns charged with bounties paid by the State, may be released from payment of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Investigation of Naval Commission Men.

Petition of the Selectmen of Corinna, for incorporation of a town fire insurance company;

Remonstrance of James F. Blunt of Mt. Vernon, against taxation of foreign insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Elliot Smith and others of Norway, for the preservation of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

"Resolve to refund certain money to William Brown"; and

Petition of Robert Boyd and others, for an appropriation on the road leading from Oakfield and Island Falls;

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



Bill "an act in relation to savings institutions," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Isabella A. Ray, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the propriety of repealing, abridging or modifying chapter 10 of the revised statutes, and subsequent acts, relating to the militia.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to report what amendment is necessary, if any, to section 6, chapter 225 of the public acts of 1868, in order to enable municipal officers to equitably distribute the surplus bonds and money mentioned in said section over and above the amounts paid out to the soldiers who enlisted or were drafted and went any time during the war.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MAY of Winthrop,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to present to each chaplain of the House one box of stationery.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of L. D. Stacy for an act to authorize municipal officers to change the course of small streams, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of building a bridge in Plantation No. 11, R. 1, in the county of Aroostook."

Mr. IRISH, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in Island Falls."

The same member, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in the favor of Moses Perry."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, assigned for Wednesday of next week, and printed by order of the House.

Mr. WATERHOUSE, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank."

Mr. HAMMOND, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to promote the improvement of the navigation of the Kennebec river," reported ought to pass.

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Branch Dyke Company."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act providing for reviews in criminal cases, approved March 3, 1869."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad."

Bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace."

The report was read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1, 1869."

Bill "an act to authorize David Rodick to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay in Eden."

Bill "an act to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond."

"Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital."

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

"Resolve in favor of Bachelor H. Huston."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of public lots in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of John G. Kelso."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of a public lot in Castle Hill plantation, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of John Hanscom."

"Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young."

"Resolve for perfecting a State deed given by the Land Agent to Isaac Hacker in 1866."

Bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12, chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors."

The foregoing bill and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed.

Mr. DARLING of Patten, moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, moved the previous question, the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question.

The question then being on passing the resolve to be engrossed, Mr. BAKER of Augusta, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was passed to be engrossed by yeas 61, nays 55.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Bliss, Brackett, Burgess, Clark of Readfield, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Daggett, Dearborn, Dennett, Douglass, Duncan, Farwell, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gates, Gott, Gould, Green, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Harding, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Holbrook, Holman, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Lewis of Liberty, Main, McLain, Newcomb, Phillips, Pierce, Powers, Purinton, Sawyer, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Stickney, Sturgis, Thurlough, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Wheeler, Whidden, Wilder, Wilson—61.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Allan, Amcs, Berry of Damariscotta, Boyd, Boothby, Bradford, Brawn, Brown, Burnham, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Holden, Cole, Conforth, Darling, Davis, Greenleaf, Guptill, Ham, Hinks, Hume, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Leighton, Lewis of Pittston, Libby, Lord, Martin, Mason, May, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, Means, Mears, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Peavey, Plummer, Sargent, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stover, Twitchell, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Whitehouse, Young—55.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Bean, Blake, Bonney, Burbank, Campbell, Chamberlain, Cotton, Cousens, Dunning, Fol-

som, Hamilton, Lane, McGilvery, Mildram, Nickerson, Palmer, Patten, Pray, Ray, Reed, Riggs, Skinner, Smith of Saco, Stone, Thompson, Tobey, Watts, White, Whitney—31.

Mr. HUME asked and obtained leave to change his vote.

Bill "an act to set off part of plantation No. 7 and annex the same to the town of Gouldsborough."

Bill "an act to authorize the sale of the Christian meeting-house in Albion."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to notices in Probate Court."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the First Freewill Baptist Church of Augusta, to borrow money to pay its debts, and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same."

Bill "an act to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Rockland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company."

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

Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, asked to be, and was excused from further service on the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. MAY of Winthrop, to fill the vacancy.

Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, moved to reconsider the vote by which bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," was passed to be engrossed, and that the motion be laid on the table and to-morrow at 10 o'clock assigned.

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. Brown of Anson, to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of S. Z. Leslie and others of Hartland, for "an act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of J. S. Condon and others, for the protection of forest trees, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of the Directors of the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company, for "an act to legalize the location of said road over a certain highway in Newport"; also

Petition of Winfield S. Robinson and others of Rumford, in aid of railroad from Lewiston to Rumford; and

Remonstrance of D. D. Mann and others, against consolidation of railroads in this State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Harvey Collins, for deed of a lot of land; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Roxbury, in aid of the petition of the Selectmen of Byron, for an appropriation to build a bridge in said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Hiram Holt for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs into Wilson's stream in Wilton, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting reference to the next Legislature on the petition of the inhabitants of Veazie for annexation to the city of Bangor.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act relating to the location of school-houses," reporting reference to the Committee on Education.

Report of the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges, re-

porting ought to pass on bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and indefinitely postponed.

The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act concerning banks," was presented by Mr. BIRD of Rockland, ordered printed, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of inhabitants of Rumford, for an act to legalize the doings of said town; and

Petition of James Sampson and others of Bowdoinham, for an act to authorize said town to aid in building a steam-mill;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of S. Babson and others of Brooksville, for an act to prevent the throwing of chips from Webber's mill into the stream below, in said town; and

Petition of Samuel D. Reed and others, for an act to incorporate the Phippsburg Ice Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of John C. Harriman, for authority to erect a fish weir in Sheepscot river, with bill; and

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 59, special laws of 1857, relating to trout in Schoodiac waters";

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Island plantation," was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 50 of the laws of 1866, relating to hawkers and peddlers," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of John E. Godfrey, for an act for the preservation of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Joseph L. Metcalf and others, for authority to lay out a winter road in Winthrop, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of the Selectmen of Madrid and others, for an appropriation to aid in the repair of a road in said town, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act to amend section 8, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervisors of schools"; and

Petition of the Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy, for aid ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Caroline M. Fish, Florence M. Heald and Jesse A. Meader, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire what change, if any, is needed in chapter 249 of the public laws of 1864, so that the inhabitants therein named may vote for Governor, where they are qualified to vote for Representatives to the State Legislature.

On motion of Mr. DEARBORN of Falmouth,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be directed to inquire whether further legislation is not necessary in protecting travel over large bridges in seaport towns from frequent use of firearms.

On motion of Mr. BOYD of Newcastle,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the exemption from taxation, all improvements in any of the lands of this State, resulting from a higher state of cultivation, for a term of years ; or that the assessors of cities, towns and plantations, shall not advance on the valuation of any lands in this State for the purposes of taxation, on account of improvements, between the years of taking the State valuation.

On motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be requested to inquire if any change is necessary in the laws limiting the jurisdiction of agricultural societies in the distribution of their premiums.

On motion of Mr. STONE of Kennebunk,

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Commissioners on the Settlement of the Public Lands, so far as it relates to immigration, with so much of the Governor's Message as relates thereto, be submitted to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Stone of Kennebunk, Dunning of Bangor, Blake of Auburn, Bonney of Portland, Adams of

Biddeford, Nickerson of Swanville, and Bird of Rockland, on the part of the House.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. JONES of Norway, presented the following order, which was tabled, on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport :

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be directed to deliver the employees of the State at the Capitol building, each a package of stationery similar to that delivered the members of the House.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That from and after this day, the hour for the meeting of this House each day, shall be at 9 o'clock A. M., except on Monday, which shall be at 11 o'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

Mr. WENTWORTH, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joshua Lane and others for change of the law regulating the sale of milk.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report, on petition of Emery Sawyer for further jurisdiction of trial justices in Belfast.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Joseph Toothaker for repeal of the law relative to the killing of fur-bearing animals.

Mr. BRAWN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to leasing the shores of the islands in the Penobscot river belonging to the Penobscot Indians.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order relative to purchasing a wood lot for the Penobscot Indians, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on order relating to repeal of chapter 74 of the revised statutes.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order relative to giving city marshals the power of constables in civil cases, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Harris Garcelon of East Livermore, for " an act to authorize same



town to loan its credit for the improvement of its water power, reported reference to the next Legislature with order of notice."

Mr. GOTT, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relative to the repeal of the law establishing county supervisorship for schools.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of Samuel D. Reed, for change in the law relating to practice and proceedings in court, reported leave to withdraw.

The report was read, and tabled on motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported ought to pass on "resolve in relation to the shipping interests of Maine."

The report was read and accepted, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to establish certain rules for the construction of repealing statutes."

Mr. BLISS, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 101, laws of 1859, relating to drainage."

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee, made the same report on bill "an act to amend section 21, chapter 82 of the revised statutes."

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 25, laws of 1869, relative to sale of milk."

Mr. BURNHAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, made the same report on bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under Joint Rule.

Mr. COUSENS, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Directors, reported bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad."

Mr. GREEN, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Education, made the same report on recommitted bill "an act to establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company."

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition, reported bill "an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Mr. BEARCE, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and B. C. Adams in Camden."

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company of Richmond."

Mr. BOOTHBY, from the Committee on Agriculture, made the same report on bill "an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company."

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

Bill "an act in relation to the Supreme Judicial Court," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "B" on motion of Mr. TWITCH-ELL of Portland, and tabled on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Branch Dyke Company," was read the third time, and recommitted with instructions to report in a new draft.

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act providing for reviews in criminal cases, approved March 3, 1869."

Bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad."

The foregoing 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 authorizing the town of Stetson to take stock in the Stetson Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company."

Bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot bay in Lincolnville."

Bill "an act relating to penalties of selectmen or assessors for malfeasance in office."

Bill "an act for the incorporation of public cemeteries."

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. Harmon, for change of time and place for holding court in the county of Washington, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, and recommitted with instructions to report a bill to submit to the

people at the next annual March election, on motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield.

This report was sent to the Senate.

Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved to reconsider the vote by which "resolve in favor of Wilton Academy," was passed to be engrossed.

This motion was laid on the table, on motion of the same gentleman, and Thursday, the 24th inst., assigned.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to authorize railroad corporations to issue mortgage bonds," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 65, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, so as to provide for punishment of persons voting illegally at the election of municipal officers.

*Ordered,* That the Land Agent be requested to inform the Legislature how many acres of land are now owned by the State, and what proportion in acres is timber land, and what proportion is settling lands, so called, and what proportion is under contract for sale, and if the public lots are all located and surveyed, together with such other information connected therewith as he may possess.

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

Petition of John Merrill and others of Sandford, for "an act to legalize the doings of said town," referred by the House to the

Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Tabled on motion of Mr. LANE of Hollis.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank."

Report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding, on re-committed order reporting "resolve concerning the printing of the Legislative Manual."

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 once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition, reporting "resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb," 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.

Petition of the Selectmen of Roxbury and others, for abatement of State tax, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes," was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of George Cary and others of Houlton, for an appropriation on the road leading through Oakfield; and

Petition of Edwin C. Burleigh and others of Linneus, for same;

Petition of inhabitants of No. 2, Range 5; and

Petition of inhabitants of Sherman, for aid to build a road in said plantation;

Petition of Paul S. Merrill and others; and

Petition of J. H. Pullen and others of Monson, for aid to build a road from Monson to Greenville;

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

Petition of Sylvanus Poor and others of Andover, for charter for a railroad from some point on the Andover Railroad to Richardson lake; also

Petition of the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company, for amendment of charter; and

Petition of said company, for an act to loan the credit of Portland in aid of said road;

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

Petition of H. W. Hobbs and others, to be set off from Milo to Brownville;

Remonstrance of T. B. Spaulding and others; and

Remonstrance of Mathew S. Berry and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Remonstrance of Alonzo Colby and others of Bucksport, against the petition of Frederick Spofford, for leave to build a wharf in said town; and

Petition of John Lynch and others, for "an act to incorporate the Andover Railroad and Canal Company";

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of T. H. Dinsmore and others; and

Remonstrance of Albert Winslow—against taxation of foreign insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law, that juries for trial of all cases, except capital offences, shall be composed of six instead of twelve men, as now provided.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Woodstock,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 59, section 15 of the revised statutes, that persons commissioned to solemnize marriages be required to return the certificate of marriage to the clerk of the town or towns in which the parties severally had their intentions of marriage filed, instead of to the town clerk of the town in which the marriage takes place.

On motion of Mr. LANE of Hollis,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws, that three Commissioners be appointed

by the Governor and Council to hear and decide all questions relating to the division of towns.

On motion of Mr. BOYD of Newcastle,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law, making railroad corporations liable for all injuries received by any of its employees during the construction of any railroad in this State, while at work under the direction of an overseer.

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Bethel,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation to the town of Roxbury, in Oxford county, to aid in building and repairing roads and bridges in said town.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported reference to the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of John L. Hopkins and others, for the removal of gates from across the highways in the town of Vinalhaven.

Mr. HOLMAN, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Joseph W. Hines, for compensation for a lot of land.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Sidney Cook to be released from certain claims against him in the Land Office.

Mr. DAGGETT, from the Committee on Education, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 8, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervisors for schools."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in Steuben."

The same gentleman from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to regulate the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corinna."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of

Charles W. Deering, reported bill "an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough annexed to Gorham their portion of the money paid by the State to Scarborough under act of 1868, chapter 225."

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of A. Coburn, reported bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, and to amend the charter of said company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute," being on its passage to be engrossed, was amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, and tabled on motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, and assigned for Friday of next week.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," was read the third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company."

Bill "an act relating to the extension of Joshua Adams and Benjamin C. Adams' wharf in Camden."

Bill "an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 224, laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

The foregoing 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 to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water," being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport.



Bill "an act to amend an act amendatory of and additional to an act to incorporate the city of Calais, approved Feb. 26, 1869."

Bill "an act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland."

Bill "an act to authorize David Rodick to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay in the town of Eden."

Bill "an act to amend an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Calais."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Bangor, passed Feb. 12, 1834."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton."

Bill "an act to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond."

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

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

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond, the question being on indefinite postponement.

Mr. CUSHING of Sidney, moved amendment "A," providing for a reference of the subject to the people, which was rejected.

Mr. SMITH of Litchfield, moved the previous question, the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question to be put now.

The question then being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. BAKER of Augusta, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was refused a passage, by yeas 43, nays 59.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Baker, Barker, Barton, Blake, Bonney, Brackett, Burgess, Chase of Winn, Cox, Darling, Davis, Dennett, Farwell, Foss, Gannett, Gott, Green, Guptill, Hamilton, Hathorn, Hawes, Hume, Humphrey, Libby, Lord, Martin, Mason, Mears, Mills, Mildram, Palmer, Phillips, Pierce, Plummer, Pray, Sargent, Sawyer, Smith of Litchfield, Spaulding, Tobey, Twitchell, Waterhouse—43.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bliss, Boyd, Boothby, Brawn, Brown, Burnham, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cushing, Daggett, Dearborn, Douglass, Dunning, Folsom, Foster of Argyle, Gates, Ham, Harriman, Hinks, Holbrook, Holman, Irish, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Mayo, McDougal, McLain, Means, Milliken, Newcomb, Powers, Riggs, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Sturgis, Stone, Thompson, Thurlough, Vose, Wasson, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whidden, White, Whitehouse, Wilder, Wilson, Young—59.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Alexander, Ames, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Bradford, Burbank, Campbell, Cole, Conforth, Cotton, Cousens, Crockett, Duncan, Gould, Greenlief, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Harding, Hussey, Jones, Jordan of Brunswick, Leighton, Main, May, McGilvery, McKown, Moulton, Nickerson, Patten, Peavey, Purinton, Ray, Reed, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Saco, Stickney, Stover, Warren, Watts, Weston, Whitney—45.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, moved a reconsideration.

Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved that this motion be laid on the table and that three weeks from to-day assigned, pending which, the House, on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland, Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1870.

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 Railway Construction Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Abraham Wing, Jr., and others, for incorporation of Van Buren as a town; and

Petition of Andrew Cyr and others, for same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company;" and

Petition of the inhabitants of Brunswick and Topsham for an act giving further authority to said towns to purchase the Androscoggin bridge, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be requested to inquire into the expediency of repealing section 31, chapter 11 of the revised statutes.

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

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Aurora mills."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting same on bill "an act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor in Camden."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of B. D. Metcalf, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reporting bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company."

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 Monday assigned for the third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, relating to change of time and place for holding court in Washington county, recommitted by the House, came back from the Senate read and accepted.

The House recessed and concurred.

Petition of Samuel Staples, for an act to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company; also

Petition of George A. Frederick, for an act to legalize the doings of the town of Temple; also

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the Selectmen of Kennebunk, for the year 1863"; also

Bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to accounts in probate court in certain cases"; also

Bill "an act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water"; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Kenduskeag, for an act to make valid the doings of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company, for authority to extend their road; and

Petitions of inhabitants of Canton, Buckfield, Sumner, Hartford and Minot, in aid of the same;

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

Petition of E. S. Winslow, for an appropriation for a road in Township No. 3, R. 2, Franklin county; also

Petition of Cornelius Craig and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a road in Oakfield plantation; also

Petition of inhabitants of Moro plantation, for deed of a lot of land; and

“Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of Madawaska river”;

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

Memorial of Lewis Selbing, in favor of German immigration, was referred to the Special Committee on Settlement of the Public Lands.

Bill “an act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks”; and .

Petition of Thomas Desmond of Whitneyville, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of William Rogers of Bath, for compensation for fish weir destroyed by fish warden, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of C. I. Barker and others, for incorporation of the Androscoggin Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of N. O. Mitchell and others, for incorporation of the Gardiner Ice Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Francis Sampson and others of Waterford, for an act to protect fish in Pleasant pond in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Samuel Staples and John Durant, for an act to establish a steam ferry between Lubec and Eastport, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of E. A. Thompson and others, for State uniformity of text-books, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of James L. Coombs, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing chapter 9, laws of 1869, relating to actions against executors and administrators.

On motion of Mr. STONE of Kennebunk,

*Ordered*, That the Senate concurring, the Commissioners on State Valuation now in session, be requested to communicate to

the Legislature when they will be able to submit their final report, and whether any further legislation is required in order to facilitate their business.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Joseph Howard for enlargement of the jurisdiction of constables, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, made the same report, on petition of Samuel Mowry for repeal of chapter 56, laws of 1869, relating to commutation orders.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to close a guardianship."

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to incorporate the North Piscataquis Dam Company."

The reports were read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, reported reference to the Governor and Council, on order relating to pension to Lewis Selbing.

The report was recommitted on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, with instruction to report a resolve in favor of Lewis Selbing.

The report was sent to the Senate.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," reported the same ought to pass.

The report was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the line dividing the towns of Mexico and Rumford."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures."

Bill "an act to establish certain rules for the construction of repealing statutes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101, laws of 1859, relating to drainage."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court."

Bill "an act to amend section 21, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to offers to be defaulted."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 25, laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk."

The report was read and accepted, bills read twice, and Monday assigned.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to herring boxes."

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of opening a road through parts of Crystal plantation and Island Falls to Sherman."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island Falls plantation."

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of the Castle Hill road leading from Presque Isle to Ashland."

The reports were read and accepted, the bill ordered to be printed under the joint rule, the resolves read once, ordered printed, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank."

"Resolve concerning the printing of the Legislative Manual."

This bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in Steuben."

Bill "an act to promote the improvement of the navigation of Kennebec river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank."

The foregoing 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 to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors," being

on its passage to be enacted, the rules were suspended on motion of Mr. TOBEY of Athens, and the vote passing the same to be engrossed, reconsidered, and bill laid on the table.

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of public lots in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, Aroostook county.”

“Resolve in favor of John G. Kelso.”

“Resolve in favor of Bachelor H. Huston.”

“Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young.”

“Resolve in favor of John Hanscom.”

The foregoing resolves having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order directing the Committee on Pay Roll to make up the pay of Henry K. Bradbury, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. HAWES of Vassalborough, amended as per sheet “A,” on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, and passed.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

The SPEAKER being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. LANE of Hollis,

*Ordered*, That during the absence of the Speaker, Alanson B. Farwell, Esq., be declared Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRASSLEY of New York.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the government that in the absence of the Speaker, Alanson B. Farwell, Esq., had been appointed Speaker *pro tem*.

Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais, was charged with a similar message to the Governor and Council.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Preston Fisher, for compensation of services as Assistant Surgeon of the 31st Regiment Maine Volunteers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of the citizens of Mexico in aid of the petition of the selectmen of Byron, for aid to build a bridge in said town, reporting reference to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order to repeal sections 55, 56 and 57 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought not to pass on

bill "an act relating to collection of debts, where no administration has been taken out."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Newell Powers and others, for repeal of chapter 36, laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company," reporting the same in a new draft and ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Jared C. Nash, reporting bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison."

Report of the same Committee, on petition, reporting bill "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend chapter 51, section 48 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on recommitted "resolve in favor of Paul Taber," reporting the same ought to pass.

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, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company."

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 passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Communication from Hon. Seth Scamman, Chairman of Commissioners on State Valuation, informing the Legislature that said Commission will be able to report early in March, came from the Senate, and was read.

Petition of East Winthrop Farmers' Club, for preservation of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of Levi L. Sewall and others, against taxing

foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of the Howard Slate Company, for extension of charter, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to authorize Gilbert Lohgfellow to erect a fish weir in the tide waters of Jonesborough at Shorey's island," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, under suspension of the rules.

Petition of William H. Staples, for deed of a lot of land in Mt. Chase, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, under suspension of the rules.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing "resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, approved February 3, 1870."

On motion of Mr. STONE of Kennebunk,

*Ordered*, That the Commissioners on State Valuation are hereby authorized to send for any person or persons who may in their opinion be able to give them valuable information in the prosecution of their work, and submit their report in print.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the Land Agent be directed to report to this House all the facts and documentary evidence in his possession, concerning a "resolve approved March 22, 1864, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary," and what has been done to carry out the conditions thereof.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of D. Harmon for annexation of Unity plantation to Waldo county, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the same Committee, made the same report, on petition of A. F. Watson for annexation of Unity plantation to the town of Unity.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of O. R. Serois and others, for aid to build a bridge over Dafour stream in Madawaska, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to amendment of the law so that personal property shall be holden for taxes same as real estate, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. MOULTON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Franklin Muzzy for change of the law regulating the sale of milk.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made the same report, on petition of Dominique Daigle for an appropriation to build a bridge over Daigle stream in Fort Kent.

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, made the same report, on petition of inhabitants of Van Buren for aid to build a bridge in said plantation.

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

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported a "resolve in aid of opening a road through Letters F and G, Range 1, Aroostook county."

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Madrid in aid of repairing roads in said town."

The same member, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read once and assigned for Wednesday of next week, and printed by order of the House.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 8 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervision of schools," was read twice and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures," was read the third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, and assigned for Wednesday.

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the sale of milk," was read the third time, and tabled by HINKS of Bucksport.

Bill "an act to change the line dividing the towns of Mexico and Rumford," was read the third time, amended as per sheet

“A” on motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry, and tabled on motion of Mr. CHASE of Woodstock.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery.”

Bill “an act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor in Camden.”

Bill “an act to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Aurora Mills.”

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough, annexed to Gorham, their portion of the money paid by the State to Scarborough, under act of 1868.”

Bill “an act to establish certain rules for the construction of repealing statutes.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company.”

Bill “an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage.”

Bill “an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court.”

Bill “an act to amend section 21, chapter 82 of the revised statutes.”

Bill “an act to regulate the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corinna.”

Bill “an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, and amend the charter of said company.”

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

Bill “an act to amend section 3, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace.”

Bill “an act to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad.”

Bill “an act to repeal an act entitled an act providing for reviews in criminal cases, approved March 3, 1869.”

“Resolve for perfecting a State deed given by the Land Agent to Isaac Hacker.”

“Resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb.”

“Resolve in relation to the shipping interest of Maine.”

The foregoing bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker *pro tem.* and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors,” was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. TOBEY of Athens, amended as per sheets “A” and “B,” passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. FOSTER, in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 17, chapter 71 of the revised statutes, so as to authorize Judges of Probate to compel an executor or administrator to carry into effect contracts of deceased persons.

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Narcis Dufour and others for aid to build a road in Madawaska, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, reporting reference to the Governor and Council, on order, relating to pension to Lewis Selbing, recommitted by the House, came from the Senate accepted.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Education, on order, reporting bill "an act relating to habitual truants."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reporting bill "an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved February 28, 1869."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reporting bill "an act for the preservation of fish in the waters of Hiram and Porter."

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.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Concord," 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 recommitted on motion of Mr. BOOTHBY of Embden.

Communication from the Land Agent, in response to an order of the House, transmitting information and documentary evidence concerning the resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, approved March 22, 1864, was received, ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Education, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, by leave, laid on the table bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport"; also "Resolve in favor of the town of Bucksport."

Mr. STICKNEY presented "resolve in relation to the services of George F. Robinson," which was ordered to be printed.

Remonstrance of H. M. Stover and others, against amendment of the law regulating the river and interior fisheries, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing was sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to amending fee bill of officers serving legal precepts.

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

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of Eugene W. Pillsbury."

The same member, from the same Committee, on petition of Rebecca W. Pratt, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

The same gentleman, on petition of George W. Patch and others, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

The same gentleman, on petition of Charles E. Welch and others, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson High School and Library Association."

Mr. CROCKETT, from the Committee on Public Buildings, on order, reported "resolve authorizing the city of Augusta to make and maintain streets on the south and west sides of the State House."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to herring boxes," was read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BOOTHBY, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of G. B. Leavitt, reported bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds."

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

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison, in the county of Washington."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 51, section 48 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company."



Bill "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company."

"Resolve in favor of Paul Taber."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 8 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervision of schools," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve concerning the printing of the Legislative Manual," having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Petition of John Merrill and others of Sanford, for legalization of the doings of said town, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta.

The House receded from its vote referring to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in relation to the Supreme Judicial Court," was taken from the table, further amended as per sheet "D" on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport.

The question then being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. STOVER of Harpswell, moved and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheets "B" and "D," by yeas 57, nays 46, and sent to the Senate.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Baker, Barker, Berry of Damariscotta, Bird, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Brackett, Bradford, Burnham, Burgess, Chamber-

lain, Cole, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Davis, Dearborn, Douglass, Duncan, Farwell, Foss, Gannett, Hammond of Westbrook, Harri- man, Hathorn, Holbrook, Hume, Hussey, Irish, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Martin, McGilvery, Means, Mildram, Newcomb, Palmer, Patten, Peavey, Pierce, Powers, Sherman of Camden, Stone, Tobey, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Wasson, Water- house, Wentworth, Whidden, White, Whitehouse, Wilson—57.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Buxton, Boyd, Boothby, Brawn, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Holden, Conforth, Daggett, Darling, Gates, Guptill, Ham, Hammond of Paris, Hinks, Jordan of Brunswick, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Mason, May, Mayo, Mc- Dougal, McKown, McLain, Mears, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Reed, Riggs, Sargent, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Stover, Thompson, Thurlough, Whitney, Wilder, Young—46.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Ames, Bearce of Lew- iston, Brown, Burbank, Campbell, Clark of Readfield, Cotton, Cousens, Dennett, Dunning, Folsom, Foster of Argyle, Gott, Gould, Green, Greenlief, Hamilton, Harding, Hawes, Holman, Humphrey, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Main, Nickerson, Phillips, Plummer, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Sawyer, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Spaulding, Sturgis, Watts, Weston, Wheeler—44.

Bill “an act to abolish capital punishment,” was taken from the table on motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, and the motion to reconsider by consent of the House was withdrawn, and the bill sent to the Senate, having been refused a passage by the House.

Bill “an act additional to change chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures,” assigned for to-morrow, was taken from the table by consent, on motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, and recommitted on motion of Mr. BAKER of Au- gusta.

On motion of Mr. MILDRAM of Wells,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Theodore H. Jewett and others of South Berwick, in aid of the petition of the Maine General Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Petition of Seth Scamman and others, for authority to dyke certain salt marsh in Scarborough, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, under suspension of the rules.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river, approved February 22, 1865."

Report of the same Committee, on petition, reporting bill "an act additional to chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies."

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.

The following communication from the Treasurer of State was received and referred to the Committee on Finance :

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

The attention of the Legislature is called to the late decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, which affirms that all contracts for the payment of money made prior to February, 1862, must be paid in coin.

Of the present funded debt of this State \$1,184,000 was contracted prior to 1862.

During the present year about \$40,000 of this debt will mature—\$14,000 falling due on first day of March next; and the

Treasurer requests the action and instruction of the Legislature thereon.

Remonstrance of Oliver Libby, against annexing Unity plantation to the town of Unity, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Bill "an act to extend the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, under suspension of the rules.

Petition of Roland Fisher and others of Arrowsic, for change of the law regulating river and interior fisheries ;

Petition of J. K. Merrow and others ; and

Petition of A. H. Whitmore and others for same ;

Remonstrance of W. W. Walker against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of W. H. Hatch for change of the law relating to savings banks, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Frederick W. Fales, for authority to maintain a ferry between Elwell's point and Spruce head, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell for cash certain sections of land in Mapleton," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. DUNNING of Bangor, by leave, laid on the table bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company."

On motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the propriety of amending the law relating to the approval of the bonds of town treasurers and collectors of taxes.

On motion of Mr. CAMPBELL of Deer Isle,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Agriculture be requested to inquire what further legislation is necessary to induce persons to plant trees by the road side.

On motion of Mr. DARLING of Patten,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on State Lands and Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 45 of the resolves of 1869, by striking out the words in the third and

fourth lines "two other equally valuable lots," and insert the words "an amount of land of equal value."

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN of Camden,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to inquire into the propriety of making the city of Bangor the capital of this State, provided said city of Bangor raise \$100,000 towards providing public buildings for the State.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

The resignation of Alfred Watts, member of this House from the town of Thomaston, was received.

On motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough, the Clerk of the House was directed to notify the Selectmen of the town of Thomaston of the resignation of Mr. Watts.

On motion of the same member,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Alfred Watts at \$2.50 per day and travel, up to and including this day.

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

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of G. J. Pendexter and others, for authority to choose a new board of Trustees for Parsonsfield Academy, reported leave to withdraw.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act relating to toll bridges and turnpikes."

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the same Committee, on order relating to repeal of chapter 186, laws of 1868, relating to executions against railroad corporations, reported legislation inexpedient.

These reports were read and recommitted.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on recommitted petition, reported "resolve in favor of William W. Quinby."

This report was read and accepted, resolve read once, Wednesday next assigned, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. DUNNING, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of the Mousam river in the town of Kennebunk."

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the Congregational church in Kenduskeag to sell their title to the Baptist meeting-house in said town."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale."

Mr. MCGILVERY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company."

Mr. BEARCE, from the same Committee, made the same report, on bill "an act to incorporate the Wassataquoik Dam Company."

Mr. STOVER, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect a fish weir in tide waters of Jonesborough, at Shorey's island."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to regulate the taking of pickerel in Pattee's pond in the town of Winslow."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Bucksport."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. STOVER, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to repeal chapter 59 of the special laws of 1857, relating to trout in Schoodic waters."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. WHIDDEN of Calais.

Bill "an act amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved February 28, 1867."

Bill "an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Hiram and Porter."

Bill "an act relating to habitual truants."

"Resolve granting a lot of land to Francis Albert, Jr."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

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"Resolve in aid of building a bridge in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, in the county of Aroostook."

"Resolve in aid of opening a road through parts of Crystal and Island Falls plantations to Sherman."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in Island Falls plantation."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island Falls plantation."

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

"Resolve authorizing the city of Augusta to make and maintain streets on the south and west sides of the State House," being on its passage to be engrossed, was recommitted and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor in the town of Camden."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Aurora Mills."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company."

Bill "an act to establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna."

Bill "an act relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery Corporation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company of Richmond."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company."

Bill "an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," was taken from the table, the question being on the motion of Mr. HINKS to reconsider the vote passing the same to be engrossed.

The vote was reconsidered, and the bill indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. FOSS of Abbot.

Mr. BAKER of Augusta, offered amendment "A," Mr. VOSE of Winterport, amendment "B," which were ordered to be printed.

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

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HERRING of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of T. W. Herrick as justice of the peace and quorum"; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, under suspension of the rules.

Remonstrance of B. Parker and others, against setting off a portion of the town of Limington to Limerick, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring into the expediency of authorizing towns to deduct from commutation notes an amount equal to the unpaid taxes on the same, reporting legislation inexpedient.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and tabled, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Edmund Benner for bridge across the tide waters of Belfast harbor, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Cumberland County Delegation, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize the County Treasurer of Cumberland county to pay Miltimore Watts, for services as agent on Morton's point bridge."

Report of the Committee on Education, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition, reporting a "resolve making an appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition, reporting "resolve in favor of Houlton Academy."

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, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolves.

Report of the Committee on Education, on order and various petitions, reporting bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text-books," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, offered amendment "A," which was ordered to be printed.

Remonstrance of William H. Hunt and others, against taxing foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of S. D. Thurston and others of Bangor, for the establishment of another State agency for sale of spirituous liquors, was referred to the Committee on the subject of Temperance.

Remonstrance of James Jewell, against petition of S. D. Reed and others;

Petition of William H. McCrillis and others, for authority to improve the Seboois stream; and

Petition of Joshua Chamberlain and others, for authority to erect piers and booms at Eddington bend;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrances of Eben Small, William G. Call, Orrin McFadden, Horatio G. Allen, against repeal of the law regulating the river and interior fisheries, were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Remonstrance of Harrison Lowell, against petition of William Curtis; and

Bill "an act additional to chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

"Resolve in favor of the removal of obstructions from Penobscot river, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt,” was laid on the table, by leave, by Mr. BONNEY of Portland.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or modifying section 1 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to survey of railroads.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Hodgdon,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over Molunkus stream on the Maine Military road.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BRADFORD of Eastport,

*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 be considered, and after that matter specially assigned in the order of assignment.

On motion of the same gentleman,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three be appointed upon the business of the House, whose duty it shall be to examine the files and see that all matters upon the table, and not specially assigned, are taken up and disposed of as early as practicable.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Bradford of Eastport, Twitchell of Portland, and Mildram of Wells.

Mr. GREEN, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the distribution of premiums by agricultural societies.

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported reference to the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Thomas Desmond, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in Whitneville.

The same gentleman from the same Committee, reported reference to the Committee on Agriculture on petition of G. Andrews, for an act to prohibit the trapping of birds.

Mr. HARDING, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and

Insurance, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to taxing foreign insurance companies.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order inquiring whether appropriations made to literary institutions may be received by the State when such institutions cease to exist, reported legislation inexpedient.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act additional to chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctioneers."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," that the same be printed and recommitted.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act amendatory of chapter 338 of the special laws of 1850, relating to ways in Vinalhaven."

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association in the town of Hartland."

Mr. BARTON, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads."

Mr. HAMMOND, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act authorizing Charles H. Bartlett to build a wharf in tide waters of Piscataqua river."

Mr. THURLOUGH, from the Committee on Agriculture, on order, reported bill "an act allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society."

Printed bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. COUSENS, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures."

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order,

reported bill "an act to repeal chapter 291, laws of 1865, relating to poll taxes."

Mr. BARTON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate."

Mr. BAKER, from the same Committee, made the same report, on bill "an act to amend chapter 81 of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions."

Mr. BURNHAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein."

Mr. BRADFORD, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition, reported "resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Indians."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, the bills ordered to be printed under Joint Rule, and the resolve read once, ordered printed, and Wednesday assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Wassataquoik Dam Company," being on its passage to be engrossed, was ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Dennys river, approved Feb. 22, 1865," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 86 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of pickerel from Pattee's pond in the town of Winslow."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of Mousam river in the town of Kennebunk."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale."

Bill "an act to authorize the Congregationalist church in Kenduskeag to sell their title to the Baptist meeting-house in said town."

Bill "an act to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect fish weirs in the tide waters of Jonesborough at Shorey's island."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Bucksport."

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

Bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison."

Bill "an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Hiram and Porter."

Bill "an act relating to the Supreme Judicial Court and to pay certain expenses of the justices thereof."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 51, section 48 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court."

Bill "an act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben."

Bill "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company."

Bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company."

Bill "an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough, annexed to Gorham, their portion of the money paid by the State to Scarborough, under act of 1868."

Bill "an act relative to the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corihna."

Bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to offers to be defaulted."

Bill "an act amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Hancock, approved Feb. 28, 1867."

Bill "an act to promote the improvement of the navigation of the Kennebec river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company."

"Resolve granting land to Francis Albert, Jr."

"Resolve in favor of Paul Taber."

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

Bill "an act to establish certain rules for the construction of repealing statutes," being on its passage to be enacted, the rules were suspended, vote passing the same to be engrossed reconsidered, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. VOSE of Wintertport, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act relating to habitual truants," being on its passage to be enacted, was recommitted, with instructions to report the same as a general law of the State.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy," special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table, the question being on the motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, to reconsider the vote passing the same to be engrossed.

Mr. BAKER of Augusta, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to reconsider by yeas 55, nays 69.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

YEAS—Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Ames, Baker, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Boothby, Bradford, Brawn, Brown, Burnham, Campbell, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Holden, Cole, Conforth, Cox, Darling, Guptill,

Hinks, Hume, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Leighton, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Martin, Mason, May, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, Means, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Peavey, Pierce, Riggs, Sargent, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stover, Thompson, Tobey, Twitchell, Wasson, Wentworth, Whitehouse, Whitney, Young—55.

NAYS—Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Barker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Brackett, Burgess, Chamberlain, Clark of Readfield, Cousens, Crockett, Cushing, Daggett, Davis, Dearborn, Dennett, Douglass, Dunning, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Gannett, Gott, Green, Greenlief, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harding, Hathorn, Hawes, Holbrook, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Jordan of Brunswick, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, McGilvery, McLain, Mears, Mildram, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Patten, Powers, Sawyer, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Stickney, Thurlough, Vose, Waterhouse, Weston, Wheeler, Whidden, White, Wilder, Wilson—69.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Bird, Boyd, Burbank, Foster of Argyle, Gates, Gould, Ham, Harriman, Holman, Main, Phillips, Plummer, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Reed, Spaulding, Sturgis, Stone, Warren—20.

The resolve was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from Hon. William P. Frye, tendering his resignation of the office of Attorney General of the State of Maine, to take effect the first day of March, came from the Senate read and the resignation accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of Helen A. Gilman, President of the Association for the Relief of Aged and Indigent Women, for change of name of said association, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Division of Counties inquire into the expediency of changing the Registry District of Aroostook county.

*Ordered*, That the petition of J. H. Eveleth and others, to be incorporated for the purpose of improving the north branch of the Piscataquis river, heretofore referred to the next Legislature, be recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters.

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting leave to withdraw on the petition of N. S. Allen and others of Edmunds, to be set off from said town to Dennysville, came from the Senate read and accepted.

The report was read and tabled, on motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting same on petition of A. F. Bradbury of Dexter, for change of the law so as to allow savings banks to loan money on names alone.

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought not to pass on

bill "an act to amend an act in relation to savings banks and savings institutions."

Report of the same Committee, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to expediency of allowing savings banks to loan money on names alone.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, making the same report on order relating to the expediency of making railroad corporations liable for all injuries to employees.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on order relating to the appointment of commissioners by the Governor and Council to hear and decide questions of division of towns.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on order relative to protection of travel on bridges against frequent use of firearms.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on order relating to amendment of section 6, chapter 225 of the public laws of 1868, in order to enable municipal officers to distribute the surplus bonds and money mentioned in said act.

Report of the Cumberland County Delegation, on order, reporting bill "an act to establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the North Anson 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, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk," amended by the House and passed to be engrossed, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Tabled on motion of Mr. THURLOUGH of Newburg.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Nealley of York, Buck of Hancock, and Holland of Androscoggin, appointed conferees.

The House insisted and concurred in the proposition for a conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Hinks of Bucks-

port, Barker of Stetson, and Stover of Harpswell, on the part of the House.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society," 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 to abolish capital punishment," refused a passage by the House, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A."

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, offered amendment "B," which was ordered to be printed with Senate amendment "A."

Bill "an act to increase the compensation of members of the Legislature," was, by leave, laid on the table by Mr. BRAUN of Oldtown, and ordered to be printed.

Petition of A. C. Denison, in aid of the petition of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Petition of T. C. Woodman and others of Bucksport, for amendment of law regulating the river and interior fisheries, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of A. O. Noyes and others, for aid to Norway Liberal Institute; and

"Resolve in favor of Patten Academy";

Were referred to the Committee on Education, under suspension of the rules.

Petition of O. B. Dwinall and others of Minot, for an act to allow said town to create a sinking fund, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Freeport,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Legal Reform be requested to inquire into the expediency of additional legislation relating to receipts issued by warehousemen and commission merchants for merchandise and stocks received for storage or deposit.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,

*Ordered*, That the same Committee inquire whether any change is necessary in chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers.

On motion of Mr. WENTWORTH of North Berwick,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law making administrators and executors of estates of deceased persons punishable by indictment for making a false return of the inventory of such estates.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Finance, on communication of the State Treasurer, reported "resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to Feb. 25, 1862."

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the persons elected as Selectmen and Assessors of the town of Kennebunk for the year 1863."

The reports were read and accepted, bill read three times, resolve twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARTON, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to testimony of persons taken in the trial of civil causes who have deceased.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on order relating to writs of execution where the person who received judgment has deceased.

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, made the report on order inquiring into the expediency of enacting a law so as to make it the duty of assessors, when they find property not taxable in the town where found, to notify the assessors of the town where such property is by law taxable.

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee, reported same on order inquiring into the expediency of amending the law, so that bondsmen of collectors of taxes shall be holden only for a definite time.

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, made the same report on order relating to exemption of persons who served

in the war for the suppression of the rebellion from payment of poll tax.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported reference to the next Legislature on petition of James Andrews and others, for charter for railroad from Whitneyville to Ellsworth.

The same gentleman, made the same report, on petition of Hiram Gardiner, for charter for railroad from Machias to Ellsworth.

The same gentleman, reported same, on petition of Charles Campbell and others, for charter for railroad from Cherryfield to Ellsworth.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on bill "an act to enforce liens on logs and lumber."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on petition of John Merrill of Sanford, for an act to made valid the doings of said town.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Education, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes."

Mr. DAGGETT, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers."

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on recommitted bill "an act providing for the organization of plantations."

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on bill "an act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, concerning assignments."

Mr. BROWN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company."

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Romain Michaud."

Mr. SHERMAN, from the same Committee, on petition of Jesse Drew, reported "resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of Madawaska river."

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Beriah Brown."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered

to be printed, resolves read once, ordered to be printed, and Wednesday assigned for their second reading.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition of Rufus G. Fuller, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

The same gentleman, on petition of Jesse A. Meader, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Porter."

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on petition of Samuel Staples, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company in the town of Lubec."

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Kenduskeag."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to make valid the doings of District No. 17 in Bristol."

The same member, on bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend certain streets in said city to low water mark in Penobscot river and Kenduskeag stream," reported the same in a new draft.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company."

Mr. POTTER, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater bridge in said town."

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures."

Printed bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize the County Treasurer of Cumberland county to pay Miltimore Watts for services," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds," being on its passage to be engrossed, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," was read the third time, and pending amendment "A," laid on the table on motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 338, special laws of 1850, relating to ways in Vinalhaven," was read the third time, and tabled on motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast.

Bill "an act authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads."

Bill "an act authorizing Charles H. Bartlett of Kittery, to build a wharf into tide waters of Piscataqua river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association."

Bill "an act allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society."

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

Bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text books," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amendment "A" rejected, and the question being on concurring with the Senate in indefinite postponement, Mr. HARRIMAN moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the bill was indefinitely postponed in concurrence, by yeas 78, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Ames, Baker, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta,

Berry of Buxton, Bliss, Bonney, Boothby, Brackett, Bradford, Brown, Burnham, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Conforth, Cousens, Cox, Darling, Davis, Dearborn, Douglass, Dunning, Duncan, Gannett, Greenlief, Gup-till, Ham, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harding, Hawes, Hol-man, Hume, Humphrey, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Martin, Mayo, McDougal, McLain, Means, Mears, Mildram, Moulton, Newcomb, Palmer, Patten, Peavey, Pierce, Reed, Riggs, Sargent, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Sturgis, Stone, Stover, Thompson, Twitchell, Waterhouse, Went-worth, Whidden, White, Whitehouse, Young—79.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Alexander, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Turner, Blake, Brawn, Chase of Winn, Clark of Holden, Cushing, Farwell, Fol-son, Foss, Gott, Green, Harriman, Hathorn, Hinks, Holbrook, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Leighton, Lewis of Pitts-ton, Lord, Mason, May, Mills, Milliken, Nickerson, Sawyer, Skin-ner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Thur-lough, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Wasson, Weston, Wheeler, Whit-ney, Wilder, Wilson—45.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Bird, Boyd, Burbank, Campbell, Cotton, Crockett, Dag-gett, Dennett, Foster of Argyle, Gates, Gould Hammond of Westbrook, Main, McGilvery, McKown, Phillips, Plummer, Pow-ers, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Spaulding—22.

Bill “an act to amend section 8 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervision of schools.”

Bill “an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relat-ing to herring boxes.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Rail-road Company.”

Bill “an act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Dennys river, approved Feb. 22, 1865.”

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



“Resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute,” special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheet “A.”

Bill “an act concerning the rate of interest,” was taken from the table on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, amendment “A” by consent was withdrawn by Mr. BAKER, amendment “B” was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

“Resolves in relation to the services of George F. Robinson,” was taken from the table on motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle, read once and adopted.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in favor of Houlton Academy,” assigned for Wednesday of next week, under suspension of the rules, was taken from the table, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the resignation of Hon. Charles R. Whidden, member of this House from the city of Calais.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, the Clerk of the House was directed to notify the Mayor of Calais of the resignation of Mr. Whidden.

On motion of the same gentleman,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up the pay of Charles R. Whidden.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relative to granting aid to the Maine Educational Journal.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting same on order inquiring into the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 97 of the revised statutes.

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

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Sidney Cook, accepted by the House, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for the division of the town of Westbrook, reporting leave to withdraw, came from the Senate read and accepted.

Accompanying the foregoing, was a report from the Minority of the Committee, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the town of Oakland."

The reports were laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WHITE of Bangor, and Thursday next assigned.

Mr. DARLING of Patten, presented a resolve for the final adjournment of the Legislature of 1870.

Mr. BAKER of Augusta, presented a resolve relating to a recess of the Legislature.

The foregoing were laid on the table.

Mr. GANNETT of Bath, presented the following, which, on his motion, was laid on the table :

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing an increase of money for the purpose of aiding the cause of common schools in this State, to take the place of that which was formerly derived from the bank tax.

On motion of Mr. BURNHAM of Biddeford,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the public laws of 1862, relating to trustee process.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco,

*Ordered,* That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law for the selection and empanelling of juries in civil causes, and in criminal cases other than capital.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,

*Ordered,* That the Clerk be directed to publish the usual number of copies of the Journal of the House for distribution.

Read and passed.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered,* That the Commission on the Revision of the Statutes shall, during the recess of the Legislature, incorporate into said revision the laws passed during this session of the Legislature, and the Secretary of State is hereby directed to furnish said Commission with certified copies of the same.

On motion of the same gentleman,

*Ordered,* That the Commissioners of State Valuation shall as soon as they are ready to report, notify each individual member of the Joint Select Committee of the Legislature on State Valuation, of that fact, and said Committee shall immediately repair to Augusta and proceed forthwith to complete their duties in the premises.

The foregoing were tabled on motion of Mr. VOSE.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of James Timony, for aid to build a bridge in Oakfield plantation, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. SMITH, from the same Committee, made the same report on petition for aid to build a bridge in Grant Isle plantation.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on petition of William Curtis and others, for an act to

authorize County Commissioners of York county to locate a highway over Little river in said county.

The same member, from the same Committee, reported same on petition of William T. Moody and others, for straightening town lines between Kennebunkport and Biddeford.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others, for an appropriation to open a road from Presque Isle to Molunkus, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported same on petition of Robert P. Walker, for amendment of special law relating to fisheries in Walker's pond in Brooksville.

Mr. BEARCE, from the Committee on Interior Waters, made the same report on petition of W. H. Hemenway, for authority to maintain a wharf in Machias.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 50 of laws of 1866, entitled an act relating to hawkers and pedlers."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 230, public laws of 1864, relating to evidence."

The same gentleman, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 94 of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer."

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Byron."

The same gentleman, on order, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury."

The same gentleman, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Grafton."

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass on "resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the State for stumpage."

Mr. STONE, from the Joint Special Committee on Settlement of

Public Lands, reported bill "an act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of public lands."

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Education, on order, reported "resolve to amend a resolve approved March 1, 1869, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered printed, under rules, resolves read once, ordered printed, and Wednesday assigned for the second reading.

Mr. WESTON, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Isaac Sawyer, reported bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Limington and annex the same to the town of Limerick."

Mr. HAMMOND, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought to pass on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company."

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing John C. Harriman and Alfred Lennox to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river."

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to exchange lots in township No. 6, R. 5, Aroostook county."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 81 of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and read the third time.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, offered amendment "A," pending which the bill was tabled.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend certain streets in said city to low water mark in Penobscot river and Kenduskeag stream," was reported by the Committee

on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Anson Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland."

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

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 17 in Bristol."

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Porter."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company in the town of Lubec."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater bridge in said town."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Kenduskeag."

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

Bill "an act to change the name of Eugene W. Libby."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association."

Bill "an act to establish certain rules for the construction of statutes."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in Island Falls plantation."

“Resolve in aid of building a bridge in plantation No. 11, R. 1, county of Aroostook.”

“Resolve concerning the debts of this State contracted prior to February 25, 1862.”

“Resolve in aid of opening a road through parts of Crystal and Island Falls plantations to Sherman.”

“Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island Falls plantation.”

“Resolve in aid of the Castle Hill road leading from Presque Isle to Ashland in the county of Aroostook.

“Resolve in favor of Moses Perry.”

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

On motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, requesting the return of bill “an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company.”

Bill “an act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1, 1869,” was taken from the table, rules suspended, and vote passing the same to be engrossed reconsidered. Amended as per sheet “A,” on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of N. S. Allen and others, to be set off from Edmunds to Dennysville, reporting leave to withdraw, was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY, and accepted in concurrence.

Bill “an act to amend section 1, chapter 25, laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk,” was taken from the table.

The House, on motion, insisted on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposed a Committee of Conference. The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Dearborn of Falmouth, Green of Wilton, and Brackett of Cumberland, conferees on the part of the House.

Bill "an act to amend section 28 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," was taken from the table, and Senate amendment "A" adopted.

Mr. BONNEY of Portland, offered amendment "B," pending which, the bill was laid on the table.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Harvey Collins, for deed of a lot of land in Lyndon.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting same on petition of S. Babson, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the stream leading from Walker's mill in Brooksville.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, making the same report on petition of Jeremiah Madoc and others, for repeal of the charter of the city of Saco.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation."

Report of the same Committee, on petition, reporting bill "an act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in Bethel."

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to extend the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company."



Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reporting resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in Washington county."

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Samuel Adams, reporting "resolve abating a portion of the State tax of the town of Castine in the county of Hancock."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State 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, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolves.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways."

Report of the same Committee, on petition, 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."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice each, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. VOSE, by leave, laid on the table bill "an act to amend chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to carrying into effect contracts of deceased persons."

Petition of William P. Frye, for increase of the salary of the Attorney General of the State, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Finance be directed to consider the expediency of assessing a State tax of \$1,200,000 for the year 1870 upon the present valuation.

The order was laid upon the table.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve in favor of the removal of obstructions from Penobscot river," reported the same ought to be adopted.

The report was read, accepted, resolve read once, adopted, and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 145, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes"; also bill "an act to amend section 157 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 88 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes."

The reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act authorizing the towns of Dixfield and Mexico to divide their ministerial and school fund."

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on order, reported "resolve concerning the revision of the public laws."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on various petitions, reported "resolve in aid of constructing a road through township No. 5, R. 3, in Aroostook county."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, ordered printed, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

Printed bill "an act to repeal chapter 291 of the public laws of 1865, relating to poll tax," was read three times, rules being suspended, pending question of engrossment, amendment "A" offered by Mr. VOSE of Winterport, laid on the table and the amendment ordered to be printed.

Printed bill "an act to increase the compensation of members of the Legislature," was read twice, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 81 of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions."

Bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Limington and annex the same to the town of Limerick."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company."

Bill "an act authorizing John C. Harriman, Alfred Lennox and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscoot river."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to exchange lots numbered 81 and 82 in Township No. 6, Range 5, in Aroostook county."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Treasurer of Cumberland county to pay Miltimore Watts for services."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

"Resolve in favor of Houlton Academy."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport. Amendment "B" adopted, and tabled on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting reference to the next Legislature on the petition of Robert P. Walker and others, for amendment of the law relating to fisheries in Walker's pond in Brooksville, was reconsidered, and the same recommitted and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, requesting that

branch to return to the House bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank." Subsequently the foregoing was returned, the rules suspended, vote passing the same to be engrossed reconsidered, and recommitted.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of increasing the salary of the Superintendent of Common Schools.

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so far extending the remedial agencies of the laws, as to protect the citizens of this State against the malfeasance or corruption of the Supreme Judicial Court in any civil suit whatever, and to forthwith institute such legislation as shall stay at once and without delay, all suits, executions and bills of costs, unlawfully obtained and resulting from or consequent on the judicial misfeasance, malfeasance, perfidy, ignorance, or neglect of said Supreme Court, or any member thereof, and to hear parties claiming to be aggrieved by judicial torts ; and if they find that right and justice have not been administered in any given case by reason of judicial ignorance, laxity or corruption, in accordance with the provisions of the 19th section of our Bill of Rights, to forthwith report a bill of relief for any party so injured, making it mandatory on the court, or any member of the court, to forthwith issue a *supersedias* to stay any or all executions, costs or proceedings wrongfully obtained, or obtained against law and evidence and in violation of right and justice, in any given case, at the request of the injured party, until all questions of law and fact are judicially determined and written opinions given *seriatim*.

*And further ordered,* That if the Committee shall find that the Supreme Judicial Court, or any member thereof, have defeated or prevented justice in any given case, contrary to the spirit and purposes of the 19th section of our Bill of Rights, or contrary to the sacred trusts and high purposes of their judicial functions :

3d, To forthwith report a bill providing for new trials in all such cases at the expense of the State ; and also a bill providing a cogent and speedy remedy for the relief of any or all persons injured by such judicial torts, by any action on the case, against any judge or any number of judges implicated in or accessory to such tort, providing adequate damage, and providing also that such suits may be prosecuted at the expense of the State ; and further providing that the jury shall be the judges of the law and the facts.

*And further ordered,* That the Committee make a full report to this body of any judicial torts, or of any hardships that may have been occasioned by a neglect of judicial duty ; and said Committee are authorized to send for such persons and papers as may be needed to carry out the purposes of this order or to obtain information upon this subject.

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

Remonstrance of the Selectmen of South Thomaston, against petition of E. C. Spaulding and others, to be set off to the city of Rockland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town and for other uses, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," 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, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank."

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, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of Samuel Staples, reporting "bill an act to establish a ferry across the Passamaquoddy river between the towns of Lubec and Eastport," 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, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to porgies," passed to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A" by the House, came from the Senate recommitted.

The House recessed and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Reform School, reporting "resolve in favor of the Reform School," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., announcing that in the absence of the President, Hon. T. H. Cushing had been chosen President *pro tempore*.

Mr. HUME of Cherryfield announced the attendance of William P. Lampson of Sebec, and Peter Charles Keegan of Madawaska, members elect, and conducted them to the Council Chamber, where they took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Both gentlemen subsequently appeared and took their seats in the House.

"Resolve relating to the State arsenals at Portland and Bangor," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "an act to confirm the organization of the plantations of Hamlin, Cyr, Van Buren, St. John, St. Francis, Wallagrass and Eagle Lake, in Aroostook county," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George C. Pickering and others of Bangor, for an act to incorporate the Bangor Merchants' Marine Insurance Company, with bill, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Remonstrance of the Portland Gas Company, against granting charter to the Union Depot Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Legal Reform be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law as to allow testimony taken for use in equity causes, to be taken orally before a Justice of the Supreme Court, sitting at *nisi prius*, in the same manner as is now provided for taking oral testimony before such Justice, upon petition for a new trial of actions at law.

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation to aid in completing the road leading from Seven Islands on the St. John river to the Canada line.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any changes are necessary in the laws (chapter 139, revised statutes,) in regard to the remuneration of coroners for time spent and expenses incurred in cases of dead bodies found in their county where it is found unnecessary to hold an inquest.

On motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport,

*Ordered*, That, the Senate concurring, all resolves and other papers now on the table referring to an adjournment or recess of the Legislature, be referred to a Joint Special Committee, consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Hinks of Bucksport, Twitchell of Portland, Barker of Stetson, Humphrey of Bangor, McGilvery of Searsport, Kimball of Bethel, and Peavey of Whiting.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on various petitions, reported bill "an act to authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad."

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

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to set off certain lands from Hallowell and annex the same to Manchester."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, relating to assignments."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company."

Bill "an act providing for the organization of plantations."

This report was read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in Bethel."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company."

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."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to extend the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Dixfield and Mexico to divide their ministerial and school fund."

"Resolve concerning the revision of the public laws."

This bill and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third time, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways," was read the third time. Senate amendment "A" rejected. Amendments "B" and "C" were offered, and the bill recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent to the Senate.



Bill "an act to regulate the taking of pickerel from Pattee's pond in the town of Winslow."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Anson Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland."

Bill "an act to authorize the Congregationalist church in Kenduskeag to sell their title to the Baptist meeting-house in said town."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of Mousam river in the town of Kennebunk."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect fish weirs in the tide waters of Jonesborough at Shorey's island."

Bill "an act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1; 1869."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale."

Bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Limington and annex the same to the town of Limerick."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Bucksport."

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Emery Sawyer, for further jurisdiction to trial justices in the city of Belfast, reporting leave to withdraw, was taken from table and re-committed.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Samuel D. Reed, for change in the laws relating to practice and proceedings in court, was taken from the table on motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle, and accepted.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," was taken from the table, report accepted, bill read the second time, and Thursday assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Wassataquoik Dam Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and read the third time.

Amendment "A" was offered by Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield.

Mr. MILDAM of Wells, offered amendment "B."

Pending these amendments, the bill was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING of Sidney, and assigned for Friday next.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of John E. Godfrey and others, Judges of Probate, reporting bill "an act additional further regulating probate courts and proceedings."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass on recommitted bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream in the town of Columbia."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on various petitions, reporting "resolve in aid of the Canada road."

Report of the same Committee, on various petitions, reporting "resolve in aid of repairing road in the town of Moscow."

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, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolves.

"Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital," finally passed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Tabled on motion of Mr. STURGIS of Standish.

Bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company," came from the Senate in compliance with request of the House. The rules were suspended, and vote passing the same to be enacted reconsidered, and the bill laid on the table, on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

On motion of Mr. BARTON of Benton,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on Legal Reform be directed to inquire into the necessity for legislation to authorize the employ-

ment of persons confined in county jails and in houses of correction, in some useful labor, and report such action as they may deem advisable relative to the confinement of persons in jails and houses of correction.

Remonstrance of Charles Deak and others, against granting charter to the Union Depot Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading be directed to report each day a list of the resolves and acts appropriating money, which shall be read by the Speaker, before said resolves or acts are taken up for action and the attention of the House called thereto.

Mr. WATERHOUSE, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act in relation to savings banks."

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature on bill "an act concerning banks."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, made the same report on bill "an act relating to toll bridges and turnpikes."

Mr. STOVER, from the Committee on Fisheries, made the same report on petition of Thomas Thompson and others of Unity, for an act to regulate the taking of fish in Winnecook lake.

The same gentleman made the same report on petition of D. Parker, for a general law for the propagation of fish in Steuben.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on petition of W. A. Evans and others, for term of court to be holden at Presque Isle in Aroostook county.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to contracts of deceased persons.

The same gentleman made the same report on order inquiring into the expediency of separating the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court who shall act on questions of law and jury trial.

The same gentleman reported same on petition of Thomas Desmond, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in Whitneyville.

The same gentleman made the same report on order relating to the approval of bonds of town treasurers.

Mr. ALLAN, from the Committee on Public Buildings, made the same report on order relative to removal of capital of the State to the city of Bangor.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on memorial of George M. Weston, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, made the same report on petition of T. M. Sampson, for an act to regulate the taking of fish in Waterford.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on petition of Laura M. Nutt, for the right of suffrage to women; also

Reported ought not to pass on bill "an act additional to chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorces."

The foregoing reports were read, accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 75, revised statutes, relating to accounts in probate court in certain cases."

Mr. BLISS, from the same Committee, reported same on bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 87 of the revised statutes."

Mr. STOVER, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported same on bill "an act to regulate the taking of porgies in the waters of Maine."

The same gentleman, on various petitions, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 7 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and bills ordered to be printed under rules.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Daniel Townsend and others, reported bill "an act to set off part of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. BERRY of Damariscotta, and Tuesday next assigned.

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Seth Scamman, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 33 of the private laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Mr. SMITH, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve to make valid certain acts of the town of Temple."

Bill "an act to amend section 145 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes."

Bill "an act to amend section 157 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 264 of the laws of 1864, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 94 of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer."

Bill "an act to amend section 88 chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. SKINNER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of S. D. Reed, reported bill "an act to establish the Phippsburg Ice Company."

Mr. STICKNEY, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Jesse Smith."

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Claims, reported ought to pass "resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Islands plantation."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolves once, and Tuesday next assigned for the third reading of the bill, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolves.

"Resolve in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt," was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 71 of the revised statutes," was taken from the table and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

“Resolve in aid of constructing road through township No. 5, R. 3, Aroostook county,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed to be engrossed by yeas 53, nays 45.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Allan, Ames, Baker; Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bliss, Brackett, Bradford, Brawn, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Dennett, Foster of Argyle, Gould, Guptill, Harding, Harriman, Hathorn, Hinks, Humphrey, Irish, Jones, Keegan, Lewis of Liberty, Lampson, Main, Martin, Mills, Newcomb, Palmer, Pierce, Sherman of Camden, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilder, Wilson—53.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs.—Bearce of Turner, Blake, Boyd, Burnham, Campbell, Cole, Daggett, Davis, Duncan, Gott, Greenlief, Ham, Hammond of Paris, Holman, Hume, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Lewis of Pittston, Libby, Lord, Mason, May, Mayo, McDougal, McGilvery, McKown, Means, Mears, Mildram, Milliken, Purinton, Riggs, Sawyer, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Sturgis, Stover, Tobey, Twitchell, Weston, Whitney, Young—45.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Alexander, Barker, Barton, Bean, Bird, Bonney, Boothby, Brown, Conforth, Cousens, Darling, Dearborn, Douglass, Dunning, Foss, Gannett, Gates, Green, Hammond of Westbrook, Hamilton, Hawes, Holbrook, Hussey, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, McLain, Moulton, Nickerson, Patten, Peavey, Phillips, Plummer, Powers, Pray, Ray, Reed, Sargent, Stone, Thompson, Thurlough, Wasson, Wentworth, White—45.

Bill “an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town and for other uses, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor,” was read the third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond.

“Resolve in favor of William W. Quimby,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, refused a passage, and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians ; and

“Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians,” were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, each amended as per sheets “A,” passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in aid of opening a road through Letters F and G, R. 1, Aroostook county,” being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. HUME moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed to be engrossed by yeas 73, nays 13.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Allan, Ames, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bliss, Brackett, Bradford, Brawn, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cole, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Davis, Dennett, Duncan, Farwell, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gott, Gould, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Harding, Harriman, Hathorn, Hinks, Holbrook, Humphrey, Irish, Jones, Keegan, Lewis of Liberty, Lamson, Martin, Mason, Means, Mills, Newcomb, Palmer, Pierce, Purinton, Sherman of Camden, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Sturgis, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Weston, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson, Young—73.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Blake, May, McDougal, McKown, Mears, Mildram, MiNiken, Riggs, Sawyer, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Twitchell—13.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Alexander, Bean, Bird, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brown, Burbank, Burnham, Campbell, Conforth, Cotton, Cousens, Daggett, Darling, Dearborn, Douglass, Dunning, Folsom, Foss, Gates, Green, Greenlief, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hamilton, Hawes, Holman, Hume, Hussey, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Pittston,



Libby, Lord, Main, Mayo, McGilvery, McLain, Moulton, Nickerson, Patten, Peavey, Phillips, Plummer, Powers, Pray, Ray, Reed, Sargent, Stone, Stover, Thompson, Thurlough, Wasson, Wentworth, White.

“Resolve to aid in building mills at the mouth of Madawaska river,” being on its passage to be engrossed, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

“Resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the State for stumpage.”

“Resolve in favor of Beriah Brown.”

“Resolve to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge.”

“Resolve to amend a resolve approved March 1, 1869, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments.”

“Resolve in favor of Romain Michaud.”

Bill “an act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, relating to assignments.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company.”

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

“Resolve in favor of the Committee on Reform School,” was read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

“Resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the county of Washington,” was read the second time, amended as per sheet “A” on motion of Mr. HUME, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale and annex the same to the town of Manchester.”

Bill “an act providing for the organization of plantations.”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury.”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Grafton.”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Madrid in aid of repairing road in said town.”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Byron.”

“Resolve abating a portion of the State tax of the town of Castine in the county of Hancock.”

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third, resolves the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to change the name of Edward Warren and for his adoption."

Bill "an act authorizing Charles H. Bartlett of Kittery to build a wharf into the tide waters of Piscataqua river."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the persons elected selectmen and assessors of the town of Kennebunk in the year 1863."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater bridge in said town."

Bill "an act authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Porter."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Kenduskeag."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act making valid the doings of School District No. 17 in the town of Bristol."

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

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein," being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, asked to be, and was excused, from serving on the Joint Special Committee on Adjournment, and Mr. VOSE of Winterport, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

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On motion of Mr. MILDAM of Wells,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

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 providing additional accommodations for the State Library ; also of the feasibility of constructing one or more fire-proof vaults, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to change the time of holding the County Commissioners' Court in Hancock county," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Greenlief M. Fogg, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge across Passadumkeag river.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, making the same report on petition of John J. Perry and others, for Superior Court in the counties of Oxford, Androscoggin and Franklin.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting same on petition of William H. Hatch and others, for change of the law relating to savings banks.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, making the same report on the petition of H. W. Hobbs and others, to be set off from Milo to Brownville.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought not to pass on bill "an act to authorize railroad corporations to issue mortgage bonds."

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on bill "an act to incorporate the Railway Construction Company."

Report of the same Committee, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the propriety of giving to overseers of the poor more power over the personal and real estate of paupers.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Lee Strickland and others, for railroad from Lewiston to Rumford, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to legalize the doings of T. W. Herrick as Justice of the Peace and Quorum."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reporting bill "an act giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin bridge."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Saw Manufacturing Company."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of J. H. Pullen, reporting "resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville."

The foregoing 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 once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act establishing the number of pounds of coal which shall constitute a ton," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta.

Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield, announced the attendance of Caleb Burbank of Acton, Representative elect, and conducted him to the Governor, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Subsequently Mr. Burbank appeared and took his seat in the House.

Bill "an act relating to schools in the Madawaska District," was referred to the Committee on Education under suspension of the rules.

Petition of Francis B. Lane, to be set off from Unity plantation to the town of Unity, was referred to the next Legislature.

Remonstrance of Renssellar Cram and others, against petition of Charles E. Barrett for authority to use the Cumberland and Oxford Canal for manufacturing purposes, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Charles Comery, for an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Cotton and Woollen Manufacturing Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of George W. Pickering and others of Bangor, against consolidation of the railroads in this State ;

Remonstrance of T. J. Stewart and others, against the same ;

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

Remonstrance of W. H. McCrillis and others, against changing the charter of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company," was taken from the table, votes passing the same to be enacted and engrossed, reconsidered, and the same recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TOBEY of Athens,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be directed to have prepared printed slips of "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to highway surveyors," and transmit one to each town and plantation as soon as practicable.

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported reference to the next Legislature on order relating to the propriety of amending the law so that juries shall be composed of six instead of twelve men.

Mr. MOULTON, from the Committee on Agriculture, made the same report on order relative to exempting from taxation improvements on cultivated lands.

The same member, from the same Committee, reported same on various petitions for the protection of forest trees.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 20, chapter 53 of the revised statutes."

Mr. HARRIMAN, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported ought to pass on bill "an act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks."

Mr. BARTON, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers."

Mr. HUMPHREY, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes"; also bill entitled "an act to amend section 14 of same chapter"; and bill "an act to amend chapter 19, laws of 1858," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. BLAKE, from the Committee on County Estimates, reported "resolve laying a tax on the several counties of the State."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills and resolve ordered to be printed.

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company."

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Marine Insurance Company."

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the same Committee, reported same on bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company."

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the town of Bowdoinham to raise money for certain purposes."

These reports were read and accepted, the bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act additional further regulating Probate Courts and proceedings."

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream in the town of Columbia, county of Washington."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 94 of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company."  
 "Resolve to make valid the doings of the town of Temple."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates," was reported and read the third time, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 145 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes."

Bill "an act to amend section 157 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes."

Bill "an act to amend section 88 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 33 of the special laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

The foregoing were reported and read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to establish a ferry across the Passamaquoddy river between the towns of Lubec and Eastport."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company."

Bill "an act authorizing John C. Harriman and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 81 of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in Bethel."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company."

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to exchange lots numbered 81 and 83 in township No. 6, R. 5, Aroostook county.”

“Resolve in favor of the State Reform School.”

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

Bill “an act to extend the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company,” being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, the rules were suspended, the vote reconsidered by which bill “an act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank,” was recommitted, and the same passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for division of the town of Westbrook, reporting leave to withdraw, special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table, the question being on the acceptance of the same.

Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved to amend by substituting the Minority Report.

Mr. KIMBALL of Bethel, moved the previous question, the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question to be put.

The question then being on substituting, Mr. SMITH of Saco, moved that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to substitute by yeas 48, nays 72.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Allan, Ames, Baker, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Damariscotta, Brawn, Burnham, Burgess, Clark of Holden, Cousens, Davis, Dennett, Dunning, Farwell, Gott, Gould, Hathorn, Hawes, Hume, Humphrey, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Libby, Lampson, McDougal, McKown, Means, Mildram, Moulton, Newcomb, Peavey, Plummer, Riggs, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Warren, Spaulding, Stone, Stover, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Weston, White, Whitehouse, Wilson—48.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Alexander, Barker, Bartlett, Bearce



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of Lewiston, Berry of Buxton, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Brackett, Bradford, Burbank, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Daggett, Darling, Dearborn, Douglass, Duncan, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Green, Greenlief, Guptill, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harding, Harriman, Holbrook, Holman, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Keegan, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Main, Mason, May, Mayo, McGilvery, McLain, Mears, Mills, Milliken, Nickerson, Pierce, Ray, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Sturgis, Thompson, Twitchell, Waterhouse, Wentworth, Wilder, Young—72.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Barton, Bean, Bird, Boothby, Brown, Campbell, Conforth, Folsom, Foss, Gates, Hinks, Hussey, Lewis of Liberty, Martin, Palmer, Patten, Phillips, Powers, Pray, Purinton, Reed, Sargent, Thurlough, Wasson, Wheeler, Whitney—26.

The Majority Report was then accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act regulating the time and place of holding the sessions of County Commissioners of the county of Washington," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

Order directing the Committee on State Lands and State Roads to inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve authorizing the Land Agent by order of the Governor and Council to sell for cash the remnant of land belonging to the State in township No. 3, R. 1, north of Bingham's Purchase, known as Long Pond plantation, in the county of Somerset.

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

*Ordered,* That whereas, on this day fifty years ago, the act admitting the State of Maine into the Union, became a law of the Congress of the United States of America, to take effect on and after the fifteenth day of the same month, a Committee be appointed consisting of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, to take into consideration the propriety of a due observance by this body of the fifteenth anniversary of the sovereignty of this State, together with such arrangements as may be deemed pertinent to the occasion, and report thereon.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. French, Lindsey and Cushing, appointed on its part.

The order was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport.

Final Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought not

to pass on "bill an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, relating to frauds and perjuries."

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on recommitted bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Concord."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of William H. Smith, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston."

Report of the same Committee, on petition of S. H. Dale, reporting bill "an act to amend the city charter of Bangor."

Report of the same Committee, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend section 65, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for illegal voting."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on order, reporting bill "an act concerning insurance companies."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 15, special laws of 1861, relating to the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company."

The foregoing 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.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Woodbury Davis, reporting bill "an act to provide for the appointment and supervision of Clerks of Supreme Judicial Courts," 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 Tuesday next assigned for the third reading.

"Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Indians"; and

"Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot Indians," each amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate amendments rejected.

The House recessed and concurred.

Report of the Special Committee on Adjournment, reporting the following order :

*Ordered*, That the Joint Standing Committees of the Legislature be directed to report finally on Wednesday, March 9, 1870; or if such report be impracticable, to inform the Legislature when they can so report.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and the order read and passed.

The report was read and accepted, and the order read and passed in concurrence.

Communication from the Governor, transmitting the Report of the Trustees of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and was referred in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the county of Washington," amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amendment "A" rejected.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," reporting that the same be amended as per sheet "A," came from the Senate read and accepted, amendment adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, amendment "A" amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Memorial of Albert W. Paine, for extension of the charters of certain banks, was presented by Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Bill "an act to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George Johnson, for aid, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison."

"Resolve in favor of A. J. Ray."

The foregoing were presented by Mr. HAMMOND of Paris,

rules suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the propriety of appropriating a sum of money to assist the plantation of Long Island to maintain a school.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, relating to the method of electing sheriffs, reported legislation inexpedient.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported same on order relating to roads in unincorporated townships.

Mr. DAGGETT, from the Committee on Education, made the same report on order relating to the division of towns and school districts, so as to provide for a uniform system of graded schools.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made the same report on order relating to the appropriation of money for the repair of road leading from Caribou to Van Buren.

The same gentleman reported same on order relating to appropriation of money for completion of the road leading from Seven Islands to the Canada line.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Benjamin M. Royal, for revival of the charter of the town of Danville.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made the same report on petition of the Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, for an appropriation to aid in building bridge over the Aroostook river.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the same Committee, made the same report on petition of S. T. Williams, for an appropriation to aid in building a road from Kingsbury to Abbot in the county of Piscataquis.

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, reported same on petition of Joseph Paradis, for aid to build a road in Dickeyville.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, made the same report on petition of E. S. Winter and others, for aid to build a road in township No. 3, R. 2, in Franklin county.

Mr. HATHORN, from the Committee on Education, reported

same on petition of inhabitants of Charleston, for change of school laws.

Mr. HAMMOND, from the Committee on Interior Waters, made the same report on petition of T. W. Fales, for the right to maintain a ferry between Elwell's Point and Spruce Head in South Thomaston.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of inhabitants of No. 2, Range 5, Aroostook county, for an appropriation to aid in building road in said township, reported reference to the next Legislature.

Mr. FARWELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company."

Mr. GREEN, from the Committee on Agriculture, made the same report on bill "an act to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water fowl by traps."

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 126 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds."

The same gentleman, on recommendation of Commissioners on Revision of Statutes, reported bill "an act to amend section 40, chapter 4, section 11, chapter 5, section 74, chapter 18 of revised statutes; and chapter 40, public laws of 1866, relating to elections, public lands and ways."

Mr. GANNETT, from the Committee on Pensions, on order, reported "resolve in favor of Lewis Selbing."

Mr. WHITE, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Preston Fisher."

The same gentleman reported ought to pass on "resolve relating to the State arsenals at Bangor and Portland."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills ordered printed under Joint Rule, resolves read once, ordered printed, and Wednesday next assigned.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of the Association for the Relief of Aged and Indigent Women."

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committée, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to confirm the organization of certain plantations in Aroostook county."

Mr. WHITE, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported ought to pass on "resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn."

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made the same report on "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton, Aroostook county."

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 87 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 65 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend section 20, chapter 143 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 230 of the laws of 1864, relating to evidence."

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 71, revised statutes, relating to carrying into effect contracts of deceased persons."

Bill "an act to regulate taking of porgies in the waters of Maine."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries," was read twice, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill "an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company."

The foregoing 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 to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Saw Manufacturing Corporation."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of T. W. Herrick as Justice of the Peace and Quorum."

Bill "an act giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin bridge."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Wassataquoik Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream in the town of Columbia."

Bill "an act additional further regulating Probate Courts and proceedings."

Bill "an act authorizing the towns of Dixfield and Mexico to divide their ministerial and school fund."

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, 1869."

"Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy."

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Reform School."

"Resolve concerning the revision of the public laws."

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

Bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. STONE of Kennebunk, and assigned for Tuesday next.

Order relating to increase of amount of money to be raised for support of common schools, was taken from the table, passed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington, read the third time, and tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco.

"Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. STURGIS of Standish. The House recessed,



adopted Senate amendment "A," and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve abating a portion of the State tax of the town of Castine in the county of Hancock," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A" on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act providing for the organization of plantations," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of school teachers," was taken from the table. Amendment "A" was adopted, "B" was rejected, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 87 of the laws of 1862, relating to appeals from decision of County Commissioners," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson, who offered amendment "A," which was ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. STURGIS of Standish,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of L. C. Hatch and others, against the petition of E. C. Spaulding, to be set off from South Thomaston to Rockland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the sale of swamp and meadow lands.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting ought not to pass on "resolve in favor of Patten Academy."

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on bill "an act to amend section 27, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses."

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Charles Severin and others, for aid to schools in Dickeyville, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of same Committee, reporting same on petition of Alexis Cyr, for aid to High School in Grant Isle.

Report of the Committee on the Library, reporting ought to pass on "resolve relating to an appropriation for the State Library."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, the resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted, and appointed conferees as follows: Messrs. Baker of Augusta, Bonney of Portland, and Barton of Benton.

Report of the Committee of Conference on bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 25, public laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk," reporting that the Senate recede and concur with the House in passing the same to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A," came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to Feb. 25, 1862," passed finally by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Tabled on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland.

"Resolve in aid of the Stetson High School," was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the Selectmen of Bridgton, for aid in building a road in said town, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 218, special laws of 1869, entitled an act to incorporate the Saco River Railroad Company," approved March 5, 1869, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Sarah W. Cunningham, for payment of interest on lost State bonds, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. DUNNING of Bangor,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to inquire and report by bill or otherwise, what legislation is necessary, if any, to authorize the Veazie Bank, Eastern Bank, and Mercantile Bank, all in Bangor, and all other State banks now in existence, to continue their business as banks of discount and deposit.

This order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That on Thursday next, at 12½ o'clock, the House proceed by yeas and nays, to vote on the passage to be engrossed of "an act to abolish capital punishment."

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

*Ordered*, That from and after Wednesday next, the House will hold two sessions each day, the afternoon session to commence at 2½ o'clock.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to amendment of chapter 100, laws of 1862, relative to trustee process.

The same gentleman, made the same report on order relative to making administrators on the estate of deceased persons liable to indictment for making a false return of the inventory of estates of such deceased persons.

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee, reported same on an order to amend chapter 249, laws of 1864, so that persons named therein may vote for Governor.

The same gentleman, reported same on order relating to amendment of the Constitution so as to allow paupers the right to vote.

Mr. BEARCE, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Joshua Chamberlain and others, for authority to erect piers and booms at Eddington Bend, reported leave to withdraw.

The same gentleman, reported same, on petition of John Lynch and others, for charter for a canal from Richardson lake to Black brook,

Mr. DAGGETT, from the Committee on Education, made the same report on petition for aid to Bridgton Academy.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on recommitted petition of Emery Sawyer, reported bill "an act to repeal section 2, chapter 264, laws of 1864, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Belfast."

The same gentleman reported ought to pass on bill "an act to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden, to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, on petition of O. B. Dwinal, reported bill "an act to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund."

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of H. B. Record, reported bill "an act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner."

Mr. COX, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made the same report on bill "an act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water."

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reported "resolve for an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Maine Military road."

Mr. FARWELL, from the Committee on Education, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of the Fort Fairfield High School."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, ordered printed, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolves.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act relative to the selection and empanelling of juries for the trial of civil causes, and criminal cases other than capital."

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under Joint Rule.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State."

The foregoing printed bills were read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act to amend section 65, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for illegal voting."

Bill "an act to amend the city charter of Bangor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston."

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 15, laws of 1861, relating to the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company."

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 65 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend section 20, chapter 143 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to survival of actions."

Bill "an act to change the name of the Association for the Relief of Aged and Indigent Women."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 230, public laws of 1864, relating to evidence."

Bill "an act to confirm the organization of certain plantations in Aroostook county."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton, Aroostook county."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to carrying into effect contracts of deceased persons," was reported, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland."

Bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies."

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, relating to assignments."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank."

Bill "an act giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin bridge."

Bill "an act to legalize the acts of T. W. Herrick as a Justice of the Peace and Quorum."

“Resolve abating a portion of the State tax of the town of Castine, county of Hancock.”

“Resolve to amend a resolve approved March 1869, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments.”

“Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison.”

“Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Indians.”

“Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot Indians.”

“Resolve in favor of Romain Michaud.”

“Resolve in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt.”

“Resolve in favor of A. J. Ray.”

“Resolve in favor of Beriah Brown.”

“Resolve in aid of opening a road through Letters F and G, R. 1, Aroostook county.”

“Resolve in aid of the road across Indian township, Washington county.”

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

“Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital,” being on its final passage, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill “an act to amend section 145, chapter 6, revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes.”

Bill “an act to amend section 157, chapter 6, revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes.”

These bills were taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act relating to the reduction of poll taxes,” was taken from the table, amendment “A” was amended as per sheet “B”, and pending the amendment, was tabled on motion of Mr. MILDRAM of Wells.

Mr. JORDAN of Brunswick, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby bill “an act to authorize the inhabitants of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town, and to issue

bonds to raise money therefor," was passed to be engrossed, and that this motion be tabled, and Wednesday next assigned.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, the vote passing to be engrossed bill "an act to amend chapter 33 of the laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company," was reconsidered, and the same laid on the table.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MOOR of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered,* That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what amendment is necessary to render efficient chapter 21 of resolves of 1869, relating to action of the State against B. D. Peck and others.

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

*Ordered,* That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing "an act to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads."

*Ordered,* That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing "an act granting additional powers to the Kennebec Company, approved January 25, 1867."

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition for an appropriation to aid the Norway Liberal Institute, reporting reference to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reporting



same on petition of A. S. Richards and others, for incorporation of the town of Van Buren.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to change the time of holding the County Commissioners' Court in Hancock county."

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved February 3, 1869."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting same on bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory."

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petitions from last Legislature, reporting bill "an act to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize Frederick Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport."

Report of the same Committee, on order, reporting bill "an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river."

Report of the Joint Special Committee on General Hospital, on petition of A. D. Lockwood, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital."

The foregoing 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.

Report of Committee on the subject of Temperance, reporting bill "an act additional to chapter 33, public laws of 1858, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors," 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 Agriculture, on report of the Trustees, reporting "resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of Grant Isle plantation."

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 the second reading.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on order, reporting "resolve providing for the repeal of certain resolves relating to pensions," came from the Senate read and accepted, the resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Report of Committee on Division of Towns, on various petitions, reporting bill "an act to set off certain real estate from the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell," came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill recommitted.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill recommitted in concurrence.

"Resolve to make valid certain acts of the town of Temple," 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 recessed and concurred.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield,

*Ordered*, That Caleb Burbank of Acton, be excused from attendance after this day, and the Committee on Pay Roll are directed to make up his pay.

On motion of Mr. WILDER of Washburn,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation to aid in opening the road leading from Caribou village to the Fish River road, in the county of Aroostook.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relative to the selection and empanelling of juries for the trial of civil causes, and criminal cases other than capital."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 40 of chapter 4, section 11 of chapter 5, section 74 of chapter 8, of the revised statutes, and chapter 40 of the public laws of 1866, relating to elections, public lands and ways."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 126 of the revised statutes concerning frauds."

Bill "an act to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water fowl by traps."

The foregoing printed bills were read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company."

Bill "an act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks."

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund."

Bill "an act to repeal section 2, chapter 264, of the laws of 1863, entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers," was read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. HARRIMAN of Belfast, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou," was read the third time, and Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont, offered amendment "A," pending which the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 94 of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer."

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 15 of the special laws of 1861, relating to Sebec Lake Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston."

Bill "an act to amend the city charter of Bangor."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 25, of the public laws of 1869, relating to the sale of milk."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 65, chapter 4, of the revised statutes, relating to the penalty for illegal voting."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes relating to town treasurers and collectors."

"Resolve in aid of constructing a road through township No. 5, R. 3, in Aroostook county."

"Resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the State for stumpage."

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

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the vote passing to be engrossed bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 70 of the revised statutes, relating to carrying into effect contracts of deceased persons," was reconsidered, and the same indefinitely postponed.

Order relating to celebrating the 50th anniversary of the admission of the State into the Union, was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Madrid in aid of building road in said town."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Grafton."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Byron."

“Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury.”

The foregoing resolves were taken from the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to deed certain lots of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughan.

Order directing the Commissioners on State Valuation to print additional copies of their report.

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

“Resolves relating to the postal telegraph system,” came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Bill “an act additional to an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company,” came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, on order, reporting bill “an act to amend section 9, chapter 7 of the revised statutes, relating to changing the Registry District of Aroostook county.”

Report of the Committee on State Prison, on order, reporting “resolve in favor of the State Prison.”

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 once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bill, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

A communication from Hon. Seth Scamman, transmitting a partial report of the valuation of the State, was received, read and referred to the Committee on Valuation.

Petition of Amos M. Roberts and others, for renewal of the charters of certain banks in this State;

Petition of William McLain, for renewal of the charter of Lime Rock Bank;

Petition of A. J. Bird, for renewal of the charter of the North Bank, Rockland;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. DAVIS of Lubec, announced the attendance of Hon. Frederick A. Pike, member elect from the city of Calais.

Mr. BARKER of Stetson, announced the attendance of Edmund Wilson, member elect from Thomaston.

Mr. WATERHOUSE of Portland, announced the attendance of Edward R. Graffam, member elect from Vinalhaven.

The above named members elect were conducted to the Governor, where they took and subscribed the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties, and subsequently appeared and took their seats in the House.

Mr. SMITH, from Committee on Education, on petition of the Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy for aid, reported leave to withdraw.

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

Printed bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers, was read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Printed bill "an act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands," was read twice, and Thursday assigned.

Bill "an act to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water fowl by traps."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 126 of the revised statutes concerning frauds."

Bill "an act to amend section 40 of chapter 4, section 11 of chapter 5, section 74 of chapter 18, of the revised statutes, and chapter 40 of the public laws of 1866, relating to elections, public lands and ways."

The foregoing 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 to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital."

Bill "an act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the Court of County Commissioners for the county of Hancock."

Bill "an act to authorize Frederic Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport."

Bill "an act to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle."

Bill "an act to provide for the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river."

"Resolve providing for the repeal of certain resolves relating to pensions."

The foregoing bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bills read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," was read the third time, and recommitted on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries."

Bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against ex-ecutors and administrators," approved Feb. 3, 1869.

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington."

Bill "an act relative to the selection and empanelling of juries for the trial of civil causes, and criminal cases other than capital."

These bills were reported, read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to provide for the appointment and supervision of clerks of the Judicial Court," was read the third time, indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 38 of the public laws of 1858, relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors."

Bill "an act to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Bowdoinham to raise money for certain purposes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company."

Bill "an act to regulate the taking of porgies and menhaden in the waters of Maine."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Grafton."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Byron."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Madrid."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Marine Insurance Company," on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland," was taken from the table and referred to the next Legislature, on motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 87 of the laws of 1862, relating to appeals from decision of County Commissioners," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Hancock street in said city to Kenduskeag stream"; and

Bill "an act to amend section 88 of chapter 6 of the revised



statutes, relating to collection of taxes," were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act establishing the number of pounds of coal which shall constitute a ton," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, inquiring into the expediency of authorizing towns to deduct from commutations notes an amount equal to the unpaid taxes on the same, reporting legislation inexpedient, was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. BROWN of Anson, asked to be and was excused from serving on the Committee on Indian Affairs, and Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, was appointed to fill vacancies on the Committees on the Judiciary and Federal Relations.

Mr. LAMSON of Sebec, was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

*Ordered*, That the Clerk of the House cause to be printed for the use of the House, 2,000 copies of the Report of the Valuation Commissioners.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to pay James Ripley the amount due him.

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

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad," 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 bill "an act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands, and funds arising therefrom," reporting the same in a new draft, and that it ought pass.

Report of the same committee, reporting same on "bill an act to amend section 27 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in Supreme Judicial Court."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting same on bill "an act to amend section 22, chapter 11, of the revised statutes."

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.

Bill "an act to amend section 157 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House recessed and concurred.

Bill "an act to amend section 145, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes, 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 receded, adopted amendments "A" and "B," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing John C. Harriman, Alfred Lennox and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House receded and concurred.

- Petition of G. W. Berry, for authority to extend his wharf into tide waters of Rockland harbor, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Phipsburg," reported ought not to pass.

Mr. HAMMOND, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported leave to withdraw on petition of Charles E. Barret and others, for authority to use the water of the Oxford and Cumberland Canal for manufacturing purposes.

Mr. HUMPHREY, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to repeal of "resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, approved February 5, 1870."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, reported same on order relating to an increase of money for the support of common schools.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same on order for an appropriation to open road from Caribou village to Fish river, in Aroostook county.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, reported reference to the next Legislature, on order for an appropriation to build a bridge on Swift river, in the county of Oxford.

Mr. SMITH, from the same Committee, reported same on re-committed bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, and to amend the charter of said Company."

Mr. BROWN, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes relating to fees of coroners."

Mr. HUMPHREY, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on re-committed bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed.

Mr. HAM, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill, "an act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company."

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought to pass on bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act in relation to a certain claim of Bickford C. Matthews."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on Change of Names, made a final report, and asked to be discharged.

The report was read and accepted.

Bill "an act to establish the Phippsburg Ice Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers."

“Resolve for an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Maine Military road.”

“Resolve in favor of Jesse Smith.”

“Resolve for the relief of Preston Fisher.”

“Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Island plantation.”

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

Bill “an act to amend section 9, chapter 7, of the revised statutes, relating to the registry district of Aroostook county.”

“Resolve relating to an appropriation for the State Library.”

“Resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis.”

“Resolve in aid of the Canada road.”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Moscow, in aid of repairing road in said town.”

The foregoing bill and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Lewis Selbing,” was reported, read the second time, amended as per sheet “A,” and refused a passage and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in aid of the Fort Fairfield high school.”

“Resolve relating to the State arsenals at Bangor and Portland.”

These resolves were reported, read the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill “an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory,” was reported, read the third time, and re-committed to the Committee on Education.

Bill “an act providing for the organization of plantations.”

Bill “an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company.”

Bill “an act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the Court of County Commissioners in the county of Hancock.”

Bill "an act to amend section 20, chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to expense of supporting the insane at the hospital."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Temple."

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to survival of actions."

Bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to the distribution of personal estate."

Bill "an act to authorize Frederic Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport."

Bill "an act to change the name of the association for the relief of aged and indigent women."

Bill "an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river."

"Resolves providing for the repeal of certain resolves relating to pensions."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton, Aroostook county."

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

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town and for other uses, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," was taken from the table, and the vote passing the same to be engrossed, reconsidered. Mr. JORDAN of Brunswick, proposed amendment "B," and the question being on its adoption, Mr. BARKER of Stetson, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was adopted, by yeas 85, nays 32.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Barker, Bartlett, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Damariscotta, Bird, Blake, Boyd, Boothby, Brackett, Brawn, Brown, Burnham, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Conforth, Cox, Crockett, Darling, Davis, Dearborn, Dunning, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gott, Gould, Graffam, Greenlief, Guptill, Ham, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Hathorn,

Hume, Humphrey, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Kimball, Lamson, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lord, Main, Martin, Mayo, McDougal, McGilvery, McKown, McLain, Milliken, Nickerson, Palmer, Peavey, Pierce, Pike, Powers, Ray, Reed, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Thurlough, Tobey, Vose, White, Whitney, Wilder, Young—85.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Baker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bean, Bliss, Bonney, Clark of Holden, Cushing, Daggett, Dennett, Hammond of Westbrook, Harriman, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Hussey, Lane, Lewis of Pittston, May, Means, Mills, Mildram, Newcomb, Patten, Plummer, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Stone, Thompson, Twitchell, Warren, Waterhouse—32.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Ames, Berry of Buxton, Bradford, Burbank, Campbell, Cotton, Cousens, Douglass, Gates, Green, Harding, Holman, Irish, Libby, Mason, Mears, Moulton, Phillips, Pray, Purinton, Riggs, Smith of Warren, Sturgis, Stover, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston—33.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was taken from the table, and the question being on passing the same to be enacted, Mr. SMITH of Litchfield, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed to be enacted, by yeas 71, nays 40, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bird, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brown, Burnham, Burgess, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Conforth, Cox, Cushing, Darling, Dennett, Dunning, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Guptill, Hammond of Westbrook, Hamilton, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Jones, Jor-

dan of Minot, Kimball, Lamson, Lane, Lewis of Pittston, May, McGilvery, McKown, Means, Mildram, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Patten, Pierce, Powers, Ray, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Skinner, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Thurlough, Tobey, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Whitney, Wilson of Thomaston—71.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Bartlett, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Brackett, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Holden, Crockett, Daggett, Davis, Dearborn, Gott, Gould, Graffam, Greenleaf, Hammond of Paris, Irish, Keegan, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lord, Main, Martin, McDougal, McLain, Mills, Milliken, Peavey, Pike, Reed, Sargent, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Litchfield, Stover, Wilder, Young—40.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Ames, Berry of Buxton, Bradford, Brawn, Campbell, Cotton, Cousens, Douglass, Gates, Green, Ham, Harding, Holman, Jordan of Brunswick, Libby, Mason, Mayo, Mears, Moulton, Phillips, Plummer, Pray, Purinton, Riggs, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Warren, Sturgis, Stone, Thompson, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, White, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford—38.

Bill "an act to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale and annex the same to the town of Manchester," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DUNCAN of Kittery,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mount Ararat Memorial Cemetery Association," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

Final Reports of the Committees on Division of Towns, and Manufactures, came from the Senate accepted, and were tabled on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport.

Final Report of the Committee on Reform School.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of E. C. Spaulding and others, to be set off from South Thomaston to Rockland.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on various petitions, reporting bill "an act to renew the charters of certain banks."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company."

"Resolve relating to the revision of the statutes."

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, reporting ought to pass on recommitted bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read and referred to the next Legislature.

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

A message was received from the Senate, requesting the return of the foregoing bill, and in compliance with the request, the same was returned.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting ought to pass on "resolve in favor of Stetson High School," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and the question being on its passage to be engrossed, Mr. ADAMS of Biddeford, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 78, nays 28.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brackett, Burgess, Chamberlain, Conforth, Cox, Cushing, Daggett, Davis, Dearborn, Dennett, Douglass, Dunning, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gott, Graffam, Green, Ham, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Lamson, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Pittston, Libby, Lord, Main, McGilvery, McLain, Means, Milliken, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Pike, Plummer, Powers, Sherman of Camden, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Thompson, Thurlough, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, White, Whitney, Wilder—78.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Bird, Brawn, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Cole, Darling, Greenlief, Guptill, Harriman, Holman, Hume, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Lewis of Liberty, Martin, May, McDougal, McKown, Mills, Mildram, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stone, Young—28.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Allan, Ames, Bartlett, Berry of Buxton, Bradford, Brown, Burnham, Campbell, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cotton, Cousens, Gannett, Gates, Gould, Hammond of Westbrook, Harding, Mason, Mayo, Mears, Moulton, Patten, Phillips, Pierce, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Reed, Riggs, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren,

Sturgis, Stover, Twitchell, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston—41.

“Resolve in favor of Mt. Desert as a military and naval station of the United States; and

“Resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire whether any changes in the law be required respecting the fees of notaries public in this State.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,

*Ordered*, That the House hold but one session each day, as heretofore, until further ordered.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That S. L. Gould, a member of this House from the town of Albany, be excused from attendance on and after Saturday next, and that the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up his pay.

Mr. CLARK of Holden, was excused from further attendance.

Mr. HUME, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported legislation inexpedient on order relating to the manner of taking testimony in equity cases, and requested to be discharged from further service except such as relates to the revision of the statutes.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of selectmen of Brighton for an appropriation for building a road in said town, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. SMITH, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next legislature on petition of W. H. Staples, praying that the Land Agent may be authorized to convey a lot of land to the town of Mount Chase.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways,” reported ought to pass.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on order, reported “resolve providing a commission to inquire into the jail system of this State.”

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, and the bill and resolve ordered to be printed.

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Sylvanus Poor and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company."

Mr. PATTEN, from the same Committee, on petition of Oliver Moses, reported bill "an act additional to an act to amend the acts incorporating the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company."

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Education, on order, reported "resolve in favor of a common school in Long Island plantation."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for the second reading of the resolve.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Federal Relation, reported ought to pass, on "resolve relating to the postal telegraph system."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HINKS.

Bill "an act in relation to a certain claim of Bickford C. Matthews."

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting houses, ministerial and school lands, and funds arising therefrom."

Bill "an act to amend section 27, chapter 77 of the revised statutes relating to exceptions in Supreme Judicial Court."

The foregoing bills were reported by Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 22, chapter 11 of the revised stat-

utes," was reported, read the third time, and tabled on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund."

Bill "an act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company."

Bill "an act to repeal section 2 of chapter 264, laws of 1863, entitled "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers."

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 230 of the public laws of 1864, relating to evidence."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital."

Bill "an act to amend section 145 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks."

Bill "an act to confirm the organization of certain plantations in Aroostook county."

Bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 7 of the revised statutes, relating to changing the registry district of Aroostook county."

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

Order relating to the pay of Alfred Watts, was taken from the table and passed.

Bill "an act relating to the reduction of poll taxes," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, and refused a passage.

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Marine Insurance Company," was taken from the table, rules suspended, and

vote reconsidered passing the same to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to change the line dividing the towns of Mexico and Rumford," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed."

"Resolve in aid of the Fort Fairfield High School," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was refused a passage, by yeas 49, nays 57.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bliss, Brackett, Burgess, Clark of Holden, Conforth, Crockett, Cushing, Davis, Dennett, Douglass, Dunning, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Green, Hamilton, Hathorn, Hawes, Holbrook, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Keegan, Lamson, Lane, Leighton, McLain, Means, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Pike, Plummer, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, White, Wilder—49.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Berry of Damariscotta, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brawn, Brown, Burnham, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Cox, Darling, Dearborn, Gott, Graffam, Greenlief, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Harriman, Hinks, Holman, Hume, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Lord, Main, Martin, May, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, Mills, Mildram, Milliken, Patten, Peavey, Pierce, Ray, Reed, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Spaulding, Stone, Stover, Tobey, Whitney, Young—57.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Allan, Ames, Bartlett, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Blake, Bradford, Campbell, Chamberlain, Cotton, Cousens, Daggett, Gannett, Gates, Gould, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Harding, Jordan of Brunswick, Lewis of Pittston, Mason, McGilvery, Mears, Moulton, Phillips, Powers, Pray, Purinton, Riggs, Skinner, Smith of Warren, Sturgis, Thompson, Thurlough, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston—44.

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table, and Senate amendment "A" adopted. Mr. FARWELL, by consent, withdrew amendment "B," and proposed amendment "C," which was adopted, and the question then being on passing the same to be engrossed as amended, and the House having ordered that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was refused a passage by yeas 56, nays 69.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Blake, Bonney, Brackett, Burgess, Chase of Winn, Cole, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Darling, Davis, Dennett, Farwell, Foss, Gott, Graffam, Green, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Keegan, Lamson, Leighton, Libby, Lord, Main, Martin, Mills, Mildram, Palmer, Pierce, Plummer, Sargent, Sawyer, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Tobey, Twitchell, Waterhouse, Whitney—56.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Bird, Boyd, Bliss, Boothby, Brawn, Brown, Burnham, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Conforth, Daggett, Dearborn, Douglass, Dunning, Duncan, Folsom, Foster of Argyle, Gould, Greenlief, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Harriman, Holbrook, Holman, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, May, Mayo, McDougal, McGilvery, McKown, McLain, Means, Milliken, Newcomb, Nickerson, Paten, Peavey, Pike, Powers, Ray, Reed, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesboro', Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stone, Stover, Thurlugh, Vose, Warren, Wasson, White, Wilder, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—69.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Allan, Ames, Berry of Buxton, Bradford, Campbell, Cotton, Cousens, Gannet, Gates, Harding, Mason, Mears, Moulton, Phillips, Pray, Purinton, Riggs, Sturgis, Thompson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford—24.

Bill "an act to increase the compensation of members of the Legislature," was taken from the table, read the third time, and amended as per sheet "B." Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved its

indefinite postponement. Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken was postponed by yeas 76, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Alexander, Baker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Turner, Bird, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brackett, Brown, Burnham, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cole, Conforth, Crockett, Cushing, Daggett, Dearborn, Douglass, Duncan, Farwell, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gott, Gould, Graffam, Green, Greenlief, Guptill, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harriman, Hawes, Holbrook, Holman, Hume, Irish, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Lamson, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Martin, May, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, Means, Mills, Milliken, Nickerson, Palmer, Patten, Pike, Plummer, Ray, Sargent, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesboro', Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stone, Thurlough, Twitchell, Waterhouse, Whitney, Young—76.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Blake, Brawn, Burgess, Chase of Winn, Cox, Darling, Davis, Dennett, Dunning, Folsom, Foss, Ham, Hathorn, Hinks, Humphrey, Hussey, Jones, Keegan, Kimball, Libby, Main, McGilvery, McLain, Mildram, Newcomb, Peavey, Pierce, Powers, Reed, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Warren, Stickney, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Wasson, White, Wilder—44.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Allan, Ames, Barker, Bearce of Lewiston, Berry of Buxton, Bradford, Campbell, Gates, Harding, Mason, Mears, Moulton, Phillips, Pray, Purinton, Riggs, Sawyer, Sturgis, Stover, Thompson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston—26.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. PEAVEY of Whiting, asked to be and was excused from further service on the Committee on State Valuation, and Mr. PIKE of Calais was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. STORRS of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of the Selectmen of Scarborough, for repeal of "an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough annexed to Gorham their portion of the money paid by the State to Scarborough," came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and was referred in concurrence.

Final reports of the Committees on Pensions, Military Affairs and Legal Reform, came from the Senate read and accepted.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy, for aid, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to authorize G. W. Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy in the tide waters of Owl's Head Bay, in the city of Rockland."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reporting "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands in the county of Somerset."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington."

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, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on report of the Trustees, reporting "resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on-

order, reporting "resolve authorizing the conveyance of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughan."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell," came back from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary, on order, reporting bill "an act to provide for the recording of certain contracts," 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 ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Messrs. Sargent of Hermon, Bartlett of Harrison, and Pray of Albion, were excused from further attendance this session.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest," was presented by Mr. VOSE of Winterport.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company," was presented by Mr. PATTEN of Bath.

Bill "an act additional to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company," was presented by Mr. PIKE of Calais.

The foregoing bills were read twice, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

"Resolve relating to military asylums," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

"Resolve in favor of Clara T. Stevens," was referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. GUPTILL, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of the Selectmen of Roxbury, for abatement of State tax, reported leave to withdraw.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, reported same on petition of Benjamin L. Kelley for payment of full amount of money due the town of Trescott allowed by the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts.

Mr. IRISH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made the same report on petition of citizens of Moro plantation for deed of a lot of land.

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, made the same report on petition of Willard Glidden and others for power to control public lots in plantations.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of W. H. McCrillis for authority to improve the Sebois stream, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company."

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to obtain proposals for the purchase of lands, or to cause partition thereof."

These reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Claims, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of William Rogers."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, ordered printed, and Wednesday of next week assigned for the second reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad."

Bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds."

Bill "an act to authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad."

"Resolve providing a commission to inquire into the jail system of this State."

The foregoing printed bills were read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company, approved Feb. 2, 1869."

“Resolve relating to the revision of the statutes.”

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “an act additional to and to amend the acts incorporating the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company.”

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

Bill “an act to renew the charters of certain banks,” was reported by same Committee, read the third time, amended as per sheet “A” on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to amend section 40 of chapter 4, section 11 of chapter 5, section 74 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, and chapter 40 of the public laws of 1866, relating to elections, public lands and ways.”

Bill “an act to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water fowl by traps.”

Bill “an act to amend section 27, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in Supreme Judicial Court.”

Bill “an act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands, and funds arising therefrom.”

Bill “an act to amend section 88, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes.”

Bill “an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Hancock street, in said city, to Kenduskeag stream.”

Bill “an act to amend section 1, chapter 87 of the public laws of 1862, relating to appeals from decision of County Commissioners.”

Bill “an act additional to chapter 126 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds.”

Bill “an act authorizing John C. Harriman, Alfred Lennox and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river.”

Bill “an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou.”

“Resolve for the relief of Preston Fisher.”

“Resolve in favor of the Stetson High School and Library Association.”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Moscow, in aid of repairing road in said town.”

“Resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis.”

“Resolve in favor of the Canada road.”

“Resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute.”

“Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State.”

“Resolve relating to an appropriation for the State Library.”

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

Bill “an act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to Washington,” was taken from the table.

Mr. BERRY of Damariscotta, moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. SMITH of Saco, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays.

Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved the previous question, the House seconded the call and ordered the main question to be put now. The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. SMITH of Saco, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was refused a passage, by yeas 22, nays 88.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Baker, Barton, Bird, Bliss, Boothby, Brown, Chase of Winn, Crockett, Cushing, Gott, Hamilton, Harriman, Kimball, Martin, Patten, Pike, Powers, Thompson, Twitchell, Wasson, Waterhouse, Wilson of Thomaston—22.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Barker, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Blake, Bonney, Boyd, Brackett, Burnham, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cole, Conforth, Cox, Daggett, Darling, Davis, Dearborn, Dennett, Doug-

lass, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gould, Graffam, Green, Greenlief, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Hathorn, Hinks, Holbrook, Holman, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Lamson, Leighton, Libby, Lord, Mayo, McDougal, McGilvery, McLain, Means, Mills, Mildram, Milliken, Newcomb, Palmer, Peavey, Pierce, Plummer, Ray, Reed, Sargent, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesboro', Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Spaulding, Stickney, Sturgis, Stone, Stover, Thurlough, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Whitney, Wilder, Young—88.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Allan, Alexander, Ames, Bartlett, Berry of Buxton, Bradford, Brawn, Burbank, Campbell, Dunning, Gates, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Harding, Hawes, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Main, Mason, May, McKown, Mears, Moulton, Nickerson, Phillips, Pray, Purinton, Riggs, Sawyer, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, White, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford—38.

Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which "resolve in aid of Fort Fairfield High School" was refused a passage. Mr. HUME of Cherryfield moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to reconsider by yeas 40, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Baker, Barker, Barton, Blake, Brackett, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Winn, Dearborn, Dennett, Duncan, Farwell, Folsom, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Hamilton, Hathorn, Holbrook, Humphrey, Irish, Jones, Keegan, Lamson, Lord, Martin, McGilvery, Means, Milliken, Pike, Powers, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Stickney, Sturgis, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Wilder—40.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Damariscotta, Bird, Bonney, Boothby, Brown, Burnham, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Cox, Cushing, Daggett, Darling, Davis, Douglass, Greenlief, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Harriman, Hinks, Holman, Hume, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of

Brunswick, Kimball, Leighton, Libby, Main, Mayo, McDougal, Mills, Mildram, Patten, Phillips, Pierce, Ray, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stone, Stover, Thurlough, Tobey, Wasson, Whitney, Young—53.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Allan, Alexander, Ames, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bean, Berry of Buxton, Bliss, Boyd, Bradford, Brawn, Burbank, Campbell, Clark of Holden, Conforth, Cotton, Cousens, Crockett, Dunning, Foss, Gates, Gott, Gould, Graffam, Green, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Harding, Hawes, Hussey, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Mason, May, McKown, McLain, Mears, Moulton, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Peavey, Plummer, Pray, Purinton, Reed, Riggs, Smith of Warren, Thompson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, White, Whitehouse, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston—57.

Mr. SMITH of Litchfield, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which “resolve in favor of the Stetson High School and Library Association” was finally passed, and this motion was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned.

Mr. MARTIN of Rumford, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which bill “an act to change the line dividing the towns of Mexico and Rumford” was indefinitely postponed, and pending this question, the House, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Albert Holton and others, for incorporation of the Bangor Bank, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, and was referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of John E. Hobbs, as Trial Justice," came from the Senate read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reporting "résolve in favor of James Ripley."

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, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act additional to chapter 90, revised statutes, concerning mortgages," reporting the same ought to pass, amended as per sheet "A," came from the Senate read and accepted, amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the Phipsburg Ice Company," passed to be engrossed in the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed, and was tabled on motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers," passed to be engrossed in the



House, amended as per sheet "A," came from the Senate, amendment "A" adopted, and indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted, and appointed conferees as follows: Messrs. Spaulding of Richmond, Daggett of Strong, and Bonney of Portland.

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," amended as per sheets "A" and "C," and refused a passage by the House, came from the Senate, amendment "C" rejected, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, composed of Messrs. Reed of Portland, Collins of Aroostook, and Minot of Kennebec.

The House insisted, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Vose of Winterport, Stone of Kennebunk, and Pike of Calais, conferees on the part of the House.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on the Maine General Hospital, reporting "resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital," 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, ordered to be printed, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

"Resolve in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read once and Wednesday next assigned.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Chairman of the Superintending School Committee of Greenbush, relating to the schools for the Penobscot tribe of Indians, was received and read.

The following communication from the Governor was received, read, and sent to the Senate:

*To the Senate and House of Representatives:*

The bill entitled "an act additional to chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors," has been laid before me for approval. Some of its provisions appear to be of so extraordinary a character as to suggest grave doubts of their propriety or good effect. But considering the remarkable circumstance that the bill has passed both Houses without opposition, I have given it my official signature.

(Signed)

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

*Ordered*, That E. Adams Davis, member of this House from Lubec, be excused from further attendance, and the Committee on Pay Roll be directed to make up his pay for travel and attendance.

On motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath,

*Ordered*, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be granted to the Trustees of the Bath Military and Naval Orphans' Asylum for Tuesday next, March 15th, for the purpose of giving the children of that institution an opportunity to meet their friends.

The following order was presented by Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond, which was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned :

*Ordered*, That after this day no member shall be allowed to speak more than fifteen minutes upon any question under discussion.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to the return of certificates of marriage, reported legislation inexpedient.

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

Printed bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways," was read twice and Monday assigned for the third reading.

Mr. GUPTILL, from the Committee on Claims, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of George Johnson."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, ordered to be printed, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

Bill "an act to authorize G. W. Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy in the tide waters of Owl's Head Bay in the city of Rockland."

Bill "an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands in the county of Somerset."

These bills and resolve were reported by the Committee on Bills

in the Third Reading, the bills read the third, the resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to obtain proposals for the purchase of certain lands, or to cause partition thereof."

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

Bill "an act to authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad," being on its passage to be engrossed, was amended as per sheets "A" and "B" on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company," being on its passage to be engrossed, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. DARLING of Patten, and Wednesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest," being on its passage to be engrossed, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve providing a commission to inquire into the jail system of this State," being on its passage to be engrossed, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland.

Bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds," being on its passage to be engrossed, was laid on the table on motion of Mr. THURLOUGH of Newburg, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale and annex the same to the town of Manchester."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers."

“Resolve for an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Maine Military road.”

“Resolve in favor of Jesse Smith.”

“Resolve relating to the revision of the statutes.”

“Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Isle plantation in the county of Lincoln.

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

“Resolve relating to the postal telegraph system” was taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Federal Relations, on motion of Mr. HINKS of Bucksport.

Bill “an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in Supreme Judicial Court,” was taken from the table, rules suspended, vote passing the same to be engrossed reconsidered, amended as per sheet “A,” and passed to engrossed.

Bill “an act to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle,” was taken from the table, vote passing the same to be engrossed reconsidered, amended as per sheet “A,” and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH of Sacq, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which bill “an act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington,” was refused a passage, and that the motion be laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned.

Mr. MARTIN of Rumford, withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote by which bill “an act to change the line dividing the towns of Mexico and Rumford” was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Norway,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

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MONDAY, MARCH 14, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

The SPEAKER being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland,

*Ordered*, That in the absence of the Speaker, Harrison Hume, Esq., be appointed Speaker *pro tem*.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, was charged with a message to the Governor and Council, informing them that in the absence of the Speaker, Harrison Hume had been appointed Speaker *pro tem*.

Mr. MILLIKEN of Wells, was charged with a similar message to the Senate.

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

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Bill "an act relating to injunctions," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was referred in concurrence.

Final Reports of the Committees on Banks and Banking, Education and Indian Affairs.

Report of the Committee of the Judiciary, on petition of inhabitants of Rumford for an act to legalize the doings of said town, reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of same Committee, reporting same on petition of Winslow Bates and others for amendment of section 2, chapter 23 of the revised statutes, so there may be lien on beasts named in said section.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting same on petition of William Woodbury and others of Mexico, for abatement of State tax.

Report of the Committee on Education, on recommitted bill "an act relating to habitual truants," reporting the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend sections 1 and 3, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school districts."

Report of the same Committee, on order, reporting bill "an act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools."

Report of the same Committee, on recommitted bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," reporting in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting ought to pass on "resolve in aid of the St. John Agricultural Society."

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, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and Wednesday next for second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Bank," 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," on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PIKE of Calais, presented bill "an act to change the location of the Granger Turnpike.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, presented bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad."

The foregoing were read twice, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to amend section 44, chapter 6, revised statutes," was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Messrs. Ray of Harrington and Sawyer of Gray, were excused from further attendance.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges, on petition of Albert Emerson and others, for charter for a toll bridge across Piscataquis river in Howland, reported reference to the next Legislature, which was read and accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Claims, on petition, reported "resolve to reimburse the town of Surry."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, ordered to be printed, and Wednesday next assigned for the second reading.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coroners," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of John E. Hobbs as Trial Justice."

Bill "an act to provide for the recording of certain contracts."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to drainage from defective highways," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in relation to certain claims of Bickford C. Mathews."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to renew the charters of certain banks."

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

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands in the county of Somerset."

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn."

The foregoing bills having had three and resolves two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, the bills

passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve providing a commission to inquire into the jail system of this State,” was taken from the table.

Mr. SMITH of Parsonsfield, moved its indefinite postponement, pending which, laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Bethel,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. FOSTER, in the Chair.

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 the Judiciary, on order relating to suspension of the statute of limitations in certain bankrupt cases, reporting legislation inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on order relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on order inquiring what amendment is expedient in chapter 46, section 19 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on order relating to conditional sales of personal property.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, reporting ought to pass on “resolve in favor of Mount Desert as a naval and military station of the United States.”

Report of the same Committee, reporting same on “resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State 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 to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

Bill "an act to increase the compensation of members of the Legislature," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House voted to insist, and proposed a Committee of Conference.

On motion of Mr. MILDRAM of Wells,

*Ordered*, That this House hold two sessions per day on and after Wednesday, March 16, the afternoon session to begin at 3 o'clock P. M., until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

*Ordered*, That all new matters offered after this day, proposing legislation, be referred to the next Legislature.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations," was presented, by leave, by Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Education, on order, reported bill "an act relating to State supervision of common schools."

The report was read and accepted, bill read once, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the assessors of taxes in the town of Grant Isle."

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen & Nash."

The foregoing bill was read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools."

Bill "an act to change the location of Granger Turnpike."

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 amend section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coroners."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad."

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

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. KEEGAN, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. FARWELL of Augusta moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken was decided in the affirmative by yeas 64, nays 29.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Ames, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Bonney, Boothby, Brackett, Chase of Winn, Conforth, Cox, Cushing, Darling, Folsom, Foster of Argyle, Green, Greenleaf, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harriman, Hathorn, Hinks, Holbrook, Hume, Jones, Keegan, Kimball, Lamson, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Main, Martin, Mason, McLain, Means, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Patten, Phillips, Pierce, Powers, Purinton, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Sturgis, Thompson, Thurlough, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Wasson, Waterhouse, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson of Bradford—64.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Boyd, Bradford, Burnham, Burgess, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Daggett, Douglass, Farwell, Foss, Hawes, Humphrey, Jordan of Brunswick, May, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, Mildram, Newcomb, Pike, Riggs, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilson of Thomaston—29.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Allan, Alexander, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Blake, Bliss, Brawn, Brown, Campbell, Chamberlain, Clark of Holden, Crockett, Davis, Dearborn, Dennett, Dunning, Duncan, Gannett, Gates, Gott, Gould, Graffam, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Harding, Holman, Hussey, Jordan of Minot, Lane, Libby, Mc-

Gilvery, Mears, Nickerson, Palmer, Peavey, Plummer, Pray, Ray, Reed, Sargent, Sawyer, Smith of Warren, Stone, Stover, Twitchell, Weston, Wentworth, White, Young—53.

Bill "an act to amend sections 1 and 3, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school districts," was reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to habitual truants," being on its passage to be engrossed, was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Mutual Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle."

Bill "an act to legalize the official acts of John E. Hobbs of North Berwick as Trial Justice."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad."

Bill "an act to provide for the recording of certain contracts."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate."

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

Bill "an act to authorize G. W. Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy in tide waters of Owl's Head Bay in the city of Rockland."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court."

The foregoing bills being on their passage to be enacted were laid on the table.

Order directing that no member shall speak more than fifteen minutes upon any question under discussion, was taken from the table and passed.

Mr. SMITH of Litchfield, by unanimous consent, withdrew his

motion to reconsider the vote by which "resolve in aid of the Stetson High School" was finally passed.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Final reports of Committees on Printing, State Lands and State Roads, Agriculture, Interior Waters, Public Buildings, Division of Counties, and Temperance.

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebago Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Sugar House Company."

These bills came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and were read twice and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Temperance, on petition of S. D. Thurston and others, reporting "bill an act to regulate the agencies for, and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors," 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 in concurrence, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the

Senate, House amendments adopted, further amended as per sheets "C," "D," "E," "F" and "G," and passed to be engrossed.

The House adopted Senate amendments "C," "D," "E," "F" and "G," and passed the same to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Hiram and Porter," passed to be enacted in the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred.

On motion of Mr. MILDRAM of Wells,

*Ordered*, That the order adopted the 15th inst. for afternoon sessions be suspended for this day.

On motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais,

*Ordered*, That the Finance Committee be directed to inquire whether the interests of the State require an appropriation of a portion of the proceeds of lands heretofore sold since the date of the act in aid of the Granger Turnpike, instead of selling additional lands to carry out the provisions of said act.

Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland presented "resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus," which was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve to replace books destroyed by fire in the office of the Judge of Probate of Hancock county," was presented by Mr. HINKS of Bucksport, read once, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, and to repeal chapter 186, public laws of the year 1868, relating to railroads."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln."

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest," reported the same ought to pass.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to increase the pay of the Attorney General."

Mr. BONNEY, from the same Committee, on recommitted bill "an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington," reported ought to pass.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported ought to pass on "resolve relating to National Military Asylums."

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolve.

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen & Nash."

"Resolve to reimburse the town of Surry."

"Resolve in favor of a common school in Long Island plantation."

"Resolve in favor of George Johnson."

"Resolve in favor of William Rogers."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Mt. Desert as a naval and military station of the United States."

"Resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine."

"Resolve in favor of James Ripley."

"Resolve in favor of Grant Isle plantation."

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughan of Lyndon."

"Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

The foregoing resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the assessors of taxes in the town of Grant Isle."

"Resolve in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society."

"Resolve in aid of the St. John Agricultural Society."

"Resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital."

The foregoing bill and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, the bill read the third, resolves the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company."

Bill "an act to amend sections 1 and 3 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school districts."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Bank."

"Resolve to repair the Mattawamkeag Bridge."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of a public lot in Castle Hill plantation in Aroostook county."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to obtain proposals for the purchase of certain lands, or to cause partition thereof."

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

Bill "an act to authorize G. W. Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy in the tide waters of Owl's Head bay in the city of Rockland," was taken from the table and passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D" and "E," on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, moved a reconsideration of the vote passing to be engrossed "resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath," and that this motion be laid on the table and to-morrow assigned.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco, the motion to reconsider the vote refusing to pass to be engrossed bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington," was taken from the table and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle, under suspension of the rules, presented "resolve in favor of Sidney Cook," which was tabled on motion of Mr. MILDRAH of Wells.

On motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, the House voted to adjourn until two and one-half o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on order, reporting bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries," 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 Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass on bill "an act to authorize the Treasurer of State to issue registered bonds.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on various petitions, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company."

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 to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the



Senate amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C" and "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The House recessed, adopted Senate amendments, and laid the bill on the table on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport.

Bill "an act additional to and to amend the acts incorporating the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The motion of Mr. FARWELL to reconsider the vote passing to be engrossed "resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath," was taken from the table and the vote reconsidered, resolve amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of Sidney Cook," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. MILDRAM of Wells.

Mr. Green of Wilton, was excused from further attendance this session.

"Resolve providing for a commission to inquire into the jail system of this State," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. FARWELL of Augusta.

The question then being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed to be engrossed by yeas 64, nays 52, and sent to the Senate.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allan, Alexander, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Berry of Buxton, Boothby, Brackett, Brawn, Burgess, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Conforth, Cousens, Crockett, Darling, Dennett, Douglass, Farwell, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Graffam, Green, Hamilton, Harding, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish,

Keegan, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Means, Mills, Moulton, Newcomb, Pike, Powers, Reed, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Saco, Stickney, Sturgis, Thompson, Thurlough, Tobey, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weston, Wentworth, White, Wilson of Bradford, Young—64.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Bearce of Turner, Bird, Blake, Bonney, Boyd, Bradford, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Cole, Cox, Cushing, Daggett, Dearborn, Duncan, Gott, Greenlief, Gup-till, Hammond of Paris, Hume, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Lord, Main, Martin, Mason, May, McDougal, McGilvery, McKown, Mears, Mildram, Milliken, Patten, Phillips, Pierce, Purinton, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stover, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Wilder, Wilson of Thomaston—52.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Ames, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Bliss, Brown, Burnham, Campbell, Clark of Holden, Dunning, Gates, Gould, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Harriman, Holman, Lamson, Lewis of Pittston, Mayo, McLain, Nickerson, Palmer, Peavey, Plummer, Riggs, Stone, Whitney—27.

On motion of Mr. BOOTHY of Embden,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

“Resolve in relation to the publication of the revised statutes,” was presented by Mr. BONNEY of Portland, rules suspended, read twice, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MAIN, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on “resolve in favor of C. F. Stevens,” reported reference to the next Legislature.

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

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Finance, on petition of Sarah M. Cunningham for payment of the interest on certain State bonds, reported reference to the Governor and Council.

Also, reported “resolve for the payment of lost bonds, coupons and other State securities.”

The reports were read and accepted, resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee of Conference, on bill “an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to employment of teachers,” reported the Committee could not agree.

On motion of Mr. WARREN of Veazie,

*Ordered*, That \$209,000 be deducted from the valuation of the town of Veazie for the year 1870, and the same be added to the city of Bangor.

This order was referred to the Penobscot County Delegation and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Sebago Steamboat Company.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Bath Sugar House Company.”

Bill “an act to authorize the Treasurer of the State to issue registered bonds.”

The foregoing bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in

the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington."

Bill "an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln."

Bill "an act to increase the pay of the Attorney General."

"Resolve to replace certain books destroyed by fire in the office of the Judge of Probate of Hancock county."

"Resolve relating to national military asylums."

The foregoing bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest."

Bill "an act to regulate the agencies for, and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors."

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 Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company," was read the third time. Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle moved to amend by substituting House Document No. 14, entitled "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," pending this amendment, tabled on motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Brunswick to loan money to build a town building, to issue bonds and provide for a sinking fund in payment therefor."

Bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company."

Bill "an act for the protection of trout and pickerel in certain waters in Hiram and Porter."

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company."

Bill "an act to authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughan of Lyndon."

"Resolve in favor of Grant Isle plantation."

"Resolve in favor of Mount Desert as a naval and military station of the United States."

"Resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine."

"Resolve in favor of James Ripley."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BLISS of Washington. Mr. BIRD of Rockland moved that it be referred to the next Legislature. Mr. SMITH of Saco moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to so refer by yeas 28, nays 78.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allan, Bird, Bradford, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Crockett, Daggett, Dennett, Douglass, Gannett, Ham, Hathorn, Holbrook, Hussey, Jordan of Brunswick, May, McGilvery, McLain, Mildram, Purinton, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Saco, Warren, Waterhouse, Weston, Wheeler, Whitehouse—28.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Ames, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Buxton, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brawn, Burgess, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Conforth, Cousens, Darling, Duncan, Farwell, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gott, Greenlief, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harding, Hawes, Hinks, Humphrey, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Kimball, Lamson, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Main, Mar-

tin, Mason, McDougal, McKown, Means, Mears, Mills, Milliken, Phillips, Pike, Powers, Reed, Riggs, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Stone, Stover, Thompson, Thurlough, Tobey, Twitchell, Wasson, Wentworth, White, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson of Bradford, Young—78.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Bartlett, Berry of Damariscotta, Brackett, Brown, Burnham, Campbell, Clark of Holden, Cox, Cushing, Dearborn, Dunning, Folsom, Gates, Gould, Graffam, Green, Hammond of Westbrook, Harriman, Holman, Hume, Keegan, Lane, Libby, Mayo, Moulton, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Patten, Peavey, Pierce, Plummér, Pray, Ray, Sargent, Sawyer, Skinner, Sturgis, Wilson of Thomaston—40.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in aid of the St. John Agricultural Society,” was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. DARLING of Patten.

Bill “an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers,” came from the Senate, that branch proposing a second Committee of Conference, and Messrs. Lang of Kennebec, Carvill of Cumberland, and Nealley of York, appointed conferees.

The House concurred in the proposition for a second conference; and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Smith of Litchfield, Hume of Cherryfield, and Humphrey of Bangor, conferees.

“Resolve in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society,” was taken from the table, amended as per sheet “A” on motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill “an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations,” was taken from the table on motion of Mr. BAKER, and referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of Madawaska river,” was taken from the table. Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, proposed amendment “A.” Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved the previous question, the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question to be put now. Amendment “A” was adopted.

Pending the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, the House, on motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco,  
Adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

“Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river,” was taken from the table and refused a passage.

Final Reports of the Committees on Insane Hospital, Claims, and the State Prison, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Special Committee to visit the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,” came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, was read once and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of John H. Eveleth, reporting bill “an act to incorporate the North Piscataquis Dam Company,” came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheets “A,” “B,” “C,” “D” and “E,” and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill “an act concerning insurance and insurance companies,” passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheets “A,” “B,” “C,” “D” and “E,” came from the Senate amendments “A,” “B,” “C” and “D” adopted, amendment “E” rejected, and passed to be engrossed.

The House refused to concur in the rejection of amendment “E.” Mr. BONNEY proposed amendment “F,” pending which the bill was tabled.

Bill “an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad.”

• Bill “an act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries, approved March 12, 1869.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Sebago Steamboat Company.”

The foregoing bills having had three several readings and

passed to be engrossed, were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

John T. Main of Unity, was excused from further attendance.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the special laws of 1850, relating to ways in Vinalhaven," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital."

The foregoing were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to regulate the agencies for, and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors," was taken up, Senate amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Valuation lists of the wild lands of Maine were received from the Commissioners on Valuation, referred to the Committee on Valuation, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to insurance and insurance companies," was taken up, and amendment "F" adopted. Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport, proposed amendment "G," pending which the House, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, reporting that the Committee on Valuation be instructed to deduct \$175,000 from the valuation of Veazie and add the same to that of Bangor, came from the Senate read and accepted, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BRAUN of Oldtown.

“Resolve granting a pension to widow Betsey Reynolds of Burnham,” came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, rules being suspended, amended as per sheet “A,” on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Finance, on order, reported “resolve appropriating the proceeds of the sale of certain lands to the use of the Granger Turnpike Company.”

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for the second reading.

Bill “an act to amend section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coroners.”

Bill “an act to authorize the Treasurer of State to issue registered bonds.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Bath Sugar House Company.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company.”

Bill “an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington.”

“Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital.”

“Resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.”

“Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath.”

“Resolve in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society.”

The bills having had three and the resolves two several readings, and 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.

Bill “an act to amend section 22, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the power and obligation of school districts.”

Bill “an act additional to an act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors.”

The foregoing bills being on their passage to be enacted, were laid on the table.

Bill “an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein,” was taken from the table, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures,” was taken from the table. Amendment “A” by unanimous consent was withdrawn by Mr. Vose. The bill was amended as per sheet “B,” on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta. The question then being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. MILDRAM moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was refused a passage by yeas 30, nays 80.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Baker, Barton, Burgess, Chase of Winn, Conforth, Cousens, Dearborn, Farwell, Foss, Guptill, Hammond of Westbrook, Harriman, Hathorn, Hinks, Hussey, Lewis of Liberty, Main, May, Mills, Nickerson, Phillips, Spaulding, Stickney, Stone, Vose, Warren, Waterhouse, Wentworth, Whitehouse, Wilder—30.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Alexander, Ames, Barker, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Bradford, Brawn, Brown, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Crockett, Daggett, Darling, Dennett, Douglass, Dunning, Duncan, Folsom, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gott, Graffam, Greenleaf, Hammond of Paris, Hawes, Holbrook,

Holman, Hume, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Minot, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Kimball, Lamsop, Leighton, Libby, Lord, Martin, Mason, McDougal, McLain, Means, Mears, Mildram, Milliken, Moulton, Newcomb, Pike, Powers, Reed, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Thurlough, Tobey, Weston, Wheeler, White, Whitney, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—80.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Bearce of Lewiston, Brackett, Burnham, Campbell, Cox, Cushing, Gates, Gould, Green, Ham, Hamilton, Harding, Humphrey, Lane, Lewis of Pittston, Mayo, McGilvery, McKown, Palmer, Patten, Pierce, Plummer, Purinton, Riggs, Sturgis, Stover, Thompson, Twitchell, Wasson—29.

Bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies," pending when the House adjourned yesterday, was taken up, amendment "G" was by consent withdrawn by Mr. COUSENS, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F," and sent to the Senate.

Mr. McLain of New Vineyard, was appointed on the Committee on State Valuation in place of Mr. Green of Wilton.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle, and was pending when the House Adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act amendatory of an act to amend chapter 224, laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society, approved March 1, 1870," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times, rules being suspended, and tabled on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

"Resolve for the payment of lost bonds, coupons and other State securities," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve appropriating the proceeds of the sale of certain lands to the use of the Granger Turnpike Company,” was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and tabled by Mr. BAKER.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company,” pending when the House adjourned, was taken up. Mr. STICKNEY by consent withdrew his amendment. The bill was then amended as per sheets “B” and “C,” and passed to be engrossed.

Bill “an act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations,” was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Order relating to the valuation of the town of Veazie, was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. WARREN.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Valuation, reporting “resolve establishing a valuation of the State of Maine,” came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and the question being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. HINKS of Bucksport moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence by yeas 75, nays 36.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Alexander, Ames, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Bonney, Boyd, Bradford, Brawn, Brown, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Conforth, Crockett, Daggett, Darling, Dearborn, Dennett, Dunning, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannet, Gott, Greenlief, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Harding, Hinks, Holbrook, Holman, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Lamson, Leighton, Libby, Lord, Mason, May, McDougal, Means, Mears, Moulton, Newcomb, Phillips, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesboro’, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stone, Stover, Twitchell, Vose, Waterhouse, Wheeler, White-

house, Whitney, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—75.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Allan, Baker, Barker, Barton, Berry of Damariscotta, Blake, Bliss, Boothby, Cousens, Duncan, Farwell, Graffam, Gup-till, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Jordan of Minot, Keegan, Mar-tin, McLain, Mills, Mildram, Milliken, Nickerson, Powers, Reed, Skinner, Spaulding, Stickney, Thompson, Thurlough, Warren, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wilder—36.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Bearce of Lewiston, Brackett, Burnham, Campbell, Cox, Cushing, Douglass, Gates, Ham, Hamilton, Lane, Lewis of Lib-erty, Lewis of Pittston, Main, Mayo, McGilvery, McKown, Palmer, Patten, Pierce, Pike, Plummer, Purinton, Riggs, Sturgis, Tobey, White—27.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Finance consider the expe-  
diency of assessing a State tax for the year 1870 on the new val-  
uation of fourteen hundred thousand dollars.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Depot Company," reporting ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act additional to section 52, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice and Monday assigned.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on order, reporting bill "an act to prevent the destruction of roads on the ice," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of William Rogers," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed, and was tabled on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta.

Bill "an act to change the name of the Sebec Slate Company," was laid on the table on motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes relating to the employment of teachers."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the special laws of 1850, relating to ways in Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 51 of the revised stat-

utes, and to repeal chapter 186 of the public laws of 1868, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln."

Bill "an act to increase the pay of the Attorney General."

"Resolve in relation to the publication of the revised statutes."

"Resolve to reimburse the town of Surry."

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen & Nash."

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus."

"Resolve to replace certain books destroyed by fire in the office of the Judge of Probate of Hancock county."

"Resolve relative to National Military Asylums."

"Resolve providing a commission to inquire into the jail system of this State."

"Resolve in favor of common schools in Long Island plantation."

"Resolve in favor of George Johnson."

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

Bill "an act additional to an act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors," was taken from the table, and the vote passing the same to be engrossed reconsidered. Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor, proposed amendment "C." The question being on its adoption, it was ordered to be taken by yeas and nays, and being taken was rejected by yeas 15, nays 83.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Berry of Damariscotta, Cushing, Darling, Farwell, Folsom, Humphrey, Main, Mildram, Reed, Riggs, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesborough, White, Whitehouse, Wilson of Thomaston—15.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Ames, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Turner, Bean, Bird, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boyd, Boothby, Brawn, Brown, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Clark of Readfield, Conforth, Crockett, Daggett, Dearborn, Douglass, Duncan, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gan-

nett, Gott, Graffam, Guptill, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Holman, Hussey, Irish, Jordan of Minot, Keegan, Kimball, Lamson, Lewis of Liberty, Lord, Martin, Mason, May, McDougal, McLain, Means, Mears, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Newcomb, Nickerson, Phillips, Pike, Skinner, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stickney, Stone, Tobey, Twitchell, Vose, Warren, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson of Bradford, Young—83.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Green, Greenlief, Ham, Hamilton, Harding, Hume, Lane, Lewis of Pittston, Libby, Mayo, McGilvery, McKown, Palmer, Patten, Peavey, Pierce, Plummer, Powers, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Sargent, Sawyer, Smith of Warren, Spaulding, Sturgis, Stover, Thompson, Thurlough—30.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, also passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH of Saco, by unanimous consent, withdrew his motion to reconsider the vote by which bill "an act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington" was refused a passage.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relative to the selection and empanelling of juries for the trial of civil causes and criminal cases other than capital," was taken from the table. Mr. BAKER proposed amendment "A," pending which the House, on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,

Adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The bill under consideration when the House adjourned was taken up, amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies," having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.



Mr. HUME, from the Joint Special Committee of Investigation of Paper Credits and Naval Commission Men, submitted a report, which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to amend chapter 218, laws of 1869, entitled an act to incorporate the Saco River Railroad Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WASSON of Surry, presented "resolve amending the Report of the State Valuation Commissioners."

"Resolve concerning the State valuation of York county."

These resolves were read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve concerning the valuation of certain towns in the county of Kennebec," was read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BAKER.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Building Association," was presented by Mr. STONE of Kennebunk, read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. HAMMOND of Westbrook, who proposed amendment "A," which was ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands," was assigned for Monday.

Bill "an act to establish the Phippsburg Ice Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. GANNETT, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of William Rogers," was taken from the table.

The House recessed, on motion of Mr. GANNETT of Bath, and referred the same to the Governor, with authority to draw a warrant for such sum as the above named may be found entitled to.

Bill "an act amendatory of an act to amend chapter 224, laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society.

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Special Committee to visit the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

The foregoing were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 33 of the private laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, concerning interest."

The foregoing were taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company."

The foregoing bills were taken from the table, each amended as per sheets "A," passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company," amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate, amendments rejected.

The House insisted on its former vote, and appointed conferees as follows: Messrs. Stickney, Holbrook and Hinks.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, on order, reporting "resolve making appropriation for repairs of State House."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting bill "an act relating to injunctions."

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act additional to an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1869, relating to drainage."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read once, bills twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, bills twice, and Monday assigned.

"Resolve in favor of Albert W. Paine," came from the Senate indefinitely postponed, and was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

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Bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was tabled on motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Grant Isle and school district No. 2 therein, relating to assessment of taxes," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. KEEGAN, and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve relating to the State Arsenals at Bangor and Portland," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. BAKER of Augusta, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved February 3, 1869," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOOTHBY of Embden,

*Ordered*, That the House meet on Monday at nine o'clock.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

“Resolve for the collection and publication of industrial statistics of the State,” came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice and laid on the table.

“Resolve in favor of William Rogers,” referred to the Governor and Council by the House, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote of indefinite postponement.

The House insisted, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Gannett of Bath, Humphrey of Bangor, and Waterhouse of Portland, conferees.

Mr. BARKER of Stetson, presented bill “an act additional to chapter 17 of the revised statutes.”

The following order was presented by Mr. STICKNEY of Presque Isle :

*Ordered*, That \$20,000 be taken from the valuation of Mapleton, in Aroostook county, and added to the valuation of Westfield plantation, in said county.

“Resolve to correct a mistake in the Report of the State Valuation Commissioners.”

The foregoing were referred to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. WHITE of Bangor,

*Ordered*, That all errors or grievances of any city, town or plantation growing out of the Report of the Valuation Commissioners and presented to this House for its action, be referred to the next Legislature without debate.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Hume of Cherryfield, Irish of Sherman, and Bonney of Portland, conferees on bill “an act relative to compensation of members of the Legislature.”

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage."

Bill "an act relating to injunctions."

Bill "an act to amend section 52, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs."

"Resolve making appropriation for repair of the State House."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, Senate amendment "A" to resolve adopted, each passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend sections 1 and 5, chapter 218 of the special laws of 1869, entitled an act to incorporate the Saco River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Building Association."

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell."

Bill "an act to authorize Davis Tillson and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Harrison Island harbor."

Bill "an act amendatory of an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society, approved March 1, 1870."

Bill "an act additional to an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage."

"Resolve amending the report of the State Valuation Commissioners."

"Resolve concerning the State valuation of certain towns in York county."

"Resolve granting a pension to widow Betsey Reynolds of Burnham."

"Resolve in favor of the Committee to visit the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

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

"Resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to February 25, 1862," was taken from the table, and the House insisted on its vote finally passing the same, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Farwell of Augusta, Burgess of Portland, and Reed of Waldoborough, conferees.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes relating to proceedings in court," was taken from the table, vote reconsidered passing the same to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A," passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 22, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to powers and obligations of school districts," was taken from the table and passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," was taken from the table.

The House further amended the same as per sheet "B," on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, and passed it to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands," was taken from the table, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to change the location of the Granger Turnpike," was taken from the table.

Mr. VOSE of Winterport proposed amendment "A," pending which the House, on motion of Mr. WHITEHOUSE of St. George, adjourned till half past two o'clock.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. HUMPHREY, from the Committee of Conference on "resolve in favor of William Rogers," reported the House recede and concur with the Senate in indefinite postponement.

The report was read and accepted.

Bill "an act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to fences on line of railroads," came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read once and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. BONNEY of Portland.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Warehouse Company," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve in favor of a postal telegraph system," reporting reference to the next Legislature, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Final Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," reporting the Committee could not agree and asking to be discharged, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was accepted.

The Senate proposed a second Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Lang, Cushing and French appointed conferees.

The House concurred in the proposition, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Dunning of Bangor, Thurlough of Newburg, and Holman of Dixfield, conferees.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Norridgewock to take stock in the Norridgewock Bridge," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to change the location of the Granger Turnpike," was taken up and indefinitely postponed.

"Resolve appropriating the proceeds of the sale of certain lands to the use of the Granger Turnpike Company," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet 'A,' on motion of Mr. PIKE of Calais, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve establishing a valuation of the State," having had two several readings, and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on engrossed Bills as truly and strictly en-

grossed, finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLISS, from the Committee on Claims, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of James Devine."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HERRIN of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. GUPTILL of Gouldsborough, presented "resolve relating to the valuation of Gouldsborough.

Mr. WASSON of Surry presented "resolve correcting the State valuation."

Mr. MILLS of Brooksville presented "resolve concerning the State valuation."

On motion of Mr. ALLAN of Corinna,

*Ordered,* That sixty-two polls be stricken from the valuation of the town of Corinna, as having been put there by mistake.

On motion of Mr. McLAIN of New Vineyard,

*Ordered,* That the Committee on State Valuation inquire into the expediency of reducing the valuation of the town of New Vineyard.

The foregoing were referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. BONNEY, from the Committee of Conference on bill "an act to increase the compensation of members of the Legislature," reported that the House recede and concur with the Senate in passing the same to be engrossed.

Mr. BOYD of Newcastle moved that the question of the acceptance of the report be taken by yeas and nays, and the House



so ordered, and being so taken, the report was rejected by yeas 43, nays 53.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Blake, Bonney, Brackett, Burgess, Darling, Dunning, Farwell, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Graffam, Guptill, Ham, Hinks, Humphrey, Irish, Jones, Keegan, Kimball, Mildram, Milliken, Moulton, Newcomb, Patten, Powers, Sherman of Islesborough, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Thompson, Tobey, Wasson, White, Whitehouse, Wilder, Wilson of Bradford—43.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Ames, Baker, Barton, Bearce of Lewiston, Bearce of Turner, Boyd, Boothby, Brown, Chamberlain, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Conforth, Cousens, Cushing, Daggett, Douglass, Duncan, Gannett, Gott, Greenlief, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Holbrook, Hume, Hussey, Jordan of Brunswick, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lord, Martin, Mason, Mayo, McDougal, McGilvery, McKown, McLain, Means, Mears, Mills, Palmer, Reed, Smith of Saco, Sturgis, Stover, Thurlough, Twitchell, Vose, Waterhouse, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitney—53.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Alexander, Barker, Bartlett, Bird, Bliss, Bradford, Brawn, Burnham, Campbell, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Cox, Crockett, Davis, Dearborn, Dennett, Folsom, Gates, Gould, Green, Hamilton, Harding, Harriman, Hathorn, Hawes, Holman, Jordan of Minot, Lamson, Lewis of Pittston, Libby, Main, May, Nickerson, Phillips, Pierce, Pike, Plummer, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Riggs, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Smith of Hodgdon, Smith of Warren, Stone, Warren, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—50.

The report of the Committee of Investigation of Paper Credits and Naval Commission Men, was taken from the table, read and accepted.

Mr. HUME, from this Committee, reported "resolves relating to certain charges against towns, and to credits for men not put into the service, and providing a commission to investigate the same."

The resolves were read twice, rules being suspended. Mr. VOSE of Winterport, proposed amendment "A," pending which, tabled and assigned for this afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. BLISS presented bill "an act changing the time of holding the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Knox, and establish another term of said Court," which was read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations."

Bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Warehouse Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Norridgewock to take stock in the Norridgewock Bridge."

Bill "an act relating to the selection and empanelling of juries for the trial of civil cases, and criminal cases other than capital."

Bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved Feb. 3, 1869."

Bill "an act relating to injunctions."

Bill "an act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Grant Isle and school district No. 2 therein, relating to assessments of taxes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 33 of the private and special laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court."

Bill "an act additional to section 52, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs."

"Resolve relating to the State arsenals at Bangor and Portland."

"Resolve making appropriation for repairs of the State House."

"Resolve appropriating the proceeds of the sale of certain lands to the use of the Granger Turnpike Company."

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

“Resolve for the collection and publication of industrial statistics of the State,” was taken from the table and referred to the next Legislature, on motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reporting ought to pass, on bill “an act to incorporate the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company,” 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 passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

“Resolve concerning the valuation of certain towns in Kennebec county,” was taken from the table on motion of Mr. WASSON, read a second time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.”

“Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of Madawaska river,” being on its final passage, Mr. MILDRAM of Wells, moved its indefinite postponement. Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, moved the previous question, the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question. The question then being on finally passing the same, Mr. MILDRAM of Wells moved, and the House ordered that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken was refused a passage by yeas 33, nays 76.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allan, Baker, Barton, Bliss, Boothby, Brackett, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Cole, Dunning, Farwell, Foster of Argyle, Guptill, Hammond of Westbrook, Hamilton, Humphrey, Irish, Jones, Kimball, Lamson, Lane, Martin, Newcomb, Patten, Pike, Powers, Stickney, Thompson, Waterhouse, White, Wilder, Wilson of Thomaston—33.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Ames, Barker, Bearce of Turner, Beau, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Blake, Bonney, Boyd, Brown, Burgess, Clark of Readfield, Conforth, Cousens, Cushing, Daggett, Darling, Dearborn, Douglass, Duncan, Folsom, Foss, Gannett, Gott, Graffam, Greenleaf, Ham, Hammond of Paris, Harding, Hathorn, Hawes, Hinks, Holbrook, Hume, Hussey, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Lewis of Pittston, Lord, Mason, Mayo, McDougall, McGilvery, McKown, McLain, Means, Mears, Mills, Mildram, Milliken, Moulton, Palmer, Reed, Sherman of Islesbo-

rough, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Sturgis, Stover, Thurlough, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitney, Wilson of Bradford, Young—76.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bird, Bradford, Brawn, Burbank, Campbell, Clark of Holden, Cox, Crockett, Dennett, Gates, Gould, Green, Harriman, Holman, Jordan of Minot, Libby, Main, May, Nickerson, Phillips, Pierce, Plummer, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Riggs, Sargent, Sawyer, Sherman of Camden, Smith of Warren, Stone, Twitchell, Whitehouse—35.

“Resolve on the pay roll of the House,” was read twice under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.”

Bill “an act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington,” was taken from the table, the question being on receding and concurring with the Senate, passing the same to be engrossed.

The House, on motion of Mr. VOSE, ordered a division of the question. The question then being on receding, Mr. BERRY of Damariscotta, moved that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to recede by yeas 39, nays 60.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Baker, Barton, Bliss, Bonney, Boothby, Chase of Winn, Cousens, Duncan, Gannett, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hawes, Hinks, Hume, Humphrey, Jones, Kimball, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Lord, Martin, McGilvery, Mills, Palmer, Pike, Powers, Skinner, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Sturgis, Thompson, Thurlough, Twitchell, Wasson, Waterhouse, Wentworth, Whitney, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—39.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Ames, Barker, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Blake, Boyd, Brackett, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Conforth, Cushing, Daggett, Darling, Douglass, Dunning, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gott, Grafam, Greenlief, Guptill, Hammond of Paris, Hathorn, Hussey, Irish, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Lamson, Leighton, Lewis of Pittston, Mason, Mayo, McDougal, McLain, Means, Mears, Mildram,

Milliken, Moulton, Newcomb, Reed, Sherman of Islesborough, Smith of Litchfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Stover, Tobey, Vose, Warren, Weston, Wheeler, Wilder, Wilson of Bradford—60.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Alexander, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bean, Bird, Bradford, Brawn, Brown, Burbank, Burnham, Campbell, Clark of Holden, Farwell, Libby, Patten, Plummer, Ray, Riggs, Sargent, Sherman of Camden, Stone, White—22.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1859, to regulate river and interior fisheries," was taken from the table by Mr. HAMMOND of Westbrook. The question being on amendment "A," pending its adoption, the House, on motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond, adjourned till 2½ o'clock.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That, the Senate concurring, this Legislature finally adjourn at 10 o'clock Thursday, March 24.

Order relating to the valuation of the Madawaska district, was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "B," "C," "D" and "E," House amendment "A" amended as per sheets "F" and "G," and the bill passed to be engrossed. Senate amendments "B," "C," "D," "E," "F" and "G" were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to the Hallowell and Chelsea Bridge."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association."

The foregoing bills came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and were read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in relation to pay of Commissioners," came from the Senate read twice, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," passed to be engrossed, was read twice under suspension of rules, Sen-

ate amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting bill "an act to prevent the destruction of bridges by driving of lumber in rivers and streams," came from the Senate read and accepted and the bill indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize one railroad to guarantee the bonds of another," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was referred to the next Legislature.

"Resolve for the payment of lost bonds, coupons, and other State securities," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House receded and concurred.

"Resolve in favor of James Devine," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate referred to the Governor and Council, and the House receded and concurred.

Order directing the Secretary of State to furnish each officer and member of the Legislature with one copy of the acts and resolves of the year 1870, came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," reporting the Committee could not agree, and asking to be discharged, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate non-concurred in, and a Committee of Conference proposed, with Messrs. Gray, Carvill and Kingsbury appointed conferees.

The House concurred in the proposition for a conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Hume of Cherryfield, Gott of Leeds, and Hinks of Bucksport, conferees.

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Somerville to Washington," refused a passage by the House, came from the Senate,

that branch insisting and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Gibbs, Bartlett and Torrey appointed conferees.

The House concurred in the proposed conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Hammond of Paris, Mildram of Wells, and Douglass of Naples, conferees.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries," was taken from the table, amendment "A" amended as per sheet "B" on motion of Mr. SPAULDING of Richmond, and adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolves relating to certain charges against towns and to credits for men not put into the service and providing a commission to investigate the same," was taken from the table, the question being first on amendment "A," which was taken by yeas and nays on motion of Mr. MILLIKEN of Tremont, and the amendment was rejected by yeas 7, nays 81.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Ames, Baker, Bonney, Hinks, Mears, Tobey, Vose—7.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Allan, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Turner, Blake, Bliss, Boyd, Boothby, Brackett, Brown, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Conforth, Cousens, Daggett, Darling, Dearborn, Douglass, Duncan, Foss, Gannett, Gott, Greenlief, Gup-till, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harding, Hathorn, Holbrook, Holman, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Lord, Martin, Mason, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, Means, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Patten, Pike, Plummer, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Sturgis, Stone, Stover, Thurlough, Twitchell, Warren, Wasson, Waterhouse, Weston, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitehouse, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—81.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Alexander, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bean, Berry of Damariscotta, Berry of Buxton, Bird, Bradford, Brawn, Burnham, Campbell, Clark of Readfield, Clark of Holden, Cole, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Davis, Dennett, Dunning, Farwell, Folsom, Foster of Argyle, Gates,

Gould, Graffam, Green, Harriman, Hawes, Jordan of Minot, Lamson, Lewis of Pittston, Main, May, McGilvery, McLain, Mildram, Newcomb, Nickerson, Palmer, Peavey, Phillips, Pierce, Powers, Pray, Purinton, Ray, Reed, Riggs, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesboro', Smith of Warren, Thompson, White, Wilson of Bradford—57.

The question then being on passing the same to be engrossed, it was taken by yeas and nays and decided in the affirmative, by yeas 80, nays 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Allan, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bearce of Turner, Blake, Bliss, Bonney, Boothby, Brackett, Brown, Burgess, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Chase of Winn, Conforth, Cousens, Daggett, Dearborn, Douglass, Duncan, Foss, Gott, Greenlief, Guptill, Ham, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harding, Hathorn, Hinks, Holbrook, Holman, Hume, Humphrey, Hussey, Irish, Jones, Jordan of Brunswick, Keegan, Kimball, Lane, Leighton, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Lord, Martin, Mason, Mayo, McDougal, McKown, McLain, Means, Mills, Milliken, Moulton, Patten, Pike, Plummer, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Smith of Saco, Smith of Parsonsfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Sturgis, Stone, Stover, Thurlough, Twitchell, Wasson, Waterhouse, Wentworth, Wheeler, Whitney, Wilder, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—80.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Boyd, Tobey, Vose—3.

The resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Stetson,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee of Conference, on "resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to Feb. 25, 1862," reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House finally passing the same.

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

The Clerk, on motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco, was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, asking the return of bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein."

The bill was subsequently returned to the House, and the rules, on motion of Mr. SMITH of Saco, were suspended, and the vote passing the same to be enacted, reconsidered. The bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL of Portland,

*Ordered*, That on Thursday morning, March 24th, this House meet at 8 o'clock.

Mr. BAKER of Augusta, presented the following resolve:

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Commissioners on the State Valuation, accepted and established by this Legislature as the State valuation for the time being, ought to be revised by another tribunal, to correct any errors and inequalities, if any are found therein.

The same gentleman moved a suspension of the rules, and that the resolve have its two several readings at the present time.

The House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to suspend the rules, by yeas 48, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Allan, Baker, Barker, Barton, Bean, Berry of Damaris-

cotta, Blake, Bliss, Boyd, Boothby, Chase of Winn, Conforth, Cousins, Darling, Douglass, Duncan, Guptill, Ham, Hathorn, Hinks, Hussey, Irish, Keegan, Lamson, Lane, Lewis of Liberty, Libby, Lord, Martin, Mayo, McLain, Mills, Moulton, Powers, Reed, Skinner, Smith of Litchfield, Spaulding, Stickney, Sturgis, Thompson, Thurlough, Tobey, Warren, Wasson, Weston, Wentworth, Wilder—48.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Adams of Mayfield, Ames, Bearce of Turner, Berry of Buxton, Bonney, Brackett, Brown, Chamberlain, Chase of Woodstock, Clark of Readfield, Cole, Daggett, Dunning, Folsom, Foss, Foster of Argyle, Gannett, Gott, Graffam, Greenlief, Hammond of Westbrook, Hammond of Paris, Hamilton, Harding, Holbrook, Holman, Humphrey, Jordan of Brunswick, Kimball, Leighton, Lewis of Pittston, Mason, May, McKown, Means, Mears, Milliken, Newcomb, Palmer, Patten, Purinton, Smith of Saco, Smith of Warren, Smith of Parsonsfield, Stone, Stover, Twitchell, Vose, Waterhouse, White, Whitehouse, Whitney, Wilson of Bradford, Wilson of Thomaston, Young—56.

The following members were absent—

Messrs. Adams of Biddeford, Alexander, Bartlett, Bearce of Lewiston, Bird, Bradford, Brawn, Burnham, Campbell, Clark of Holden, Cox, Crockett, Cushing, Dearborn, Dennett, Farwell, Gates, Gould, Green, Hawes, Hume, Jones, McDougal, McGilvery, Mildram, Nickerson, Peavey, Phillips, Pike, Plummer, Pray, Ray, Riggs, Sherman of Camden, Sherman of Islesboro', Wheeler—36.

“Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate,” came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest,” having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill “an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to the survival of actions, approved March 11, 1870,” was laid on the table by Mr.

VOSE. The rules were suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SPAULDING presented "resolve in relation to the State valuation of Richmond," which was referred to the next Legislature and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," was taken from the table, Senate amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D" adopted, and further amended as per sheet "E." Pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed, adjourned till half past two o'clock.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Order directing the Secretary of the Senate to prepare a Legislative Manual, under the direction of the Governor and Council, and that 300 copies be printed for the use of the Senate, and the usual number for the House, provided that a contract is not made for the Maine State Political Manual and State Register, came from the Senate read and passed and was read and passed in concurrence.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee of Conference on bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company," reported the Committee could not agree, and recommended that the House adhere to its former vote passing the same to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. TWITCHELL, from the Committee on Finance, on order, reported bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1870 amounting to \$1, 350,413.01."

Mr. HUME, by leave, presented "resolve to pay the expenses of a Joint Special Committee on Investigation of Paper Credits."

Mr. DARLING of Patten, presented bill "an act additional to chapter 225, public laws of 1868, relative to equalization of municipal war debts."

The report was read and accepted, bills read the third time, resolve twice, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," was taken up, vote adopting Senate amendments reconsidered, and the amendments non-concurred in, vote adopting amendment "E" reconsidered, and the amendment by unanimous consent withdrawn by Mr. TWITCHELL. The bill was then amended as per sheet "H," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolves relating to certain charges against towns, and to credits for men not put into the service, and providing a Commission to investigate the same," came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted Senate amendments "A" and "B" and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The resignation of Isaac F. Thompson, member from the city of Hallowell, was received.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport, the House voted that when it adjourns, it be till 8½ o'clock this evening.

Bill "an act to change the location of the Granger Turnpike," indefinitely postponed 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 bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Adjourned.

#### EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. TWITCHELL, the vote passing to be engrossed bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," was reconsidered, further amended as per sheets "H" and "I," passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on Report of the Commissioners on Revision of Statutes, reported bill "an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870."

The report was read and accepted, the bill read three times, the rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 11, chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of real estate," was presented by Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor, read three times under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries."

Bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1870, amounting to thirteen hundred fifty thousand four hundred and thirteen dollars and one cent."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 10, chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to the survival of actions, approved March 11, 1870."

Bill "an act to change the time of holding the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Knox, and to establish another term therein."

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory."

Bill "an act to change the location of the Granger Turnpike."

"Resolve in relation to the pay of Commissioners."

"Resolve relating to the valuation of certain towns in the county of Kennebec."

"Resolve to pay the expenses of the Joint Special Committee on investigation of paper credits."

"Resolves relating to certain charges against towns, and to credits for men not put into service, and providing a Commission to investigate the same."

These bills having had three, and the resolves two several readings, and 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.

Report of the Committee of Conference on bill "an act to set off a part of Somerville to the town of Washington," reporting that they were unable to agree, and asking to be discharged, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

The House voted to adhere to its former vote refusing the bill a passage, on motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of Winterport,  
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1870.

Met according to adjournment.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. BARTON, from the Committee on Finance, reported bill "an act to provide in part for the expenses of the government."

The report was read and accepted, the bill read three times, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on report of the Commissioners to revise the public laws, reported bill "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of this State," came from the Senate read and accepted, the bill read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, the bill read three times, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Attorney General elect, signifying his acceptance of that office.

Final report of the Committee on Legal Reform, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. TWITCHELL, under suspension of the rules, presented bill "an act concerning specie payments," which was read three times, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State."

Bill "an act concerning specie payments."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 11 of chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate."

Bill "an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870."

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House."

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate."

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

Mr. VOSE of Winterport, 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. Lane, its Secretary, informing the House that the Senate had disposed of all business before it requiring concurrent action.

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three, 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 ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Holland of Androscoggin, and Minot of Kennebec, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Farwell of Augusta, Ham of Lewiston, Humphrey of Bangor, Lane

of Hollis, Tobey of Athens, Libby of Limerick, and Bean of Corinth, were joined on the part of the House.

Subsequently, Mr. FARWELL reported that the Committee had discharged the duty assigned it, and the Governor was pleased to say that 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 336 acts and 105 resolves, and that he had no further communication to make.

Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, introduced the following resolve, which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the members are hereby tendered to S. J. Chadbourne, Clerk, and Z. A. Smith, Assistant Clerk, and the other officers of the House, for the faithful and impartial manner in which they have performed their various and onerous duties.

Mr. ADAMS of Biddeford, then addressed the House as follows :

MR. SPEAKER:—As we approach the close of another legislative session, and are reminded that our public duties here are well nigh ended, it is fitting that we for the moment forget the various conflicting interests which may thus far have more particularly occupied our attention, and for awhile mingle in the more social interchange of thought and feeling suggested by the occasion, and which more fully unite and elevate our common sympathies, and thus develop the purer emotions of the heart.

In accordance, therefore, with accustomed usage, and by the courtesy of the House so generously accorded to the minority, I am intrusted with the pleasant duty first of expressing to you in their behalf our high appreciation of the many generous and noble qualities, both of head and heart, which have characterized your intercourse with each of us, and the uniform courtesy and considerate kindness extended to us in your official capacity as our presiding officer. And I trust you will consider it no unmeaning form of words with which we assure you that our brief acquaintance thus far has but daily deepened and strengthened the respect and esteem which first impressions had already created. The



difficult and often perplexing duties devolving upon you have been most faithfully performed, and amid the frequent annoyances but too often occasioned by our own indiscretion, no act or word of yours has wounded the feelings of the most sensitive among us. Be assured, sir, that as we return again to our several homes, to engage anew in our varied avocations, you will not be forgotten by us, and that among the many pleasant remembrances which we carry with us, none will be more sacredly enshrined in our hearts than those pertaining to yourself. And often, though perhaps unuttered, as the recollections of this hour come thronging on our memories, will the fervent prayer arise from all our hearts that the richest of Heaven's blessings may rest on you and yours.

To those of us composing the body of the House, next to the inquiry how well we have performed our duties here as legislators, the thought at this time most prominent will be that the present separation is to many and probably to most of us the final one; and by that thought the cordial grasp of the friendly hand will in a measure be unnerved, and the earnest "God bless you!" uttered from a full heart, perchance with quivering lip and moistened eye. But we would not have it otherwise, for thus to weep is manly.

"Man is a pendulum betwixt a smile and tear,  
And he who joy feels most—hath most of sorrow known."

That in an assembly gathered from so many communities and representing various local and often conflicting interests, differences of opinions should frequently arise, and sometimes in their discussion generate heated passions and hasty words, may be no matter of surprise; and yet we may congratulate ourselves that among us such discordant elements have rarely presented themselves, and whenever thus intruding, have been promptly suppressed, and the utmost possible harmony and mutual forbearance thereby secured to all our deliberations. In the discussion of the various important matters which have come before us during the present session, it must have been that we have obtained more enlarged views of the nature and requirements of public legislation and our relations as communities to the whole State, as well as our individual obligations in promoting the general good. And let us remember, as we retire from these more public duties, that the same obligations as citizens rest upon us. Though divested of our official oaths, yet the demands of society are still the same. Let us remember also that correct legislation is but the offspring

of a healthy public sentiment, and that is begotten alone of personal virtue, enforced by united individual action.

Thus feeling and thus acting, be the future of our years longer or shorter, they will have accomplished life's true aim.

“ We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not words;  
In feelings, not in figures on a dial.  
We should count time by heart throbs. He most lives  
Who thinks most—feels the noblest—acts the best.”

And now in separating, may it be that we shall each carry with us from this hall the consciousness that however imperfectly we may have performed the various duties imposed upon us here, a sincere desire at least to be guided by our honest individual convictions, enlightened so far as may be by the wise and judicious counsels of our associates, has ultimately brought us to such conclusions as have commended themselves to our consciences and met the approval of those whose servants we are.

And when the hour of final separation from all things earthly shall come to each of us—as come sooner or later it must to all—when human sympathies no longer avail us and one by one we feel our heartstrings breaking—may our lives before High Heaven be such that

“ Whether in youth like early fruit—or in the sear and solemn suit  
Of our autumnal age; like wheat, ripened and for the reaper fit,  
He cut us off—O then may we gathered in his garner be.”

He then said :

Mr. CLERK:—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 thanks of this House are hereby tendered to Hon. Reuben Foster for his impartial and dignified manner in presiding over the deliberations of this House.

Mr. COUSENS of Kennebunkport, said :

Mr. CLERK:—The closing hour of this Legislature having arrived, there comes with it oppressive feelings of heart-felt sadness.

We have anxiously wished for the day that should close our labors here, and restore us to the bosom of our families and friends; but we who were members of former Legislatures were aware that the longed-for hour of separation would bring with it impressive and solemn reflections.

During this session we have like brethren been striving together for one common object, namely, the development of the great industrial resources of our noble State, and the advancement of her people in all that is honorable and of good report. In pursuing these objects we have forgotten all party bias, and have been able to consider each measure wholly upon its own merits. And it affords me the greatest pleasure to bear my testimony to the uniform kindly feelings and unwonted generosity that has characterized the conduct of the majority of this Legislature towards the minority, and in a special manner towards me personally. And I am sure that I only too feebly express the deepest feelings that now animate each heart of that minority, when I say to the majority of this House, gentlemen, we sincerely thank you for your undeviating courtesy and gentlemanly bearing towards us during the session.

The remembrance of your many kindly acts shall sweeten the recollections of these days of toil and sacrifice for our State, and cause us to hope for a reunion in that brighter and better clime, where these heaven-born feelings will be rekindled.

And permit me to say that it is to me no less pleasurable to join with the greatest cordiality the members of this House in expressing my high appreciation of the urbanity, ease and rapidity with which our honorable Speaker has discharged the onerous duties imposed upon him. I mean no empty compliment when I assert that such rare qualities as he exhibits are seldom found in a presiding officer; combining as they do, marked ability, dignity, impartiality, order, promptness, and such uniform patience, kindness and manifest goodness of heart and honesty of purpose, as well as a desire to help the inexperienced legislator, as to at once challenge the love and respect of all. To the Speaker, the Clerk and Assistant Clerk, the Messenger and Assistant Messenger, the Reporter and the sprightly and lovely little Page boy, one and all, as well as to each and every member of this House, I tender my heartfelt and sincere thanks for the many kind words and acts which you have bestowed upon me.

Let me close these, my last words to you, my brother legislators, by expressing the hope that each of us may live worthy of the esteem of all good men; serve our Creator and our country faithfully and well; and finally meet, one and all, in the bright home above, where parting scenes are never known.

Mr. HUMPHREY of Bangor, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I cordially concur in the sentiments contained in the resolution offered by the gentleman from Biddeford. I think I express the general, nay *universal* feeling of the members of this House, when I bear testimony to the uniform courtesy, ability and impartiality of him who has presided over our deliberations during the session about to close. I shall carry with me from this hall pleasant recollections of his urbanity and kindness of manner.

This session has not been a short one. Certain duties, not occurring every year, have increased the labors we have had to perform. Our work is now done, and we are about to submit it to the inspection and the judgment of the people. If it shall be claimed that, in any particular, we have failed properly to perform this work, I am sure it cannot be because we have not intended to do that which would contribute to the public welfare. If the results of our labors shall prove as wise as our intentions have been good, I am certain the State will receive no detriment at our hands.

We have had political parties here, as I presume we always shall have, but there has been an absence of all asperity and bitterness; and in no instance have I observed a disposition to accomplish mere party ends at the expense of the public interest.

The most of us were strangers to each other at the commencement of the session. We have here formed pleasant acquaintances and warm friendships, irrespective of any party affiliations. These friendships it will be a pleasure to me to remember and cherish long after we shall have separated.

We are now about to depart from this hall to engage in our various pursuits. I doubt not we shall carry with us the consciousness of having, in the work we have done, contributed our best efforts towards the development of the material, the educational and the moral interests of the State. I hope we may meet with the generous judgment and approval of our fellow citizens. And may we, each of us, when our life's work is done, receive the approval of the great Judge, and the commendation of "Well done good and faithful servant."

Mr. BLISS of Washington, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I rise to express my entire concurrence in the resolves and remarks that have been made. For almost three

months one hundred and fifty men, members of this House, have been intimately associated here and become familiar with each other. When this House assembled in January last, the majority of us were strangers to each other. The associations of this winter have made us acquaintances and friends, and now we are about to separate. All of these pleasant associations are about to be severed, and the saddening thought comes home to us all, shall we ever meet again? In spite of all our hopes to the contrary, in spite of all the sentiments of lofty cheer, the sad conviction is forced upon us that we all shall never meet again. The beautiful spirit of the christian theology teaches us that hereafter we are to meet, but not then as legislators. In this hour it is fitting that we should forget the animosities kindled by legislation and partizan strife, and remember that we are of one common family, with a good or evil destiny hanging over us, and that an All-Wise Providence has given us the honor and opportunity of taking the good or evil. And may we so act that when we shall be summoned hence from all mundane affairs we may be entitled to the happy greeting of "Well done good and faithful servant."

Mr. FARWELL of Augusta, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I feel that I should do lasting injustice to my own feelings and the good will of my constituents if I failed to give my hearty approval and generous endorsement of the resolution presented by the gentleman from Biddeford. The faithful manner in which the Speaker has discharged the delicate and laborious duties of his high and honorable office—his rigid and impartial enforcement of the rules of this House upon friend and stranger alike—find but suitable recognition in these manly tributes of respect. It will be among the pleasant and agreeable remembrances of my life that, coming into this House with him, under circumstances of peculiar embarrassment, I have ever received that kindly consideration and encouragement from the chair which spices life with the beauties and generousities of christian magnanimity.

I think we may claim for this House that we have been actuated by a desire to promote the true interests of our great State. I am sure that in the discharge of our responsible duties we have sought to add weight and wealth and happiness to the good State we were chosen to serve. If judgment may at any time have failed us, for our good purposes we may confidently hope for hon-

orable mention in history. Surely we have not purposely allowed any interest to suffer at our hands, while we have labored to transmit our State, with unimpaired honor and with augmented value, to our successors.

A single word personal. To my associates in committee and on this floor, I beg to tender my acknowledgements for uniform courtesy and kindness, and to say that if in the excitement of unstudied debate I may have dropped any words unfitted for this high forum, they were only the utterances of the moment—to be no more remembered forever. In the future and mellow years of life I shall review with kindly remembrance the agreeable relations growing out of our membership in 1870.

Mr. BAKER of Augusta, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I feel that it is only just and due to me, under the circumstances in which the question of the Speaker was determined at the early part of the session, and as it is well known that I favored the election of another instead of the one who has presided over our deliberations, to say what I think upon this occasion. It was not from the want of personal respect and attachment to the Speaker that I was in favor of another individual. My relations with him have always been of the most pleasant kind, and we have been very much associated together in our professional life. I wish to say that I have carefully watched his presiding over this body, in the anxiety manifested in the selection of committees—which is a very difficult and delicate task—in the ease and urbanity, and gentleness tempered with firmness with which he has presided and ruled in all the varied questions of order that have come up during our session, and the entire satisfaction, as far as I know, which those rulings have given, so that no one appeal has been taken from those decisions during this entire session, which is saying a great deal for a new Speaker and a young man. With no less than three individuals, who have occupied that chair heretofore upon the floor of this House, and presumed to be acquainted with all the difficult rules of a deliberate assembly, it is an uncommon compliment that no appeal has ever been taken. I endorse, therefore, most sincerely and fully, the appropriateness of that resolution and the opinions which have been expressed in relation to it.

Let me say to you, gentlemen, that entering this House almost

a stranger to you all, your faces have become familiar, and I feel that there is a tie binding us together that we shall never forget, whatever may betide us or wherever we may go. I have felt or known no difference, and I think no one here has, as regards political parties. In fact, I cannot point out the minority of this House. I do not know that we shall all ever be here again, but I do know this, that if our constituents are as sensible as I think they are we shall all be back here next session.

Mr. STOVER of Harpswell, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I should do injustice to my feelings if I did not take this opportunity to add my testimony to what has already been said in regard to the able and impartial manner in which the Speaker has performed the arduous duties of presiding officer of this House. His uniform courtesy and his manly firmness, tempered by strict justice, has not only produced our respect, but won our affections. The other officers of this House, from our affable and accommodating Clerk down to the sprightly Page, have performed their duties with ability and untiring energy. Among the members, though most of them entire strangers to each other, there has sprung up a feeling of brotherhood which does credit to humanity.

I must acknowledge, sir, that although I have looked with anxious longings for the close of this session, to be again free from legislative cares, enjoying the comforts of home, yet a wave of sadness sweeps over my reflections as the hour draws near when these pleasant associations will be severed, and we shall part perhaps to meet no more on the fleeting shores of time. Thus is life—we meet but to part; the fondest ties must be broken, and may this reflection lead us to seek that treasure that moth nor rust can ne'er corrupt, but will procure for us a reunion where parting will be known no more. And let us strive to make our future lives such that our constituents shall not say that in honoring us they have dishonored themselves. If there has been any feelings of bitterness engendered by the heated earnestness of debate, let them all vanish under the softening influence of this occasion. We met on a "level," we part on the "square."

Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, said :

Mr. CLERK AND GENTLEMEN:—I met with you under peculiar circumstances, and I wish in this parting hour to express my thanks to the members of this House for the kindness which they have manifested towards me. To those who thought proper to favor me in the hour of trial, I return my thanks. To those who thought proper in their judgment to oppose me, I may say that towards them I have none but kindly feelings. There are questions which admit of an honest difference of opinion. I differ in many matters from some of my friends, and I would have no man believe that for anything that has past I cherish anything but the kindest feelings, and I hope each member of this House bears the same feelings toward me.

I concur in the resolve and am willing to bear testimony to the efficient and impartial manner in which our presiding officer has discharged his official duties.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. FOSTER, the Speaker, said :

*Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:*—If, in after years, I be permitted to scan life's dim past, the period of the present session will be of the most attractive features. Entire harmony, as I believe, has existed between you and me, and I thank you, and feel grateful for the constant courtesy and kindness which you all, irrespective of party, have seemed to vie with each other in affording me.

Your compliments I am proud of. I have tried to discharge the duties of the office faithfully, impartially and efficiently, and if success has resulted, your hearty coöperation has contributed its full share. The business, in amount and importance, has been extraordinary, exceeding that of any year for the last decade at least, and I congratulate you upon having been relatively able to meet the emergency.

You have been liberal in sentiment, but toward truth and humanity; in appropriations, but in aid of the school and the benevolent institution.

The session, in view of the labor performed, including that on revision of statutes and State valuation, has been short without precedent in the State's history. It now closes. The parting



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hour of friends, not to meet again, is sad ; but least sad really, let us remember, when best prepared to part.

Gentlemen, may you have a pleasant return home to loved ones yearning for your presence.

By invitation of the Speaker, prayer was offered by Mr. LEWIS of Liberty.

On motion of Mr. HUME of Cherryfield, the House adjourned without day.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

# TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1870.

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## PUBLIC LAWS.

An act relating to evidence.

to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Waldo.

to amend section one, chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, relating to the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy.

additional to chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers.

additional to an act 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," approved February twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

to amend section twenty-four of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to trespasses on adjoining land.

to repeal chapter fifty-three of the acts of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, and sections thirty-two, thirty-three and thirty-four of chapter eighty-four of the revised statutes, and to amend section thirty-one of the same chapter, relating to levy of executions against towns.

additional to "an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the court of probate for the county of Cumberland."

establishing the school week and month.

to amend the eighth section of chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight, relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land.

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- An act to provide for the payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences.
- to amend section one of chapter thirty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime.
- to continue in force the provisions of chapter one hundred and seventy of laws of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.
- relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence.
- to establish the salary of the register of probate of the county of Waldo.
- to amend chapter sixty-three of the revised statutes, relating to notices in probate courts.
- to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations.
- relating to penalties of selectmen or assessors for malfeasance in office.
- for the incorporation of public cemeteries.
- to amend section three, chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace.
- to repeal an act entitled "an act providing for reviews in criminal cases," approved March third, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.
- to amend sections ten and twelve of chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors.
- to amend chapter fifty-one, section forty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to railroads.
- in relation to the supreme judicial court and to pay certain expenses of the justices thereof.
- to amend section twenty-one of chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, relating to offers to be defaulted.
- amendatory of "an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the supreme judicial court in the county of Hancock," approved February twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.
- to establish the fees of the county commissioners of Washington county.

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- An act to amend chapter forty of the revised statutes, relating to herring boxes.
- to amend section eight of chapter eleven of the revised statutes relating to supervision of schools.
- to amend chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society.
- to establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland.
- allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society.
- to establish certain rules for the construction of statutes.
- to establish the salary of the register of probate of Sagadahoc county.
- to amend chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions.
- additional to and amendatory of "an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the supreme judicial court," approved February twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.
- additional further regulating probate courts and proceedings.
- to amend chapter ninety-four of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer.
- to amend section sixty-five, chapter four of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for illegal voting.
- to amend section one of chapter twenty-five of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, relative to the sale of milk.
- to amend chapter one hundred and one of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, relating to drainage.
- to amend chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates.
- additional to chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors.
- to regulate the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine.
- to provide for the organization of plantations.

An act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the court of county commissioners in the county of Hancock.

to amend chapter seventy of the revised statutes, relating to assignments.

concerning the rate of interest.

additional to chapter thirty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

to amend section seventeen of chapter sixty-five of the revised statutes, relating to the distribution of personal estate.

to amend section twenty, chapter one hundred forty-three of the revised statutes, relating to expense of supporting the insane at the hospital.

to amend section ten of chapter eighty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to survival of actions.

to amend section nine of chapter seven of the revised statutes, relating to changing the registry district of Aroostook county.

to amend sections one hundred and forty-five and one hundred and fifty-seven of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes.

to amend chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes, relating to paupers.

to amend chapter two hundred and thirty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to evidence.

to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water-fowl by traps, etc.

to amend chapter thirty of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou.

to amend section forty of chapter four, section eleven of chapter five, section seventy-four of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, and chapter forty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, relating to elections, public lands and ways.

to amend section twenty-seven of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in supreme judicial court.

An act to amend chapter twelve of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands and funds arising therefrom.

to amend section one of chapter eighty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-two, relating to appeals from decision of county commissioners.

to amend section one of chapter thirty-four of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers.

additional to chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to banks.

additional to chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the revised statutes, concerning frauds.

additional to chapter ninety of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate.

to provide for the recording of certain contracts.

to amend section eighty-eight of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes.

to renew the charters of certain banks.

to amend sections one and three, chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to school districts.

to amend section sixty-one, chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways.

to authorize the treasurer of state to issue registered bonds.

to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the county commissioners for the county of Washington.

to amend section eleven, chapter one hundred and thirty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coroners.

to amend the twenty-second section of the eleventh chapter of the revised statutes, relating to powers and obligations of school districts.

additional to "an act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors."

to change the time of holding the April term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Lincoln.

to increase the pay of the attorney general.

to amend section one, chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, and to repeal chapter one hundred eighty-six of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, relating to railroads.

concerning insurance and insurance companies.

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- An act additional to "an act to amend chapter one hundred and one of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, relating to drainage."
- to amend an act entitled "an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries," approved March twelfth, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.
- to amend chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers.
- amendatory of "an act to amend chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society, approved March first, eighteen hundred and seventy.
- relative to the selection and empaneling of juries for the trial of civil causes and criminal cases other than capital.
- additional to "an act respecting actions against executors and administrators," approved February third, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.
- relating to injunctions.
- additional to chapter forty-six of the revised statutes, concerning corporations.
- for the preservation of certain birds.
- additional to chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court.
- additional to section fifty-two of chapter eighty of revised statutes, relating to sheriffs.
- to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools.
- to repeal chapter forty-five of the statutes, relating to interest.
- to change the time of holding the September term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Knox, and to establish another term of said court therein.
- additional to chapter seventy of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-nine, to regulate the river and interior fisheries.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to amend section ten of chapter eighty-seven of the revised statutes," relating to the survival of actions, approved March eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy.

An act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands.

to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

to amend section eleven of chapter seventy-one of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate.

concerning specie payments.

#### PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An act additional to "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Bleachery Company," approved March twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred fifty-three.

to increase the capital stock of the Bates Manufacturing Company in Lewiston.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Eureka Milling Company."

to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner."

to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Company.

to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as a justice of the peace.

to authorize the county commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across Kennebec river, between the towns of Waterville and Winslow, and apportion the expense of erecting and maintaining a bridge across said river, upon said towns in proportion to their respective valuations.

to incorporate the Algæ Fertilizer Company.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to amend chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the private laws for eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston."

to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference.

to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to lease their road and for other purposes.



- An act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth.
- to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company.
- additional to "an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company."
- to authorize the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad.
- to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad, and to contract for said extension.
- to authorize John A. Buck to extend his wharf into tide water in the town of Bucksport.
- to incorporate the proprietors of Solon Village Cemetery.
- to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor.
- additional to an act entitled "an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company."
- to incorporate the Baptist Meeting-House Society in Belgrade.
- to incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association.
- to incorporate the Thomaston Savings Bank.
- to incorporate the Bangor Ice and Coal Company.
- to incorporate the Merchants' Marine Insurance Company.
- to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company.
- to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman.
- to amend "an act to incorporate the Baring bridge," approved February twenty-six, eighteen hundred and thirty-three.
- to authorize William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer, and also to build a marine railway.
- authorizing Samuel E. Smullen and Sylvanus C. Prince to extend a wharf into tide waters at Harpswell.
- to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association.
- authorizing John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in the city of Belfast.

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- An act to make valid the doings of the pew holders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting House at Richmond.
- for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond, situated in Franklin county.
- to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association.
- to repeal chapter two hundred and thirteen of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to protect smelts in the Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers."
- to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company.
- to set off certain estates, with the inhabitants thereon, from the Norway Village Corporation.
- to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company.
- to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Swan pond, in the town of Hartford.
- to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company, approved February twenty-two, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.
- to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf.
- to set off part of the town of Trenton, and incorporate the same into a town by the name of Lamoine.
- to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c.; into the waters of Pleasant river.
- additional to "an act to incorporate the Bangor Water Power Company."
- further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland.
- to amend section one of chapter one hundred and seventy of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money.
- to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield.
- for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond in the town of Waldoborough.
- to authorize George W. McLellan to construct and maintain fish weirs and wharves in the tide waters of Herring cove in the town of Trescott.

- An act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company.  
to incorporate the Howard Slate Company.  
authorizing Nathaniel Perkins and J. M. Perkins to build a wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river at Phippsburg.  
to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor.  
to authorize Edward Swazey, B. F. Farnham and others, to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport.  
amendatory of and additional to an act to amend "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river," approved March fifth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.  
to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Rockland."  
to authorize Charles B. Sanford to build a wharf in the town of Winterport.  
to incorporate the Penobscot Valley Steamship Company.  
for the preservation of fish in Ossipee Lake and its tributaries.  
to authorize Erastus C. Simpson, Alpheus P. Simpson and George L. Garland, to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell.  
to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river, in the town of Waldoborough.  
to incorporate the Shin Brook Dam Company.  
for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in the town of Parsonsfield.  
giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport, to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark in said town.  
to amend "an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital."  
to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company.  
to authorize William Godfrey, Franklin Brown and Handy Hinkley to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben, also one in the tide waters of Dyer's bay in same town.  
to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company.

An act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in the town of Lubec:

to change the name of the Gardiner District Campmeeting Association.

additional to chapter two hundred and seventy-five, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland.

to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Pinkham's island, in the town of Millbridge.

to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures.

to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation.

to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company.

to incorporate the Lincoln Woolen and Cotton Manufacturing Company.

to authorize the First Freewill Baptist Parish of Augusta, to borrow money to pay its debt, and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same.

to amend "an act to incorporate the city of Bangor," passed February twelve, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

to authorize the sale of the Christian Meeting-House in Albion.

to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company.

to incorporate the Highland Slate Company.

to set off a part of plantation number seven and annex the same to the town of Gouldsborough.

authorizing the town of Stetson to take stock in the Stetson Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company.

to authorize A. L. Frohock and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot bay, in the town of Lincolnville.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company," and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof.

to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond.

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- An act to authorize David Rodick to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay, in the town of Eden.
- to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton.
- to authorize George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor.
- to amend "an act amendatory of and additional to an act to incorporate the city of Calais," approved February twenty-six, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.
- to amend "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Calais," approved February eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.
- to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company of Richmond.
- to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company.
- relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden.
- to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company.
- to authorize Samuel D. Carleton, Joshua G. Norwood and P. J. Carleton, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor, in the town of Camden.
- to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society.
- to incorporate the Aurora Mills.
- to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery Corporation.
- giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough annexed to Gorham by act of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, chapter three hundred and forty-one, their portion of the money paid by the state to Scarborough, under act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter two hundred and twenty-five.
- to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad.
- to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank.
- to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company.
- to establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna.
- to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company.
- to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company.
- to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company.

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- An act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben.
- to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company.
- to promote the improvement of the navigation of the Kennebec river.
- to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank.
- authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company.
- to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison, in the county of Washington.
- to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company.
- to regulate the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corinna.
- to make valid the acts of the parish of the High Street Church in the city of Portland.
- to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Dennys river," approved February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.
- to change the names of certain persons.
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- to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association.
- to change the name of Eugene W. Libbey.
- to authorize the county treasurer of Cumberland county to pay Miltimore Watts for services.
- to set off a part of the town of Limington and annex the same to the town of Limerick.
- to change the names of certain persons.
- to authorize the Congregational church in Kenduskeag, to sell their title to the Baptist meeting-house in said town.
- to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company.
- to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of the Mousam river in the town of Kennebunk.
- to incorporate the North Anson Savings Bank.
- to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect fish weirs in the tide waters of Jonesborough, at Shorey's Island.
- to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company.
- to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale.

An act to amend "an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water," approved March first, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport.

to authorize the city of Rockland to raise and expend money for certain purposes.

to incorporate the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Biddeford.

to make valid the official doings of the persons elected as selectmen and as assessors of the town of Kennebunk, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

authorizing Charles H. Bartlett of Kittery, to build a wharf into tide waters of Piscataqua river.

to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association.

authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads.

to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company.

authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater bridge in said town.

making valid the doings of school district number seventeen, in the town of Bristol.

to change the name of Edward Warren, and for his adoption.

to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to make valid the doings of the town of Kenduskeag.

to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company.

to make valid the doings of the town of Porter in voting a bounty to George W. Ridlon.

to regulate the taking of pickerel from Pattee's pond in the town of Winslow.

to change the names of certain persons.

to incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank.

to establish a ferry across the Passamaquoddy river between the towns of Lubec and Eastport.

to legalize the doings of the first parish in Bethel.

to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation.

to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company.

- An act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank.  
to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company.  
to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank.  
to incorporate the Wassataquoik Dam Company.  
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to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream, in the town of Columbia, county of Washington.  
to legalize the acts of Thomas W. Herrick as a justice of the peace and quorum, in and for Kennebec county.  
giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin Bridge.  
to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Saw Manufacturing Corporation.  
to amend section two of the fifteenth chapter of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, relating to Sebec Lake Steamboat Company,  
to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston.  
to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company.  
to amend the city charter of Bangor.  
to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad.  
to amend section one of "an act to aid the minor children of William J. Dean," approved February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.  
to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company.  
to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company.  
to incorporate the Merchants Warehouse Company.  
to authorize the town of Bowdoinham to raise money for certain purposes.  
additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company.  
to authorize Frederic Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport.  
to procure the enforcement of "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river."  
to make valid the doings of the town of Temple.  
to change the name of the Association for the Relief of Aged Indigent Women.



An act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company.

to repeal section two of chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the acts of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, entitled "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast.

to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund.  
to confirm the organizations of certain plantations in Aroostook county.

to supply the people of Augusta with pure water.

to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital.

to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Hancock street in said city to Kenduskeag stream.

authorizing John C. Harriman, Alfred Lennox, and others to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river.

additional to an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company," approved February twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company.

to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale and annex the same to the town of Manchester.

to incorporate the Maine Mutual Marine Insurance Company.

in relation to a certain claim of Bickford C. Mathews.

in addition to "an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

to incorporate the Waldoborough Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company.

to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle.

to legalize the official acts of John E. Hobbs of North Berwick, trial justice.

to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner.

to authorize G. W. Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy into the tide waters of Owl's Head bay, in the city of Rockland.

additional to and to amend the acts incorporating the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company.

to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company.

- An act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad.
- to authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad.
- to renew the charters of certain banks.
- to incorporate the Bangor Bank.
- to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company.
- additional to "an act to incorporate the Saint Croix Gas Light Company," chapter two hundred and fifteen of acts and resolves of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.
- in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Co. for the protection of trout and pickerel in certain waters in Hiram and Porter.
- to authorize the town of Brunswick to loan money to build a town building, to issue bonds, and provide for a sinking fund in payment therefor.
- to incorporate the Sebang Steamboat Company.
- to incorporate the Bath Sugar House Company.
- to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad.
- to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company.
- to amend chapter three hundred and thirty-eight of the special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty, relating to ways in Vinalhaven.
- to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Kennebunk Building Association.
- to amend sections one and fifteen of chapter two hundred and eighteen of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to incorporate the Saco River Railroad Company," approved March fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.
- to authorize Davis Tillson and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Hurricane Island harbor.
- to set off a part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell.
- to incorporate the Seboois Dam Company.
- to amend chapter thirty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred sixty-nine, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

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- to incorporate the Maine Warehouse Company.
  - to authorize the town of Norridgewock to take stock in the Norridgewock bridge.
  - to incorporate the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company.
  - to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association.
  - to continue in force "an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory."
  - for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, amounting to thirteen hundred fifty thousand four hundred thirteen dollars and one cent.
  - to change the location of the Granger Turnpike.
  - to provide in part for the expenditures of government.
  - to incorporate the Union Depot Company.

# TITLES OF RESOLVES

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- Resolve in favor of clerks to the valuation commission.
- Resolves in commemoration of the character and services of Edwin M. Stanton.
- Resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell.  
for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter three hundred and thirty of the resolves of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Feniale College.
- in favor of Louis Bennewit.  
to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan.  
in favor of Joseph M. Soccalexis.
- Resolves relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of eighteen hundred and twelve—fifteen.
- Resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of a supplemental digest of the Maine reports.  
directing the land agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation, in the county of Aroostook.  
in favor of Bachelor H. Huston.  
in favor of John G. Kelso.  
authorizing the land agent to change the location of public lots in plantation number eleven, range one, Aroostook county.  
for perfecting a State deed given by the land agent to Isaac Hacker in eighteen hundred and sixty-six.  
in favor of Joseph L. Young.  
in favor of John Hanscom.  
in favor of Charles W. Cobb.
- Resolves in relation of the shipping interest of Maine.

Resolve in favor of Paul Taber.

granting a lot of land to Francis Albert, junior.

in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in  
Island Falls plantation.

in aid of the Castle Hill road, leading from Presque Isle  
to Ashland, in the county of Aroostook.

in favor of opening a road through parts of Crystal and  
Island Falls plantation to Sherman.

in favor of Moses Perry.

to aid in building a bridge in plantation number eleven,  
range one, in the county of Aroostook.

in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island  
Falls plantation.

in aid of Houlton Academy.

in favor of the town of Bucksport.

in favor of the state reform school.

concerning the printing of the legislative manual.

authorizing the land agent to exchange lots numbered  
eighty-one and eighty-three, in township number six,  
range five, Aroostook county.

in favor of the joint standing committee on state reform  
school.

in favor of Wilton Academy.

abating a portion of the state tax of the town of Castine,  
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making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of  
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in favor of the joint standing committee on the state  
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in favor of A. J. Ray.

in favor of Romain Michaud.

in favor of Beriah Brown.

in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt.

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in aid of the road across Indian township, in the county of Washington.

in aid of opening a road through letters F and G, range one, Aroostook county.

in aid of the insane hospital.

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