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STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 24, 1873. }

ORDERED, That the Clerk be directed to publish the Journal of the House for distribution.

Read and passed.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.

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AUGUSTA, }
WEDNESDAY, January 1, 1873. }

Pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the State, 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 of 1872.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MARTIN of Augusta.

The certified roll of Representatives elect, furnished by the Secretary of State, in compliance with the provisions of section 21, chapter 2 of the revised statutes, was called by the Clerk, and 145 members responded to the call, and a quorum found to be present.

On motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner,

Messrs. Nash, Folsom of Oldtown, Milliken of Portland, Keegan of Madawaska, Howard of Lewiston, Torrey of St. George, and Paul of Kittery, were appointed a Committee to wait upon the Governor and inform him that a quorum of the members elect of the House of Representatives had assembled in the Representatives' Hall, and request 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. Nash subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duty assigned, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend the Convention for the purpose desired.

Thereupon the Governor, attended by the Executive Council, came in, and administered to the members elect, and they sub-

scribed, the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and Council then retired.

On motion of Mr. KING of Lyndon,

Messrs. King, Gifford of Vassalborough, Trefethen of Portland, Reed of Waldoborough, Mayhew of Mt. Vernon, Wheeler of Chesterville, and Bailey of Auburn, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker.

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

Whole number of votes.....	139
Necessary for a choice.....	70
Edmund F. Webb had.....	120
James R. Talbot.....	19

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

The SPEAKER was conducted to the Chair by Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, and addressed the House as follows :

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:—For this valued token of your confidence in electing me your presiding officer, I most sincerely thank you.

I accept the office; and with your cordial coöperation, which I solicit, I trust I may be able to discharge its responsible duties without detriment to the business of the House.

It shall be my faithful endeavor to so observe parliamentary practice and such rules and orders as the House may adopt for the regulation of its proceedings that there shall be no discrimination against the rights of either minorities or majorities.

The constitution provides that the Governor "shall from time to time give the Legislature information of the condition of the State and recommend such measures as he may deem expedient." Such a message from the Executive we may speedily expect, and let us be prepared to act in all our legislative duties with that candor and wisdom which will promote the public weal and we receive from our constituents the sanction of their approbation.

Gentlemen, I am ready to proceed with the business of the House.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,
Messrs. Bisbee, Whitcomb of Ellsworth, Corthell of Calais,
Weed of Littleton, Hobson of Wiscasset, Vinton of Gray, and
Wood of Bangor, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort
and count the votes for Clerk of the House.

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

Whole number of votes.....	136
Necessary for a choice.....	69
Sumner J. Chadbourne had	122
L. B. Brown	14

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

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville,

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

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	125
Necessary for a choice	63
Joseph O. Smith had.....	118
John Ware, Jr	7

The report was read and accepted, and Joseph O. Smith declared duly elected Assistant Clerk.

On motion of Mr. KING of Lyndon, that gentleman was directed to conduct 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. King subsequently reported he had discharged the duty assigned him, and the Clerk and Assistant Clerk had been duly qualified.

Thereupon the Clerk and Assistant Clerk appeared and entered upon the discharge of their official duties.

ATTEST : SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE,
Clerk of the House of 1872.

On motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner,
Ordered, That James B. Walker be Messenger and George G.

Leavens and John R. Prescott be Assistant Messengers of this House.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Burgess of Cumberland, announcing the organization of that branch by the election of Hon. John B. Foster as President and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden, that gentleman conveyed a message to the Governor informing him of the organization of the House, by the election of Edmund F. Webb as Speaker and Sumner J. Chadbourne Clerk.

Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport conveyed the same information to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHITCOMB of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That the Speaker appoint Pages for the House, not to exceed two in number, for the present session.

James B. Stinson and Carl C. King were appointed Pages.

On motion of Mr. PUTNAM of York,

Ordered, That Lewis B. Gerrish of Lebanon be made Folder of this House.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

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

On motion of Mr. FOLSOM of Oldtown,

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

On motion of Mr. WEED of Littleton,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to deliver to the Clerk 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 Manual.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

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

and one copy of the Daily Eastern Argus, during the present session.

On motion of Mr. BENNETT of Parsonsfield,

Ordered, That the House hold one session each secular day, commencing at ten o'clock A. M., except on Saturdays, when it shall meet at nine o'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

The SPEAKER announced the Monitors of the House as follows:

1st Division.....	Bisbee of Buckfield.
2d " 	Weston of Belgrade.
3d " 	Thomas of Portland.
4th " 	Folsom of Oldtown.
5th " 	Paul of Kittery.
6th " 	Whitcomb of Ellsworth.
7th " 	Corthell of Calais.
8th " 	Kenniston of Boothbay.

Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan announced the attendance of Silas C. Hatch, Curtis Stevens, and Lucius Dennison, members elect, and accompanied them to the Governor, where they took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, a Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be a Committee on Joint Standing Committees of the Legislature, whose duty it shall be to inquire whether any changes in said Committees be expedient, and report thereon as soon as may be.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Vinton of Gray, Dingley of Lewiston, Talbot of East Machias, Titcomb of Augusta, Hatch of Bangor, King of Lyndon, and Kenniston of Boothbay, on the part of the House.

The order was sent to the Senate.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Representatives for the current political year, which was read and laid on the table.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the

returns of votes for Governor, came from the Senate, 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. Abbot of Kennebec, Humphrey of Cumberland, Davis of Androscoggin, O'Brien of York, Carr of Sagadahoc, Shaw of Penobscot, and Harmon of Washington, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Wheeler of Chesterville, Rounds of Minot, Weed of Littleton, Milliken of Portland, Whitcomb of Ellsworth, Weeks of Augusta, Kalloch of Thomaston, Kenniston of Boothbay, Knight of Peru, Wood of Bangor, Brockway of Dover, Barron of Topsham, Knowlton of Skowhegan, Boardman of Belfast, Talbot of East Machias, and Lord of Saco, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. FOLSOM of Oldtown,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Ordered, That the House concurring, the Joint Rules and Orders of 1872, be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature, until otherwise ordered.

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

Mr. TREWORGY of Surry, announced the attendance of Mr. Robbins of Deer Isle, member elect, and by direction of the SPEAKER, accompanied him to the Governor, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Robbins subsequently appeared and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville,

Ordered, That the Clerk cause to be prepared a Register of the House, containing the usual information, for distribution.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, presented bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on Joint Standing Committees of the Legislature, reported that the Joint Standing Committees of the Legislature be as follows:

Judiciary; Legal Affairs; Financial Affairs; Federal Relations; Education; Railroads; Commerce; Mercantile Affairs and Insurance; Banks and Banking; Manufactures; Agriculture; Military Affairs; Interior Waters; State Lands and State Roads; Ways and Bridges; Fisheries; Counties; Towns; Indian Affairs; Claims; Pensions; Insane Hospital; Reform School; State Prison; Public Buildings; Library.

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

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

Ordered, That the Committees on Finance and Pay Roll be abolished and the Clerk directed to make up the pay roll of the House.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the House, this day, at 10 o'clock and 40 minutes, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General, Land Agent, and seven Executive Councillors, for the current political year.

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. DINGLEY of the Senate,

Messrs. Dingley of Androscoggin, Farrington of Oxford, Bisbee of Buckfield, Humphreys of Brunswick, Wentworth of Bucksport, Campbell of Cherryfield, and Wood of Bangor, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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

Whole number of votes.....	172
Necessary for a choice.....	87
George G. Stacy had.....	151
Joseph A. Linscott.....	21

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. George G. Stacy declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. SHAW of the Senate,

Messrs. Shaw of Penobscot, Butler of York, Egery of Bangor, Rollins of Albion, Smith of Stockton, Butman of Plymouth and Brockway of Dover, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

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

Whole number of votes.....	159
Necessary for a choice	80
Harris M. Plaisted had.....	138
William L. Putnam	21

The report was read and accepted, and Harris M. Plaisted declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. HUMPHREY of the Senate,

Messrs. Humphrey of Cumberland, Crandon of Washington, Titcomb of Augusta, Whitcomb of Ellsworth, Thomas of Portland, and Hall of Nobleborough, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

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

Whole number of votes.....	161
Necessary for a choice.....	81
Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., had.....	140
Charles W. Roberts.....	21

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

On motion of Mr. FARRINGTON of the Senate,

Messrs. Farrington of Oxford, Arnold of Aroostook, Randall of Island Falls, Randall of Richmond, Learned of Burnham, Putnam of York, and Fuller of Appleton, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

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

Whole number of votes.....	166
Necessary for a choice	84
Parker P. Burleigh had.....	144
George Whitney	22

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

On motion of Mr. O'BRIEN of the Senate,

Messrs. O'Brien of York, Whitmore of Hancock, Nash of Gardiner, Loring of Portland, Alley of Hartford, Ford of Atkinson,

and Cushman of Auburn, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

Mr. O'BRIEN, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes	163
Necessary for a choice.....	82
E. G. Harlow had.....	148
Fred N. Dow.....	148
J. R. Pulsifer.....	148
M. V. B. Chase.....	148
Reuben W. Files	148
E. A. Thompson	148
L. L. Wadsworth, Jr.....	148
A. S. Kendall	15
Melville P. Frank.....	15
Calvin Record.....	15
Artemas Libbey.....	15
Daniel F. Saunders.....	15
William H. McLellan.....	15
Charles F. Barker.....	15

The report was read and accepted, and E. G. Harlow, Fred N. Dow, John R. Pulsifer, M. V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson, and L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. CHAPLIN of Cumberland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to inform George G. Stacy of his election as Secretary of State, Harris M. Plaisted of his election as Attorney General, Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., of his election as Adjutant General, Parker P. Burleigh of his election as Land Agent, and E. G. Harlow, Fred N. Dow, J. R. Pulsifer, M. V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson, and L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., of their election as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

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

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

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

Whole number of votes returned.....	127,266
Necessary for a choice.....	63,634
Sidney Perham has.....	71,888
Charles P. Kimball.....	55,343
Scattering	35

And Sidney Perham, having a majority of all the votes returned, is elected Governor for the current political year.

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. Sidney Perham, 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. Burgess of Cumberland, Webster of Knox, and Coffin of Waldo, appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Hatch of Bangor, Fessenden of Portland, Webster of Castine, Cary of Turner, Keegan of Madawaska, Haley of Kennebunk, and Reed of Waldoborough, joined on the part of the House.

Mr. HATCH subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duty, 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 Samuel W. Lane, Esq., its Secretary, proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, this day, at 2 o'clock P. M., in the Hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Sidney Perham, Governor elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and receiving from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

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

Mr. CORTHELL of Calais, announced the attendance of Mr. Wilder of Pembroke, member elect, and accompanied him to the

Governor, where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Wilder subsequently took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray, adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. ABBOT of Kennebec,

That Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Sidney Perham, 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. Abbot 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 Hon. Sidney Perham, Governor elect, attended by the Executive Council and Heads of Departments, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Hon. George G. Stacy, 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 Sidney Perham, 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 Consti-

tion 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 SIDNEY PERHAM 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 Governor then communicated to the Convention by address information upon the affairs and condition of the State, as follows:

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

Having again been called to the discharge of the executive duties of the State, I appear before you, the representatives of the people, to take and subscribe the oaths of office; to return my profound thanks to those who have, for three years, honored me with their confidence and suffrages; to renew the pledge of my most earnest efforts to promote the great interests of the State and to guard with watchful care the rights and welfare of the people; and, in obedience to the constitution, to give information of the condition of the State, and recommend such measures as are deemed expedient.

In this spirit and with these purposes, I greet you, and welcome you to these halls, and to the high duties and responsibilities with which you are charged. Mindful of the obligations resting upon us, acknowledging our dependence on the Divine Ruler and invoking that wisdom that is from above, let us consecrate our best energies to the service of the State.

NATIONAL CONDITION.

It is proper that we should pause for a moment on the threshold of our duties, and recall some of the leading facts that characterize the present highly prosperous condition of the country. In the two questions between this country and Great Britain, involving the Alabama claims and the San Juan boundary, decisions have been made confirming fully in one case, and upon the most important points in the other, the claims of the United States. The amicable settlement of these questions is a triumph of the principles of peace over those of war in the adjustment of international differences.

The year 1873 opens with a degree of prosperity in all our national interests seldom if ever equaled in our history. Unusual activity characterizes all our industrial pursuits. Our railways, the arteries of civilization and commerce, are being rapidly extended into every part of the country where there are resources to be developed. They are opening up channels of business before unknown, and bringing to the great marts of trade the wealth heretofore too remote to be utilized, and vitalizing our entire industrial system. The locomotive stops not at the base of the Rocky Mountains, nor the confines of civilization. Intent upon its great mission, it scales the mountains, traverses vast prairies, plunges into dense forests, spreads farms, towns, cities, schools, factories and the newspaper press on its way, and opens up new highways for the commerce of the world.

Our agricultural, manufacturing, mining and commercial interests were never more prosperous. All the means of water transportation at command are not sufficient to carry our surplus agricultural products to the markets of the old world. The single State of Pennsylvania is producing more iron at the present time than England and the continent of Europe. It is reported that iron has recently been shipped to Europe with advantage; and it is confidently predicted that within a few years, instead of importing iron from England, we shall export large quantities to that country.

Our internal taxation, made necessary by the war, has been reduced nearly two hundred and fifty millions per annum; and still we have been paying the public debt at the rate of one hundred millions per annum. The duties on imports have been entirely removed from a large portion of the necessities of life, and otherwise greatly reduced. Soon a reasonable duty upon articles of luxury, which will be chiefly paid by the wealthy, with such modification as the protection of our own laborers demand, and the tax on spirits and tobacco, will be sufficient for revenue, and generally satisfactory to the people.

Our credit has been strengthened and the payment of our debt made absolutely certain, so that to-day our securities are eagerly sought for by capitalists for permanent investment in this and other countries. It is now understood that the balance of our debt may be funded at four and a half to five per cent. interest. All this tends to appreciate our currency and hasten the time

when a specie basis can be reached. Our present banking system secures a currency which, unlike the bills of the old State banks, is equally good in all parts of the country; while the bill-holders are secured from the possibility of loss by the mismanagement or failure of the banks.

By striking the shackles from the slave, we have removed the badge of dishonor which slavery attached to labor, and lifted up and dignified human industry.

The events and results of the recent Presidential campaign indicate greater unanimity upon the leading questions of public policy than has existed since the country was divided into political parties. The constitutional amendments abolishing slavery, and guaranteeing the rights of citizenship to all persons born or naturalized in the United States, including the right to vote; pledging the faith of the country to pay the debt incurred in the suppression of the rebellion, and pensions to disabled soldiers, and the dependents of such as died in the service; declaring illegal and void all debts and obligations created in aid of the rebellion, and giving Congress power to enforce these amendments by appropriate legislation, have all been accepted by their former opponents and approved by the platforms of both political parties. Assuming that these platforms express the sentiments of the men who made them, no party now desires the revival of slavery or the withdrawal of the rights of citizenship, the ballot or the privileges of education from those recently in servitude, and no one questions the propriety of providing that our debt shall be paid, and that no part of the debt created in aid of the rebellion shall be assumed by any State or the general government. All are in favor of such changes and reforms in the civil service and other departments of the government as experience shall dictate and the good of the country require. Indeed, it is said that in the recent Presidential canvass, many voters heretofore republicans, were seriously puzzled to determine whether the democratic party had not become, as it claimed in some instances, more intensely and truly republican than the republican party itself; while others were so positive that such was the fact that they deemed it their duty to vote the democratic ticket in order to sustain republican principles.

The principal questions that have divided the two great politi-

cal parties being substantially settled, we shall have time to devote more of our thoughts and energies to the development of our material and intellectual resources, and the achievement of the grand results which in the possibilities of the future await our efforts.

FINANCES.

The financial condition of the State, as appears by the report of the State Treasurer, is highly satisfactory.

The receipts for the past year have been	\$1,334,859 98
Disbursements	1,147,544 41
Debt January 1, 1873.....	\$7,187,900 00
Sinking fund in the Treasury.....	1,020,247 00
Debt, deducting sinking fund.....	\$6,167,653 00
Cash in Treasury above immediate liability.....	180,000 00
Debt, deducting sinking fund and cash in Treasury..	\$5,987,653 00
Sinking fund January 1, 1872.....	\$798,295 00
Sinking fund January 1, 1873.....	1,020,247 00
Increase of sinking fund in 1872.....	\$221,952 00
Trust funds held by the State, exclusive of sinking fund	\$789,078 00

The following is the statement of the public debt January 1, 1873 :

Due in 1873.....	\$50,000
“ 1874.....	50,000
“ 1875.....	30,000
“ 1876.....	60,000
“ 1877.....	51,000
“ 1878.....	30,000
“ 1880, (bounty loan).....	475,000
“ 1883, (war loan).....	525,000
“ 1889, (war loan).....	2,832,500
“ 1889, (municipal war debt).....	3,084,400
Whole amount of debt.....	\$7,187,900

The sinking funds established by acts of 1865 and 1868 are rapidly accumulating, and will be amply sufficient to meet the debt as it matures.

Exclusive of the mill tax, the State tax of 1872 was reduced fifty or sixty thousand dollars from the previous year. The taxpayers will now be glad to learn that in the opinion of the Treasurer, if there are no extraordinary appropriations made by this Legislature, the State tax for the year 1873 can be reduced to five mills on a dollar, being a reduction of \$170,000 from the State tax of 1872.

While it is our duty to provide for all just and necessary expenses, we shall, I trust, exercise the most rigid scrutiny in regard to all our appropriations and disbursements.

EDUCATIONAL.

For a complete exhibit of the educational work of the State, you are referred to the report of the State Superintendent of Public Schools. He makes some important suggestions that will, I trust, receive your careful consideration. Our Normal schools are doing well, but the demand for thoroughly trained teachers is greater than they can supply. In a Government like ours, where the source of power is in the people, free schools and general education are the surest guarantees of good government and the perpetuity of free institutions. The material prosperity and moral standing of the State corresponds with the degree of intelligence among the people. The State that best educates its citizens, will, other things being equal, be the strongest and most prosperous. Education lifts up the masses, and secures greater equality of wealth and influence. It creates individual strength and reliance; ignorance brings weakness and dependence. It secures progress; the neglect of it carries us backward. It brings national power and respect; through ignorance both are forfeited. Our hope is in the intelligence of the people; our danger is in the ignorance that is controlled by corrupt men. To the forces which education has planted in the heart, the brain and the conscience of the people, we owe our success in the past, and upon them we rest our hopes of the future. This grand superstructure of free government which we are building can only rest securely upon the immovable, enduring foundation of universal public education.

We rely chiefly upon our common school system to provide for the intellectual wants of the young, and for carrying each successive generation forward to a higher plane of moral and intellectual

development. Every question, then, bearing upon this subject is of vital importance. The wages of teachers are less in this than in any other State in the country. Hence many of our best teachers leave the State or engage in other pursuits. We cannot expect good schools without good teachers, and but few good teachers can be had without good pay.

I am glad to notice that the proportion of female to male teachers is gradually increasing. This is as it should be. There are some occupations open to men that are not accessible to women, but for this they are peculiarly adapted. Many of our best and most successful teachers are females. I am here reminded of what appears to me to be great injustice to female teachers. The wages of male teachers in this State average thirty-three dollars and seventeen cents per month, exclusive of board. The average wages for female teachers, exclusive of board, is fourteen dollars and forty cents per month. This is wrong. A given amount of labor, equally well performed, is worth the same, whether done by a male or female. A woman can live no cheaper than a man; it costs as much for her education as for his; she has no advantage in the cost of board, clothing, railroad, stage and hack fare, hotel bills, books, magazines or papers. Indeed, present custom in some of the most important of these items of expenditures demand more of her than of him. Why, then, must she be compelled to accept one dollar for services of equal value with those for which you pay him two dollars and thirty cents? I earnestly hope the next report of the Superintendent of Public Schools will show a large increase in the wages of female teachers.

I suggest that our present public school system is defective in that it does not, except in rare instances, furnish facilities for instruction beyond those offered in the district school. This has created a necessity for a large number of academies and private high schools; and these have in some respects detracted from the interest so desirable in the public school. Many of our wealthiest and most intelligent citizens rely chiefly upon private institutions for the education of their children. They do this because, in their opinion, the instruction in the public school is not what it should be, or because a higher grade of studies is desired. The result is that the interest which all citizens should have in our common schools is, to some extent, at least, withdrawn, and the active efforts of many whose coöperation and advice are greatly needed,

are turned into other educational channels; and this will continue until our schools are raised to the standard required by the progressive demands of the times.

Our public schools should be the best schools in the State, and should furnish opportunities not only for primary and intermediate studies, but to prepare for college, or the practical duties of life. These advantages should be as free to the children as the water they drink or the air they breathe. In most of our cities, and in some of the larger towns, public schools of the grade indicated are in successful operation. In the smaller towns it will, of course, be more difficult, but it appears to me not impracticable to establish in every town of one thousand or more inhabitants, a public high school, equal in grade to our best academies. Two or more smaller towns could unite for this purpose. This would secure equal opportunities for the children of the rich and poor and unite the interests of all classes. Many of our academies now having a feeble and precarious support, or no support at all, would furnish excellent accommodations, and in some instances good teachers for public high schools. Ample room would then be left for the many excellent institutions in the State of a grade between the high school and college. I trust the educational interest of the State will receive at your hands the careful consideration its importance demands.

INDUSTRIAL INTERESTS.

The labor of the farmer during the past year has generally been rewarded with satisfactory returns. Some important crops have fallen below the average, while others have exceeded the most sanguine expectations. More interest is felt in the discussion of questions affecting this great interest than ever before. Farmers are anxiously inquiring for the best methods of cultivation; the most approved machinery, the comparative advantage and profits of different kinds of crops, and for new and more profitable channels of agricultural industry. This spirit of inquiry, supplemented by the meetings and discussions of the Board of Agriculture, and Farmers' Clubs and the agricultural departments of the public press, cannot fail to advance materially the development of our agricultural resources. Our manufactures of cotton and woolen fabrics, leather, boots and shoes, bricks, and carriages and other articles of wood, are increasing. Many of the older manufactur-

ing operations are being enlarged, and new establishments are starting up in various parts of the State. Our water-power, which, for constant supply and availability, is unsurpassed in the country, is being more extensively improved. Our advantages in this direction have already attracted a large amount of capital to the State, and must eventually make this one of the leading manufacturing States in the country.

Our quarries of granite, marble, slate and lime are inexhaustible. Operations in them are increasing and yielding remunerative returns. The products of these quarries have already become an important item in our industrial productions.

More than the usual amount of lumber has been cut and manufactured during the past year, and a ready sale has been found. Our timber lands are proving to be an almost inexhaustible source of wealth. Townships upon which operations have been carried on every winter for thirty years are now worth much more than their value prior to the first cutting. It is now becoming evident that, vast as is the amount of timber cut in the State, the annual growth, where the fires are kept out, is nearly equal to what is removed by the lumbermen. The timber which our fathers supposed would be entirely exhausted before this time, now promises to be an important source of income for generations to come.

There has been greater activity in our ship-yards the past year than for some years before. A demand has arisen for the smaller class of vessels for the coasting trade, which our shipbuilders have not been slow to supply. There are no more skillful builders than in Maine, and there is no place in the country where vessels can be built better or cheaper. The increasing demand for such vessels as we have usually built in Maine, with the aid Congress is giving, promises to restore, in some degree, at least, a business that was once the dependence of important sections of the State and the pride of all. It is believed by many that as much tonnage will be built in Maine the next year as in any previous year.

The revival of shipbuilding is important in another respect. It will aid in regaining our lost commerce; and restoring to us our share in the carrying trade. As a general rule, the people who build no vessels, sail none, while those who do build, sail them. We may reasonably expect that the new impulse given to our shipbuilding will increase the number of American owners, and

multiply the number of American flags in the commercial harbors of the world.

STATE PRISON.

The State Prison has paid its expenses during the past year and seven thousand, eight hundred and forty-seven dollars and ninety-three cents besides. The number of convicts in the prison December 1st, 1871, was one hundred and seventy-four. December 1st, 1872, there were one hundred and sixty-four. In the opinion of the Warden, the number will continue to decrease during the next year. In addition to the value of buildings, the personal property belonging to the Prison liable to destruction by fire, is valued at nearly one hundred thousand dollars. The old fire engine is, in the opinion of the Warden and Inspectors, entirely inadequate, and the purchase of a steam fire engine is recommended.

RAILROADS.

The Report of the Railroad Commissioners shows that eight hundred and sixty-eight miles of railway are in operation in the State.

Less accidents have occurred, and general improvements and efficiency, and greater vigilance have characterized the management of our railroads during the year. The suggestions of the Commissioners in regard to cases where the managers of railroads decline to repair roads deemed unsafe, and where they refuse to run them for the accommodation of the public, will, I trust, receive your attention.

INSANE HOSPITAL.

The Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital call attention to the fact that the institution is filled beyond its capacity for suitable accommodations. The important duty will devolve upon you of determining how the increasing number of these unfortunate people shall be provided for.

The Trustees renew their suggestion of last year in regard to the abuses arising under the statute which requires the State to pay one dollar and fifty cents per week towards the support of such patients as are without means, and have no relatives liable for their support. The fact that, after the State has paid the entire expenses of forty-nine patients, three hundred and four others are receiving aid under this statute, leaving only forty who

are not supported in whole or in part by the State, is strong evidence of the abuses complained of. Some legislation is required on this and other subjects referred to in the report. The suggestions of the Trustees in regard to the new chapel are commended to your consideration.

STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MECHANIC ARTS.

The State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts has been in operation four years, and graduated its first class last August. There are now seventy-one students in the college. The freshman class numbers thirty-two, and will be increased at the beginning of the next term. The number of students is increasing as the college becomes more efficient and better known, and the next class will, no doubt, be much larger than any before. The young men composing the first graduating class, though coming to the institution with the disadvantages of some two years less preparation than is required in other colleges, acquitted themselves with great credit, and gave evidence of thorough preparation for the active duties of business life. Labor is the means designed by the Creator for the development of the physical powers. The results in our college, as well as in other similar institutions, show that a few hours' labor each day, aids rather than retards the development of the intellectual powers, and that it is not inconsistent with the highest scholastic attainments.

I am glad to notice that women are being admitted to all the rights and privileges of this and other colleges in the State. It is a step in the right direction, and one in which I am proud to see the State of Maine take a leading part. The moral standard of these colleges will be elevated by the change, and other interests will not suffer. Not only the rights of women but the most vital interests of the future, demand that she shall have opportunities for the cultivation of her intellectual faculties, equal to those enjoyed by men. The avenues of literary and scientific attainments should be open alike to all our people, male and female.

MILITARY.

The last legislature elected Joshua L. Chamberlain, Major General of Militia, to whose command the military companies of the State have been assigned.

In the report of the Adjutant General which includes the reports of the Major General and Inspector General, some important suggestions and recommendations are made in regard to our military organizations, to which I invite the attention of the Legislature.

An expensive military organization in this State is not deemed necessary. We do need however an effective force which can be relied upon to meet such emergencies as are liable to arise. You will be called upon to consider whether the necessary interest and efficiency can be sustained by the militia of the State without offering some opportunity for battalion or regimental inspection and drill.

STATE PENSIONS.

Eight hundred and thirteen applications for State pensions have been received during the year. Of these six hundred and four have been allowed and two hundred and nine rejected.

Whole amount allowed for pensions \$22,358.36, a decrease of \$4,482.92 since last year.

The distribution of this fund is a great blessing to such of our disabled soldiers and the dependents of those who lost their lives in the service as are unable, by reason of special misfortunes, to avoid destitution without the aid of charity.

Their number is gradually decreasing, but while they are with us the State will honor itself by providing for their necessities.

ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROHIBITORY LAWS.

All agree that intemperance is one of the greatest evils that afflict the people. How to eradicate it, is a question that addresses itself to all lovers of sobriety and good order, and involves the highest interests of the State. The legislator who is compelled to aid in levying taxes upon his constituents for the support of criminal courts, jails, prisons, poor-houses and reformatory institutions, two-thirds of which are made necessary by the liquor traffic, cannot ignore the duty of removing, as far as possible, the cause that imposes these heavy burdens. Our State suffers greatly by this evil, and still no one can go out of the State in any direction without noticing a contrast in this regard, highly commendable to our people. It is probable that less intoxicating liquors are drank in Maine than in any other place of equal population in the country, perhaps in the civilized world. This enviable position has been

reached through many years of individual and organized moral effort, supplemented by efficient prohibitory laws ; neither means could have been equally successful alone. Other States have temperance men and women as devoted and as efficient as ours, but having no laws to aid them, or lacking the public sentiment necessary to sustain and enforce them, the success they deserve is not achieved.

While some doubt the wisdom of prohibition, it has been so often and so emphatically approved by the people that it may be regarded as a part of the settled policy of the State. The law of the last Legislature, making it the duty of sheriffs and their deputies to institute legal proceedings against violations of the laws prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, has secured a more effective enforcement of these laws. The effects are perceptible in the decrease of drunkenness, and consequently in less arrests on that account ; in the reduction of criminal business generally, and in thousands of comforts and blessings brought to homes where poverty and misery reigned before. If it be said that it has destroyed an important business, and left the venders of liquor without employment, and their shops unoccupied, it is answered that the money formerly paid to support their business has been turned into other and more useful channels of trade, or into the families of those whose hard earned money supported the traffic.

The law prohibiting the sale of cider the same as other intoxicating drinks, except when sold by the manufacturer, has, it is believed, failed to meet the expectations of its friends. It has, however, demonstrated the fact, (if any demonstration was necessary,) that cider in any of its forms, is no less injurious when sold by the manufacturer or his agent than when sold by any other man. The difficulty in discriminating between cider in its harmless and hurtful condition is such that most of the temperance organizations, after much experience and careful consideration, have found it necessary to include cider with other intoxicants in their pledges. It must be remembered, however, that a majority of our people do not view the subject from this standpoint, and have not come to regard the sale of cider as an evil equal to the sale of other drinks that are held to be intoxicating by the law. It must also be remembered, that any law to be effective and permanent, must express, not simply what its friends deem to be

wise, but what the aggregate moral sense of the people recognizes as right. It will not be denied that many shops where, professedly, nothing stronger than cider is sold, either in consequence of the age of the cider or of its being mixed with stronger liquors, are among the worst drinking places in the State. This is especially observable at the present time, in places where the enforcement of the law makes it difficult to obtain other liquors.

Many young men supposing the beverage sold to be harmless, take their first departure towards a life of shame and disgrace, in these places. Against the sale of cider when it is simply a harmless beverage, there is, I presume, no desire to interfere, but when by age or adulteration it becomes intoxicating, and is retailed and drank for its intoxicating qualities, and tends to educate the appetite for stronger liquors, the sale becomes a positive evil.

Conscious of the difficulties attending legislation upon this subject, I submit these suggestions for your consideration, in the hope that in your wisdom you may be able to embody the principles upon which they are based in the form of law that would be practicable in its operation, and commend itself to the judgment of the people.

SAVINGS BANKS.

The present number of Savings Banks doing business in the State is fifty-four; five having organized during the year.

Whole amount of deposits \$26,184,333.03; being an increase of \$3,366,530.58 since the last report.

The Bank Examiner states that the total amount of deposits in the Savings banks of the State exceeds the total of the capital, circulation and deposits of all the National banks in the State by nearly two millions dollars.

REFORM SCHOOL.

The management of the Reform School is generally satisfactory. The Trustees report that the farming operations have been unusually successful, the health of inmates remarkably good and the progress in the school commendable.

Whole number in the school, one hundred and forty.

SWEDISH IMMIGRATION.

The number of our Swedish immigrants has been increased during the past year by the arrival of three hundred more, who came without any promise of aid by the State, to join their countrymen.

This increases the immigration from Sweden to thirteen hundred, about one-half of whom are in New Sweden. The others are variously employed in other parts of the State. The colonists have built one hundred houses and eight barns. They have erected and put in operation one saw-mill and two steam shingle mills. They have now in the colony seventeen horses, sixteen oxen and seventy-six cows. During the year they have paid \$2,040.00 towards the supplies furnished them, in labor on the roads. Thirty miles of roads in the township are now passable. A school of seventy or eighty scholars, in which the English language exclusively is taught, has been sustained about four months of the year and is now in successful operation.

The large amount of rain and wet weather of the past season has made the clearing of land and harvesting of crops somewhat difficult in the older portions of the State; but in New Sweden, where the clearings are necessarily small and where more rain has fallen than in the southerly and westerly portions of the State, it has been with very great difficulty that land could be cleared or crops properly harvested. Two-thirds of the land intended for crops in 1872 remain uncleared on this account. They, however, succeeded in sowing one hundred and eighty-seven bushels of spring wheat, and in planting eight hundred and seventy-seven bushels of potatoes, besides winter wheat, rye, oats, barley and other crops. This is only about one-third of what they would have sown and planted if the season had been as favorable as the average. It would have been sufficient, however, to place the colonists above want, if the season had been ordinarily favorable; but the long continued rain caused the wheat to rust and the potatoes to rot, so that not more than half crops were realized.

In a letter to me dated November 28, 1872, signed by a committee in behalf of the colonists, they express great disappointment on account of their inability to clear more land and the partial failure of their crops, but they do not appear discouraged. They acknowledge with gratitude the aid the State has given

them. They say they are inured to labor and ready to work ; that they are "acquiring a knowledge of our language and customs ; and striving to gain a knowledge of our form of government, so that when they receive the rights of citizenship they may be men and not dependent children." They predict that New Sweden within ten years will by means of natural increase and immigration, number its citizens by thousands. A large portion of these people came on our invitation. They have done the best they could. The failure of their crops is no fault of theirs. We must not allow them to suffer. The Report of the Board and Commissioner of Immigration, containing a complete statement of the condition of the colony, will be laid before you at an early day.

PUBLIC LANDS.

The report of the Land Agent makes a complete exhibit of the business of that office. In my last annual address, I called attention to the claim made by the European and North American Railway Company to certain lands set apart for settlement. I also stated that parties were cutting timber on a portion of these lands under permits from said Railway Company. These parties were, after due notice, proceeded against as trespassers, according to the provisions of law. This was followed by actions against the Land Agent and the sheriff of Aroostook county. Two of these cases, involving the questions at issue between the State and the Railway Company, are to be argued at the law term to be holden in Bangor in June next.

FISHERIES.

The report of the Commissioners of Fisheries will be read with interest. Important suggestions are made for the restoration of valuable species of fish into waters where they were formerly abundant, but from which they have been expelled by artificial obstructions. The protection of this important interest on our shores, and in our bays and inland waters, is of great importance to the State. I commend the suggestions of the Commissioners in regard to certain amendmerts to the law, to your consideration.

INSTRUCTION FOR DEAF MUTES AND THE BLIND.

We are now supporting in the American Asylum for deaf and dumb at Hartford, Conn., fifty-six pupils at a cost of \$175 each per annum. We are also paying the same sum in part support of three pupils in the Clark Institution for deaf mutes at Northampton, Massachusetts.

The Asylum in Hartford is under efficient management and the teaching appears to be thorough and practical, both in the school-room and work-shop. I have not had the pleasure of visiting the school at Northampton where articulation and lip-reading are taught, but am informed that it is in all respects an excellent institution. We also have eight students in the Perkins Institution for the Blind at South Boston, who appear to be making good progress towards the ability to support themselves.

ORPHANS OF SOLDIERS AND SEAMEN.

The orphans of soldiers and seamen have continued to receive the fostering care of the State. The fathers of these children gave their lives in defence of the country, and the least we can do is to adopt their orphans as children of the State. No obligation is more sacred than this and none will be more cheerfully performed. The number in the Orphans' Home at Bath is now fifty-seven. Too much credit cannot be given to the friends of this institution for their substantial aid, and their devotion to the welfare of these children. The thanks of the State are especially due to Mrs. C. A. L. Sampson, who without compensation has devoted almost her entire time to this work of love.

By the terms of an appropriation to the Orphan's Home in Bangor, that Institution is to support such orphans of soldiers and seamen as may be placed in its charge, not exceeding twenty. Ten such orphans have been in the Home during a portion of the year. There are now three. The management of this Home appears to be all that could be expected or desired, evincing great devotion and sacrifice on the part of those who have the management of its affairs.

The Board of Guardians of Indigent Orphans of Soldiers and Seamen is charged with the duty of aiding such of these orphans outside of the institutions here referred to as their necessities

require. This duty, often embarrassing, and always requiring careful discrimination, the Board has endeavored to perform in that spirit of tender regard for these wards of the State which prompted the appropriation for their benefit. Four hundred and nine orphans have been aided in this manner during the year.

INDUSTRIAL STATISTICS.

The attention of the last legislature was called to the importance of providing for the collection and publication of the industrial statistics of the State. No man has attempted to study this subject without being convinced of the great need of reliable statistical information. A knowledge of what we are expending and doing in every branch of our widely varied industries, with the products of each, and the aggregate of all, would be valuable to our own people, and attract attention to our undeveloped resources. The expense of collecting and publishing these statistics would be insignificant when compared with the advantages that would be secured. I hope you will provide for the performance of this work by one of the State departments, or by the appointment of an officer for this special duty.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The last legislature incorporated the Maine Industrial School for Girls. The incorporators have held one meeting and organized by the choice of Hon. Benjamin Kingsbury, Jr., of Portland, President, and Hon. E. R. French of Chesterville, Secretary. A benevolent lady in Hallowell, who is interested in this subject, offers to the State a donation of real and personal estate valued at ten thousand dollars, on condition that there be established in the city of Hallowell, by public or private benefactions, or both combined, an industrial school for girls belonging to this State, for the purpose of training them up in industry and virtue. Another lady in the same city proposes to donate a lot of land valued at two thousand dollars, on the same conditions. The interests of morality and humanity are pleading most eloquently for an institution of this kind. A small beginning would test its utility and answer for the present.

BRIDGE ACROSS THE ANDROSCOGGIN RIVER.

The last legislature appropriated three thousand dollars to aid the town of Gilead in building a bridge across the Androscoggin river in that town, on condition that should the bridge cost less than eight thousand dollars, the amount paid should not exceed three-eighths of the whole expense. The bridge has been economically but substantially built at a cost of about \$4,000, of which \$1530.-84 has been paid from the State Treasury, agreeably to the provisions of the resolve, leaving in the Treasury the unexpended balance of the appropriation, amounting to \$1469.16.

OUR JAIL SYSTEM.

For the third time, I deem it my duty to call the attention of the legislature to the pernicious and demoralizing system that characterizes the management of our jails. I am not aware that there is any occasion for complaint against those who have the charge of these institutions. They no doubt do the best they can with their opportunities. The fault is in the system itself. Crowding together the most hardened criminals with persons of all ages and guilty of all grades of crimes, including those who are only suspected and awaiting trial, with nothing to do but to study wickedness, devise plans for other crimes, and poison still more the minds of each other, is promotive rather than preventive of crime. I will not repeat the suggestions I have heretofore made on this subject, but will call your attention to the able report of the Commissioners upon the jail system of the State, made to the legislature in 1871, and the bill which accompanied it. I earnestly hope you will inaugurate a system that will furnish for those confined in our jails, some industrial employment, and better opportunities for intellectual improvement.

NORMAL SCHOOL BUILDING AT CASTINE.

The last Legislature appropriated twenty thousand dollars for erecting, furnishing and warming a suitable school building for the Eastern Normal School. The contract was awarded to Foster and Dutton of Bethel, who have, in the opinion of competent judges, erected a thoroughly substantial building, and one every way adapted to the purpose for which it was designed. The building is an ornament to the place, and a credit to the State.

MONUMENT TO MAJOR GENERAL WILLIAM KING.

In accordance with a resolve of the last Legislature, the Governor and Council have made such repairs on the foundation of the monument, erected by the State at Bath to the memory of the late Major General William King, and on the grounds and fence enclosing the same, as were found necessary to put them in good condition. The expense incurred was one hundred and fifteen dollars.

PENOBSCOT TRIBE OF INDIANS.

The trust funds of this tribe now amount to about \$73,000, which is deposited in the State Treasury. The interest, amounting to nearly \$4,400, is expended by the Indian Agent for support of the poor, and for other necessities of the tribe.

By the terms of the existing treaty the State is bound to furnish certain articles amounting to about \$2,000 annually. The State has also made annually a further appropriation of about the same sum. The rents of the shores and islands owned by the tribe have been largely increasing, and now amount to about \$5,000 annually. This is added to the Trust Fund, as the law provides. The Indians see no reason why they may not have the proceeds of the rents for their present use. As there is no special occasion for the increase of this trust fund, I suggest that it would be well to allow this income to be used for the benefit of the tribe; the State could then be relieved from the special appropriation usually made, leaving only the obligations of the treaty to be provided for.

INSURANCE.

The Insurance Commissioner, in his last annual report, makes some suggestions in regard to important changes in the insurance laws, to which I invite your attention.

This is a subject in which all classes of our people are deeply interested. No wise man deems it prudent to invest the means on which he and his family depend for support in property liable to be destroyed, or in business without some form of insurance.

The great fires in Chicago and Boston, which carried down so many insurance companies, and by which many of our own citizens have suffered severely, have attracted attention to the general management of insurance companies, and their failure to meet their obligations in emergencies, when the insured most need

the relief for which they supposed they had provided. The failure of an insurance company to meet its obligations affects not only the person who is compelled directly to suffer the loss, but he may in consequence fail to meet his own liabilities, and carry many others down with him. Besides this, it is no little annoyance, when one supposes he is insured, to find his policy worthless, whether his property has been destroyed or not. It would seem that as fire and marine insurance companies doing business in this State only pay back for losses a little more than fifty per cent. of what they receive from the insured, they should be able to accumulate enough to meet any liabilities that business men of ordinary prudence would assume in a single city. If my judgment is not at fault, no company should have been allowed to take risks in Boston, or any other city, beyond what they could meet if the whole city had been destroyed.

The people expect to pay large rates for insurance, but, having done that, they very properly desire to know that they are absolutely insured. After a man has paid one or two thousand dollars a year for fifteen or twenty years for insurance, and then meets a loss by which he is entitled to one-half what he has paid the companies in which he is insured, it is hard for him to be informed that he must settle for fifty cents on a dollar, and yet such cases are not uncommon. It would certainly be wise to limit the amount of risks which companies are allowed to take, to their ability to meet any liability that could arise in the ordinary course of events. The amount paid by life insurance companies on account of losses is so small, compared with what they receive from the insured, (being less than sixteen per cent.) that they can hardly fail to be in condition to meet their liabilities.

The State of Maine pays to life insurance companies out of the State, nearly a million dollars annually more than is received for losses. This, for the present at least, is so much capital removed from the State every year, and suggests whether it would not be advisable to require a portion of this capital to be invested in the State, where it would aid our own business enterprises.

BIENNIAL ELECTIONS AND SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

I deem it my duty to renew my previous recommendation relating to biennial elections and sessions of the legislature and change of the day of the annual election to the Tuesday next after the

first Monday in November. My convictions in regard to the advantages of these changes have been strengthened since the recommendation was made two years ago. The passage of appropriate laws providing for the organization of railroad and all other corporations, where only the power and rights usually granted are sought for,—which I hope will not be delayed beyond this session,—will make annual sessions entirely unnecessary except in special emergencies, when the legislature can be convened by the executive. This would save one-half of the time and expense of elections and the political campaigns that precede them; and some fifty thousand dollars of legislative expenses every two years. The interests of law and order will not suffer by the change; and the legislature, being relieved of many exciting and sometimes demoralizing questions in which large monied corporations are interested, would be at liberty to devote more time with greater singleness of purpose to necessary legislation.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

The question of renewing the geological survey of the State will be presented for your consideration. It is believed that such a survey would bring to light treasures that now lie buried or unappreciated within the State. The amount of wealth already found in the partially developed condition of the State justifies the expectation that great advantage will be gained by a complete knowledge of our hidden resources.

HARBOR COMMISSIONERS.

Your attention will be called to the propriety of establishing a State Board of Harbor Commissioners. I am not prepared to make any recommendations on the subject, but many whose business and observation lead them to its consideration, are of the opinion that such a board would be of great advantage to the commercial interests of the State.

BATTLE FLAGS AND TROPHIES.

The last legislature made an appropriation "to be expended under the direction of the Governor and Council in providing suitable cases for the preservation of the colors and trophies in the rotunda of the capitol." Suitable cases have been provided and the colors and trophies appropriately arranged.

It is fitting that, as we and those who come after us, enter this building, our eyes shall first rest upon these silent but eloquent reminders of our great national struggle. They will bring to remembrance the price this generation has paid for the preservation of our national union, and inspire devotion to its principles.

The soldier as he gazes upon the old regimental flags under which he fought so bravely and triumphed so gloriously, and reads the names of the battles inscribed upon their folds, and calls freshly to remembrance the trying scenes attending them, will drop a tear for the memory of comrades lost, and breathe a prayer for the country he loves better than life. Every star, every stripe, every color and letter of these battle torn flags are sacred to him who loves the cause they represent. Let them be faithfully protected and sacredly preserved.

CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION.

A centennial exhibition in commemoration of our independence is to be held in Philadelphia in 1876. The Commissioner for the State of Maine has attended all the meetings of the Commissioners, and reports that the preliminary arrangements are progressing favorably. Maine should be especially interested in this exhibition, as it will give our citizens an opportunity to bring the products of our industry to the attention of the people of our own and other nations. It is fitting that this State should respond promptly to any demands for the promotion of this great national enterprise.

IMPROPER LEGISLATION.

My duty on this occasion would be but partially performed if I should fail to renew the suggestions made to your predecessors in regard to special and private legislation. An inspection of the acts of the last legislature shows that the number of public laws passed was eighty-seven, and that they were printed on fifty-five pages of the volume in which they are published by the State; while the private and special acts number one hundred and ninety-one, and cover two hundred and eight pages. Some of these latter acts are for the organization of companies, for which ample provisions are already made by law. One-half, at least, of this legislation could be saved by appropriate laws, based upon general principles, with suitable limitations and restrictions. This

would save delay and expense to the parties interested, and secure more exact justice and greater uniformity in the application of the law. It would also save much time of the Legislature, and reduce the expenses of the State.

Great caution should also be used by legislators to prevent the public laws from being incumbered by acts designed to meet some special case in which some one happens to be interested, without reference to their bearing upon the general administration of justice. Such acts are not unusual, but always pernicious.

One of the most dangerous, as well as most common evils of legislation, is the practice of postponing many of the most important questions until the hurry and confusion of the last hours of the session. Maine legislators have been no more at fault in this regard than other similar bodies, State and National. But it is better to disregard than to perpetuate a bad precedent. May we not hope that this Legislature will not commit this common sin against the demand for well considered legislation? There is more danger in too much, than in too little legislation. Our Revised Statutes, with a few amendments and additions, now contain the laws of the State. It is hoped they will not be unnecessarily changed.

In conclusion, gentlemen, I assure you that I shall be happy to coöperate with you in all proper measures calculated to develop the resources of the State, and to advance the moral and intellectual growth of the people.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

JANUARY 2, 1873.

At the conclusion of the address the Governor and suite retired, and the Convention was dissolved.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

At the hour of 3 o'clock and 30 minutes the House, on motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, That 4,000 copies of the Governor's Address be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. PUTNAM of York, presented the following order:

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed, through the Messenger, to furnish each member of the House with stamps to the amount of twelve dollars, for the purpose of furnishing their constituents with the customary documents of the session.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. HATCH of Bangor, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 78, nays 24.

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Alley, Atwood, Bennett, Boardman, Brewer, Butman, Carll, Clark, Coburn, Coffin, Corthell, Cutting, Davis, Dennison, Ellis, Folsom of Newburg, Getchell, Gregg, Green, Hall, Hatch, Herrick, Heselton, Hinckley, Hinch, Humphreys, Jones, Jordan, Kalloch, Keegan, King, Kingman, Knight, Lake, Learned, Lincoln, Lindley, Locke, Lord, Manson, Martin, Mason of Searsmont, Mathews, Mayberry, Mayhew, Moffit, Neal, Oak, Patten, Pendexter, Pierce, Ray, Reed, Remick, Richards, Richardson, Robbins of Guilford, Rollins, Rounds, Scofield, Smith, Stevens of Eastport, Sturtevant, Talbot, Thomas, Thompson, Titcomb, Torrey, Totman, True, Twombly, Vinton, Weed, Weston, Wheeler of Corinth, Wheeler of Chesterville, Witherly, Wood—78.

Those who voted in the negative were—

Messrs. Barron, Bisbee, Brockway, Campbell, Carvill, Crocker, Files, Ford, Johnson, Kenniston, Kimball, Paul, Rand, Randall of Island Falls, Randall of Richmond, Ricker, Robbins of Deer Isle, Treat, Treworgy, Walker, Webb of Lowell, Whipple, Wilder, Yates—24.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from George G. Stacy, accepting the office of Secretary of State; also

Communication from Parker P. Burleigh, accepting the office of Land Agent; and

Communications from Hons. E. G. Harlow, Fred N. Dow, John R. Pulsifer, Martin V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson, L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., accepting the office of Executive Councillors, came from the Senate read, and were read in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, Samuel W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Joint Convention in the Hall of the House, this day, at 10 o'clock and 40 minutes, for the purpose of administering to E. G. Harlow, Fred N. Dow, John R. Pulsifer, Martin V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson and L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., Councillors elect, the oaths required to enable them to enter upon their official duties.

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

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of BUTLER of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify E. G. Harlow, Fred N. Dow, John R. Pulsifer, Martin V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson and L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., 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 E. G. Harlow, Fred N. Dow, John R. Pulsifer, Martin V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson and L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., Councillors elect, were pleased to say they would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, E. G. Harlow, John R. Pulsifer, Fred N. Dow,

Martin V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson and L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., 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. FARRINGTON of the Senate,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor by the Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of E. G. Harlow, John R. Pulsifer, Fred N. Dow, Martin V. B. Chase, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson and L. L. Wadsworth, Jr., 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.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns it be till Monday next at two o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Brighton, at 10 o'clock and 5 minutes,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of Friday was read and approved.

Mr. BUTMAN of Plymouth, announced the attendance of Mr. Prentiss of Milford, member elect, and conducted him to the Governor, where he took and subscribed the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Prentiss then took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. PENDEXTER of Denmark,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish the several Monitors of the House with one copy each of the revised statutes and of all subsequent laws.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

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

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation by which vaccination may be made compulsory, whenever the municipal authorities of cities, towns or plantations in the State shall deem it advisable.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

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

On Business of the House.

Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta,
Dingley of Lewiston,
Vinton of Gray.

On Leave of Absence.

Messrs. Crocker of Machias,
Weeks of Augusta,
Brockway of Dover,
Peaks of Charleston,
Loring of Yarmouth,
Ricker of Biddeford,
Coffin of Fairfield.

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On Change of Names.

Messrs. Randall of Island Falls,
Rounds of Minot,
Wood of Bangor,
Lincoln of Dennysville,
Egery of Bangor,
Manson of Pittsfield,
Walker of Brighton.

On Bills in Third Reading.

Messrs. Bennett of Parsonsfield,
King of Lyndon,
Weed of Littleton,
Remick of Elliot,
Barron of Topsham,
Adams of Anson,
Johnson of Topsfield.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Hawes of Deering,
Locke of Fryeburg,
Files of Gorham,
Wheeler of Chesterville,
Rollins of Albion,
Lord of Saco,
Keegan of Madawaska.

On Elections.

Messrs. Mathews of Hampden,
Alley of Hartford,
Lindley of Warren,
Mayberry of Windham,
Hinch of Bancroft,
Kingman of Waltham,
Hulit of Cumberland.

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

On the Judiciary.

Messrs. Chaplin of Cumberland,
Butler of York,
Webster of Knox, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Vinton of Gray,
Knowlton of Skowhegan,
Titcomb of Augusta,
Dingley of Lewiston,
Mortland of Rockland,
Bisbee of Buckfield,
Mathews of Hampden, *of the House*.

On Legal Affairs.

Messrs. Kennedy of Lincoln,
May of Kennebec,
Farrington of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Thomas of Portland,
King of Lyndon,
Keegan of Madawaska,
Barron of Topsham,
Haley of Kennebunk,
Mason of Biddeford,
Adams of Anson, *of the House*.

On Financial Affairs.

- Messrs. Davis of Androscoggin,
O'Brien of York,
Carr of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Hatch of Bangor,
Milliken of Portland,
Reed of Waldoborough,
Cushman of Auburn,
Hobson of Wiscasset,
Weeks of Augusta,
Moffitt of Rockland, *of the House*.

On Federal Relations.

- Messrs. Butler of York,
Hadlock of Hancock,
Webster of Knox, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Corthell of Calais,
Fessenden of Portland,
Reed of Waldoborough,
Brewer of Freeport,
Twombly of Harrison,
Remick of Elliot,
Mayberry of Windham, *of the House*.

On Education.

- Messrs. Farrington of Oxford,
Kennedy of Lincoln,
Chaplin of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston,
Corthell of Calais,
Gifford of Vassalborough,
Knowlton of Skowhegan,
Hatch of Bangor,
Lord of Saco,
Webster of Castine, *of the House*.

On Railroads.

- Messrs. Dingley of Androscoggin,
Butler of York,
Smith of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Fessenden of Portland,
Knowlton of Skowhegan,
Egery of Bangor,
Bennett of Parsonsfield,
Bisbee of Buckfield,
Winslow of Chelsea,
Littlefield of Lyman, *of the House*.

On Commerce.

- Messrs. Webster of Knox,
Humphrey of Cumberland,
Kennedy of Lincoln, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Hobson of Wiscasset,
Nash of Gardiner,
Robinson of Bath,
Boardman of Belfast,
Paul of Kittery,
Loring of Yarmouth,
Kalloch of Thomaston, *of the House*.

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

- Messrs. Humphrey of Cumberland,
O'Brien of York,
Abbot of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Loring of Portland,
Robinson of Bath,
Wood of Bangor,
Wheeler of Chesterville,
Hawes of Deering,
Harmon of Buxton,
Campbell of Cherryfield, *of the House*.

On Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Brooks of Waldo,
Burgess of Cumberland,
Davis of Androscoggin, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Nash of Gardiner,
Milliken of Portland,
Hatch of Bangor,
Humphreys of Brunswick,
Rounds of Minot,
Coffin of Fairfield,
Carll of Kennebunkport, *of the House*.

On Manufactures.

Messrs. Hobbs of York,
Dingley of Androscoggin,
Shaw of Penobscot, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Brockway of Dover,
Webb of Lowell,
Came of Standish,
Locke of Fryeburg,
Pressey of Lewiston,
Croswell of Farmington,
Atwood of Cape Elizabeth, *of the House*.

On Agriculture.

Messrs. Shaw of Penobscot,
Abbot of Kennebec,
Pennell of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Knight of Rumford,
Ford of Atkinson,
Hubbard of Berwick,
Jordan of Lisbon,
Jones of St. Albans,
Sturtevant of Fayette,
Davis of Jefferson, *of the House*.

On Military Affairs.

- Messrs. Hadlock of Hancock,
 Farrington of Oxford,
 Chaplin of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Folsom of Oldtown,
 Howard of Lewiston,
 Kenniston of Boothbay,
 Whitcomb of Ellsworth,
 Peaks of Charleston,
 Lincoln of Dennysville,
 Gatchell of Jackson, *of the House*.

On Interior Waters.

- Messrs. Smith of Penobscot,
 Crandon of Washington,
 Humphrey of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Bailey of Auburn,
 Whitcomb of Ellsworth,
 Perry of Bridgton,
 Kenniston of Boothbay,
 Oak of Exeter,
 Webster of Orono,
 Webster of Vinalhaven, *of the House*.

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Dunning of Piscataquis,
 Arnold of Aroostook,
 Martin of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Randall of Island Falls,
 Weeks of Augusta,
 Thomas of Portland,
 Gregg of Andover,
 Richardson of Presque Isle,
 Kimball of Patten,
 Scolfield of Harpswell, *of the House*.

On Ways and Bridges.

Messrs. Abbot of Kennebec,
Palmer of Somerset,
Howes of Franklin, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Weed of Littleton,
Greene of Athens,
Stephens of Eastport,
Alley of Hartford,
Pendexter of Denmark,
Thompson of Newfield,
Martin of Sebago, *of the House*.

On Fisheries.

Messrs. Whitmore of Hancock,
Harmon of Washington,
Carr of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Trefethen of Portland,
Treworgy of Surry,
Sargent of Brewer,
Hinkley of Georgetown,
Smith of Stockton,
Pendexter of Denmark,
Clark of Tremont, *of the House*.

On Counties.

Messrs. Pennell of Cumberland,
Hobbs of York,
Crandon of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Rollins of Albion,
Howard of Lewiston,
Trefethen of Portland,
Torrey of St. George,
Randall of Richmond,
Totman of Clinton,
Mason of Searsmont, *of the House*.

On Towns.

- Messrs. May of Kennebec,
 Kimball of Penobscot,
 Martin of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Butman of Plymouth,
 Rounds of Minot,
 Coburn of Kingman,
 Learned of Burnham,
 Rand of Greenwood,
 Mortland of Rockland,
 Robbins of Deer Isle, *of the House.*

On Indian Affairs.

- Messrs. Harmon of Washington,
 Arnold of Aroostook,
 Shaw of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Wilder of Pembroke,
 Dennison of Machiasport,
 Patten of Carmel,
 Folsom of Newburg,
 Ellis of Brooks,
 Ricker of Biddeford,
 Ouilette of Frenchville, *of the House.*

On Claims.

- Messrs. Kimball of Penobscot,
 Howes of Franklin,
 Dunning of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
 Messrs. Prentiss of Milford,
 Mower of Greene,
 Rand of Greenwood,
 Files of Gorham,
 Treat of Winterport,
 Walker of Brighton,
 Crocker of Machias, *of the House.*

On Pensions.

Messrs. Carr of Sagadahoc,
Whitmore of Hancock,
Pennell of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Richards of Camden,
Yates of Bristol,
Winslow of Chelsea,
Carvill of Freeman,
Stevens of Gouldsbrough,
Warren of Westbrook,
Wheeler of Corinth, *of the House.*

On Insane Hospital.

Messrs. O'Brien of York,
Brooks of Waldo,
Burgess of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Paul of Kittery,
Talbot of East Machias,
Lincoln of Dennysville,
Severance of Limerick,
Haselton of Albany,
Manson of Pittsfield,
Whipple of Solon, *of the House.*

On Reform School.

Messrs. Howes of Franklin,
Kimball of Penobscot,
Coffin of Waldo, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Putnam of York,
Weston of Belgrade,
Cutting of Weld,
Alley of Hartford,
Foss of Dexter,
Mayhew of Mt. Vernon,
Wentworth of Bucksport, *of the House.*

On State Prison.

Messrs. Burgess of Cumberland,
Smith of Penobscot,
Davis of Androscoggin, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Cary of Turner,
Neal of Farmingdale,
Greene of Athens,
Croswell of Farmington,
Hinch of Bancroft,
Pierce of Monmouth,
Lake of Jay, *of the House*.

On Public Buildings.

Messrs. Coffin of Waldo,
Hadlock of Hancock,
Palmer of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Mayhew of Mt. Vernon,
Robbins of Guilford,
Hall of Nobleborough,
Herrick of Sedgwick,
Fuller of Appleton,
Witherly of Lincolnville,
True of Sanford, *of the House*.

On Library.

Messrs. Martin of Oxford,
Brooks of Waldo,
Dunning of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta,
Gifford of Vassalborough,
Loring of Portland,
Campbell of Cherryfield,
Cutting of Weld,
Kalloch of Thomaston,
Ray of Harrington, *of the House*.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures and ordered printed.

Petition of John Gardiner and others ;

Petition of Samuel Waters and others ;

Petition of E. Myrick and others ; and

Petition of S. S. Thompson and others, praying that certain territory in Penobscot county be set off to the county of Aroostook ;

Were referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of the Selectmen of Canaan, for change of valuation, was referred to the Somerset Delegation.

Petition of Daniel Keene and others, for authority to build a wharf in Bremen ; and

Petition of P. D. Yates and others, for authority to build a wharf in Bristol ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Reuben Sibley and others, for an act to institute Port Wardens in Belfast, with bill accompanying ; and

Petition of Willard P. Harriman of Belfast, for authority to build wharf in said city ;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of the inhabitants of Vanceboro, for incorporation of said plantation as a town, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of inhabitants of Deer Isle, for authority to lay out a highway over tide waters in said town ; and

Petition of E. E. Hayward and others of Dennysville and Edmunds, for an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels in said towns ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of John C. Caldwell and others, for incorporation of the Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Charles Donahue, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Remonstrance of Joseph B. Foss, against the right of W. F. Johnson to a seat in this House ; and

Remonstrance of Oscar Hill of Northport, against the right of Joseph L. Witherly to a seat in this House ;

Were referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from the Treasurer of State, transmitting the annual statement and account of receipts and expenditures of all public money for the year ending December 31, 1872, came from the Senate read and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, and was referred in concurrence.

Communication from B. B. Murray, Jr., accepting the office of Adjutant General ; and

Communication from Harris M. Plaisted, accepting the office of Attorney General ;

Came from the Senate, and were read.

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 Address, who shall report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Humphrey of Cumberland, Kennedy of Lincoln, and Kimball of Penobscot, appointed on its part.

Ordered, That the House concurring, a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to negotiate the purchase of the Year Book.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Chaplin of Cumberland, Lothrop of Somerset, and Dunning of Piscataquis, appointed on its part.

The foregoing were read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, requesting the return of bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations."

The bill was subsequently returned; and on motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner, the vote referring the same to the Committee on Railroads, was reconsidered, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Mayor of Rockland and others;

Petition of Samuel Watts and others of Thomaston; and

Petition of L. Jordan of Thomaston and others, for charter for railroad from Bath to Portland;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of James H. DeCoster; and

Petition of S. F. Gibson and others, for extension of closetime on land-locked salmon, trout and togue;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Odd Fellows Hall Association of Portland," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of G. W. Ayer of West Waterville, for State aid, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of the town of Limington, for an act to set off part of the town of Limerick to said town, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "an act in a new draft to charter Bates College," was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of J. F. Grindle of Brooksville, for change of name of Alma Leach, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Communication of H. T. McAllister, relative to a new system of voting in the House of Representatives, was referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, all petitions for private legislation, except those for redress of wrongs and grievances, which shall be presented to this Legislature after the first day of February next, be referred to the next Legislature, and that this order be published in the Daily Kennebec Journal, Bangor Daily Whig, Portland Press, and Daily Eastern Argus, until that date.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 56 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of real estate, that no lien shall be created until the attachment be actually recorded.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire whether any further legislation is needed to secure greater efficiency in our system of school supervision, and to improve the work and enlarge the usefulness of our system of public schools.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STURTEVANT of Fayette,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish to the Messenger of the House, one copy of the Acts and Resolves of 1872, for each member.

On motion of Mr. HINCKLEY of Georgetown,

Ordered, That the newspapers furnished to the members of this House, be also furnished to the clergymen officiating in this body, for the session.

On motion of Mr. ADAMS of Anson,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ecob of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "act to secure the education of the youth in the State of Maine," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of John Hayden and others, for a railroad from Bath to Portland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Alexander Montgomery, in behalf of the United States, praying that jurisdiction over certain land in Augusta, be transferred to the United States, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of Madagascal Dam Company, for amendment of charter, with bill accompanying, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Benjamin Ryerson and others, for an act to incorporate the Auburn Central Manufacturing Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company," from the files of the last Legislature, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to amend section 20 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to taking lobsters," from the files, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to improve the jail system of the State," from the files, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the House concurring, all petitions, orders or bills, referred to the various Committees, where the objects sought may be secured under general laws, shall be reported on by them leave to withdraw.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER announced the following Joint Select Committees on the part of the House :

Governor's Address.

Messrs. Gifford of Vassalborough,
Talbot of East Machias,
Fessenden of Portland,
Kingman of Waltham,
Haselton of Albany,
Humphreys of Brunswick,
Pierce of Monmouth.

Maine Year Book.

Messrs. Trefethen of Portland,
Nash of Gardiner,
Wheeler of Chesterville,
Keegan of Madawaska,
Barron of Topsham,
Yates of Bristol,
Ellis of Brooks.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Commissioners of Fisheries; also, annual report of the Trustees and Resident Officers of the Insane Hospital, and report of the Board and Commissioner of Immigration, was received and read.

Mr. MOFFIT announced the attendance of Mr. Mortland, member elect, of Rockland, and accompanied him to the Governor where he took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Mortland subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Petition of inhabitants of McCrillis plantation, to be incorporated as a town by the name of Kingman; and

Remonstrance of inhabitants of that part of Limerick set off to Limington, against annexation to said Limerick;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of J. P. Stinson and others of Bath, for change in the prohibitory liquor law; also

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates;" also

Bill "an act to authorize the Judge of Probate of Cumberland County to receive parol testimony concerning the will of Nancy Hanson;" and

Petition of Thomas M. Reed and others, for leave to sell the Free Meeting-house in Phippsburg;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of inhabitants of Charleston, for authority to aid the Penobscot Central Railroad; also

Petition of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company, for extension of time to locate and complete its road, with bill; also

Petition of G. W. Duncan and others;

Petition of Alfred Lennox and others;

Petition of E. W. Mitchell and others; and

Petition of Joseph E. Davis and others, for railroad from Bath to Portland; and

Petition of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company, for amendment of charter;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Brewer Ferry Company;" and

Petition of B. Braston and others, for authority to extend their wharf in Orrington;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of J. F. Gore and others of Perry, for an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels in said town; and

Petition of John F. Sprague and others, for aid to repair the road leading from Monson to Shirley;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

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

Bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Franklin county to re-assess certain taxes;" and

Petition of Simeon Pool and others, for an act to incorporate the Union Hall Company of Southport;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the Assessors of Clinton Gore, for the division of said plantation, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of Reuben T. Jones and others, praying that certain islands in Cobbosseecontee pond be set off from Manchester to Winthrop, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of John Gardner, to be relieved from any further settling duties in Lot 93 in Mt. Chase, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Mrs. Eliza E. West, Jr., of Belfast;

Petition of Caroline E. Hopkins; and

Petition of Mary E. Burrill of Belfast, for change of names;

Were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. RAND of Greenwood,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads inquire into the expediency of altering or amending chapter 223 of the public laws of 1871, in relation to excursions or return tickets, where the same are sold at a less price than the regular fare.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of a geological survey of the State.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any, and if any, what additional authority to administer oaths and affirmations should be conferred upon Justices of the Peace.

On motion of Mr. ALLEY of Hartford,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire if any further legislation is needed to compel the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company to run its trains at all seasons of the year, and in case such company neglects or refuses to do so, whether the charter of said company should not be annulled and dissolved.

On motion of Mr. KENNISTON of Boothbay,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 715 of the private and special laws of 1871.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing that the several Judges of Probate throughout the State, or some other proper tribunal, be authorized to change the names of persons.

On motion of Mr. HOBSON of Wiscasset,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of a law relieving towns from all liability for accidents on public highways, and only holden for defect on highways by indictments and fines.

On motion of Mr. LAKE of Jay,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending the pauper law so that it shall be the duty of counties to support the poor, or what alterations are needed in said pauper law.

On motion of Mr. KING of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 37 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, by substituting in lines four and five "their return has been placed on file," instead of "it has been entered on record."

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 42, section 8 of the revised statutes, relative to damages caused by the lodging of timber on the banks of streams and on lands adjacent to streams, so as better to protect the rights of owners of such lands; also

As to the expediency of so amending chapter 91, sections 34, 35 and 36 of the revised statutes, relative to liens on logs and lumber, for the personal services of laborers on logs and lumber, as to better protect the rights of said laborers.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Monmouth,

Ordered, The Committees on State Prison, Insane Hospital, Reform School, Agriculture, Education and Military Affairs, be authorized to visit the institutions they represent.

This order was read, and amended by providing that sub-committees be authorized to visit the various institutions, and passed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHITCOMB of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That all questions for debate lie upon the table until after the morning business is disposed of.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. PAUL of Kittery,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Commissioner of Immigration, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Report of the Commissioners of Fisheries, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Report of the Insane Hospital, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Petition of Judge and Register of Probate of Androscoggin county, for increase of salary, came from the Senate referred to the Androscoggin Delegation.

Petition of F. L. Carney and others, of Newcastle, for a railroad from Bath to Portland; and

Petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, for an act to confirm the present location from Berwick to Portland;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Charles A. Wilson and others, of Columbia Falls, for repeal of charter for a bridge across Pleasant river; and

Petition of G. W. Manson, for authority to run a steamboat on Androscoggin river between Lewiston and Lisbon;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Samuel G. Worcester and others, of Columbia Falls, for repeal of the law to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels in said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act in relation to uniformity of text-books," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Isaac Hacker and others ;

Petition of Calvin B. Roberts and others ;

Petition of Nathan S. Lufkin and others ;

Petition of W. H. M. Stickney and others ; and'

Petition of W. S. Dwinel and others, for one term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Aroostook county, to be held annually at Lyndon ;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads inquire into the expediency of enacting a law requiring every railroad company in this State to establish uniform rates of tariff or compensation per mile, for each class of goods, merchandize or property transported over its road or roads controlled by it, as lessee or otherwise.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 8, section 21 of the revised statutes, relating to discontinuance of town and private ways, so that in cities a hearing to all parties interested should be had, before such discontinuance.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether further legislation is required to define what shall be considered "pauper supplies," under the laws of this State.

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 year, subject to the approval of the Legislature.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Butler of York, Humphreys of Cumberland, and Martin of Oxford, appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed, and Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston, Titcomb of Augusta, Whitcomb of Ellsworth, Egery of Bangor, Randall of Richmond, Wilder of Pembroke, and King of Lyndon, were joined on the part of the House.

Order relating to visiting the various State institutions, came back from the Senate, House amendment rejected and passed.

The House receded and concurred.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of Penobscot Indian Agent, which was read ; also
Transmitting report of the Agricultural College.

Petition of Alex. Rowe and others ; and

Petition of A. S. Bangs and others, for charter for a railroad from Bath to Portland ;

Petition of Thomas Quinby and others, for charter for a horse railroad from Portland to Stroudwater, in the town of Deering ;

Bill "an act concerning railroads ;" and

Bill "an act relating to damages for lands taken for railroad purposes ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Bradford Thompson and others, for authority to build a wharf in Bristol ;

Petition of D. Bryant, for authority to construct a wharf and boom in Bangor ; and

Petition of James L. Cheeseman, for amendment of charter of the Kennebec Ice Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for authority to re-assess certain taxes, with bill ; and

Petition of Israel Dean and others of South Thomaston, for a reform in the law relating to litigants and lawyers ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of C. Holyoke and others, for an act to incorporate the Mattanawcook Dam Company ; and

Petition of Elizabeth Johnson, for authority to build a wharf in Hampden ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of E. H. Torrey and others, for change of the law relating to the taking of porgies ; and

Petition of Nahum Warren, for amendment of the fish laws ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Charles W. Cobb, for increase of pension ; and

Petition of Benjamin Smith of Appleton, for pension ;

Were referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Bill "an act to aid Free High Schools," was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. Black of Staceyville, for an act to set off certain territory from Penobscot to Aroostook county, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of Addison J. Brown, to be released from further settling duties, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of H. L. Smith and others of Vinalhaven, for removal of gates and bars from the highways in said town, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of T. C. Billings, for State bounty, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Alden Call and others of Wiscasset, for an act to prohibit delinquent tax-payers from voting, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of George W. Treworgy; and

Petition of Sumner Melville Marden for change of names;

Were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary in regard to the formation and management of fire insurance companies, in order to afford the greatest possible security to policy holders; also

As to the necessity of requiring stock companies to retain as assets, to meet losses, the profits arising from business, except current expenses and a dividend not exceeding 4 per cent. semi-annually to actual stockholders, on the amount of stock paid in or secured.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Topsfield,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending section 22, chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to State paupers, that towns furnishing aid to said paupers may be reimbursed for their services.

On motion of Mr. REMICK of Elliot,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 59, revised statutes, that every regularly

ordained minister of the gospel, and every person licensed to preach, in good standing, may be authorized to solemnize marriages in this State.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 84 of the revised statutes, relating to the granting of letters of administration in special cases.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, The same Committee inquire whether any amendment in the law relating to liens is necessary to better secure mechanics and persons furnishing material.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Topsfield,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending section 38, chapter 24, revised statutes, that the word "plantation" may be inserted after the word "town" in said section.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,

Ordered, The same Committee be requested to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways, so that said chapter may provide for an appeal from the decision of a joint board of County Commissioners, respecting a way in two or more counties.

On motion of Mr. LORING of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire what amendment, if any, may be required to chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to engine men, fires and the prevention of fires; also to chapter 49, relating to insurance and insurance companies.

On motion of Mr. HUMPHREYS of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing sections 2 and 5 of chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act entitled an act, in a new draft, to charter Bates College," reported the same subject under title of bill "an act granting a new charter to Bates College."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, the vote referring bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company," to the Committee on Manufactures, was reconsidered, and the same referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The SPEAKER announced the Committee on County Estimates, as follows :

Messrs. Wood of Bangor,
Talbot of East Machias,
Rollins of Albion,
Moffit of Rockland,
Brockway of Dover,
Robinson of Bath,
Warren of Westbrook,
Wheeler of Chesterville,
Weed of Littleton,
Putnam of York,
Boardman of Belfast,
Mower of Greene,
Gregg of Andover,
Yates of Bristol,
Greene of Athens,
Stevens of Gouldsborough.

On motion of Mr. WHITCOMB of Ellsworth,
Adjourned.

*SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Trustees of the Agricultural College, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Report of the Penobscot Indian Agent, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petitions of Daniel Libby and others, Henry Tilly and others, J. W. Gammon and others, W. E. Libby and others, for one term annually of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Aroostook, holden at Lyndon, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Waldo Educational Association, for some system of school supervision, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Zebedee Perry, for an act to prevent the throwing of saw-dust, &c., into Mill brook in Waterford, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Moses Williams and others, for incorporation of the Brownville Slate Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of G. C. Goss and others, for railroad from Bath to Portland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to continue in force chapter 5, public laws of 1872, entitled 'an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen,'" came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Insane Hospital inquire into the propriety of transforming the building lately erected for chapel purposes into rooms for the accommodation of private boarders.

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

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting legislation inexpedient on order relating to the taking of lobsters, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company, for authority to increase its capital stock, with bill accompanying;

Petition of E. G. Knight and others of Camden;

Petition of S. D. Carleton and others of Rockport;

Petition of N. T. Talbot and others;

Petition of Andrew Tarbox and others; and

Petition of Joseph Clark and others, for charter for railroad from Bath to Portland;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of inhabitants of Lakeville plantation, for incorporation as a town; and

Petition of inhabitants of No. 9, Range 4, Washington county, for incorporation as a town by the name of Eaton;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Charles Chase, for reimbursement of money paid for land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act in reference to cancelling mortgages," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of W. Lincoln, President of the Bangor Insurance Company, for amendment of charter of said company, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Rodney C. Barker, for incorporation of the West Branch Mattawamkeag Canal Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of M. W. Levensaller and others, for "an act to protect trout in Bellscopec Meadow brook in Waldoborough," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Simon F. Walker, for payment of services rendered by him as an officer in a criminal case; and

Petition of F. E. Lufkin and others of Woodland, for the payment of the State school fund of said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Angelette Taylor for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire as to the expediency of amending section 22, chapter 63 of the laws of 1872, by inserting before the word "wine" in the fourth line of said section, the word "and ;" also by striking out after "wine" in the same line, the words "and cider;" also to amend section 25 of said chapter to conform to the provisions of sections 22 when amended.

On motion of Mr. LINCOLN of Dennysville,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire if any further legislation is necessary to enable coroners to summon witnesses, and compel their attendance.

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what amendments, if any, are necessary to chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks, to enable the State Treasurer to collect the tax of banks that neglect or refuse to make returns as required by said act.

On motion of Mr. HAWES of Deering,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether a change is necessary in the wording of section 4, chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks, in order to make its meaning certain.

On motion of Mr. BREWER of Freeport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending section 3, chapter 10, revised statutes, that boards of selectmen shall consist of three members, who shall hold office for the term of three years, one member to be chosen every year.

On motion of Mr. ALLEY of Hartford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of so changing chapter 43, section 1, public laws of 1872, entitled "an act to establish the school mill fund for the

support of common schools," so that said section shall read "five mills," instead of "one," and of repealing section 5, chapter 11, school laws, compelling cities and towns to raise a per capita tax for the support of schools.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Monmouth,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, this Legislature adjourn without day on the 14th day of February next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. REMICK of Elliot, presented the following order:

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish to the Clerk of the House one copy of the revised statutes for each member and officer of the House.

On motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough, the question of passing the same was taken by yeas and nays, and decided in the affirmative, by yeas 81, nays 48.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Alley,	Herrick,	Moffit,
Atwood,	Heselton,	Neal,
Bisbee,	Hinckley,	Ouilette,
Brockway,	Hinch,	Paul,
Came,	Hubbard,	Peaks,
Campbell,	Hulit,	Pierce,
Carvill,	Johnson,	Prentiss,
Cary,	Jones,	Putnam,
Clark,	Kalloch,	Ray,
Coburn,	Keegan,	Remick,
Crocker,	Kingman,	Ricker,
Croswell,	Knight,	Robbins of Guilford,
Dennison,	Knowlton,	Robbins of Deer Isle,
Egery,	Lake,	Sargent,
Ellis,	Lincoln,	Scofield,
Files,	Littlefield,	Smith,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Locke,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Ford,	Lord,	Sturtevant,
Getchell,	Mason of Searsmont,	Talbot,
Gregg,	Mathews,	Thomas,
Green,	Mayberry,	Thompson,
Haley,	Mayhew,	Torrey,

Totman,	Walker,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Treat,	Webb of Lowell,	Wilder, •
Treworgy,	Webster of Orono,	Winslow,
True,	Weed,	Witherly,
Twombly,	Weston,	Wood—81.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Adams,	Humphreys,	Randall of Richmond,
Bailey,	Jordan,	Reed,
Barron,	King,	Richards,
Bennett,	Learned,	Richardson,
Boardman,	Lindley,	Rounds,
Brewer,	Loring of Portland,	Stevens of Eastport,
Butman,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Titcomb,
Corthell,	Milliken,	Trefethen,
Cushman,	Mortland,	Vinton,
Cutting,	Nash,	Warren,
Fessenden,	Oak,	Webster of Castine,
Fuller,	Patten,	Wentworth,
Gifford,	Perry,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Hatch,	Pressy,	Whipple,
Hawes,	Rand,	Whitcomb,
Howard,	Randall, Island Falls,	Yates—48.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to the administration of oaths."

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

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing Philip D. Yates and others to maintain a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bristol;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Daniel Keene and others to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bremen."

Mr. KING, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass on bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Franklin county to re-assess certain taxes."

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to repeal chapter 715, special laws of 1872."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act granting a new charter to Bates College," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ADAMS of Anson,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of J. C. Ledyard and others, for charter for railroad from Bath to Portland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of citizens of Durham, praying that counties may be authorized to build bridges in certain cases, instead of towns, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 74 of the laws of 1872, relating to savings banks," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Poultry Association," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to amend section 16 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire into the propriety of appropriating the funds derived from the shore rents

of the Penobscot Indian tribes, a portion for the support of their schools, the payment of the salaries of the governor, lieutenant governor and priest, and the balance to be equally divided among the members of the tribe.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of conferring police powers upon conductors of railway trains.

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

Order relating to fire insurance companies, passed by the House, came back from the Senate amended, by referring the same to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The House receded and concurred.

Communication from the Treasurer of State, transmitting certain claims for bounty on wild animals, was received and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Dennis Getchell, for reimbursement of money paid the State for stumpage; also

Petition of William Small and others, for aid to build road through Township F, Range 1, Aroostook county; also

Petition of John Sterling, for deed of a lot of land in Fort Fairfield; also

Petition of J. E. Cochran and others, for aid to complete the road through Township F, Range 1, in the County of Aroostook; and

Petition of Amos B. Libby and others, in aid of the same;

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

Bill "an act to authorize A. Judson Ray and Charles W. Ray to build and maintain a dyke across Cole's creek in Harrington," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire if legislation is expedient to require the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court immediately after making a decision upon any question of law or otherwise, submitted to them, to send down a rescript to the clerk of courts in the county where the

case is pending, stating briefly the point of law or ground of such decision.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Stockton,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 5, chapter 22 of the revised statutes, relating to the division of partition fences, so that the aggrieved party shall have a lien upon the land occupied by the delinquent party for the satisfaction of his damages.

On motion of Mr. ELLIS of Brooks,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending charters of railroads granted since March 17, 1831, so that they be required to establish uniform rates of tariffs per mile for persons and for each class of freight, under authority given in chapter 46, section 17 of the revised statutes.

On motion of Mr. ADAMS of Anson,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be requested to inquire into the expediency of passing a law providing for deputy town and county treasurers.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be directed to inquire into the legality of the sales of land in Indian township, County of Washington.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on Elections, reported legislation inexpedient, relative to a new system of voting in the House of Representatives.

The report was read and accepted.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to the administration of oaths," was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act authorizing Daniel Keene and others to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bremen."

Bill "an act authorizing Phillip D. Yates and others to erect and maintain a wharf in Bristol."

Bill "an act to authorize the Commissioners of Franklin county to re-assess certain taxes."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 715 of the private and special laws of 1871."

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.

On motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland, voted that when the House adjourns, it be till Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of P. G. Blanchard and others of Yarmouth, for amendment of chapter 74, laws of 1872, relating to savings banks, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of a law authorizing trustees of any academy, (by a majority vote of such trustees living in the State,) to surrender the property or funds belonging to such academy to the town where such academy is located, for a high school.

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

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reporting bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Central Manufacturing 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 for the third reading.

Report of the Joint Select Committee, relating to purchase of the Year Book, reporting resolve providing for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book, came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Petition of George A. Pierce and others of Frankfort ; and

Petition of Abner Stetson and others of Damariscotta, for railroad from Bath to Portland ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to incorporate the State of Maine Trust Company;" also

Bill "an act to amend chapters 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads and steam navigation;" also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 61 of the revised statutes, concerning the rights of married women;" and

Petition of William B. Clymer and Charles Willing, trustees of the Bingham estate, praying for relief in the mode of establishing their title to said estate ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the directors of Bangor House Proprietary, for amendment of charter ; and

Petition of the City Council of the city of Ellsworth, for amendment of charter ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Albert Ball of Mapleton, for deed of a lot of land ; and

Petition of Charles O. Higgins of Mapleton, for deed of a lot of land ;

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

Petition of Henry T. Knowles and others of No. 7, Range 5, Aroostook county, to be annexed to Moro plantation, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of H. F. Eaton and others, for reimbursement of money paid the State, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of D. M. Torrey and others, for incorporation of the

Dixfield Cheese Manufacturing Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph Oaks to extend a wharf into tide waters at Brewer, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HALEY of Kennebunk,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 13 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of witnesses.

On motion of Mr. WEBSTER of Castine,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of requiring the Superintendent of the Maine Insane Hospital to make his report to the Trustees, from whom he receives his appointment.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Ordered, That a Joint Special Committee of five on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed, to which shall be referred so much of the Governor's Message as relates to Temperance and the Prohibitory Law, and all petitions and papers relating to the same subject.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Chaplin of Cumberland, Brooks of Waldo, Butler of York, and Farrington of Oxford, appointed on its part.

The order was passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Wheeler of Chesterville, Nash of Gardiner, Dingley of Lewiston, Kenniston of Boothbay, Randall of Island Falls, Fessenden of Portland, Corthell of Calais, Richards of Camden, Coffin of Fairfield, Locke of Fryeburg, Peaks of Charleston, Brockway of Dover, Hinckley of Georgetown, Smith of Stockton, Kingman of Waltham, and Thompson of Newfield, joined on the part of the House.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of cider," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Temperance, and was referred in concurrence.

Petition of J. P. Stinson and others, for change of the liquor law, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The House receded and concurred.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Milford,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SMITH of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of J. L. Field and others, for an act to allow towns to aid the Wiscasset and Kennebec Railroad Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Federal Relations inquire into the expediency of encouraging and sustaining our members in Congress, in the use of all honorable measures to secure the passage of bill (S. No. 693,) to provide for the further endowment and support of colleges, for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, and the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the pursuits and professions of life, as established under an act of Congress, approved July 12, 1862.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the necessity of taking measures to revise and correct the State valuation, and institute some method by which the valuation shall be more equal and more in accordance with cash values.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read, and the former passed in concurrence; the latter amended by referring to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of William P. Lennox and others of Wiscasset;
Petition of A. M. Wetherbee and others of Warren;
Petition of T. J. Yerk and others of Nobleborough;
Petition of Frank D. Moses and others;
Petition of J. B. Ham and others; and

Petition of C. S. Pennell and others of Brunswick, for a railroad from Bath to Portland ;

Remonstrance of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company, against the location of the Boston and Maine Railroad at North Berwick ;

Petition of Henry Ingalls and others, Directors of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company, for amendment of charter ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act relating to free text-books in public schools ;"

Petition of L. A. Wadsworth of Hiram, for an act to better protect the public health ; and

Petition of John Gardner and others, for aid to Patten Academy ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act to establish the settlement of paupers ;" and

Memorial of G. M. Weston, for repeal of resolve passed in 1860, relating to his account with the State ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of E. B. Downing, for authority to build a dyke in Harrington ; and

Petition of J. N. Tillock and others, in aid of the Winterport Ferry Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of C. H. Crossman and others of Letter E plantation, for act to compel the town of Madrid to pay an equitable portion of the debt of said plantation ; and

Bill "an act in relation to boundaries of highways ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of the Selectmen of Deering, for adjustment of State valuation ; and

Bill "an act in relation to sheriffs' bonds ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Nathan Merrill and others, for an act to incorporate the Buckfield Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of the town of Cape Elizabeth for aid to build a bridge across Long creek, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Howard Frost and others of Sanford, for change of the prohibitory liquor law, was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Petition of A. H. Woodcock, for repayment of money expended by John Gabriel for the Passamaquoddy Indians, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

"Resolve relating to Hell Gate pilot law," was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of the Selectmen of Georgetown, for reduction of valuation, was referred to the Sagadahoc Delegation.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Elmina, Edwin M. and Lizzie S. Horan, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. HALEY of Kennebunk,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending sections 21, 26 and 27, of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in relation to citations in poor debtors' disclosures.

On motion of Mr. ADAMS of Anson,

Ordered, That the Committee on Insane Hospital be instructed to inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary relating to the chaplaincy of the Insane Hospital.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs inquire into the matter of expense of transportation of public documents, books, &c., to ascertain if some mode cannot be adopted to save large expense now incurred by present mode.

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 7, section 3, also chapter 8, section 3, of the revised statutes, that the votes for Registers of Deeds and County Treasurers be counted by the Governor and Council, at the same time, and certificates of election issued in the same manner as for County Commissioners and other county officers.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of statute law, whereby may be created for the special punishment of persons placing obstructions on railroads.

Amended, on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, by adding the following:

"If, in their opinion, existing statutes are insufficient to protect

the rights of the public, or of individuals, or for the punishment of crime."

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be tendered to the Railroad Committee, Wednesday afternoon and evening, January 15, and at such other times as the Committee may desire, when the same is not otherwise occupied, for the purpose of committee meetings.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Central Manufacturing 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 amend an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam 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. TOTMAN of Clinton.

Bill "an act granting a new charter to Bates College."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches."

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. STEVENS of Gouldsborough,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1873.

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 Jesse Drew, for a lot of land, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of L. T. Hinks and others, against incorporation of the Winterport Ferry Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Josiah Merrow and others, for railroad from Bath to Portland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Jacob H. Keene, for authority to repair a wharf in Medomak river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to establish the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Thomas Wigglesworth and others, for increase of the capital stock of the Laconia Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition to set off part of Belgrade and Readfield to Manchester, from the files of the last Legislature, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of John Hayden and others, for incorporation of the Portland, Bath and Sea Shore Railroad Company, from the files, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Remonstrance of R. A. Monroe and others of Milo ; and

Remonstrance of A. H. Jenks and others of Brownfield, against change of law relating to the yearly close-time on landlocked salmon, trout and togue, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to the administration of oaths," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House recessed and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition; reporting bill "an act to authorize George W. Manson to clear the channel and navigate the Androscoggin river between Lewiston and Lisbon Falls," 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 to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

The Committee on the Governor's Address, to which was referred the order of the Legislature relating to a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report:

That so much as relates to national affairs, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations;

So much as relates to financial affairs, to the Committee on Financial Affairs;

So much as relates to education, to the Committee on Education;

So much as relates to agriculture, to the Committee on Agriculture;

So much as relates to manufactures, to the Committee on Manufactures;

So much as relates to shipbuilding and commerce, to the Committee on Commerce;

So much as relates to State Prison, to the Committee on State Prison;

So much as relates to railroads, to the Committee on Railroads;

So much as relates to the Insane Hospital, to the Committee on Insane Hospital;

So much as relates to State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, to the Committee on Education;

So much as relates to military affairs, to the Committee on Military Affairs;

So much as relates to State pensions, to the Committee on Pensions;

So much as relates to temperance and enforcement of the prohibitory law, to the Committee on the Judiciary;

So much as relates to savings banks, to the Committee on Banks and Banking;

So much as relates to the Reform School, to the Committee on Reform School;

So much as relates to Swedish immigration, to a Joint Select Committee on Immigration;

So much as relates to public lands, to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads;

So much as relates to fisheries, to the Committee on Fisheries;

So much as relates to deaf mutes, and the blind, to the Committee on Education;

So much as relates to orphans of soldiers and seamen, and board of guardians of indigent orphans of soldiers and seamen, to the Committee on Military Affairs;

So much as relates to industrial statistics, to the Committee on Manufactures;

So much as relates to our jail system, to a Joint Select Committee;

So much as relates to Industrial School for Girls, to the Committee on Education;

So much as relates to biennial elections, and sessions of the Legislature, and change of day of the annual election, to a Joint Select Committee of five on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House, to be selected by the several County Delegations;

So much as relates to the Penobscot tribe of Indians, to the Committee on Indian Affairs;

So much as relates to insurance, to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance;

So much as relates to geological survey, to the Committee on Manufactures;

So much as relates to harbor commissioners, to the Committee on Federal Relations;

So much as relates to centennial exhibition at Philadelphia, to the Committee on Manufactures;

So much as relates to special and private legislation, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

This report came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and accepted.

Amendment "A" is as follows: Amend by striking out the word "Judiciary," and inserting the words "Special Committee on Temperance" in that portion of the report relating to the suggestions of the Governor on temperance.

Amendment "B," amend so much of the report as relates to "biennial sessions of the Legislature and change of day of the annual elections," by striking out the words "to be selected by the several County Delegations."

Amendment "C," amend so that portion referring to the "College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," may be referred to the Committee on Agriculture, instead of Committee on Education.

The foregoing amendments were adopted, and the report accepted in concurrence.

The Joint Special Committees provided for in the foregoing report, are as follows:

On Biennial Elections.

Messrs. Butler of York,
Howes of Franklin,
Palmer of Somerset,
Shaw of Penobscot,
Coffin of Waldo, *of the Senate*;

Messrs. Lord of Saco,
Cary of Turner,
Keegan of Madawaska,
Croswell of Farmington,
Campbell of Cherryfield,
Webb of Lowell,
Barron of Topsfield,
Robbins of Deer Isle,
Mayhew of Mt. Vernon,
Jones of St. Albans,
Mason of Searsmont, *of the House.*

On Immigration.

Messrs. Smith of Penobscot,
Dingley of Andruscoggin,
Arnold of Aroostook, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Milliken of Portland,
Randall of Island Falls,
King of Lyndon,
Haley of Kennebunk,
Reed of Waldoborough,
Coburn of Kingman,
Rand of Greenwood, *of the House.*

On Jail System.

Messrs. Burgess of Cumberland,
Martin of Oxford,
Lothrop of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Mortland of Rockland,
Gifford of Vassalborough,
Vinton of Gray,
Alley of Hartford,
Egery of Bangor,
Putnam of York,
Cushman of Auburn, *of the House.*

Bill "an act relating to indecent exposures ;"

Bill "an act to amend sections 65, 66 and 67, chapter 64, revised statutes, relating to the embezzlement of the property of deceased persons, and additional thereto ;"

Bill "an act relating to disturbing public meetings ;"

Petition of A. Nourse and others, for amendment of chapter 75 of the revised statutes ;

Petition of John H. Gray and others of Wesley, for repeal of the law changing time and place of holding court in Washington county ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of inhabitants of Dayton plantation, for incorporation as a town ;

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Madrid, against petition of Letter E plantation, for an act to compel said town to pay a portion of the debt of said plantation ;

Remonstrance of Thaxter Shaw and others, against incorporation of Vanceboro' as a town ;

Petition of Ansel Moody and others of Hamlin Grant, for annexation to the town of Woodstock ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Woodstock, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of J. M. Studley and others, for charter for railroad from Bath to Portland ;

Petition of A. S. Loring and others of Yarmouth ;

Petition of Israel Simpson and others of Brunswick ;

Petition of J. A. Stinson and others of Woolwich, for same ; and

Petition of Francis Cobb and others, for amendment of the charter of the Lime Rock Railroad Company, with bill ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of Saul Neptune, for change of law relating to lease of the shores of the Penobscot Indians ; also

Petition of same, for appropriation for agricultural purposes ; also

Credentials of Joseph Necolar, representative elect from the Penobscot Indians ; and

Remonstrance of John Gaubriel, against the right of Peter Sepsis to represent the Passamaquoddy Indians ;

Were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of inhabitants of Littleton, for aid to repair road across Long swamp in said town, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Moses T. Cross and others, for incorporation of the Cambridge Dam Company ; also

Petition of J. M. Johnson of Baileyville, for authority to extend his wharf ; and

Petition of the city of Lewiston, for authority to take water from Wilson's pond ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of E. A. Chadwick, for increase of the fees of justices in certain criminal cases, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the Trustees of Limerick Academy, for aid, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. V. Grindell and others, for an act to incorporate the Penobscot Brick Company; and

Petition of M. A. Phillips and others, for an act to incorporate the Weld Corner Cheese Factory;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Charles O. Donham, for deed of a lot of land; and

Petition of Samuel T. Sewall, for a deed of lot of land;

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

Petition of the Judge of Probate of Washington county, for increase of salary, was referred to the Washington County Delegation.

Petition of Robert R. Crosby and others, for an act to protect trout in Rangely lake, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of J. C. Lane and Fannie O. Patterson, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 167 of the laws of 1870, as to allow jailers and officers connected with the jails to take acknowledgments and administer affidavits in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. FOLSOM of Oldtown,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 8, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, so towns containing more than five hundred and less than one thousand voters, that the Selectmen can add to the list of voters on the day of election by certificate or otherwise.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish for the use of the House, a map of the State, showing the lines of railroads chartered and in operation.

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize A. Judson Ray and Charles W. Ray to build a dyke across Cole's creek in the town of Harrington;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing B. Brastow and others to extend a wharf or wharves into the tide waters of Penobscot river."

Mr. COBURN, from the Committee on Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Kingman."

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company."

Mr. LORING, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Fire Insurance Company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1873.

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 James Fuller and others, for amendment of the charter of the Wiscasset and Kennebec Railroad Company; and
Petition of Joseph Barrett and others, for same;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Governor Neptune of the Penobscot Indians, for appropriations for said tribe, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of William Duren and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of saw-dust into the St. Croix, from the files, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Bangor House Proprietary;" and

Petition of the Recorder of the Police Court of Bangor, for increase of salary, with bill accompanying;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to incorporate the South Paris Savings Bank;" and

Petition of George Parcher and others, for incorporation of the Hancock Savings Bank;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Joseph Libby and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge across Molunkus stream; and

Petition of Henry Hawes and others, for an appropriation to repair bridge across Mattawamkeag river;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lisbon Mutual Fire Insurance Company;" and

Petition of Isaac Smith and others, for incorporation of Litchfield Town Insurance Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Enoch Hall, for deed of a lot of land; and

Petition of George W. Rust, for a lot of land;

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

Petition of William Hill and others of North Berwick, for confirmation of the location of the Boston and Maine railroad, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

"Resolves providing for an amendment to the Constitution, conferring right of suffrage on women," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of municipal officers of Madawaska, for free vaccination of the inhabitants of said territory, was referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Petition of Solomon Hamilton and others of Isle au Haut, to be set off from Deer Isle and incorporated as a plantation, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of Joseph F. Gray and others, for an act to prohibit the taking of eels in Bagaduce river, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of President of Childrens' Home, Bangor, for aid, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Clarendon Butman and others, for preservation of water fowl in Plymouth, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Ingalls Bragg Stevens and Martha Washington Hinckley, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing section 2, chapter 38 of the public laws of 1872, relating to insolvent estates.

On motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of legislation to define the duties of Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court in relation to charging juries.

On motion of Mr. HINCH of Bancroft,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the repair of the bridge across the Mattawamkeag at Haynesville, in the County of Aroostook.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. PENDEXTER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "an act to prevent the taking of trout in Bellscopec Meadow brook in the town of Waldoborough."

Mr. WOOD, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition, reported bill "an act to amend the charter of the Bangor Insurance Company."

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Commerce, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize William P. Harriman to extend a wharf into tide water in the city of Belfast."

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported reference to the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of L. A. Wadsworth, for a law for the better protection of public health.

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

Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Education, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act relating to free text-books."

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

Bill "an act to authorize George W. Manson to clear the channel and navigate the Androscoggin river between Lewiston and Lisbon Falls," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, Senate amendments "A," "B" and "C," adopted, and the same passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company."

Bill "an act authorizing B. Brastow and others to extend a wharf or wharves into the tide waters of the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act authorizing A. Judson Ray and Charles W. Ray to build a dyke across Cole's creek in the town of Harrington."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Kingman."

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 repeal chapter 715, laws of 1871," being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table by Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Central Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act authorizing Daniel Keene and others to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bremen."

Bill "an act authorizing Philip D. Yates and others to maintain a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bristol."

Bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Franklin to re-assess certain taxes."

The foregoing having had 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.

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

The Treasurer has assisted said Committee in the production of records, papers and vouchers, and has by himself and his clerks, given all necessary information in order to enable your Committee to arrive at a just and correct conclusion.

And would report that from all the evidence produced and shown, that they have not been able to detect any errors in the exhibit made by the Treasurer in his said report, and all agree that the said report is correct.

Your Committee, in compliance with 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 \$46,000, and of the latter, \$348,698; coupons and interest on registered bonds, \$84,301.89; total, \$432,999.89.

And your Committee would further report, that they have destroyed, by burning, bonds surrendered and cancelled, \$354,000, for which registered bonds have been issued.

A record of the same has been made upon the books of the Treasurer. The cash on hand, \$379,762.08, is deposited in banks entirely satisfactory to your Committee.

Signed,

JESSE DAVIS, *Chairman.*

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Lane, its Secretary, proposing a Convention of the Legislature, this day, at 11½ o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate concurring 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. O'BRION of York,

Messrs. O'Brien and Lothrop of the Senate, and Messrs. Tottman of Clinton, Hatch of Bangor, and Fessenden of Portland, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Treasurer of State.

Mr. O'BRION, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	165
Necessary to a choice	83
William Caldwell had	142

J. Fred Merrill..... 20

Charles Hill..... 3

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

On motion of Mr. ABBOT of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify William Caldwell that he has been duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

The purpose 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. FOLSOM of Oldtown,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HEATH of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Joseph Harding and others of Baldwin, for an act to protect fish in Harding's pond in said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 113 of the revised statutes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of James Dingley and others, for incorporation of the Auburn Fire Insurance Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law defining the lines between cities and towns, where said lines are bounded on rivers or streams.

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

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Addison to build a bridge across Pleasant river," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the bill recommitted, on motion of Mr. HALEY of Kennebunk.

Petition of Joseph Garry of Lyndon, for deed of a lot of land ; also

Petition of Stephen Thorn and others, for aid to repair road in Crystal plantation ; and

Petition of George B. Sprague and others, for aid to build a bridge across the St. Croix river ;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Pomological Society ;" and

Petition of citizens of Brooklin, for bounty on certain wild animals ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of C. F. Moulton and others, for an act to ratify the doings of the town of Scarborough relating to railroad bridge in said town ; and

Petition of W. H. Rhodes and others of Rockland, for an act to establish the rates of the Rockland Water Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 29 of the revised statutes, relating to bowling alleys and billiard rooms," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Peter Lolar and others, for an act to regulate the lease of the shores of the Penobscot Indians, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Samuel Kimball, for an act to require petitioners for division of towns to lay before the voters thereof the plan of such division for approval, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of William P. Lennox and others, for amendment of the charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of E. A. Austin, for amendment of the law concerning narrow rimmed wheels in Addison and Columbia, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BUTMAN, from the Committee on Towns, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act for the preservation of the boundaries of ancient highways."

Mr. BARRON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Israel Dean and others, for law relating to litigants and lawyers; also

Reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to fees of witnesses.

Mr. MORTLAND, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order concerning the rights of married women.

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition of C. H. Crossman and others of Letter E.

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

Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend chapter 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads and steam navigation."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered printed under the rule.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on recommitted bill "an act authorizing justices of the peace to administer oaths and affirmations."

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition of Simon Pool and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Union Hall Company of Southport."

Mr. ADAMS, from the same Committee, on petition, reported

bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Penobscot county to re-assess certain taxes."

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Eaton."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

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

Bill "an act to authorize Willard P. Harriman to extend a wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast."

"Bill "an act to prevent the taking of trout in Bellscopec Meadow brook in Waldoborough."

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 an act to incorporate the Madagascan Dam 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. WEEKS of Augusta,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Hon. S. C. Hatch be Speaker *pro tem*.

The order was passed, and the Speaker *pro tem*. conducted to the Chair by Mr. Weeks.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Governor and Council, informing them that Hon. S. C. Hatch had been appointed Speaker *pro tem*.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, conveyed the same information to the Senate.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland;" and

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company;"

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads, and were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Maine Poultry Association," 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 Monday next assigned for the third reading.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison, was received and read.

The foregoing report came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Prison, and was referred in concurrence.

Petition of William McGilvery and others of Searsport ;

Petition of Frank Frye and others of Stockton ; and

Petition of David Howe and others of Lincolnville, for charter for railroad from Bath to Portland ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of H. M. Prentiss and others, for incorporation of the East Branch Log Driving Company, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the Penobscot Indians, for change of the law relating to rents for lease of shores, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Remonstrance of Francis Lowe, against setting off part of Clinton Gore to the town of Clinton, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

"Resolve in aid of Crystal plantation," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending section 28, chapter 5 of the revised statutes, relative to local land agents, so that it shall be the duty of selectmen of towns and assessors of plantations to perform the duties of such local agents, said selectmen and assessors to be paid as said local agents now are.

On motion of Mr. PAUL of Kittery,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 4, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, by striking out the words "at least five days" in the third line, so that said section, when amended, shall read : "All residents of this State intending to be joined in marriage, shall cause notice of their intentions to be recorded in the office of the clerk of the town in which each resides, before a certificate of such intentions is granted.

On motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough,

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs inquire into the propriety of reducing the valuation of township No. 5, R. 3,

north of Bingham's Kennebec purchase, in the County of Somerset.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BUTMAN, from the Committee on Towns, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Hersey."

Printed bill "an act relating to free text-books in public schools."

This report was read and accepted, bills read twice, and Monday next assigned for the third reading.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapters 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads and steamboats," was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of John Gardner."

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

Mr. KING, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeals from decisions of County Commissioners."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, on order, reported bill "an act to promote the efficiency of the public schools of Maine."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Eaton."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Hall Company of Southport."

Bill "an act authorizing justices of the peace to administer oaths and affirmations."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Penobscot county to re-assess certain taxes."

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 the charter of the Bangor Insurance Company;" and

Bill "an act to authorize George W. Manson to clear the channel, and navigate the Androscoggin river between Lewiston and Lisbon Falls;"

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 repeal chapter 715 of the private and special laws of 1871, relating to the duties of the constables in the town of Whitefield, was taken from the table, rules suspended, and the vote passing the same to be engrossed reconsidered, amended as per sheet "A," passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PAUL of Kittery,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland, the roll of the House was called, and 81 members responded to the call, as follows: Messrs.

Adams,	Coburn,	Hatch,
Alley,	Coffin,	Herrick,
Bennett,	Corthell,	Heselton,
Bisbee,	Crocker,	Hinckley,
Boardman,	Dennison,	Hinch,
Butman,	Folsom of Newburg,	Johnson,
Campbell,	Foss,	Jones,
Carvill,	Getchell,	Kalloch,
Clark,	Green,	Keegan,

King,	Pierce,	Titcomb,
Kingman,	Putnam,	Torrey,
Kimball,	Randall, Island Falls,	Treat,
Lake,	Ray,	Treworgy,
Lincoln,	Reed,	Twombly,
Littlefield,	Richards,	Walker,
Martin,	Ricker,	Webster of Castine,
Mason of Searsmont,	Robbins of Guilford,	Weed,
Mayberry,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	Weeks,
Mayhew,	Rollins,	Wentworth,
Moffit,	Severance,	Weston,
Mortland,	Smith,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Mower,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Neal,	Stevens of Eastport,	Whipple,
Oak,	Sturtevant,	Winslow,
Ouilette,	Talbot,	Witherly,
Patten,	Thomas,	Wood,
Paul,	Thompson,	Yates—81.
Pendexter,		

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Leander J. Griffin and others of Belfast, for a charter for railroad from Bath to Portland, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of the town of Yarmouth, for authority to loan the credit of said town in aid of manufactures therein, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the Land Agent's report be printed for the use of this Legislature, in addition to the number now printed.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 3 of the revised statutes, as shall authorize towns and cities to raise and collect money to pay for buildings that may be destroyed by fire in said towns and cities.

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

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting ought to pass

on "resolve relating to Hell Gate pilot law," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Trustees of the American Asylum for the Blind for the year 1872, was received and read.

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize William Tabbut to construct a fish weir in the town of Addison," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Stillman Wallace and others of Millbridge; and

Petition of Henry Stevens and others of Steuben, for repeal of the act to change the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Washington;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of J. O. Keyes and others, for incorporation of the North Jay Cheese Company, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Josiah Hupper and others, for authority to build a wharf in St. George, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Columbia, against repeal of law relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in said town, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Benedicta," was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of G. M. Porter and others, for amendment of the charter of the Calais Railway Company; also

Petition of citizens of Guilford, for amendment of charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company; and

Petition of citizens of Monson, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Melisa J. Brown, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 27 of the public acts of 1872, by striking out the words "by attachment," in the fifth line.

On motion of Mr. KALLOCH of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending sections 52 and 53, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, so as to give towns authority to elect at their annual meetings, or the municipal officers of towns authority to appoint inspectors of pressed hay ; and also that if any amendment be deemed expedient by said Committee, they further inquire into the propriety of attaching a penalty for any neglect of such inspectors in the performance of their duty.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

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

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs be directed to investigate into the expediency of legislation, whereby a penalty shall be placed on town officers or other persons, for using the school mill tax money for other purposes than that for which it was intended.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Monmouth,

Ordered, That there be printed for the use of the Legislature, one thousand additional copies of the report of the Warden of the State Prison ; also one thousand copies of the State Treasurer's report.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," was read twice, and Wednesday next assigned for the third reading.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend the city charter of the city of Ellsworth."

Mr. ALLEY, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on

petition of H. L. Smith, reported bill "an act to remove gates and bars from the highways in North Haven."

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing the filling of a channel between Deer Isle and Little Deer Isle."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 37 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeals from decision of County Commissioners."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Printed bill "an act to promote the efficiency of the public schools of Maine," was recommitted to the Committee on Education, on motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden.

Bill "an act relating to free text-books in public schools," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and read the third time.

Mr. ADAMS of Anson, offered amendment "A," pending which, the bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WALKER of Brighton, and Wednesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Hersey," 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 to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Maine Poultry Association," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ALLEY of Hartford,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. WEBB, in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JONES of Gardiner.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John Page and others; and

Petition of Edwin Gray and others of Anson, for repeal or modification of the law changing the shire town of Somerset county from Norridgewock to Skowhegan;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The House concurred and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to hold money in trust for certain purposes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Lyndon," from the files of the last Legislature, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of the inhabitants of Fairfield Village Corporation, for amendment of charter, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of William Pitcher and others of Belfast, for an act to establish uniform rates for transportation of freight and passengers on railroads, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act authorizing municipal aid in the establishment of manufactures, and in the improvement of water power in this State," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Henry Farrington and others, for an act to continue in force an act for the preservation of fish in Gross pond in Waldo-

borough, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire whether any lands or interest in lands have escheated to the State, if so, to report what measures should be taken to dispose of them.

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

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition of Moses Williams and others, bill "an act to incorporate the Williams Slate Quarry Company of Brownville."

Report of same Committee, reporting, on petition of Thomas Wigglesworth, bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Winterport and Bucksport Ferry Company."

Report of same Committee, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on recommitted bill "an act authorizing the inhabitants of Addison to build a bridge across Pleasant river."

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on petition of Alexander Montgomery, reporting "resolve ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain lots in Mount Pleasant cemetery in the city of Augusta."

Report of the Committee on Immigration, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Petition of Samuel Appleton and others of Waterville, for division of said town ;

Remonstrance of Samuel Kimball and others ;

Remonstrance of Ephraim Morrill and others ;

Remonstrance of John H. Hubbard and others ;

Remonstrance of Stephen Herron and others ; and
Remonstrance of F. P. Haviland and others, against the same ;
Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of J. A. Buckman and others of Minot, for an act to make valid the doings of said town ; also

Petition of J. L. Little and others, for an act to prohibit delinquent tax-payers from voting ; also

Petition of Willard Carver and others of Bangor, for amendment of the charter of said city relative to election of Street Commissioner ; also

Petition of Sidney Cook and others, for amendment of the law relating to highway taxes ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Castle Hill, for same ; and

Remonstrance of Henry Downes, against making Lyndon a half shire town of Aroostook county ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of N. Fessenden and others, Trustees of Fort Fairfield high school, for aid ; and

Bill "an act to provide suitable text-books for the public schools ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Brooklin, against any change of the law relating to the taking of porgies ; also

Petition of H. Winslow and others, for change of the law relating to the close-time on fish ; and

Petition of Zenas Thomas and others, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Sabatus Newell and others of Penobscot Indians, praying that the annuities of said tribe may be paid in money, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Remonstrance of Orrin Smith and others, against annexation of Clinton Gore to the town of Clinton, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Bill "an act to improve the jail system of the State of Maine," was referred to the Committee on Jail System.

Petition of Samuel C. Niles, for State bounty, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of the inhabitants of Sedgwick, for bounty on certain wild animals ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Gouldsbrough, for an act to regulate the running at large of cattle in said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Communication from A. Watson of Washington, D. C., relating to Marine Telegraph;

Petition of N. S. Thompson, for authority to build a wharf in Kennebunk;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of R. B. Clark and others, for repeal of the Calais Court bill, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Eli Bickmore, for authority to build a wharf in Friendship, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of the Selectmen of Alexander, for reimbursement of money paid into the State Treasury, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petitions of Frederick T. McCarty of Dixmont, and Emeline Lyford Blake, for change of names, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 11, section 59 of the revised statutes, relating to the pay of Superintending School Committees.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the filling of a channel between Deer Isle and Little Deer Isle."

Bill "an act to amend the city charter of the city of Ellsworth."

Bill "an act to amend section 37, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeals from decision of County Commissioners."

Bill "an act to remove gates and bars from the highways in North Haven."

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 authorize A. Judson Ray and Charles W. Ray, to build a dyke across Cole's creek in the town of Harrington."

Bill "an act authorizing B. Brastow and others, to build a wharf or wharves into the tide waters of the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Kingman."

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.

Mr. MANSON of Pittsfield, moved a reconsideration of the vote, whereby the House non-concurred with the Senate, in the reference of petitions relating to the shire town of Somerset county, pending which, the petitions were laid on the table, and Thursday next assigned.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden, the vote by which bill "an act to promote the efficiency of the public schools of Maine," was recommitted, was reconsidered, and the bill was read twice and to-morrow assigned.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. THOMAS of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Samuel Dingley and others, for incorporation of the Sebago Lake Steam Mill Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of S. W. Bradbury and others of Lubec; and

Petition of M. M. Foster and others, for repeal of the act changing the time and place of holding court in the County of Washington;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the propriety of changing the laws relating to the legal settlement of paupers, so that all paupers shall be supported by and at the expense of the town, city or plantation, where such paupers fall into distress; or provide for the support of such paupers by the county in which such town, city or plantation is situated, and establish farms, workshops and houses of correction in said counties.

Ordered, That the Cumberland Delegation inquire whether there shall be any change in the salary of the County Commissioners of that county.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 97 of the revised statutes, so that deputy sheriffs may serve the warrants named and provided for in same section.

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

Order directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to the sale of cider,

came back from the Senate amended, by referring the same to the Committee on Temperance.

The House concurred.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 16, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds," 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 from the Secretary of State, was received, transmitting the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners for the year 1872.

Petition of the Mayor of Rockland, for amendment of the charter of the Lime Rock Railroad Company; also

Petition of A. C. Spaulding and others of Rockland, for uniform rates of passenger and freight tariffs on railroads; also

Petition of citizens of Clinton, for amendment of the charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad; and

Petition of S. L. Tobey and others of Athens, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ligonía Iron Works; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Franklin Land and Lumber Company;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Isaiah Chick and others, for incorporation of the Madrid and West Phillips Cheese Company, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of John Robbins and others of Norridgewock, for aid to purchase a library in said town; and

Petition of inhabitants of Frenchville, for aid to the Frenchville high school;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Samuel Harvey, for deed of a lot of land in Mt. Chase; and

Petition of S. E. Benjamin and others of Mt. Chase, for aid to repair road in said town;

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

Petition of the Bangor Water Power Company, for extension of its charter; and

Petition of Jacob McLellan and others, for an act to authorize the appointment of Port Wardens ;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of Joseph Barrett and others, for change of the law relating to the sale of cider, was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Frenchville, against making Lyndon a half shire town of Aroostook county, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Wiscasset," was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation relating to liens on animals.

On motion of Mr. JOHNSON of Topsfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the pauper law, that organized plantations shall be required to furnish aid to paupers within the limits of their organizations, and be subject to all the penalties and liabilities that towns now are.

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs be directed to consider the expediency of reporting a bill for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1873.

On motion of Mr. REED of Waldoborough,

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs be requested to inquire what sum is necessary to be appropriated on account of expenses of commission appointed under chapter 58 of the public laws of 1869, providing for the establishment of true meridian lines, and for regulating the practice of surveying in this State.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Washington County Delegation, reported referred to the next Legislature, of petition for increase of the salary of the Judge of Probate for said county.

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

Mr. HAWES, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs, on petition of Isaac Smith, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Litchfield Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the same Committee, on petition of James Dingley, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to empower Joseph Oaks to extend a wharf into tide waters of the Penobscot river at Brewer."

Mr. BAILEY, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act authorizing Elizabeth Johnson, her associates and assigns, to extend a wharf at Hampden into the tide waters of Penobscot."

Mr. WEBSTER, from the same Committee, on petition of C. Holyoke, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Mattanawcook Dam Company."

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, on petition of Henry T. Knowles and others, reported bill "an act to set off a part of township No. 7, Range 5, in the County of Aroostook, and annex the same to Mqro plantation, and School District No. 2."

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act for the relief of the trustees of the Bingham estate, and persons claiming under them."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

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

"Resolve in favor of John Gardner."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, each passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Williams Slate Quarry Company of Brownville."

Bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Addison, to build a bridge across Pleasant river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Winterport and Bucksport Ferry Company."

"Resolve ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain lots in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in the city of Augusta."

"Resolve providing for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual."

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

Bill "an act to authorize Willard P. Harriman to extend a wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 715, special laws of 1871, relating to the duties of the constables of Whitefield."

Bill "an act to prevent the taking of trout in Bellscopec Meadow brook, in the town of Waldo."

"Resolve relating to the Hell Gate pilot law."

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, resolves finally passed, each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to promote the efficiency of the public schools of Maine," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time.

Mr. TREWORTHY of Surry, moved its indefinite postponement.

Mr. DINGLEY moved the bill be laid on the table, pending which, the House, on motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland, Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. BARTLETT of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Giles Loring, for authority to extend his wharf in the tide waters of Royall's river in Yarmouth ; and

Petition of the Mayor of Auburn, for an act to take water from Wilson's pond for domestic purposes ;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of F. J. Littlefield of Bridgton, for an act to authorize said town to take stock in railroads ; and

Report of the Railroad Commissioners ;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads ;

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Stevens and others ; and

Petition of Stillman Wallace and others, relating to change of the time and place of holding court in Washington county, referred in the House to the Committee on Legal Affairs, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House receded and concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law to prevent persons from playing at base ball or foot ball in the streets of any town or city in the State.

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 205, public laws of 1871, in regard to the liability of stockholders in corporations.

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "D," and recommitted.

The House recessed and concurred.

Communication from the Deputy Secretary of State, transmitting County Estimates for the year 1873, was received, and referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 115 of the revised statutes, relating to the compensation of members of the Executive Council, Senate and House of Representatives;" and

Bill "an act to amend sections 18 and 19 of chapter 83 of the revised statutes;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act relative to the fees of the Judge of the Municipal Court in the city of Biddeford;" also

Petition of inhabitants of Danforth, for an act to legalize the doings of said town; also

Remonstrance of N. F. Deering and others of Portland, against the incorporation of Odd Fellows Hall Association; and

Bill "an act to prevent prize fights among game animals;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Jason M. Carleton and others, for amendment of the charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company; also

Petition of citizens of Abbot, for same; and

Petition of the Directors of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for amendment of charter;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of W. H. Shaw and others of Dennysville; and

Petition of John Allen and others, in favor of the use of wide rimmed wheels in said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Granville E. Carleton, for authority to extend his wharf in tide waters of Rockport harbor in Camden, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of P. Coburn, for amendment of the charter of the Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of J. J. Emery and others, for repeal of the law relating to spawn or egg lobsters; and

Petition of John M. Woods, for change of the law relating to the taking of trout in the waters of Moosehead lake ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Walker Darling, for State pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Daniel Knox, for reimbursement for land taken by the United States Government, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of A. H. Abbott, for an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Abbott Family School at Little Blue, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Lydia L. Ramsdell, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. CAMPBELL of Cherryfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation relating to the moose and caribou law.

On motion of Mr. WEBSTER of Castine,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire what appropriations are necessary to carry on the operations of, and increase the interest in, the normal schools of the State.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. TREFETHEN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of E. H. Torrey and others, for change of the law relating to porgies.

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported same, on petition of J. F. Gove, for an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels in the town of Perry.

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported same, on petition of inhabitants of Limington, for re-annexation of part of the town of Limerick to said Limington.

Mr. GIFFORD, from the Committee on Education, reported same, on petition for aid to Limerick Academy.

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

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Charles A. Chase."

Mr. RANDALL, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Samuel T. Sewall; also

Reported, on petition, resolve in favor of Charles O. Donham.

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Bradford Thompson to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rutherford's Island gut."

Mr. KALLOCH, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Nathaniel L. Thompson to build a wharf on the western side of Kennebunk river in Kennebunk."

Mr. ROBINSON, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Jacob H. Keen to repair, extend and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Medomak river."

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.

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Jesse Drew."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act relating to damages for lands taken by railroads."

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

Bill "an act for the relief of William Bingham Clymer and Charles Willing, as trustees of the estate formerly of William Bingham, the elder, deceased, and for the relief of persons claiming under them."

Bill "an act to set off a part of township No. 7, Range 5, in the County of Aroostook, and annex the same to Moro plantation, and School District No. 2."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mattanawcook Dam Company."

Bill "an act to empower Joseph Oakes to extend a wharf or wharves into tide waters of the Penobscot river at Brewer."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act authorizing Elizabeth Johnson to extend a wharf at Hampden into the tide waters of Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Litchfield Fire Insurance Company."

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 amend sections 16 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds," 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 promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Penobscot county to re-assess certain taxes."

Bill "an act to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Maine Poultry Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Eaton."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Hall Company of Southport."

Bill "an act authorizing justices of the peace to administer oaths and affirmations."

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 promote the efficiency of public schools in the State of Maine," was taken from the table.

Mr. ALLEY of Hartford, moved the same be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Mr. DINGLEY moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 121, nays 21.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Adams,	Brewer,	Corthell,
Alley,	Butman,	Crocker,
Atwood,	Campbell,	Cushman,
Bailey,	Carvill,	Cutting,
Barron,	Cary,	Davis,
Bisbee,	Coburn,	Dingley,
Boardman,	Coffin,	Egery,

Ellis,	Littlefield,	Rollins,
Fessenden,	Locke,	Rounds,
Files,	Lord,	Sargent,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Loring of Portland,	Smith,
Ford,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Foss,	Manson,	Stevens of Eastport,
Fuller,	Mason of Searsmont,	Sturtevant,
Getchell,	Mason of Biddeford,	Talbot,
Gifford,	Mathews,	Thomas,
Gregg,	Mayberry,	Thompson,
Green,	Moffit,	Titcomb,
Haley,	Mortland,	Torrey,
Hall,	Mower,	Totman,
Hawes,	Nash,	Treat,
Herrick,	Neal,	Trefethen,
Heselton,	Oak,	True,
Hinckley,	Ouilette,	Twombly,
Hinch,	Paul,	Warren,
Hobson,	Pendexter,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Howard,	Perry,	Webster of Orono,
Hubbard,	Pierce,	Webster of Castine,
Johnson,	Prentiss,	Weed,
Jones,	Pressy,	Weeks,
Jordan,	Putnam,	Wentworth,
Kalloch,	Rand,	Weston,
Keegan,	Randall, Island Falls,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Kenniston,	Reed,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
King,	Remick,	Whipple,
Knight,	Richards,	Whitcomb,
Knowlton,	Richardson,	Wilder,
Lake,	Ricker,	Winslow,
Learned,	Robbins of Guilford,	Wood,
Lincoln,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	Yates—121.
Lindley,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Bennett,	Harmon,	Kimball,
Brockway,	Hatch,	Martin,
Carll,	Hulit,	Milliken,
Clark,	Humphreys,	Patten,
Folsom of Newburg,	Kingman,	Randall of Richmond,

Ray,
Robinson,

Scofield,
Treworgy,

Walker,
Witherly—21.

Petitions relating to the shire town of Somerset county, was taken from the table.

Mr. MANSON of Pittsfield, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the same were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and the question was decided in the affirmative.

The petitions were then referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of David Stevens 2d, and others, relating to shire town of Somerset county, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. THOMAS of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of William Conner and others of Fairfield;

Petition of Charles E. Horn and others; and

Petition of J. T. Buzzell and others of Skowhegan, for repeal or amendment of the act changing the shire town of Somerset county; Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the Selectmen of Lubec, for reimbursement of money paid the State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of providing for the survey of the State line, or part of the same, between this State and New Hampshire.

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 John Sterling for deed of a lot of land.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting same, on petition of inhabitants of Charleston for authority to loan the credit of said town in aid of the Penobscot Central Railroad Company.

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

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition of John Hayden and others, bill "an act to incorporate the Portland, Bath and Sea Shore Railroad Company," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheets "A," "C," "E," "F" and "G," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times, rules being suspended, Senate amendments adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Arno Wiswell and others, for an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company; also

Petition of A. L. Gerrish and others of Pittsfield; also

Petition of Ziba Burrill and others of Canaan; and

Petition of James H. Hilton and others of Starks, for repeal or amendment of the act changing the shire town of Somerset county; and

Petition of inhabitants of School District No. 8, in Bristol, for an act to make valid the doings of said district;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of D. Harmon of Lyndon, for deed of a lot of land;

Petition of Jonathan Sleeper, for deed of a lot of land;

Petition of E. E. Glidden and Carroll C. Record, for deed of lot;

and

Petition of E. H. Hayden and others, for aid to build a bridge over Omcolcus stream in Aroostook county ;

Were referred to the Committee on State Lands and Roads.

Petition of Francis S. Gileson, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and saw-dust into the Mill pond in Perry ; and

Petition of E. H. Tolman and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the Morse brook in Denmark ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of A. Hayford and others ; and

Remonstrance of Joseph Bean and others of Belfast, against extending the charter of the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company, so as to allow said company to build a bridge across the lower harbor in said city ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of the inhabitants of Whitneyville, for repeal of the Calais Court bill, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

Petition of inhabitants of Dayton, for abatement of taxes, was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor bridge," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of Solomon B. Gay, against any act to prohibit the taking of eels in Bagaduce river, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of M. Quin and others, for reimbursement of money paid the State during the late war, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HATCH of Bangor, presented a resolve in favor of the city of Hallowell, which was read once, under suspension of the rules, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing a compensation for witnesses unable to give sureties when required and committed to prison in order to secure their attendance on court as witnesses.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 8, chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustees.

On motion of Mr. HINCH of Bancroft,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be requested to inquire whether an appropriation be necessary to repair the bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in the plantation of Bancroft, in the County of Aroostook.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville,

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to publish the Journal of the House for distribution.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on Elections, on the remonstrance of Joseph B. Foss against the right of William F. Johnson to a seat in this House, reported as follows :

The Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph B. Foss of Danforth, asking to be heard on his claim to the seat in the House of Representatives now held by William F. Johnson, having carefully considered said claim, ask leave to report :

The class now represented by said Johnson, consists of the towns and plantations of Baring, Danforth, Princeton, Baileyville, Topsfield, No. 21, N. D. plantation, Codyville, Jackson Brook, Talmadge, Waite, No. 7, Range 2, No. 9, R. 4, and Vanceboro. The vote thrown at the annual State election in September, A. D. 1872, as appears by the several returns, was as follows :

Baring—for William F. Johnson 35, for Joseph B. Foss 18 ; Danforth—Johnson 26, Foss 51 ; Princeton—Johnson 146, Foss 91 ; Baileyville—Johnson 11, Foss 47 ; Topsfield—Johnson 42, Foss 67 ; No. 21, N. D. plantation—Johnson 10, Foss 15 ; Codyville—Johnson 6, Foss 15 ; Jackson Brook—Johnson 27, Foss 13 ; Talmadge—Johnson 6, Foss 11 ; Waite—Johnson 9, Foss 16 ; No. 7, R. 2—Johnson 10, Foss 16 ; No. 9, R. 4—Johnson 15, Foss 31 ; Vanceboro—Johnson 36, John B. Foss 7 ; making the vote of these towns and plantations, in the aggregate, stand for William F. Johnson 379, Joseph B. Foss 391, and John B. Foss 7. The return to the office of the Secretary of State of the town of

Vanceboro', was as follows: W. F. Johnson of Topsfield, thirty-six (36); John B. Foss of Danforth, seven (7).

No evidence has been produced before your Committee by which they can be led to the conclusion that the votes thrown were for Joseph B. Foss, as was claimed by the petitioner. In several previous contested elections, evidence has been admitted and votes allowed where the initial letter of the middle name was different from that of the claimant, but so far as the Committee are aware, in no case has this been done, where the full first name was different.

In the case at issue, the Committee find no difficulty, the claim of the remonstrant being unsupported by evidence, in coming to the conclusion that the vote of said town of Vanceboro' cannot be counted as for Joseph B. Foss. Deducting the seven votes thrown for John B. Foss, the vote of the class stands, William F. Johnson 379, Joseph B. Foss 391, leaving a majority of votes for said Foss of 12 votes. The return of the vote in the town of Danforth, was incorrectly made, the officers of said town embracing in their return of votes cast for representatives to the Legislature, the votes cast for Governor and other officers. A subsequent return, made to the office of the Secretary of State, repeated the error of return by giving the votes for Governor and other officers as thrown for them for representative to the 43d Congress of the United States. In each of these returns, the names of William F. Johnson and Joseph B. Foss appear as having received respectively in the one return, William F. Johnson for Governor, 26 votes, Joseph B. Foss for the same high position, 51 votes; and in the other return, said gentleman received the same number of votes for Representative to Congress.

The claimant was the clerk of the town of Danforth; and, as he stated before the Committee, saw the votes sorted, counted and heard the vote declared in open town meeting. The ballots were printed in the usual form and upon them the names of William F. Johnson and Joseph B. Foss appeared as Representative to the Legislature. He also made up the return and mailed it to the office of the Secretary of State on the day subsequent to the day of election. The town clerk's book was also produced before the Committee, and the record, stated by the clerk to have been made within three days after the election, showed 77 votes for Representative to the Legislature—Joseph B. Foss 51 votes, William F.

Johnson 26 votes. No evidence was produced on the part of the sitting member, impeaching the record of the town clerk or tending in any way to show anything but inexperience, or at the worst, carelessness, on his part in making the returns. The voting appears to have been open and honest, and your Committee cannot for a moment entertain the opinion that justice or law require that the votes of the town of Danforth should be thrown out, as was properly done by the Governor and Council, whereby the summons was issued to William F. Johnson.

By the Constitution of the State, "each house shall be the judge of the elections and qualifications of its own members;" and we, the representatives of the people, are left free to act for the people, in defending their constitutional right of suffrage. Indeed in the matter of the vote of Danforth, the able counsel who appeared in behalf of the sitting member, Mr. Johnson, did not claim that your Committee could, on account of the irregularities merely made in the returns of the vote of the town of Danforth, properly throw out the said vote.

It is alleged, on the part of the sitting member, that the returns of the votes of No. 9, R. 4, No. 21, N. D. plantation, No. 7, R. 2, and Codyville, were not made in accordance with Section 5, of Article 4, of the State Constitution, as amended, requiring that the copies of the lists of votes shall be attested by the selectmen and town clerks of towns. Inspection of the returns and the opinion of an expert, show a marked similarity in the chirography of the assessors and clerks of some of these plantations; but whether the style of penmanship in those parts of our commonwealth is hereditary or derived from a general and faithful imitation of the style of that "school-master abroad," who has doubtless wielded the sceptre of authority, the birch, in those quarters from time immemorial, your Committee were entirely unable to determine. It is not unknown to the Committee, in fact the presence of our agile and amiable friend from Madawaska, is a constant reminder of the famous Dickey and Keegan case of 1870. In that case, no plantation returns contained, as was proved, a single genuine signature; the records and certified returns being made up and signed by outside parties, at the request of officers, in a large majority of cases, who were unable to affix their own signatures in *propria persona*. We, therefore, can see no reason, even on a strict legal interpretation of the rules of evidence, as

applied to the evidence introduced before your Committee, why the votes of these plantations should be excluded.

The result of our investigation is, therefore, that Joseph B. Foss of Danforth, was elected by a majority of twelve votes to the seat now occupied by William F. Johnson, and is legally entitled to the same.

(Signed)

S. W. MATHEWS,

Chairman of Committee on Elections.

The report was accepted, and the following resolutions were submitted by the Committee:

Resolved, That Joseph B. Foss, having received a plurality of all the votes cast for Representative to the Legislature in the Danforth class, is entitled to a seat in this House.

Resolved, That William F. Johnson, not having received a plurality of votes in the said class, is not entitled to a seat in this House.

These resolves were adopted.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to make up the travel and pay of William F. Johnson for the entire session.

Mr. BARRON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs' bonds."

Mr. CUSHMAN, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "an act to legalize the acts of the town of Wiscasset."

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of George W. Ayer for State aid.

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on petition of C. H. Crossman of Letter E, that the town of Madrid be required to pay a portion of the debt of said plantation.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to lien on animals.

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

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relative to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads."

Mr. HOWARD, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia."

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

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to attachments of real estate.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Minority of the Committee on the foregoing order, reported bill "an act relating to attachments of real estate."

The reports were read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. MATHEWS.

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Rodney C. Barker, reported bill "an act to incorporate the West Branch Mattawamkeag Canal Company."

Mr. ADAMS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend an act providing for the appointment and duties of a Recorder of the Police Court of Bangor, approved March 14, 1856."

Mr. THOMAS, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act relative to the town of Scarborough."

The same gentleman also reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor House Proprietary."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize Nathaniel L. Thompson to build a wharf on the western side of Kennebunk river in Kennebunk," was reported, read the third time, and tabled, on motion of Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport.

Bill "an act authorizing Bradford Thompson to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rutherford's Island gut."

Bill "an act to authorize Jacob H. Keen to repair, extend and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Medomak river."

"Resolve in favor of Jesse Drew."

These 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 to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Hersey."

Bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the inhabitants of Addison to build a bridge across Pleasant river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Williams Slate Quarry Company of Brownville."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Winterport and Bucksport Ferry Company."

"Resolve to provide for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual."

"Resolve ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain lots in Mt. Pleasant cemetery in Augusta."

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. CORTHELL of Calais,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CHILDS of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Samuel Hartwell and others of St. Albans ;

Petition of Alden Sawyer and others of Smithfield ; and

Petition of Reuel Bates and others of Fairfield, for repeal or amendment of the act of 1872, changing the shire town of Somerset county ;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Reuben Merrill and others of Yarmouth, for an act to authorize trustees of academies to surrender property to towns for high schools, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Reform School inquire into the expediency of a change in the law relating to the Reform School, so that parents and guardians can place unruly boys in the institution on paying a stipulated price.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Schools be requested to present to the Legislature an exhibit of school taxes of the several towns as required to be raised by existing legislation.

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the legal settlement of paupers.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, reporting same, on order relating to endowment and support of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of Henry Farrington, reporting bill "an act to continue in force an act for

the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond in Waldo-borough."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to amend the charter of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceboro'."

Report of the Androscoggin County Delegation, on petition, reporting bill "an act to increase the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate in the County of Androscoggin."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to hold money in trust for certain useful purposes."

"Resolves in relation to the repeal of the bankrupt law."

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 Monday next assigned.

Petition of Albert Lyon and others, for repeal of the Calais Court bill; and

Petition of Ezra Boynton and others of Deblois, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. W. Hines, for reimbursement for lot of land deeded to another person, to which he was entitled, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Francis Milliken and others, for an act to incorporate the Saco Steamboat Company, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of John Robbins and others of Norridgewock, for repeal or amendment of the act changing the shire town of Somerset county, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the assessors of Unity plantation, for aid to repair bridge, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of D. W. Campbell and others of Cherryfield, for an act to establish a State Board of Harbor Commissioners, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 3 of the laws of

1872, relating to the powers of cities and towns to take land for location of school-houses.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing section 12, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to jury fees.

The foregoing ~~were~~ sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it be till Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. CROCKER, from the Committee on Claims, reported reference to the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of A. H. Woodcock, praying that money expended by John Gabriel for the Passamaquoddy Indians in 1872 be refunded.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Abbott Family School at Little Blue."

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Benedicta;" also

Reported, on petition of John H. Whitney, bill "an act to incorporate the town of Lakeville."

Mr. TREAT, from the Committee on Claims, reported ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of the town of Lyndon "

Mr. GREGG, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition of Stephen Thorn, "resolve in aid of road in Crystal plantation."

These 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 incorporate the Lisbon Mutual Fire 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 amend an act providing for the appointment and duties of a Recorder of the Police Court of Bangor, approved March 14, 1856."

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Bangor House Proprietary."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Branch Mattawamkeag Canal Company."

Bill "an act relative to the town of Scarborough."

"Resolve in favor of the city of Hallowell."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, each 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 amend section 37 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeals from decisions of County Commissioners."

Bill "an act to remove gates and bars from the highways in North Haven."

Bill "an act to authorize the filling of a channel between Deer Isle and Little Deer Isle."

Bill "an act to amend section 16 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds."

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. REMICK of Eliot,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act providing for the additional safety of railway passenger travel," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Nathan Wood and others of Mercer; and

Petition of William P. Winslow and others of Fairfield, for amendment or repeal of the act changing the shire town of Somerset county;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any change is necessary in chapter 74, section 4 of the laws of 1872, to authorize assessors of cities, towns and plantations to tax bank stock to persons pledging such stock to savings banks as collateral security for loans.

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 legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the appointment of local land agents; also

Reporting reference to the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition of Samuel G. Worcester and others, for change of the law relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Columbia Falls."

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the titles of public acts of the present Legislature

which have received the approval of the Governor, with date of approval, as follows :

CHAPTER 88.

An act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands.

Approved January 25, 1873.

CHAPTER 89.

An act authorizing Justices of the Peace to administer oaths and affirmations.

Approved January 25, 1873.

Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, announced the attendance of J. B. Foss, member elect from Danforth.

Petition of inhabitants of Machiasport, for repeal of the Calais Court bill ;

Bill "an act relating to attachments in certain cases ;"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northport Wesleyan Grove Camp Meeting Association ;"

Bill "an act additional to section 38 of chapter 57 of the revised statutes ;" and

Bill "an act explanatory of section 83 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Communication from Winslow Bates, relative to the power of trial justices in criminal cases ; also

Petition of Israel C. Nash, praying that his acts as a justice of the peace may be made valid ; also

Petition of D. L. Getchell and others ; and

Petition of Joseph Clements and others of Detroit, for repeal or amendment of the law of 1872, changing the shire town of Somerset county ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of James Doyle of Lyndon, for deed of a lot of land ; also

Petition of Otis Holden and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge across Moose river ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Mapleton and Castle Hill, for aid in opening a road from Mapleton to Dalton ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Hamlin plantation, for aid in rebuilding bridges in said plantation ; and

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to deed a lot of land to John B. Farrell ;”

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

Petition of J. B. Trafton and others, for charter of the Aroostook River Railroad ; also

Petition of P. T. Nickerson and others ; and

Petition of Isaac Hacker and others, in aid of the same ; also

Petition of David T. Sanders and others ; and

Petition of citizens of Benton, for amendment of the charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad ; also

Bill “an act for the extension of the Georges Valley Railroad ;” and

Bill “an act to prevent the loss of life and injury to property by railroad accidents ;”

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Obed Town and others, for incorporation of the East Dover Cheese Factory ; and

Petition of A. M. Robinson, for incorporation of the Earl Slate Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of John S. Allen, praying that a portion of his farm may be set off from Bowdoin, Sagadahoc county, and annexed to the town of Litchfield in Kennebec county ; also

Remonstrance of S. E. Benjamin, against setting off the town of Patten to the County of Aroostook ; also

Petition of Daniel Bunker, praying that his island may be set off from Benton to Fairfield ; and

Petitions of S. S. Brown and John A. Thompson, in aid of the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of M. T. Hanly and others, for incorporation of the Appleton Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Clark’s Island Granite Company, for authority to build a causeway, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Bill “an act relating to schools in Madawaska,” was referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of J. A. French, and others, against extending

the close-time on trout in Androscoggin river and tributaries, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of A. J. Roy, for reimbursement of money to the town of Harrington, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Theodore Wayman and others, for aid to build a road in Barnard, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of E. Wiggin, Jr., and others, for increase of salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate of Aroostook county, was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

"Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell the gun house at Milo," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. WEBSTER of Castine,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law respecting the calling of the annual meetings of parishes or other religious societies, so that they may be called by the clerk in the mode prescribed by law.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on Education, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine."

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

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petitions, reported bill "an act to change the names of certain persons;" also

Reported bill "an act to change the name of Sumner Melville Marden, Jr., and to make him the heir of Sumner Handy."

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition of C. B. Dinsmore and others, bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke across Flat Bay stream in the town of Harrington."

Printed bill "an act relating to damages for land taken for railroad purposes."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relative to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceboro' ;" and

"Resolve in relation to the repeal of the bankrupt law ;"

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to increase the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate of the county of Androscoggin."

Bill "an act to continue in force an act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond, in the town of Waldoborough."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to hold money in trust for certain purposes."

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 town of Lakeville."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Benedicta."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Abbott Family School at Little Blue."

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 incorporate the Portland, Bath and Sea Shore 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.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker being absent, the House was called to order by the Clerk, who presided during the choice of Speaker *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, D. N. Mortland of Rockland, be Speaker *pro tem*.

The Speaker *pro tem*. was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Mathews of Hampden.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch of the choice of D. N. Mortland as Speaker *pro tempore*.

Mr. WHITCOMB was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Governor and Council.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the East Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of appropriating money to cover the bridge across the Aroostook river at Caribou.

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands, reporting, on petition, "resolve in aid of building a road in township F, Range 1, in the County of Aroostook;" also

Reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of Charles O. Higgins."

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 tomorrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting, on order, bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act in addition to chapter 26 of the revised statutes."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills recommitted.

The reports were read and accepted, and the bills recommitted in concurrence.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of State:

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Jan. 28, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following title of public act of the present Legislature which has received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

ALDEN JACKSON, Dep. Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 90.

An act to amend section 16 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds.

Approved January 27, 1873.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the State Reform School, was received and read.

Mr. TALBOT informed the House that he had conducted Mr. Foss to the Governor, and that he had taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

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

Petition of Norris Keene and others, for repeal or amendment of the law of 1872, changing the shire town of Somerset county; also

Petition of the Union Meeting-House Association of Bristol, for an act to make valid the doings of said association; also

Petition of John Libby and others, for an act to prohibit the Attorney General and County Attorneys from acting as attorneys for any railroads while in office ; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 717 of the private laws of 1871, relating to drains and sewers ;" also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Greenough Church Edifice Association ;" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Women's Christian Association ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of William B. Lapham and others, for annexation of Hamlin Grant plantation to the town of Woodstock ;

Remonstrance of E. Stevens and others of Woodstock ; and

Remonstrance of Joseph Cummings and others of Hamlin Grant, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Victor Beauboucher, for repayment of moneys advanced to Jaffa Colonists ; also

Petition of D. M. Belcher and others of Winterport, for aid to Charles S. Page of said town ; and

Petition of Selectmen of Bradley, for reimbursement of money paid into the State Treasury to fill the quota of said town in 1864.

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "an act relative to the Androscoggin Pulp Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of E. H. Nealley and others, for an act to incorporate the Monroe Cheese Factory, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Orrin Tufts and others, for aid to repair road from Norridgewock to Eustis ;

Remonstrance of G. L. Boynton and others ; and

Remonstrance of John Appleton and others, against amendment of charter of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company ;

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

Petition of inhabitants of Chesterville, for incorporation of the Chesterville Fire Insurance Company, with bill, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of inhabitants of Charleston for change of the law relating to the choice of highway surveyors ; and

Petition of Reuben S. Smart and others, for an act to establish a ferry landing in Portland ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 74 of the laws of 1870, relating to savings banks," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of H. G. Mowers of Corrina, for the right to control a trout brook in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire what legislation is necessary to better carry on the operations of and increase the interest in the normal department of the Maine Central Institute at Pittsfield.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on petition, bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company."

Mr. KNIGHT, from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the North Jay Cheese Company."

The same gentleman, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Madrid and West Phillips Cheese Company."

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Samuel Harvey."

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act relating to damages for land taken for railroad purposes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relative to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads."

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke across Flat Bay stream in the town of Harrington."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia."

Bill "an act to change the name of Sumner Melville Marden and to make him the heir of Sumner Handy."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

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 for the relief of William Bingham Clymer and Charles Willing, as trustees of the estate of William Bingham the elder, deceased, and for the relief of persons claiming under them."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Litchfield Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act authorizing Elizabeth Johnson to extend a wharf at Hampden into the tide waters of the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to empower Joseph Oakes to extend a wharf or wharves into the tide waters of the Penobscot River at Brewer."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Ellsworth into a city, approved February 8, 1869."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lisbon Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

"Resolve in favor of John Gardner."

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.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mattanawcook Dam Company," being on its passage to be enacted, was laid on the table by Mr. WHITCOMB.

Bill "an act to set off part of township No. 7, Range 5, in the County of Aroostook, and annex the same to Moro plantation and School District No. 2," being on its passage to be enacted, the rules were suspended, vote by which it was passed to be engrossed reconsidered, and recommitted to Committee on Towns.

"Resolve in relation to the repeal of the bankrupt law," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden, and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. HALEY of Kennebunk,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. WEBB, in the Chair.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of the Selectmen of Vinalhaven, for reimbursement of money paid the State as bounties to fill quota in 1863, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Memorial of the managers of Maine Industrial School for Girls ;
and

Bill "an act to provide for the supervision of common schools;"

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of John L. Field and others, for repeal or amendment of the law changing the shire town of Somerset county ;

Petition of A. S. Kimball and others, for an act to incorporate the Waterford Hotel Company ;

Petition of the Portland Mercantile Library Association, for amendment of charter ;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Report of the Reform School, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Reform School.

"Resolve relating to revision of treaties with the Penobscot Indians," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Bunker, for an act to set off his island from the town of Benton to the town of Fairfield, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs, on order relating to liability of town officers for misappropriation of the school mill-tax.

Report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding, reporting, on order, a contract with Messrs. Sprague, Owen & Nash for doing the State printing for the current year.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the contract approved.

The reports were read and accepted, and the contract approved.

Bill "an act to amend an act providing for the appointment and duties of a Recorder of the Police Court of Bangor, approved March 14, 1856," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate referred to the Penobscot Delegation.

The House receded and concurred.

"Resolve in favor of Jesse Drew," passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted upon a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. King of Lyndon, Weeks of Augusta, and Thomas of Portland, conferees.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Liquor Commissioner of the State of Maine.

Petition of inhabitants of Yarmouth, for charter of Casco Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the State Publishing Association;" also

Bill "an act to prevent trespass on islands;" also

Petition of Orrin Libby and others, David H. Pooler and others, Edmund Coolidge and others, Samuel Tinkham and others, and John H. Allen and others, for change of the law relating to the shire town of Somerset county; also

Petition of Samuel R. Chapman and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into east branch of Ellis river in the town of Andover; also

Petition of Judges of Municipal Courts of Hallowell and Augusta, for increase of the fees of municipal judges and trial justices; and

Petition of Elkanah Spear and others;

Petition of George Palmer and others;

Petition of Tilden Thomas and others;

Petition of H. A. Knight and others;

- Petition of A. Young and others ;
Petition of Charles H. Cilley and others ;
Petition of H. P. Hutchinson and others ;
Petition of James W. Trott and others ;
Petition of Ira W. Holbrook and others ; and •
Petition of Silas Farrington and others, for an act to fix the rates of the Rockland Water Company ;
Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.
Petition of William A. Wills, for authority to extend a wharf in Bristol ; and
Memorial of inhabitants of Orland, for an act to prevent obstructions in Eastern river ;
Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.
Bill "an act to incorporate the Bartlett Land Company ;"
Petition of William Toothaker and others, for incorporation of the Phillips Building Company ;
Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.
Petition of Selectmen of Solon, for reimbursement of money paid the State to fill quota of said town in 1863 ;
Petition of the Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, for reimbursement ;
Were referred to the Committee on Claims.
Petition of Norton & Leavitt, for authority to extend wharves into York river, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.
Petition of John Richards, for an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Village Corporation, was referred to the Committee on Towns.
Petition of L. A. Wadsworth, for an act to require book-keeping to be taught in public schools, was referred to the Committee on Education.
Petition of the Selectmen of Hartford, for correction of an error in the number of polls of said town, was referred to the Oxford County Delegation.
Petition of J. B. Bessy and others, for amendment of the charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company ; also
Petition of David Hammond and others ;
Petition of John B. Rand others ;
Petition of J. H. Longley and others ;
Petition of J. A. Dennison and others ; and
Petition of C. H. Haskell and others, for incorporation of the Androscoggin and Oxford Railroad Company ; and

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey C. T. Daniels certain lots of land, waving settling duties," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of citizens of Brewer, for authority to lay out a highway in said town to the tide waters of Penobscot river, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of H. H. Clark and others, for incorporation of the Tremont Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOLSOM of Newburg,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 15, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization, that persons solemnizing marriages may be required to make returns thereof to the clerks of towns where the parties received their certificates.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of purchasing additional volumes of Maine Reports, Nos. 10, 11 and 12.

On motion of Mr. THOMAS of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the revised statutes, chapter 34, relating to the licensing of auctioneers.

On motion of Mr. BARRON of Topsham,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of constables for the service of venires.

On motion of HATCH of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of repairing or rebuilding bridges over streams between Patten and Chamberlain lake.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations."

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

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of J. W. Hines, for deed of land deeded to another by mistake.

Mr. ADAMS, from the Somerset Delegation, reported same, on petition of the Selectmen of Canaan for reduction of valuation.

Mr. MASON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice to the town of Westbrook, on the petition of the town of Deering for adjustment of valuation.

Mr. TREFETHEN, from the Committee on Counties, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Corydon Black and others, to set off certain portion of Penobscot county to the county of Aroostook.

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

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Clarendon Putman, reported bill "an act for the preservation of water fowl in ponds and streams of Plymouth."

Mr. WEBSTER, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize James M. Johnson to extend a wharf at Bailey's island in Harpswell into tide waters."

Mr. PERRY, from the same Committee, on petition of G. E. Carleton, reported bill "an act to authorize the building and extension of a wharf in Camden."

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Ligonias Iron Works."

Printed bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine."

Mr. RICHARDS, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb."

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition of S. E. Benjamin, "resolve in favor of road in the town of Mt. Chase."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madrid and West Phillips Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Jay Cheese Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel Harvey."

"Resolve in favor of Charles O. Donham."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel T. Sewall."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Lyndon."

"Resolve in aid of road in Crystal plantation."

"Resolve in favor of Charles A. Chase."

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

"Resolve in aid of building road in township F, Range 1, in the County of Aroostook;" and

"Resolve in favor of Charles O. Higgins;"

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 authorizing Bradford Thompson to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rutherford's Island gut;" and

Bill "an act to authorize Jacob H. Keen to repair, extend and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Medomak river;"

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. MATHEWS of Hampden, the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, relating to attachment of real estate, was taken from the table.

The same member moved to amend the report by substituting the minority report.

The question was so taken, and decided in the negative.

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

On motion of Mr. LEONARD of Burnham,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. NUTTING of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from William Caldwell, accepting the office of State Treasurer, and transmitting his official bond, came from the Senate read, and the bond referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, and was referred in concurrence.

Petition of James J. Humphrey and others, for an act to incorporate the Cumberland Royal Arch Chapter;

Petition of Columbus Hilton and others of New Portland; and

Petition of S. L. Lincoln and others of Dead River, for amendment or repeal of the act changing the shire town of Somerset county;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Petition of J. T. Allen and others of Centerville, for repeal of the Calais Court bill, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the State Liquor Commissioner, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Petition of Davis Bennett and others, for change of the law relating to the taking of smelts, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of John T. Allen and others of Centerville, for reduction of valuation, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Edward Nason and others, for an act to incorporate the Pleasant River Steamboat Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Nathaniel French, for amendment of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to insurance and insurance companies,

came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Petition of E. H. Nealley and others, for incorporation of the Nourse Cheese Factory, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The House concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire into the expediency of placing the Indian school on Oldtown island under the jurisdiction of the Superintending School Committee or Supervisor of the town of Oldtown, so far as the employing of teachers and examining the school is concerned.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation to protect administrators in the sale of insolvent estates.

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending article 6, section 1, chapter 24 of the revised statutes, so as to require eight years residence in order to acquire a pauper settlement.

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

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of T. C. Billings, for State bounty.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting reference to the Committee on the Jail System, on bill "an act for the improvement of the jail system of the State."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act in aid of free high schools."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting, on petition, "resolve in aid of repairing the road through Long swamp in the town of Littleton."

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 Tuesday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 59, chapter 11 of the revised statutes,

relating to the pay of school committees," came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill amended as per sheet "A," and recommitted.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais.

Subsequently a message was received from the Senate, requesting the return of the bill to that branch, and the same was returned.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to confirm the location of the railroad of the Boston and Maine Railroad through the towns of Berwick and North Berwick, subject to certain restrictions," 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.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting title of public act of the present Legislature which has received the approval of the Governor at date assigned :

CHAPTER 91.

An act to amend section 37, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeals from decisions of county commissioners.

Approved January 29, 1873.

Petition of S. C. Andrews and others of Buckfield, for an act to compel railroad corporations to operate and run their roads at all times ; also

Petition of James Barnard ; and

Petition of John K. Ames and others, for repeal of the Calais Court bill ; also

Petition of city of Lewiston, for an act giving additional remedies in collecting taxes ; also

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

Bill "an act relating to the election of Directors of the Village School District in the city of Augusta ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Josiah H. Drummond and others, for an act to incorporate the Odd Fellows Hall Association of Portland ; also

Petition of Amos Williams and others of Embden ;

Petition of John Collins and others of Harmony ;

Petition of R. Tripp and others ;

Petition of Jesse Hilton and others ; and

Petition of William H. Hanson and others, for repeal or amendment of the law of 1872, changing the shire town of Somerset county ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Margaret Nadeau, for deed of her lot of land ; also

Petition of Sophia Baker for pension ; also

Petition of Francis B. Lane and others, for reimbursement of money paid the State for war purposes ; and

Petition of County Commissioners of Aroostook county for reimbursement of money expended on State road in said county ;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "an act to protect fish in Chase pond in the town of York ;" also

Petition of Thomas Clark and others, for an act to protect fish in Alfred and Lyman ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Weld, for an act to protect fish in Webb's pond in Weld ; and

Petition of B. B. Murray and others, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act amending an act authorizing any railroad company to construct branches ;" also

Petition of L. A. Todd and others ; and

Petition of F. O. Brainerd and others, for amendment of the charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company ; also

Petition of D. F. Adams and others ;

Petition of N. A. Vaughn ; and

Petition of W. S. Dwinel, for charter of the Aroostook River Railroad Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Sewall Goff and others, for an act to incorporate the Mexico and Rumford Cheese Company ; and

Petition of Henry C. Powers and others of Orono, for repeal of section 3, chapter 362, private laws of 1867 ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Boom Company," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Levi T. Coombs and others, for incorporation of the Lisbon Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of W. Martin, for an act to set off part of Minot to Auburn, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of James Atkins and others of Hallowell, for appointment of Harbor Commissioners, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of James C. Shaller and others, for aid in opening road in Oakfield, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of aiding the construction of roads in township No. 11, Range 3; also

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of re-appropriating money as per chapter 61, of resolves of 1872.

On motion of Mr. ROBBINS of Guilford,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation in aid of repairing the New England road in the town of Kingsbury, in the County of Piscataquis.

On motion of Mr. MANSON of Pittsfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to provide a bell for the Indian chapel on Peter Dennis point, near Princeton.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,

Ordered, That there be printed for the use of the Legislature, 2,000 additional copies of the Report of the Railroad Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of further legislation for the protection of the rights of married women.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities."

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

Mr. KALLOCH, from the Committee on Commerce, reported legislation inexpedient on communication of A. Watson, relating to marine telegraph.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Samuel G. Worcester, for change of the law relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Columbia.

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported same, on petition of J. F. Gay, relating to catching of eels in Bagaduce river.

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

Mr. WILDER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported "resolve in favor of Peter Sepsis;" also

"Resolve in favor of John Gabriel."

The reports was read and accepted, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act in addition to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

Mr. KELLOCH, from the Committee on Commerce, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the Clark's Island Granite Company to build and maintain a causeway from said island to the main land;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to extend the charter of the Bangor Water Power Company."

Mr. WHEELER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Chesterville Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. FOLSOM, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported ought to pass, on "resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell the gun house at Milo."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. KENNISTON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Samuel C. Niles."

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

Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, and Thursday next assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ligon Iron Works."

Bill "an act for the preservation of water fowl in the ponds and streams of the town of Plymouth."

Bill "an act to authorize James M. Johnson to extend a wharf into tide waters in the town of Harpswell."

Bill "an act to authorize the building and extending of a wharf in Camden."

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 increase the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate in the County of Androscoggin."

Bill "an act to continue in force an act for the preservation of fish in Gross pond in Waldoborough."

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Bangor House Proprietary."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act relative to the town of Scarborough."

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to hold money in trust for certain purposes."

"Resolve in favor of the city of Hallowell."

These 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.

On motion of Mr. KING of Lyndon, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, requesting that branch to return to the House the report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of J. W. Hines.

The report was returned, and recommitted to the Committee.

On motion of Mr. HAWES of Deering, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to attachment of real estate, was reconsidered.

The question then being on amending the same, by substituting the Minority Report, reporting bill "an act relating to attachment of real estate,

Mr. FOLSOM of Oldtown, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the negative, by yeas 55, nays 86.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Alley,	Kingman,	Reed,
Atwood,	Knight,	Ricker,
Bailey,	Lincoln,	Robinson,
Bennett,	Littlefield,	Rollins,
Boardman,	Locke,	Rounds,
Cushman,	Martin,	Talbot,
Dingley,	Mathews,	Thomas,
Files,	Moffit,	Thompson,
Folsom of Newburg,	Mortland,	Trefethen,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Oak,	Treworgy,
Fuller,	Patten,	Warren,
Gregg,	Paul,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Hawes,	Pendexter,	Webster of Orono,
Heselton,	Perry,	Weed,
Hinch,	Prentiss,	Wentworth,
Howard,	Pressy,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Hubbard,	Rand,	Whitcomb,
Humphreys,	Randall of Richmond,	Yates—55.
Keegan,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Barron,	Clark,	Ellis,
Bisbee,	Coffin,	Fessenden,
Brewer,	Corthell,	Ford,
Brockway,	Crocker,	Foss,
Butman,	Croswell,	Getchell,
Came,	Cutting,	Haley,
Campbell,	Davis,	Hall,
Carll,	Dennison,	Harmon,
Cary,	Egery,	Hatch,

Herrick,	Mayhew,	Stevens of Eastport,
Hinckley,	Milliken,	Sturtevant,
Hulit,	Mower,	Titcomb,
Jones,	Nash,	Torrey,
Jordan,	Neal,	Totman,
Kalloch,	Ouilette,	Treat,
Kenniston,	Peaks,	True,
King,	Pierce,	Twombly,
Kimball,	Putnam,	Vinton,
Knowlton,	Randall, Island Falls,	Walker,
Lake,	Ray,	Webster of Castine,
Learned,	Remick,	Weeks,
Lindley,	Richardson,	Weston,
Lord,	Robbins of Guilford,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Loring of Portland,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	Whipple,
Loring of Yarmouth,	Sargent,	Wilder,
Manson,	Scofield,	Winslow,
Mason of Searsmont,	Severance,	Witherly,
Mason of Biddeford,	Smith,	Wood—86.
Mayberry,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',	

The report was accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JACKSON of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of William H. Brown and others of Anson ; and

Petition of Henry S. Toby and others of Fairfield, for change of shire town in Somerset county ;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act for the consolidation of certain railroads ;" and

Petition of H. H. Clark and others, for an act to incorporate the Island Railroad Company ;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to lands or interest in land escheated to the State.

Report of the same Committee, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of C. T. Daniels, for certain lots of land.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting same, on petition of Nahum Warren, for amendment of the law relating to fish.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Brick Company."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting, on petition of M. F. Hanly, bill "an act to incorporate the Appleton Fire Insurance 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 tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11, section 59 of the revised statutes, relating to the pay of Superintending School Committees," came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The bill was read three times, rules being suspended, Senate amendment "A" rejected, amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Petition of County Commissioners of Aroostook county, to have the bounds of plantations defined ; also

Petition of R. O. Linsley, for incorporation of the Johnson Home School for Boys ; also

Petition of E. M. Stilwell and others, for change of law in relation to the killing of moose and deer ; also

Petition of G. O. Brackett and others of Palmyra, for change of the law of 1872, relative to the shire town of Somerset county ; also

Remonstrance of William Goodwin and others of Canaan ;

Remonstrance of S. C. Hanson ;

Remonstrance of Nicholas Folsom and Clark E. Smith ;

Remonstrance of W. L. Parsons of Cornville ;

Remonstrance of E. W. McFadden and others, H. C. Burleigh and others, of Fairfield ;

Remonstrance of Isaac Winslow and others of Somerset Mills ;

Remonstrance of Daniel Allen and others ; and

Remonstrance of Silas Hoxie, against the same ; and

Communication of E. G. Pratt in reference to the foregoing ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the Mayor of the city of Hallowell, for amendment of charter of said city ; also

Petition of Nahum Moore and others of Buckfield, for an act to oblige railroads to run trains at all times ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Oxford, for authority to raise money to establish a public library ; and

Bill "an act respecting free ticket passengers on railroads ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act in addition to the charter of the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company ;" also

Petition of the citizens of Harmony, for amendment of the charter of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company ; and

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of inhabitants of Van Buren, for aid to build a road in said plantation; and

"Resolve relative to the purchase by the State of proprietors' lands in certain towns in Aroostook county;"

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company;" and

Petition of H. N. Bolster and others, for incorporation of the South Paris Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Isaac Bangs, Jr., and others, for an act to authorize him and others to clear the channel and navigate the Kennebec river between Augusta and Waterville, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act authorizing Ira D. Sturgis to build piers and wharves in tide waters in Wiscasset," was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of the Selectmen of Hebron, for reduction of valuation, was referred to the Oxford Delegation.

"Resolve making valid the doings of the Warden of the State Prison, in conveying certain lands," was referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of Albert S. Bradford, for annexation of Bradley's island to the town of Vassalborough, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "an act to incorporate the South Newburg Cheese Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Annie O. Burnham, for increase of pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 29 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the militia," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of China Reform Club, for amendment of the same relating to the sale of cider, was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. WEBSTER of Castine,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of establishing a Board of Trustees for the State Normal Schools.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law that in all life policies of insurance hereafter issued in this State, no misrepresentation made by the insured in his application for insurance shall render the policy void, unless such misrepresentation materially affects the risks.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act amendatory to section 15 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization."

Mr. VINTON, from the same Committee, on order, reported bill "an act relating to the change of names of persons."

The same gentleman also reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 84 of the revised statutes, relating to letters of administration."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Federal Relations, on petition, reported bill "an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners."

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

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to appeal from decisions of joint boards of County Commissioners, respecting a way in two or more counties; also .

Reported same, on order, relating to recording of intentions of marriage.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the same Committee, reported same, on order to amend section 38, chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to plantations.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the same Committee, reported same, on order to allow ministers and persons licensed to preach, to solemnize marriages.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to State paupers.

Mr. BISBEE, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to expediency of providing that counties shall support paupers instead of towns.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from same Committee, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act in regard to cancelling of mortgages."

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of E. A. Austin and others, and on remonstrance of inhabitants of Columbia, against change of the law relating to use of narrow rimmed wheels in said town.

Mr. PERRY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same, on petition of Josiah Hupper, for authority to build a wharf in St. George.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order relating to savings banks.

Mr. WEBSTER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition for the incorporation of the East Branch Log Driving Company.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the Committee on Banks and Banking, on order relating to collection of tax on savings banks.

Mr. WEBSTER, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition for incorporation of the Cambridge Dam Company.

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

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to increase of the school mill-tax.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the minority, reported bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 56 of the public laws of 1872, relating to the school mill fund."

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL, both reports were laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. ALLEY, from the Committee on Elections, on remonstrance of Oscar Hill, against the right of Mr. Witherly to a seat in this House, reported that L. Witherly was duly elected by one majority.

The report was read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. WITHERLY of Northport,

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to make up the pay and travel of Oscar Hill, contestant, at the rate of three dollars a day for the time since the commencement of the session up to and including February 1, and travel the same as that of members.

Mr. BROCKWAY, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Weld Corner Cheese Company;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Building Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the East Dover Cheese Factory Association;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Earle Slate Company."

Mr. PRESSY, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Farwell Manufacturing Company."

Mr. KENNISTON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize William A. Wells and others to erect a wharf in tide waters in Bristol."

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Commerce, on petition of Francis Milliken, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Steamboat Company."

Mr. MASON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act relative to the fees of the Judge of the Municipal Court of the city of Biddeford."

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act relating to the will of Nancy Hanson."

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Village Corporation."

Mr. RICHARDSON, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to deed a lot of land to Albert Ball."

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on Claims, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Simon F. Walker."

Mr. MARTIN, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on

petition of J. F. Sprague, reported "resolve in favor of the road leading from Monson to Greenville in the town of Shirley."

The foregoing reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities."

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations."

These printed bills were read twice, and Tuesday next assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the Clark's Island Granite Company to build and maintain a causeway from said island to the main land," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. TORREY of St. George.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Chesterville Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to amend and extend the charter of the Bangor Water Power Company."

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

"Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell the gun house at Milo."

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 confirm the location of the railroad of the Boston and Maine Railroad through the towns of Berwick and North Berwick, subject to certain restrictions."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Branch Mattawamkeag Canal Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Benedicta."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Lakeville."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Abbott Family School at Little Blue."

"Resolve in favor of Charles O. Higgins."

"Resolve in aid of building a road in township F, Range 1, in the County of Aroostook."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to free text-books in public schools," was taken from table, amendment "A" withdrawn by consent, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mattanawcook Dam Company," was taken from the table, rules suspended, vote passing the same to be engrossed, reconsidered, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceborough," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Jefferson,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MARTIN of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of J. J. Parlin and others, and Albert H. Ware, for charter for railroad from West Waterville to Augusta, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Albert Lewey and others, for appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Indians, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Charles H. Gilbert and others, for an act to incorporate the Universalist Society of Oldtown, and authority to sell their meeting-house, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of R. S. Barnard and others, against petition of Selectmen of Poland, for improvement of the navigation of Orland river; and

Petition of J. H. P. Merrow, for authority to construct a wharf in Cathance river in Bowdoinham;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of J. F. Storer and others, for an act to incorporate the New Sharon Cheese Manufacturing Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 22, section 39 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of fence viewers.

This order was passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting leave to withdraw, on remonstrance of John Gabriel, against the right of Peter Sepsis to represent the Passamaquoddy Indians; also

Reporting same, on petition of Sebattus Newell and others, relating to bounties of the Penobscot Indians, that same be paid in cash; also

Reporting same, on petition of George Neptune and others, for appropriations for the Penobscot Indians; also

Reporting same, on petition for appropriations for same tribe for agricultural purposes; also

Reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to sales of land in Indian township.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on the roads of the towns of Dennysville and Edmunds."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to prevent fishing in Harding's pond in Baldwin."

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;" also

Reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of Charles S. Page."

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 Monday assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week assigned for the second reading of the resolves.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That each session of the House of Representatives which shall be held on Monday, shall hereafter be held at 2 o'clock P. M., until otherwise ordered.

Petition of John A. Waterman, for aid in behalf of the library of the Probate Court of Cumberland county; also

Petition of G. W. Smith and others, for incorporation of Central Hall Company; also

Remonstrance of Abner Coburn and 800 others of Skowhegan;

Remonstrance of A. D. Murray and others;

Remonstrance of Jerrie Durgin and others of West Forks;

Remonstrance of Joel Colby and others of Bingham;

Remonstrance of E. W. Parlin and others of Concord and Pleasant Ridge;

Remonstrance of Thomas Buswell and others of Starks;

Remonstrance of William D. Hodgdon and others of Madison;

Remonstrance of G. M. Melcher and others of Athens;

Remonstrance of D. H. Bartlett and others of Harmony; and

Remonstrance of Allen Leavitt and others of Athens, against change of the shire town of Somerset county;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to extend the time for locating, building and completing the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad;" also

Petition of T. F. Boothby, for charter for railroad from West Waterville to Augusta; also

Petition of James M. Stone and others, for charter for Union Horse Railroad in Biddeford and Saco; and

Petition of John J. Perry and others, for charter of the Androscoggin and Oxford Railroad;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oxford Mill Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Sullivan Green, for an act to regulate the packing of cranberries in Deer Isle, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

"Resolve relative to the State tax of Van Buren," was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of J. B. Foster, for amendment of the charter of the Maine Mutual Insurance Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of E. C. Spinney and others, for reduction of the valuation of the town of Kittery, was referred to the York County Delegation.

Petition of L. T. Brown and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge across Magalloway river in Oxford county; and

Petition of Henry Kelly, for amendment of the charter of the Fairfield Bridge Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Katharine S. Brown, for deed of a lot of land; and

Petition of D. F. Adams, for deed of a lot of land;

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

Petition of Samuel A. Shute, for authority to build a weir in Stockton, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. MILLIKEN of Portland, presented bill "an act additional relating to the building loan of the city of Portland," which was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. RANDALL of Island Falls,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands in the town of Island Falls, and the proceeds to be expended on roads in said town.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNIGHT, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend chapter 30, section 5 of the revised statutes, in relation to bounty on wild animals."

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

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Odd Fellows Hall Association of Portland."

Printed bill "an act amendatory to section 15, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 84 of the laws of 1870, relating to letters of administration."

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of John B. Farrell."

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.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Brick Company;" and
Bill "an act to incorporate the Appleton Fire Insurance Company;"

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 relative to the fees of the Judge of the Municipal Court of the city of Biddeford."

Bill "an act relating to the will of Nancy Hanson."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Dover Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Building Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Earl Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farwell Manufacturing Co."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Weld Corner Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to authorize William A. Wells and others, to erect a wharf in tide waters in Bristol."

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 change the name of Sumner Melville Marden, Jr., and to make him the heir of Sumner Handy."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

"Resolve in favor of Peter Sepsis."

These 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.

Bill "an act to authorize the Clark's Island Granite Company to build and maintain a causeway from said island to the main land," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. TORREY of St. George, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HALEY of Kennebunk,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. MARTIN of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of N. Whittier, 2d, and others of Cornville;

Petition of K. N. Marble and others; and

●Petition of R. D. Cole and others, for change of the law of 1872, relating to the shire town of Somerset county;

Bill "an act to authorize the Border Publishing Company to do business;"

Petition of C. B. Haseltine and others, for an act to incorporate the Belfast Hotel Company;

Petition of Joseph Williamson and others, for an act to incorporate the Belfast Water Company;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

"Resolve in addition to chapter 103 of the resolves of 1867, relating to Indian Affairs; and

Bill "an act additional to chapter 9 of the revised statutes, relating to the Penobscot Indians;"

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Selectmen of Lyndon, for aid to repair bridge across Aroostook river, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of Luther Curtis and others, for bounty on hawks, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of altering or amending section 47, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to highways, so as to make it imperative upon the highway surveyors or road commissioners to take down fences upon the line of public highways, when decided necessary by the municipal officers to prevent the drifting of snow therein.

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

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of Henry F. Eaton, Charles H. Eaton and T. W. Baldwin."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of John Gabriel."

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 next assigned for the second reading.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting, on order, "resolve establishing the valuation of No. 5, Range 3, Somerset county," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Feb. 3, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following titles of public acts of the present Legislature which have received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 92.

An act to authorize cities and towns to hold money in trust for certain useful purposes.

Approved February 1, 1873.

CHAPTER 93.

An act to increase the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate in the County of Androscoggin.

Approved February 1, 1873.

Petition of M. E. Hanson and others ; and
Petition of J. P. Langley and others of Palmyra ;
Petition of Isaac Pottle and others of Pittsfield ;
Petition of William Allen and others of Norridgewock ;
Petition of Samuel Bunker and others ;
Petition of T. B. Weston and others of Madison ;
Petition of William Leavitt and others of Palmyra ;
Petition of N. F. Weymouth and others ;
Petition of F. E. Parks and others ;
Petition of Philip Powers and others ;
Petition of D. W. Libby and others ;
Petition of J. H. Davis and others ;
Petition of P. H. Tracy and others ;
Petition of T. W. Bean and others of Pittsfield ; and
Petition of Ivory Lowe and others of Canaan, for change of the
law of 1872, relating to the shire town of Somerset county ;
Remonstrance of Leonard Lord and 84 others ;
Remonstrance of Martin Bodwell and 24 others ;
Remonstrance of Rufus Viles and 2 others ;
Remonstrance of A. Merrill and 47 others ;
Remonstrance of Thomas Millet and 54 others ;
Remonstrance of E. Bachelder and 9 others ;
Remonstrance of Benjamin Steward and 12 others ;
Remonstrance of Asher Davis and 49 others ; and
Remonstrance of Benjamin Dunton and 15 others, of Mercer ;
Remonstrance of C. O. Totman and 80 others ;
Remonstrance of E. A. Whitney and 50 others ;
Remonstrance of V. D. Sweetland and 20 others ;
Remonstrance of Lewis Wyman and 3 others ;
Remonstrance of John Russell and 101 others ;

Remonstrance of H. Bartlett and 44 others ;
Remonstrance of A. J. Moore and 125 others ;
Remonstrance of John Drew and 8 others ;
Remonstrance of J. D. Moore and 22 others ;
Remonstrance of Charles B. Stinchfield and 50 others ;
Remonstrance of John F. Lyford and 39 others ;
Remonstrance of Charles H. Skinner and 27 others ;
Remonstrance of James Cyphers and 41 others ;
Remonstrance of John S. Sanborn and 23 others ; and
Remonstrance of Thomas J. Adams and 27 others of St. Albans,
against the same ;

Petition of Isaac Wilder, Sheriff of Washington county, for increase of salary ; also

Petition of I. R. Clark and others, for incorporation of the Eastern Land Company ; also

Petition of Leonard B. Hume and others, for an act to incorporate the Eastport Gas Light Company ; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 93 of the revised statutes, relating to lands of deceased persons leaving no heirs ;" and

Remonstrance of G. W. Sabine and others, against petition for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Danforth ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of James Plummer and others ;

Remonstrance of Clark Piper and others ;

Remonstrance of John O. Brackett and others ; and

Remonstrance of Hiram Hodgkins and others, against the petition of Daniel Bunker, to be set off from Benton to Fairfield ;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of B. F. Higgins, for State bounty, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

"Resolve authorizing the sale of land connected with the State Prison," was referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of Isaac C. Young, for an act to protect fish in the town of Madison, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act for the better preservation of horse records," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buckfield and Androscoggin Railroad Company ;" also

Petition of P. S. Haines and others ; and

Petition of S. D. Lindsey and others, for charter for railroad from West Waterville to Augusta;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. THOMAS of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending sections 4 and 6, chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages.

On motion of Mr. FOSS of Danforth,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of changing chapter 83, section 1 of the revised statutes, in relation to the return of justice actions.

On motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of an act to authorize the Supreme Judicial Court to frame issues of fact to be tried by a jury in equity cases, when requested by a party, and to direct the same to be tried in the county where such cause is pending at the bar of the Supreme Judicial Court.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of James Withers;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in aid of road in township No. 11, Range 3, in Aroostook county;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of E. E. Glidden and Carroll C. Record."

Mr. RICHARDS, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Addison J. Brown."

Mr. GREGG, from the same Committee, on order, reported "resolve in aid of road over Indian township in the County of Washington."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30, section 5 of the revised statutes, in relation to bounty on wild animals."

Bill "an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners."

Bill "an act relating to the change of names of persons."

These reports were read and accepted, printed bills read twice, resolves once, to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday for the second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to prevent fishing in Harding's upper pond in the town of Baldwin;" and

Bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on the roads of the towns of Dennysville and Edmunds;"

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 of chapter 84 of the laws of 1870, relating to letters of administration."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Odd Fellows Hall Association of Portland."

Bill "an act amendatory to section 15, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization."

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 authorize the building of a dyke across Flat Bay stream in the town of Harrington, County of Washington."

Bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad."

Bill "an act to establish the North Jay Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to amend and extend the charter of the Bangor Water Power Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madrid and West Phillips Cheese Company."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel T. Sewall."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel Harvey."

"Resolve in aid of a road in Crystal plantation."

"Resolve in favor of Charles O. Donham."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Lyndon."

"Resolve in favor of Charles A. Chase."

"Resolve in favor of John Gabriel."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais, 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 town of Lakeville."

Subsequently the bill was received, and the votes passing the same to be enacted and to be engrossed, were reconsidered, and the bill recommitted to the Committee on Towns, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEBSTER, of Orono,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John Smith and 26 others, for repeal or amendment of the law of 1872, changing the shire town of Somerset county, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to change the law of divorce," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Canton Manufacturing Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Supreme Judicial Court of this State to appoint assistant County Attorneys, (so called) or in lieu thereof to provide by law for the appointment of such officers by the Governor and Council; and if in their opinion a general law is not necessary, then to inquire if something of the kind is not called for in the counties of Cumberland and Penobscot.

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

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act providing for division of rents of island shores to the Penobscot Indians, and for other purposes."

Report of the Penobscot Delegation, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend an act providing for the appointment and duties of a Recorder of the Police Court of Bangor, approved March 14, 1856."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting ought to pass on "resolve for a revision of treaties with the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

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 second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of an appropriation to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 58, public laws of 1869, in relation to the establishment of meridian lines," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on recommitted bill "an act in addition to chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to fires;" also

Reporting same, on recommitted bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, the former amended as per sheet "A," the latter as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

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

Petition of C. F. Houghton and others of Woodstock, for an act to annex the plantation of Hamlin Grant to the town of Woodstock; also

Remonstrance of F. M. Cole and others of Woodstock;

Remonstrance of H. P. Bean and others of Bethel ; and
Remonstrance of Jefferson Jackson of Wilton plantation, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 717 of the special laws of 1871, relating to drains and sewers ;" also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 43 of the public laws of 1872, relating to lands in unincorporated townships ;" also

Bill "an act to amend section 87, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence ;" also

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court ;" also

Petition of J. W. Porter, for change of law relating to killing of deer ; also

Petition of J. F. Hilton and 91 others ;

Petition of I. S. Hopkins and others ; and

Petition of Calvin Bigelow and 72 others, for repeal or amendment of the law changing the shire town of Somerset county ; also

Remonstrance of L. C. Webb and others of Canaan ; and

Remonstrance of Charles H. Canada, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Luther M. Kennedy and others, for an act to incorporate the East Jefferson Cheese Manufacturing Company ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Hampden Dairy Association ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Hiram Ricker, for continuance of charter to navigate the Great Androscoggin river ; and

Petition of John Patten and others, for amendment of the charter of the People's Ferry Company at Bath ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Hiram Ricker and others, for repeal of an act for the preservation of fish in Range pond and Tripp pond in Poland, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to amend section 84, chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to mutual accounts," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition for extension of time for locating the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad from Mechanic Falls to Portland, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of A. E. Ricker of Oakfield, for remuneration for stumpage sold other parties from his lot of land, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of John D. Lord and others, against change in the manner of electing Port Wardens, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. MILLIKEN presented bill "an act to incorporate the Pondicherry Company," which was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to change the name of Dora C. Leighton;" also

Petitions of Vashti H. Bradley, Mark W. Bachelder, and Fred Herbert Goodrich, for change of name, were referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

On motion of Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 6, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, by inserting after the word "taken" in the first line of said section, the words "and lands or property injuriously affected by the location or construction of any railroad."

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the necessity of amending chapter 91, section 3, line 7 of the revised statutes, by striking out the word "mortgager," and insert the word "mortgagee."

On motion of Mr. TORREY of St. George,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 80, section 42 of the revised statutes, so that coroners may have the power to serve and execute writs and precepts in the same manner as sheriffs and their deputies.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 77, section 23 of the revised statutes, relating to interest on reports of referees and auditors.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Chesterville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Insane Hospital be requested to inquire into the regulations of that institution, so far as relates

to claims for damages against individuals or towns in consequence of any destruction of property by patients.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, bill "an act entitled an act to amend section 33, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to location of school-houses," which was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed under the rule.

Mr. ROUNDS, from the Committee on Towns, on petition of Reuben T. Jones, reported bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Manchester, and annex the same to the town of Winthrop."

The report was read and accepted, bill read once, and to-morrow assigned.

"Resolve establishing the valuation of No. 5, Range 3, Somerset county," was reported, read the second time, and laid on the table, and assigned for February 11.

Bill "an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table by Mr. WHITCOMB of Ellsworth, and Thursday next assigned.

Bill "an act in aid of free high schools," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and read the third time.

Mr. ALLEY of Hartford, proposed amendment "A."

Mr. HAWES of Deering, proposed amendment "B."

Mr. WEBSTER of Castine, proposed amendment "C."

This bill was laid on the table, and the amendments ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. ALLEY of Hartford.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and to-morrow assigned for further consideration, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston.

Bill "an act relating to the change of names of persons."

Bill "an act to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30, section 5 of the revised statutes, in relation to bounty on wild animals."

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 incorporate the town of Vanceboro'."

Bill "an act to authorize the building and extension of a wharf in Camden."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Brick Company."

Bill "an act to authorize James M. Johnson to extend a wharf in the town of Harpswell."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Appleton Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11, section 59 of the revised statutes, relating to the pay of school committees."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ligonía Iron Works."

Bill "an act for the preservation of water fowl in ponds and streams of Plymouth."

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 to authorize Nathaniel L. Thompson to build a wharf on the western side of Kennebunk river, in the town of Kennebunk," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of the Committee on Education, relating to the school mill fund, were taken from the table, on motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais, and Tuesday of next week assigned for their further consideration.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Brighton,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of John W. Brown of Castle Hill, for reimbursement for a lot of land, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

Petition of William Sewall, Jr., and others, for incorporation of the Topsham Granite and Lumber Manufacturing Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the nineteenth annual report of the State Superintendent of Common Schools, came from the Senate read, and the report referred to the Committee on Education, which was read and referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so changing the law that counties shall be liable for the expenses of paupers having no known residence in the State.

Ordered, That all Joint Standing and Joint Select Committees be requested to report to this Legislature, on or before the 15th day of February, 1873, on all matters referred to them for legislation.

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

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, to which was referred the official bond of William Caldwell, Treasurer of State, reporting that the bond had been duly examined and found correctly drawn, that the sureties were responsible and sufficient, and recommending the approval of the same.

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

The report was read and accepted, and the bond approved in concurrence.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
 Augusta, Feb. 5, 1873. }

To the Hon: Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following title of public act of the present Legislature which has received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 94.

An act additional to chapter 29 of the laws of 1869, concerning the militia.

Approved February 4, 1873.

Petition of Allen Lambard and others, for an act exempting poor widows from taxation; also

Petition of the Trustees of the Waldo County Law Library, that copies of the Maine Reports may be furnished them; and

Petition of George M. Todd and others, for amendment of the charter of the People's Ferry Company at Bath;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Selectmen of Linneus, for reimbursement for money paid the State; and

Petition of Selectmen of Lexington, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "an act relating to the Maine Central Institute," was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of L. B. Patten, for change of the charter of the Mattanawcook Dam Company, was referred to the next Legislature.

Remonstrance of Theodore Hill and 47 others; and

Remonstrance of H. U. Hall and 96 others, against division of the town of Waterville;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Moses Currier, for deed of lot of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of James Roberts and others, for authority to extend their wharf in Vinalhaven, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of A. O. Field and others of Falmouth, for an act to

prevent persons from voting till their taxes are paid, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Belle Stanley Perkins, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Mr. NASH of Gardiner, presented bill "an act to incorporate the Gould Engine Company," which was read three times under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. RANDALL of Island Falls,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be requested to lay before this House, a statement showing the amount of money for stumpage cut on State lands that has been set apart for settlement in the County of Aroostook, since and including the year 1870.

On motion of Mr. HINCKLEY of Georgetown,

Ordered, That the Committee on Commerce inquire into the expediency of enacting a special law to prevent the throwing or depositing of ballast in that portion of Kennebec river known as Perkins' flats.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order, relating to conferring police powers upon conductors of railway trains.

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw, on petitions for repeal of the Calais Court bill.

Mr. HOWARD, from the Committee on Counties, reported same, on petition of John L. Allen, praying that a portion of his farm be set off from Bowdoin to Litchfield.

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported same, on petition of Hiram Fifield and another, for an act to set off their lands in Belgrade and Readfield to Manchester.

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Francis S. Gibson, for an act to prevent the casting of slabs and saw-dust into Mill pond in Perry.

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

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend chapter

115 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of members of the government."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the same Committee, reported same on bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 205 of the public laws of 1871, relating to liability of stockholders."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rules.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the Franklin Land and Lumber Company."

The same gentleman, on petition, reported bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Hallowell, approved August 29, 1850."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act relating to the election of Directors of the Village School District, in the city of Augusta."

The same gentleman reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and New York Steam Navigation Company."

Mr. ROBINSON, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. LORING, from this Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Central Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Eli Bickmore and Zenas Cook to maintain and extend their wharf into tide waters of Friendship harbor."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned.

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to fires."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies."

"Resolve in favor of road in Mt. Chase."

"Resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb."

"Resolve in aid of repairing the road through Long swamp in the town of Littleton."

"Resolve in favor of Simon T. Walker."

"Resolve for a revision of treaties with the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

"Resolve in favor of the road leading from Monson and Greenville in the town of Shirley."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act providing for division of rents of island shores belonging to the Penobscot Indians, and for other purposes."

Bill "an act to amend an act providing for the appointment and duties of a Recorder of the Police Court of Bangor, approved March 14, 1856."

"Resolve in favor of the Bangor Childrens' Home."

"Resolve in favor of Charles S. Page."

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

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the town of Winthrop."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to deed a lot of land to Albert Ball."

"Resolve in favor of John B. Farrell."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel C. Niles."

This bill and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolves the second time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Chesterville Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to prevent fishing in Harding's pond in Baldwin."

Bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on the roads of the towns of Dennysville and Edmunds."

Bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

"Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell the gun house at Milo."

These 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.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table, the question being on passing the same to be engrossed.

Mr. REED of Waldoborough, moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 89, nays 38.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Atwood,	Hinch,	Remick,
Bailey,	Hobson,	Robbins of Guilford,
Barron,	Howard,	Robbins of Deer Isle,
Bisbee,	Hubbard,	Robinson,
Brewer,	Humphreys,	Rollins,
Brockway,	Jones,	Rounds,
Butman,	Jordan,	Sargent,
Came,	Kenniston,	Scofield,
Campbell,	Kingman,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Cary,	Kimball,	Stevens of Eastport,
Clark,	Knowlton,	Sturtevant,
Coburn,	Learned,	Titcomb,
Coffin,	Lincoln,	Treworgy,
Corthell,	Loring of Portland,	True,
Croswell,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Twombly,
Cushman,	Mason of Searsmont,	Vinton,
Dennison,	Mayberry,	Warren,
Dingley,	Mower,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Egery,	Nash,	Webster of Orono,
Fessenden,	Oak,	Webster of Castine,
Folsom of Newburg,	Ouilette,	Weed,
Ford,	Patten,	Weeks,
Foss of Danforth,	Paul,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Fuller,	Peaks,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Gregg,	Pendexter,	Whipple,
Green,	Perry,	Whitcomb,
Hawes,	Pierce,	Wilder,
Herrick,	Pressy,	Winslow,
Heselton,	Rand,	Yates—89.
Hinckley,	Randall of Richmond,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Adams,	Lindley,	Richardson,
Bennett,	Littlefield,	Ricker,
Boardman,	Lord,	Smith,
Carll,	Martin,	Talbot,
Ellis,	Manson of Biddeford,	Thomas,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Mathews,	Thompson,
Getchell,	Milliken,	Torrey,
Haley,	Moffit,	Totman,
Harmon,	Mortland,	Trefethen,
Hatch,	Prentiss,	Walker,
Hulit,	Randall, Island Falls,	Witherly,
Kalloch,	Reed,	Wood—38.
Keegan,	Richards,	

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. TILTON of Augusta.

Reading of the Journal dispensed with.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of F. W. Brown and others, for incorporation of the East Piscataquis Agricultural Society, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and the House concurred.

Petition of Hiram Ricker, for extension of charter granted him for navigating the Androscoggin river.

Petition of same, for repeal of an act for the preservation of fish in Range pond in Poland.

Bill "an act incorporating the West Hampden Dairy Association."

The foregoing were referred in the House to the appropriate Committees, and came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted.

Petition of John Patten, for amendment of the charter of the People's Ferry at Bath, referred in the House to the Committee on Interior Waters, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House non-concurred, and referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cove Slate Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of W. Gould and others;

Remonstrance of John P. Perley and others;

Remonstrance of E. F. Fessenden and others; and

Remonstrance of Henry Ham and others, against allowing the town of Bridgton to take stock in railroads;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of John Gardner and others, for aid to Patten Academy.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting reference to the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of municipal officers of Orland, for authority to remove obstructions in Eastern river.

The foregoing reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farwell Manufacturing Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted Senate amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory to section 15, chapter 9 of the revised statutes, relating to marriages and its solemnization," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The House, on motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray, non-concurred

in the adoption of Senate amendment, and insisted on its former vote.

Petition of Miss H. A. Pike and others of Gardiner ;
Petition of Mrs. George S. Smith and others of Ellsworth ;
Petition of Mrs. R. A. Banks and others of Belfast ;
Petition of Sarah G. Crosby of Albion ;
Petition of Clara Hapgood of Columbia Falls ;
Petition of Maria Parlin of Hallowell ;
Petition of Mary E. Bean of Liberty ;
Petition of Miss Esther Graves ;
Petition of Mrs. M. W. Southwick of Vassalborough ;
Petition of Mrs. Dora Crockett of Dexter ;
Petition of Mrs. L. W. Weston of Skowhegan ;
Petition of Mary C. Lowe of Waterville ; and
Petition of Lucy A. Snow of Rockland, for the right of suffrage ;
Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. RANDALL of Island Falls, presented "resolve relative to the assessment of taxes upon the towns of Sherman and Linneus," which was read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner,

Ordered, That 1500 additional copies of the Bank Commissioner's report be printed for the use of the Legislature and the Departments.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Davis Bennett, for extension of time for taking smelts.

Mr. PENDEXTER, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of Thomas Clark, for the protection of fish in certain ponds in Alfred and Lyman.

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same, on petition of George W. Rust of Island Falls, for a lot of land ; also

Reported same, on petition of James C. Shaller and others, for aid to repair roads in Oakfield.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported

reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act concerning railroads."

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend chapters 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, relating to railroad and steam navigation."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 205, public laws of 1871, in regard to the rights and liabilities of stockholders;" and

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 3 of the laws of 1872, entitled an act to amend section 33, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to location of school-houses."

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Commerce, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act authorizing Ira D. Sturgis to build piers and wharves and drive piles and maintain booms in tide water at Wiscasset."

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported, on petition, bill "an act to annex the plantation of Hamlin's Grant in the County of Oxford, to the town of Woodstock."

Mr. TREFETHEN, from the Committee on Fisheries, on petition of H. Winslow and others, reported bill "an act to regulate the close-time for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river."

Mr. NASH, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the South Paris Savings Bank."

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of William N. Quinn, reported "resolve in favor of inhabitants of Eagle Island military plantation, County of Hancock."

These 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.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and New York Steam Navigation Company."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Hallowell, approved August 29, 1850."

Bill "an act to authorize Eli Bickmore and Zenas Cook to maintain and extend their wharf into tide water of Friendship harbor."

Bill "an act relating to the election of the Directors of the Village School District, in the city of Augusta."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Franklin Land and Lumber Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Maine Mutual Fire Insurance 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 relating to the fees of the Judge of Municipal Court of the city of Biddeford."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Weld Corner Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Clark's Island Granite Company to build and maintain a causeway from the said island to main land."

Bill "an act additional, relative to the building loan of the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mattanawcook Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize William A. Wells and others, to erect a wharf in tide waters in Bristol."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Dover Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Earl Slate Company."

Bill "an act relating to the will of Nancy Hanson."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Building 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 in addition to chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to fires," was taken from the table.

Mr. NASH of Gardiner, offered amendment "B."

Pending Senate amendment "A" and House "B," the bill was laid on the table by Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland, and Thursday next assigned.

Bill "an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners," was taken from the table, and assigned for Thursday next.

"Resolve in favor of Simon T. Walker," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act in aid of free high schools," was taken from the table, and recommitted with pending amendments.

"Resolve establishing the valuation of No. 5, Range 3, Somerset county."

"Resolve in aid of repairing the road through Long swamp in the town of Littleton."

"Resolve in favor of road in the town of Mount Chase."

"Resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb."

"Resolve in favor of the road from Monson to Greenville in the town of Shirley."

The foregoing were taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. TRASK of Cambridge, Mass.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Moose Branch Steamboat Company," came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

Remonstrance of C. H. Nelson and others, against annexing a part of China to Vassalborough, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Robert R. Crosby, for an act to prohibit the taking of trout in Rangely lake and other waters; also

Reporting same, on petition of H. G. Mower, for control of a trout brook in Corinna.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting same, on petition of George B. Sprague and others, for aid to build a bridge across St. Croix river.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting, on petition of H. N. Bolster, bill "an act to incorporate the Paris Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition of Edward Nason and others, bill "an act to incorporate the Pleasant River Steamboat Company."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad, and to change the name of the company, and to add to and amend existing acts in relation thereto."

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.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of John M. Woods and others, for extension of time for taking trout in the vicinity of Moosehead lake, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gould Engine Company," passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Nash of Gardiner, Mathews of Hampden, and Whitcomb of Ellsworth, conferees.

Petition of James Roberts and others, for authority to extend a wharf in Vinalhaven.

Petition of Henry M. Todd and others, for change of the charter of the People's Ferry Company at Bath.

Petition of the Selectmen of Linneus; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Lexington, for reimbursement.

These petitions were referred in the House to appropriate Committees, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Hinckley of Georgetown, Robinson of Bath, and Reed of Waldo-borough, conferees.

Petition of Edward P. Burnham of Saco; and

Petition of G. W. Vickery and others, for an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of the Selectmen of Milford, for reimbursement of money paid the State to fill quota of said town in 1863; also

Petition of Joseph K. Ulmer; and

Petition of Willard E. Suckforth, for arrears of State bounty;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "an act to facilitate the redemption of mortgaged real estate in certain cases," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Diamond Slate Company;" and

Petition of the city of Bath for amendment of the charter of the People's Ferry at Bath;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Alfred E. Conners and others, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of Frenchman's bay, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CARY of Turner,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire whether any further legislation is necessary with regard to the assignment of wages.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs are hereby instructed to inquire into the propriety of establishing by law not to pay salaries to white persons or persons not belonging to the Penobscot tribe of Indians, without the consent in due form of said tribe.

On motion of Mr. COBURN of Kingman,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads be requested to inquire into the expediency of requiring the European and North American Railroad Company to carry passengers and freight at rates corresponding to those of other roads.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to killing of moose, deer and caribou."

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on Railroads, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 223 of the laws of 1871, relating to railroad fares."

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

Mr. WALKER, from the Committee on Claims, reported reference to the Committee on Pensions, on petition of Sophia Baker, for pension.

Mr. ADAMS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported reference to the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Samuel R. Chapman, for an act to prevent the throwing of refuse into the east branch of Ellis river; also

Reported legislation inexpedient, on communication relative to the power of trial justices in criminal cases.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported same, on

order relating to appointment of deputy town and county treasurers.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Bangor bridge."

Mr. CARY, from the Committee on State Prison, reported ought not to pass, on "resolve authorizing the sale of land connected with the State Prison."

Mr. BARRON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Danforth.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of William Carver and others, for amendment of the city charter of the city of Bangor, relating to election of Street Commissioner; also

Reported same, on petition of J. W. Porter, for change of the law relating to killing of deer.

Mr. THOMAS, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of E. M. Stilwell, in relation to killing of moose and deer.

Mr. STURTEVANT, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported same, on petition of Sullivan Green, for an act to regulate the picking of cranberries in Deer Isle.

Mr. TREAT, from the Committee on Claims, reported same, on petition of Francis B. Lane, for reimbursement of money paid for war purposes.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Company."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the same Committee, on petition of George E. Brickett, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Temperance Association."

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to legalize the acts of the Selectmen of Wiscasset and the votes of said town."

Mr. BARRON, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 18, in the town of Bristol;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of Jared C. Nash as justice of the peace."

Mr. ADAMS, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of the Union Meeting-house Association of Round Pond in the town of Bristol."

Mr. JORDAN, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Pomological Society."

Mr. JONES, from the same Committee, on petition of H. C. Powers, reported bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, special laws of 1867."

Mr. HUBBARD, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize the town of Gouldsborough to regulate the running at large of neat cattle in said town."

Mr. LOCKE, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Bartlett Land and Lumber Company;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act relative to the Androscoggin Pulp Company."

Mr. CROSWELL, from the same Committee, reported, on petition of E. H. Nealley, bill "an act to incorporate the Monroe Cheese Company."

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on Claims, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of B. F. Higgins."

Mr. NASH, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock County Savings Bank."

Printed bill "an act amending chapters 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, relating to railroad and steam navigation."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 115 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of members of the government."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, reported "resolve relative to setting apart national domain as a public school fund."

Mr. CARY, from the Committee on State Prison, reported ought to pass, on "resolve making valid the acts of the Warden of the State Prison in making sale of certain lands."

Mr. CROCKER, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of County Commissioners of Aroostook county, reported "resolve in favor of Aroostook county."

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order, reported "resolve in aid of road in Island Falls."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolves, except the last two, which were assigned for Wednesday of next week.

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 205 of the public laws of 1871, in regard to the rights, duties and liabilities of stockholders."

Bill "an act authorizing Ira D. Sturgis to build piers and wharves, and drive piles and maintain booms in tide water at Wiscasset."

Bill "an act to annex the plantation of Hamlin's Grant in the County of Oxford, to the town of Woodstock."

Bill "an act to regulate the closetime for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 3 of the laws of 1872, entitled an act to amend section 33 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses."

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 incorporate the South Paris Savings Bank," being on its passage to be engrossed, was recommitted, on motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor.

Bill "an act to amend an act providing for the appointment and duties of a Recorder of the Police Court of Bangor, approved March 14, 1856."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Odd Fellows Hall Association."

Bill "an act relating to damages for land taken for railroad purposes."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 84 of the laws of 1870, relating to letters of administration."

Bill "an act providing for division of rents of island shores of Penobscot Indians, and for other purposes."

"Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home."

"Resolve in favor of Charles S. Page."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. HINCKLEY of Georgetown, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. WEEKS moved a reconsideration of the vote.

Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan, moved, and the House ordered, that this motion be laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned.

On motion of Mr. TREAT of Winterport,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. ECOB of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Hiram Ricker, relative to navigating the Androscoggin river.

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Hampden Dairy Association."

Petition of Hiram Ricker and others, for repeal of the law for the preservation of fish in Range and Tripp ponds in Poland.

Petition of John Patten and others, for amendment of the charter of the People's Ferry Company at Bath.

The foregoing came back from the Senate, that branch adhering to its former vote.

The House insisted on its vote, proposed a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Randall of Island Falls, Rounds of Minot, and Mathews of Hampden, conferees.

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Kingman;" and

Bill "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Bridgton Branch Railroad," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison."

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs."

These resolves came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed, and were read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to revision and correction of State valuation.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting same, on order relating to providing a bell for the Indian chapel at Peter Dennis point near Princeton.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting same, on order relating to expediency of authorizing towns and cities to pay for buildings destroyed by fire.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Daniel Knox, for reimbursement for land taken by United States government.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of J. J. Emery and others, for repeal of laws relating to spawn lobsters.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to continue in force chapter 5, public laws of 1872, 'an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.'"

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting, on order, bill "an act to enable academies to surrender their property to cities, towns or plantations, for the benefit of free high schools."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of Joseph Gary;" also

Reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of appropriating money for the repair of the bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Haynesville."

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 Monday assigned for the the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday next for second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 30 of revised statutes, in relation to bounty on wild animals," passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted, proposed a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Knight of Rumford, Herrick of Sedgwick, and Rounds of Minot, conferees.

Bill "an act to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities," passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was laid on the table by Mr. VINTON of Gray, and Wednesday next assigned.

Petition of Isaac Thwing and others, for amendment of the charter of the People's Ferry Company of Bath, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of A. H. Chadwick and others, against annexation of any part of China to Vassalborough, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. HAWES of Deering,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads inquire into the expediency of applying the provisions of section 31, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the safety of passengers on railroad trains, to mixed trains, or by otherwise providing for the safety of the same.

On motion of KEEGAN of Madawaska,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the repair of a road in the town of Frenchville.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways."

The same gentleman reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act additional to chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the public laws of 1872, relating to insolvent estates."

The same gentleman reported bill "an act to incorporate the State of Maine Trust Company."

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, "bill an act to amend section 87, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools."

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

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Thomas M. Reed and others, for authority to sell a meeting house in Phippsburg.

Mr. TITCOMB, from this Committee, reported same, on petition of Alden Call, for amendment of the law so that persons shall be required to pay taxes before voting at any election.

Mr. VINTON, from this Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to expediency of allowing coroners to summon witnesses and compel attendance; also

Reported same, on order relating to expediency of allowing jailers to administer oaths; also

Reported same, on order relating to uniform rates of tariffs on railroads.

Mr. DINGLEY, from this Committee, reported same, on order relating to division fences.

Mr. PAUL, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, reported same, on order relating to claims for damages against individuals or towns on account of destruction of property by patients in the Insane Hospital.

Mr. WHEELER, from the Committee on Pensions, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Benjamin Smith for pension.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported same, on petition of T. W. Hubbard and others, for charter for railroad from West Waterville to Augusta.

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to establish the settlement of paupers."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported same, on bill "an act amending an act to authorize railroad companies to construct branches."

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the Committee on Insane Hospital, on order relating to the report of the Superintendent of the Insane Hospital.

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

Mr. NASH, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Tremont Savings Bank;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Lisbon Savings Bank;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Buckfield Savings Bank."

Mr. BENNETT, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on petition of H. H. Clark, bill "an act to incorporate the Island Railroad Company."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company."

Mr. KNIGHT, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the New Sharon Cheese Manufacturing Company;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Mexico and East Rumford Cheese Manufacturing Company;" also

Reported, on order, "resolve providing for a geological survey of the State."

Mr. RICHARDS, from the Committee on Pensions, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Annie O. Burnham."

Mr. WARREN, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Walker Darling."

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of bridge in Ox Bow plantation;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Moses A. Currier."

Mr. WEEKS, from the same Committee, on petition, reported "resolve in aid of building bridges in Hamlin plantation, Aroostook county."

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Sagadahoc Delegation, reported, on petition, "resolve establishing the valuation of the estates of the several towns of Sagadahoc county."

These 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, except the latter, which was assigned for Monday.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Paris Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pleasant River Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad, and to change the name of the company, and to add to, and amend, existing acts in relation thereto."

The foregoing 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 Maine State Temperance Reform Association."

Bill "an act relative to the Androscoggin Pulp Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock County Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to make legal the doings of the Union Meeting-house Association of Round Pond in the town of Bristol."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Pomological Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Monroe Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to legalize the acts of the Selectmen of Wiscasset and the votes of said town."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Gouldsborough to regulate the running at large of cattle in said town."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bartlett Land and Lumber Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of Jared C. Nash as a justice of the peace."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, special laws of 1867."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 8, in the town of Bristol."

"Resolve relative to setting apart national domain as a public school fund."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, each passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act amending chapters 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, relating to railroad and steam navigation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Company."

These bills were read the third time and recommitted.

"Resolve in favor of B. F. Higgins."

"Resolve making valid the acts of the Warden of the State Prison in making sale of certain lands."

These resolves were reported, read the second time, and laid on the table, and Wednesday assigned for the former, and Friday for the latter.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pondicherry Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Nathaniel L. Thompson to build a wharf on the western side of Kennebunk river in Kennebunk."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farwell Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act relating to the change of name of persons."

"Resolve in favor of repairing the road through Long swamp in the town of Littleton."

"Resolve establishing the valuation of No. 5, Range 3, Somerset county."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast, the vote was reconsidered, by which the House concurred with the Senate in

referring bill "an act to incorporate the Moose Branch Steam-boat Company," to the next Legislature.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Commerce, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That W. W. Thomas, Jr., be Speaker *pro tem.*

The order was passed, and Mr. Thomas was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Weeks.

On motion, Mr. PIERCE of Monmouth, was charged with and conveyed a message to the Governor and Council, informing them that in the absence of the Speaker, W. W. Thomas, Jr., Esq., had been chosen Speaker *pro tem.*

Mr. LEARNED of Burnham, was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Senate.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Willard E. Suckforth; and

Petition of Joseph W. Ulmer, for arrears of bounty.

Petition of Alfred C. Conners and others, for the right to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Frenchman's bay.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Diamond Slate Company."

These petitions and bill were referred to the appropriate Committees in the House, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted on its former vote, and asked for a Com-

mittee of Conference, and Messrs. Reed of Waldoborough, Nash of Gardiner, and Treworgy of Surry, were appointed conferees.

Petition of Isaac Hanscomb and 69 others, praying for uniform width of sleds on road leading from Milo to Chamberlain lake, came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of inhabitants of Van Buren plantation, for aid in building road.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act to define what shall constitute pauper supplies."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Topsham Granite Manufacturing Company;" also

Reporting, on petition of D. M. Torry and others, bill "an act to incorporate the Dixfield Cheese Factory."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Josiah H. P. Morrow and Norris W. Purrington, to extend a wharf at Bowdoinham."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting bill "an act additional to chapter 9, revised statutes, relating to the Penobscot Indians."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition of Zebedee Perry, bill "an act to prevent the casting of saw-dust, edgings, trimmings, brush, &c., into Mill brook in the town of Waterford."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting, on order, "resolve relative to Indian school on Oldtown island;" also

Reporting ought to pass, on "resolve in addition to chapter 103 of the resolves of 1867, relating to Indian affairs."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and the last named bill amended as per sheet "A," and each passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolves.

"Resolve in favor of Simon F. Walker," indefinitely postponed in the House, came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. HATCH moved that the House recede and concur.

Mr. PATTEN of Hermon, moved that when the vote is taken, it be by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the negative, by yeas 36, nays 44.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Bisbee,	Kingman,	Prentiss,
Boardman,	Kimball,	Randall, Island Falls,
Butman,	Knowlton,	Richards,
Campbell,	Learned,	Thomas,
Coburn,	Lindley,	Treat,
Crocker,	Manson,	Weed,
Egery,	Mathews,	Weeks,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Mower,	Wentworth,
Fuller,	Nash,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Hatch,	Neal,	Whitcomb,
Herrick,	Ouilette,	Wood,
Keegan,	Pendexter,	Yates—36.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Barron,	Lake,	Rollins,
Carvill,	Lincoln,	Smith,
Coffin,	Locke,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Cutting,	Martin,	Talbot,
Davis,	Mason of Searsmont,	Thompson,
Dennison,	Mayhew,	Titcomb,
Folsom of Newburg,	Moffit,	Torrey,
Foss of Dexter,	Oak,	Totman,
Getchell,	Patten,	Treworgy,
Gregg,	Pierce,	Twombly,
Hall,	Rand,	Weston,
Heselton,	Reed,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Hulit,	Richardson,	Winslow,
Kalloch,	Ricker,	Witherly—44.
Knight,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	

The House then voted to adhere to its former vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company," passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER, the bill was laid on the table, pending the adoption of Senate amendment "A."

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the time for the reception and reference of all matters for legislation, except petitions for redress of wrongs and grievances, be and hereby is extended to February 10th, and that all matters presented after that date be referred to the next Legislature without debate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Lyndon,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be requested to inquire into the expediency of directing the Land Agent relative to conveyance of lot No. 12, in the town of Lyndon.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

- Petition of H. J. Tabor and others of Belmont; and
Petition of David B. Cobb and others of Searsmont, in aid of bill for the extension of the Georges Valley Railroad;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

- Petition of Thomas Plumadore, for State bounty, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Selectmen of Monticello, for aid to repair road through said town, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Jeanne M. Strickland, for deed of lot of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Bill "an act to assist graduates of free high schools to obtain a collegiate education," was referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oriental Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons;" and

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 378 of the private and special laws of 1846;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of D. R. Hastings and others, relative to State Board of Agriculture, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to moose, deer and caribou."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 223 of the laws of 1871, relating to fares on railroads."

Mr. RICHARDSON, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "resolve in aid of a road in Castle Hill plantation."

This report was read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, relating to the reference of certain bills and petitions, reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

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

Bill "an act to enable academies to surrender their property to cities, towns or plantations, for the benefit of free high schools."

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the estates of the several towns of Sagadahoc county."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read three times, resolve twice, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to continue in force chapter 5, public laws of 1872, 'an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen,'" was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lisbon Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buckfield Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Tremont Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Rumford Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company.'"

Bill "an act to incorporate the New Sharon Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Island Railroad Company."

The foregoing were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read three times, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to the change of names of persons."

Bill "an act amendatory to section 15 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization."

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

On motion of Mr. WESTON of Belgrade,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner,

Ordered, that in the absence of the Speaker, George E. Weeks be Speaker *pro tem.*

The order was passed, and Mr. Weeks conducted to the Chair by Mr. Nash.

On motion, Mr. WHITCOMB of Ellsworth, was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker, George E. Weeks, Esq., had been chosen Speaker *pro tem.*

Mr. KEEGAN was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Governor and Council.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the House concurring, that both branches of the Legislature adjourn without day on Thursday, the 27th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., and that the President of the Senate and Speaker

of the House are hereby instructed to declare the adjournment without day of the respective branches at that day.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Committees of the Legislature are hereby instructed to report finally on or before the 18th instant.

These orders came from the Senate read and passed, and were read and laid on the table.

The report of the Adjutant General, and the report of the Soldiers Orphans' Home at Bath, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and were referred in concurrence.

Report of Rev. J. K. Mason, Commissioner from Maine to the International Penitentiary Congress, came from the Senate referred to the Joint Select Committee on Jail System, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting "resolve providing for surveying and marking the line between Maine and New Hampshire."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and amended as per sheet "A"; resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bill read twice, and laid on the table; resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

Bill "an act to regulate the close-time for the taking of trout in the tributaries of Androscoggin river," passed to be engrossed in the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendments "A," "B" and "C," were adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 205 of the public laws of 1871, in regard to the rights and liabilities of stockholders," passed to be engrossed in the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Pending the adoption of Senate amendment, laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 3 of the laws of 1872, entitled an act to amend section 33 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Senate amendment "A" was adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of L. Maddocks and others, for incorporation of the Northern Steamboat Company;

Petition of L. Maddocks and others, for incorporation of the Atlantic Oil and Guano Company of Boothbay; and

Petition of George L. Witham and others, for incorporation of bridge connecting Boothbay and Southport;

Were referred to the next Legislature.

Memorial of the County Commissioners of Sagadahoc, in relation to ferry at Bath, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Mrs. Ira D. Sturgis and 160 other ladies of Augusta, praying for woman's suffrage, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of N. K. Burkett and others;

Petition of H. A. Hawes and others;

Petition of Nathaniel Clark and others of Union;

Petition of Joseph Wentworth and others;

Petition of G. C. Dunton and others; and

Petition of H. H. Seidlinger and others of Appleton, in aid of bill for extension of Georges Valley Railroad;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, That the use of the hall of the House of Representatives during Thursday afternoon and evening, February 13th, be tendered to the members of 1872.

Mr. MASON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Sidney Cook and others, for amendment of statutes relative to highway taxes.

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

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass in a new draft, bill "an act relating to indecent exposures."

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

Mr. PAUL, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, reported, on report of Trustees of the Insane Hospital, "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. VINTON.

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on petition of David Hammond and others, bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin and Oxford Railroad Company."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from same Committee, reported ought to pass, bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Deering Railroad Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to extend the time for locating the route of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

Printed bill "an act to incorporate the State of Maine Trust Company."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 9 of the revised statutes, relating to the Penobscot Indians."

Bill "an act to authorize Josiah H. P. Morrow and Norris W. Purrington, and their associates, to extend a wharf at Bowdoinham."

Bill "an act to define what shall constitute pauper supplies."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Topsham Granite and Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dixfield Cheese Factory."

Bill "an act to prevent the casting of sawdust, edgings, trimmings and brush, into Mill brook in the town of Waterford."

"Resolve in addition to chapter 103 of the resolves of 1867, relating to Indian affairs."

"Resolve relative to Indian schools on Oldtown island."

These bills and resolves were reported from the Committee on

Bills in the Third Reading, bills read three times, resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to moose, deer and caribou."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 223 of the laws of 1871, relating to fares on railroads."

These bills were reported from 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 incorporate the Franklin Land and Lumber Company."

Bill "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Bridgton Branch Railroad."

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad, and to change the name of the company, and to add to and amend existing acts in relation thereto."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Paris Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act relating to the election of Directors of the Village School District in the city of Augusta."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and New York Steam Navigation Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Eli Bickmore and Zenas Cook to maintain and extend their wharf in tide waters of Friendship harbor."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Kingman, approved January 15, 1873."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Hallowell, approved August 29th, 1850."

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the town of Winthrop."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Pleasant River Steamboat Company."

"Resolve in favor of road in the town of Mount Chase."

"Resolve in favor of Samuel C. Niles."

"Resolve in favor of the road leading from Monson to Greenville in the town of Shirley."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to deed a lot of land to Alfred Ball."

"Resolve in favor of John B. Farrell."

"Resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb."

"Resolve abating part of the State tax of Sherman and assessing the same upon the town of Linneus."

These bills having had three and the resolves two several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported from 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 amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relative to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads," being on its passage to be enacted, the rules were suspended, and the vote passing the same to be engrossed, was reconsidered.

Mr. NASH of Gardiner, offered amendment "A."

And the question of its adoption was taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. HAWES of Deering, and decided in the negative, by yeas 54, nays 56.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Bailey,	Hinckley,	Mortland,
Barron,	Hobson,	Nash,
Boardman,	Howard,	Ouilette,
Brewer,	Hulit,	Pressy,
Carll,	Humphreys,	Rand,
Cary,	Kalloch,	Reed,
Coburn,	Keegan,	Ricker,
Cushman,	King,	Robbins of Deer Isle,
Cutting,	Kingman,	Rollins,
Dennison,	Learned,	Rounds,
Dingley,	Lindley,	Smith,
Fessenden,	Locke,	Talbot,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Torrey,
Ford,	Manson,	Totman,
Foss of Dexter,	Martin,	Trefethen,
Foss of Danforth,	Mason of Biddeford,	Vinton,
Hall,	Mayberry,	Warren,
Hawes,	Moffit,	Weed—54.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Alley,	Lincoln,	Scofield,
Bisbee,	Loring of Portland,	Severance,
Campbell,	Mason of Searsmont,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Carvill,	Mathews,	Stevens of Eastport,
Coffin,	Milliken,	Thomas,
Crocker,	Mower,	Thompson,
Egery,	Neal,	Titcomb,
Ellis,	Oak,	Treat,
Folsom of Newburg,	Patten,	Treworgy,
Fuller,	Paul,	Twombly,
Getchell,	Pendexter,	Weeks,
Gregg,	Prentiss,	Weston,
Haley,	Putnam,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Hatch,	Randall, Island Falls,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Herrick,	Randall of Richmond,	Whitcomb,
Kenniston,	Remick,	Witherly,
Kimball,	Richards,	Wood,
Knowlton,	Richardson,	Yates—56.
Lake,	Sargent,	

The question then being on passing the same to be engrossed, Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 61, nays 48.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Alley,	Haley,	Oak,
Bisbee,	Hatch,	Patten,
Campbell,	Herrick,	Paul,
Carvill,	Kenniston,	Pendexter,
Coffin,	Kimball,	Prentiss,
Crocker,	Knowlton,	Putnam,
Egery,	Lake,	Randall, Island Falls,
Ellis,	Lincoln,	Randall of Richmond,
Fessenden,	Loring of Portland,	Remick,
Folsom of Newburg,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Richards,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Mason of Searsmont,	Richardson,
Ford,	Mathews,	Sargent,
Fuller,	Milliken,	Scofield,
Getchell,	Mower,	Severance,
Gregg,	Neal,	Smith,

Stevens, Gouldsboro',	Treworgy,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Stevens of Eastport,	Twombly,	Whitcomb,
Thomas,	Weeks,	Witherly,
Thompson,	Weston,	Wood,
Titcomb,	Wheeler of Corinth,	Yates—61.
Treat,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Bailey,	Howard,	Nash,
Boardman,	Hulit,	Ouilette,
Brewer,	Humphreys,	Pressy,
Carll,	Kalloch,	Rand,
Cary,	Keegan,	Reed,
Coburn,	King,	Ricker,
Cushman,	Kingman,	Robbins of Deer Isle,
Cutting,	Learned,	Rollins,
Dennison,	Lindley,	Rounds,
Foss of Dexter,	Locke,	Talbot,
Foss of Danforth,	Manson,	Torrey,
Hall,	Martin,	Totman,
Harmon,	Mason of Biddeford,	Trefethen,
Hawes,	Mayberry,	Vinton,
Hinckley,	Moffit,	Warren,
Hobson,	Mortland,	Weed—48.

The bill then passed to be enacted, was signed by the Speaker, *pro tem.*, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KALLOCH moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the House adhered to its former vote postponing "resolve in favor of Simon F. Walker," which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden, and to-morrow at 10 o'clock assigned.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Remonstrance of Francis H. Morse and others of Bath, against a geological survey of the State, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of L. P. Totman and others, against amendment of the charter of the Fairfield Bridge Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory to section 15 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization," passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate.

The House, on motion of Mr. MATHEWS, ordered a reconsideration of the vote, and the same was recommitted to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Canton Manufacturing 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.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Feb. 12, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following titles of public acts of the present Legislature which have received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 95.

An act relating to damages for land taken for railroad purposes.

Approved February 11, 1873.

CHAPTER 96.

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 84 of the laws of 1870, relating to letters of administration.

Approved February 11, 1873.

CHAPTER 97.

An act relating to change of names of persons.

Approved February 11, 1873.

Petition of W. Starrett and others, for extension of the Georges Valley Railroad; also

Petition of J. C. Gould and others of Union;

Petition of Cyrus Fogler and others;

Petition of G. Y. Creighton; and

Petition of Ithiel Pease and others, all in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Remonstrance of the Bangor School Committee, against uniformity of text-books, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. R. Phillips, for an act to prevent the killing of deer; and

Petition of J. P. Simpson and others, for authority to rebuild a wharf in York river;

Were referred to the next Legislature.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to the going at large of dogs," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the manner of counting the votes for Registers of Deeds and County Treasurers; also

Reported same, on order relating to the duties of the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court in charging of juries.

Mr. BISBEE, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of L. A. Wadsworth, relating to the public health.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on order relating to return of justice actions.

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of J. R. Chapman and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into the east branch of Ellis river.

Mr. MASON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on petition of Allen Lambard and others, for an act to exempt poor widows from taxation ; also

Reported same, on petition of the Sheriff of Washington county, for increase of fees ; also

Reported same, on petition of J. S. Littler and others, for an act to prevent persons from voting who have not paid their taxes.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of D. A. Sewall, for amendment of the statutes relating to roads.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on petition of Amos Nourse, for amendment of chapter 75 of the revised statutes ; also

Reported same, on memorial of G. M. Weston.

Mr. MOWER, from the Committee on Claims, reported same, on petition of Joseph N. Ulmer, for arrears of bounty.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of Willard Suckforth.

Mr. CROCKER, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of A. E. Ricker, for redress of grievances.

Mr. MASON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 93 of the revised statutes."

Mr. BARRON, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to prevent trespass on islands."

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported reference to the Committee on Counties, on petition for an act to define the bounds of plantations in Aroostook county.

Mr. THOMAS, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of W. H. Rhodes, for an act to regulate the rates of the Rockland Water Company.

Mr. OAK, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of E. H. Tolman, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings into Moose brook in Denmark.

Mr. NASH, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act

to incorporate the Gould Engine Company," reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House on passing the bill to be engrossed.

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

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Minority of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petitions of H. A. Pike and others, reported "resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution, conferring the right of suffrage on women," which was laid on the table.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act relating to disturbing public meetings;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, relating to bowling alleys and billiard rooms."

Mr. BISBEE, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to extend the right of towns and school districts in certain cases."

Mr. BARRON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 116, section 8 of the revised statutes, relative to the service of venires."

Mr. MASON, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 44 of the public laws of 1872, entitled 'an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to lands in unincorporated townships.'"

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Education, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act in aid of free high schools."

Mr. ROLLINS, from the Committee on Counties, reported, on petition, bill "an act to divide Clinton Gore plantation, and annex the same to adjoining towns."

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

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing the town of Yarmouth to loan its credit for the establishment of manufactures."

Mr. BARRON, from the same Committee, reported, on petition

of Seward B. Hume, bill "an act to incorporate the Eastport Gas Light Company;" also

Reported, on petition of R. O. Linsley, bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Johnson Home School for Boys, at Tops-ham, Maine."

Mr. MASON, from this Committee, reported, on petition of J. A. Buckman, bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Minot."

Mr. THOMAS, from this Committee, reported, on petition of Arno Wiswell, bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Women's Christian Association;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Greenough Church Edifice Association."

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Northport Wesleyan Grove Camp Meeting Association."

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on Change of Names, on petition, reported bill "an act to change the name of Marcia Emily Leighton;" also

Reported, on petitions, bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the public laws of 1872, relating to insolvent estates."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 5 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to indecent exposures."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 87 of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools."

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on order relating to the New England road, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury."

These 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.

Bill "an act to incorporate the State of Maine Trust Company," was reported, read the third time, and recommitted, on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Deering Railroad Company," was reported, read the third time, and laid on the table by Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin and Oxford Railroad Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act to amend section 21, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways."

Bill "an act to extend the time for locating the route of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 115 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of members of the government."

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.

"Resolve providing for the surveying and marking the line between Maine and New Hampshire," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to annex the plantation of Hamlin Grant, in the County of Oxford, to the town of Woodstock."

Bill "an act to authorize Ira D. Sturgis to build piers and wharves, and drive piles, and maintain booms in tide waters of Wiscasset."

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.

Reports of the Committee on Education, on order relating to the school mill fund, was taken from the table by Mr. THOMAS of Portland, and assigned for to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

Bill "an act to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities," was taken from the table.

The House receded, rejected Senate amendment "A," and amended the bill as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the House adhered to its vote of indefinite postponement of "resolve in favor of Simon F. Walker," was taken from the table, and the House refused to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider the vote passing to be engrossed, bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," was taken from the table, and decided in the affirmative.

The bill was then indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which bill "an act to amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relative to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads," and this motion was laid on the table, and to-morrow assigned.

On motion of Mr. FOSS of Dexter,

Ordered, That after this date, until otherwise ordered, the sessions of this House commence at 9 o'clock A. M., except on Mondays, when they shall commence as heretofore ordered.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of defining the duties of the Superintendent of Common Schools, as to whether he shall visit common schools throughout the State.

This order came from the Senate read and referred to the next Legislature, and was read and passed.

Report of the Committee of Conference, reporting that the Committee could not agree, on "resolve in favor of Jesse Drew," came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

The House voted to adhere to its former vote passing the same to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the playing of base ball, or football, in the streets of any town or city of the State; also

Reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act authorizing municipal aid in the establishment of manufactures, and in the improvement of water powers in this State."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Isaac Hacker and others, for one term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Aroostook be held annually in the town of Lyndon.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting same, on petition of Joseph Williamson and others, for an act to incorporate the Belfast Water Company.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting same, on petition of John T. Allen and others of Centerville, for the reduction of the State tax of said town.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting same, on petition of Nathaniel French, for amendment of the law relating to insurance.

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

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Moose Branch Steamboat 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 in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to newspaper postage," came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of William Duren and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of saw-dust into the St. Croix river, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of East Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society."

Report of the Committee on State Prison, reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of the State Prison."

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting on the Governor's message, "resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and refused a passage.

Tabled, on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11, section 59 of the revised statutes, relating to the pay of school committees," passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The bill was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on "resolve in favor of Jesse Drew," reporting a disagreement, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence, and the House voted to adhere to its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

Petition of W. S. Wilson and others of Brewer, in favor of a Board of Harbor Commissioners, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. SMITH, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Samuel A. Shute and others, for authority to build a weir in tide waters at Stockton.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported same, on petition of the legal voters of Charleston for change of law relating to choosing highway surveyors.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on Education, reported same, on petition of John Robbins, Jr., and others, that aid be granted for the purchase of a library for Norridgewock high school.

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on petition of Stillman Wallace and others of Milbridge, for the repeal of an act to change the time of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Washington, approved March 12th, 1869.

Mr. TREFETHEN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of municipal officers of Orland, with memorial of inhabitants of said town and vicinity, relating to obstructions in Eastern river, that the same may be removed.

Mr. MORTLAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported same, on petition of Albert S. Bradley, for annexation of Bradley island to the town of Vassalborough.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act relating to the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company."

Mr. WHEELER, from the Committee on Temperance, reported

same, on bill "an act to amend chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of cider."

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to amending section 10 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, so that boards of selectmen of towns shall consist of three members, who shall hold office for the term of three years, one member to be chosen each year.

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

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the officers and members of Casco Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Yarmouth."

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend chapter 310, laws of 1870, entitled 'an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond in Franklin county.'"

Mr. PAUL, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Jonathan P. Weston and John H. Leavett to erect and extend wharves in York into the tide waters of York river."

Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the South Paris Savings Bank."

Mr. KNIGHT, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the West Hampden Dairy Association."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported in new draft and that the same ought to pass, bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act amending the charter of the St. Croix and Penobscot Railroad Company."

Mr. LEARNED, from the Committee on Towns, reported, on petition, bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Minot and annex the same to the city of Auburn."

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to legalize and make valid the organization of the Border Publishing Company at Bangor."

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve appropriating money to aid in rebuilding bridge over Moose river in Somerset county."

Mr. TREAT, from the Committee on Claims, reported "resolve providing for the payment of bounties on wild animals."

These 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.

Printed bill "an act in aid of free high schools," was read twice, and Tuesday of next week assigned.

Mr. BUTMAN, from the Committee on Towns, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Daniel Bunker, to be set off from Benton to Fairfield Village Corporation.

Mr. ROUNDS, from the Minority of the Committee, on same petition, reported bill "an act to set off Bunker's island from the town of Benton and annex the same to the town of Fairfield."

These reports were laid on the table.

Mr. ROBBINS, from the Committee on Towns, on petition of Samuel Appleton and others, for division of the town of Waterville, reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. RAND, from the Minority of the Committee, reported, on same petition, bill "an act to incorporate the town of West Waterville."

These reports were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. MORTLAND, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of H. A. Pike and others, for the right of suffrage to women.

The report was ordered to be printed with the Minority Report of the Committee, made yesterday, on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta.

Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland, presented bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies," which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. HOWARD, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the militia."

Mr. MORTLAND, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 13 of chapter 77

of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Mr. BOARDMAN, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition, bill "an act providing for the appointment of Port Wardens."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Women's Christian Association."

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to indecent exposures."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the public laws of 1872, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Minot."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Yarmouth to loan its credit for the establishment of manufactures."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of Johnson Home School for Boys at Topsham."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastport Gas Light Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Greenough Church Edifice Association."

Bill "an act to change the name of Maria Emily Leighton."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to amend section 87 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northport Wesleyan Grove Camp Meeting Association."

"Resolve in favor of Moses C. Currier."

"Resolve in favor of inhabitants of Eagle Island Military plantation, County of Hancock."

"Resolve in favor of Island Falls."

"Resolve in favor of E. E. Glidden and Carroll C. Record."

"Resolve in favor of James Withers."

"Resolve in favor of Addison Brown."

"Resolve in favor of Annie O. Burnham."

"Resolve in favor of Aroostook county."

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on

Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolves the second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in favor of John Gabriel.”

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison.”

“Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs.”

“Resolve in favor of Joseph Gray.”

“Resolve in favor of Henry F. Eaton, Charles H. Eaton and T. W. Baldwin.”

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

“Resolve in favor of an appropriation to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 58, public laws of 1869, in relation to the establishment of meridian lines.”

“Resolve in aid of bridge in Ox Bow plantation.”

“Resolve in aid of building bridges in Hamlin plantation, Aroostook county.”

“Resolve in aid of road in township No. 11, Range 3, Aroostook county.”

“Resolve in favor of appropriating money for the repair of the bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Haynesville.”

“Resolve in aid of road in Indian township, County of Washington.”

“Resolve providing for a geological survey of the State.”

The foregoing were reported, read the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill “an act to authorize H. Warren Norris, W. Purrington, and their associates, to extend a wharf at Bowdoinham.”

Bill “an act to regulate the close-time for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river.”

Bill “an act to amend chapter 3 of the laws of 1872, entitled an act to amend section 33 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Monroe Cheese Factory.”

Bill “an act to make valid the doings of Jared C. Nash as a Justice of the Peace.”

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Gouldsborough to regulate the running at large of neat cattle in said town."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Temperance Reform Association."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 9 of the revised statutes, relating to the Penobscot Indians."

"Bill an act to prevent the casting of saw-dust, edgings, trimmings and brush, in Mill brook, in the town of Waterford."

Bill "an act relative to the Androscoggin Pulp Company."

Bill "an act to make legal the doings of the Union Meeting-house Association of Round pond, in the town of Bristol."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dixfield Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bartlett Land and Lumber Company."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 8, in the town of Bristol."

Bill "an act to continue in force chapter 5, public laws 1872, 'an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.'"

"Resolve relative to setting apart national domain as a public school fund."

"Resolve relative to Indian school-house on Oldtown island."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MAYHEW of Mt. Vernon, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which bill "an act to amend chapter 115 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of members of the government," was passed to be engrossed, and this motion be assigned for Tuesday next at 10 o'clock, and the House so ordered.

Report of the Committee on Education, relating to the school mill fund, was taken up and assigned for to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company," was taken from the table, read the third time, Senate amendment "A" rejected, amendment "B" adopted, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, S. C. Hatch, Esq., be Speaker *pro tem*.

Mr. Hatch was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Bisbee.

On motion of Mr. WESTON of Belgrade, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker, S. C. Hatch, Esq., was chosen Speaker, *pro tem*.

Mr. PUTNAM of York, was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Governor and Council.

Both gentlemen subsequently reported that they had delivered the message with which they were charged.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to allowances," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The House non-concurred and referred to the next Legislature.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 136, section 8 of the revised statutes, relating to Municipal and Police Courts," came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and the House concurred.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of B. B. Murray and others, for change of the law relating to fish in Webb's pond.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting same, on petition of Selectmen of Lyndon, for appropriation for the bridge in said town.

Report of the Committee on Temperance, reporting same, on petition of J. P. Stinson and others, for change of the liquor law.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to protect fishing in Chase pond."

Report of same Committee, reporting same, on bill "an act to amend chapter 155, special laws of 1869."

Report of Cumberland County Delegation, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to increase of fees of county commissioners of said county.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 97 of the revised statutes, relating to authority of deputy sheriffs."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Waterford Hotel Company;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act to incorporate the officers and members of Cumberland Royal Arch Chapter."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Giles Loring to extend his wharf into tide waters of Royals river."

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of chapel for the Insane Hospital;" also

Reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of chapel connected with the Insane Hospital."

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting, on petition of F. E. Lufkin, "resolve in favor of Woodland plantation."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for third reading of bills, and Wednesday of next week for second reading of resolves.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting, on order, bill "an act amending chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and Wednesday next assigned.

Mr. CLARK, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Isaac C. Young and others, for a law prohibiting fishing in Madison pond.

Mr. TREWORGY, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of J. H. Gould and others, for an act for the preservation of fish in Mower's, Weymouth's, Gould's and Half Moon ponds.

Mr. GREENE, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported same, on petition of citizens of the town of Brewer, for authority to lay out and establish a public highway in said town to tide waters of Penobscot river.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend sections 55 and 56 of chapter 115 of the revised statutes."

Mr. BISBEE, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the pauper law in organized plantations.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to the expediency of allowing selectmen to add names to the lists of voters on the day of election.

Mr. BISBEE, from the same Committee, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapters 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, relating to railroad and steam navigation."

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

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of N. Fessenden, for aid to Fort Fairfield high school.

The report was read, and laid on the table by Mr. KING of Lyndon.

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 26 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors' disclosures."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 27 of the public acts of 1872;" also

Reported, on order, bill "an act to repeal section 12, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to jury fees."

The reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Oxford to raise money for a public library."

Mr. HINCKLEY, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend chapter 581, private acts of 1868, relating to the taking of trout in Moosehead and Brassau lakes."

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the State Publishing Association."

Mr. KENNISTON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition of H. Ricker, bill "an act to authorize the extension of the charter of the Androscoggin Navigation Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Isaac S. Bangs Jr. and others to clear the channel and navigate the Kennebec river between Waterville and Augusta;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Alfred E. Conners and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Frenchman's bay."

Mr. WEBSTER, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis River Boom Company."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 116, section 8 of the revised statutes, relative to service of venires."

Printed bill "an act relating to disturbing public meetings."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 29 of the revised statutes, relating to bowling alleys and billiard rooms."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 44 of the public laws of 1872, entitled "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to lands in unincorporated townships."

Printed bill "an act to extend the rights of towns and school districts in certain cases."

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Katharine L. Brown."

Mr. WEBSTER, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, "resolve in favor of the Eastern Normal School at Castine;" also

"Resolve in favor of the Western Normal School at Farmington."

These 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.

"Printed bill "an act to divide Clinton Gore and annex the same to adjoining towns," was read twice, and Thursday of next week assigned.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the East Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society," 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 set off part of the town of Minot and annex the same to the city of Auburn."

Bill "act to legalize and make valid the organization of the Border Publishing Company at Bangor."

Bill "an act authorizing Jotham P. Norton and John H. Leavitt to erect and extend wharves in York into the tide waters of York river."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 310, laws of 1870, entitled an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond in Franklin county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Hampden Dairy Association."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company and amendatory of acts thereto, relating to the St. Croix and Penobscot Railway Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the South Paris Savings Bank."

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 incorporate the Topsham Granite and Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buckfield Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Canton Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mexico and East Rumford Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Tremont Savings Bank."

Bill "an act amendatory to section 15 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Island Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the New Sharon Cheese Manufacturing Company."

"Resolve providing for surveying and marking the line between Maine and New Hampshire."

"Resolve in addition to chapter 103 of the resolves of 1867, relating to indian affairs."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker *pro tem.*, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table by Mr. VINTON, who offered amendment "A," which on his motion was ordered to be printed with the resolve.

Reports of the Committee on Education, relating to school-mill fund, was taken from the table, the question being on substituting the Minority for the Majority Report.

Mr. RANDALL of Island Falls, moved and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the negative, by yeas 56, nays 79.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Adams,	Hubbard,	Remick,
Alley,	Keegan,	Robbins of Guilford,
Bisbee,	Kingman,	Robbins of Deer Isle,
Carvill,	Knight,	Rollins,
Clark,	Learned,	Severance,
Corthell,	Lincoln,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Croswell,	Littlefield,	Sturtevant,
Davis,	Locke,	Thompson,
Ellis,	Martin,	Treat,
Ford,	Mason of Searsmont,	Treworgy,
Foss of Dexter,	Mayhew,	True,
Fuller,	Neal,	Walker,

Getchell,	Ouilette,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Gifford,	Patten,	Weston,
Gregg,	Paul,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Green,	Pendexter,	Whipple,
Herrick,	Pierce,	Wilder,
Heselton,	Rand,	Witherly—56.
Hinckley,	Ray,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Atwood,	Hobson,	Reed,
Bailey,	Howard,	Richards,
Barron,	Hulit,	Richardson,
Bennett,	Humphreys,	Ricker,
Boardman,	Jones,	Rounds,
Brewer,	Jordan,	Sargent,
Brockway,	Kalloch,	Scofield,
Butman,	Kimball,	Smith,
Came,	Knowlton,	Stevens of Eastport,
Campbell,	Lindley,	Talbot,
Carll,	Loring of Portland,	Thomas,
Cary,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Titcomb,
Coburn,	Manson,	Torrey,
Coffin,	Mason of Biddeford,	Totman,
Crocker,	Mathews,	Trefethen,
Cushman,	Milliken,	Twombly,
Cutting,	Moffit,	Vinton,
Dennison,	Mortland,	Warren,
Dingley,	Nash,	Webster of Orono,
Egery,	Oak,	Webster of Castine,
Fessenden,	Perry,	Weed,
Folsom of Newburg,	Prentiss,	Weeks,
Haley,	Pressy,	Wentworth,
Harmon,	Putnam,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Hatch,	Randall, Island Falls,	Winslow,
Hawes,	Randall of Richmond,	Wood—79.
Hinch,		

The report was then accepted and sent to the Senate.

Under suspension of the rules, Mr. KNOWLTON moved, and the House ordered, a reconsideration of the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw

on petitions of Joseph W. Ulmer and W. E. Suckforth, for arrears of bounty.

The petitions were recommitted and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FULLER of Augusta.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the city charter of Bangor, that the Street Commissioner, City Marshal and Superintendent of Schools, shall be elected by the people instead as now provided in said charter.

This order came from the Senate referred to the next Legislature, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Aroostook Delegation, reporting bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for Aroostook county," 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 Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Hiram Ricker and others, for repeal of act for the preservation of fish in Range and Tripp ponds in the town of Poland.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to authorize James Roberts and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters in the town of Vinalhaven."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 546 of the private and special laws of 1852, relating to the Mercantile Library Association of Portland."

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of repairing and rebuilding bridges over streams between Patten and Chamberlain lake."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned for third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for second reading of the resolve.

"Resolve in favor of Simon F. Walker," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Smith of Penobscot, Chaplin of Cumberland, and Hadlock of Hancock, appointed conferees.

Pending the question of receding from vote of adherence and insisting, laid on the table by Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden.

Bill "an act to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities," passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheet "B," came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A," and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Brooks of Waldo, Farrington of Oxford, and Burgess of Cumberland, appointed conferees.

The House insisted on its former vote, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Vinton of Gray, Kenniston of Boothbay, and Reed of Waldo, conferees.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company," passed to be engrossed, amended as per sheet "A," came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Smith of Penobscot, Dingley of Androscoggin, and O'Brien of York, appointed conferees.

The House insisted, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Knowlton of Skowhegan, Vinton of Gray, and Weeks of Augusta, conferees.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Attorney General, was received, read, and the

report was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. THOMAS of Portland,

Ordered, That John R. Weed of Littleton, be excused from further attendance, and the Clerk directed to make up his pay.

Remonstrance of L. H. Folsom and others, against changing the law in relation to taking of trout, salmon and other fish, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. WEBSTER, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation expedient, on order relating to the normal department of the Maine Central Institute at Pittsfield.

Mr. BARRON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on order relating to assignment of wages.

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order relating to the expediency of allowing coroners authority to serve writs same as sheriffs; also

Reported leave to withdraw, on petition of H. O. Field, for change of the law to prohibit persons from voting who have not paid their taxes.

Mr. ADAMS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on petition of John Libbey and others, for an act to prohibit the Attorney General and County Attorneys from being directors of, or from acting as attorneys for, any railroad company.

Mr. RICKER, from the York Delegation, reported same, on petition of E. C. Spinney, for reduction of valuation of the town of Kittery.

Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported same, on petition of Theodore Wyman and others, for an act to construct a road in Barnard; also

Reported same, on petition of Henry Kelley and others, for amendment of the charter of the Fairfield Bridge Company.

Mr. GREENE, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Selectmen of Monticello, for aid to repair road in said town.

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

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process."

Mr. EGERY, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to prevent injury to railroad fences or property."

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

Mr. WEED, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Cumberland county to construct and maintain a public highway into tide waters in the city of Portland."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and Thursday next assigned.

Printed bill "an act to amend section 13, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Printed bill "an act providing for the appointment of Port Wardens."

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to extend the time for locating, building and completing the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad."

Mr. EGERY, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act in addition to the charter of the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

The same gentleman, reported same, on bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the Northern Aroostook Railroad."

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to provide for the appointment of an Assistant County Attorney for the County of Cumberland."

Mr. MATHEWS, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Oriental Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Bridgton."

Mr. MASON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act relating to the fees of the Judges of the Police Court of Gardiner, and of the Municipal Courts of the cities of Hallowell and Augusta."

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition of Joseph Libbey, "resolve appropriating the sum of two hundred dollars to be expended in repairing bridge across Umcolcus stream."

Mr. RICHARDSON, from the same Committee, reported, on

petition of Orrin Tufts, "resolve in aid of building road from Kingfield to Eustis in Franklin county."

Mr. TREFETHEN, from the Committee on Fisheries, on recommendation of Fish Commissioners, reported, "resolve making appropriation for the propagation of fish and for additional Fish Wardens."

Mr. KNIGHT, from the Committee on Agriculture, on recommendation of trustees, reported "resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

These 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 authorize Dana S. Bangs, Jr. and others, to clear the channel and navigate the Kennebec river between Waterville and Augusta," was reported, read the third time, and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Royal Arch Chapter," was read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to extend the rights of towns and school districts in certain cases."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 44, public laws of 1872, entitled an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land in unincorporated townships."

These bills were reported, read the third time, laid on the table, and Tuesday assigned for the former and Wednesday for the latter.

Bill "an act to authorize Giles Loring to extend his wharf into tide waters of Royals river."

Bill "an act to amend section 2 of chapter 97 of the revised statutes, relating to authority of deputy sheriffs."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterford Hotel Company."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 116, section 8 of the revised statutes, relative to the service of venires."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis River Boom Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Alfred E. Conners and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Frenchman's bay."

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the charter of the Androscoggin Navigation Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Oxford to raise money for a public library."

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, relating to bowling alleys and billiard rooms."

Bill "an act relating to disturbing public meetings."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 581, special laws of 1868, entitled an act to regulate the taking of trout in Moosehead lake and Brassau lake."

Bill "an act to incorporate the State Publishing Association."

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 Lisbon Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin and Oxford Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock County Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Pomological Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Moose Branch Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to moose, deer and caribou."

Bill "an act to legalize the acts of the Selectmen of Wiscasset and the votes of said town."

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Gary."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison."

"Resolve in favor of Henry F. Eaton, Charles H. Eaton and T. W. Baldwin."

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs."

"Resolve relating to newspaper postage."

"Resolve in favor of John Gabriel."

These bills having had three, and the resolves two several read-

ings, 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.

Mr. WEED of Littleton, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the House accepted the report of the Committee on Education, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to increase of the school mill fund, and the House refused to reconsider.

The motion of Mr. WEEKS, to reconsider the vote by which bill "an act to amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads," was passed to be enacted, was taken from the table, and decided in the affirmative.

The vote passing the same to be engrossed, was reconsidered, the bill amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. ROUNDS of Minot, bill "an act to incorporate the Minot Fire Insurance Company," was taken from the table, amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed as amended.

"Resolve in favor of appropriating money for the repair of the bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in Haynesville;" and

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the estates of the several towns of Sagadahoc county;"

Were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act relating to free text-books in public schools," was taken from the table by Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, who renewed amendment "A," which was adopted, and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Adjourned till 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and presided during the choice of Speaker *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. THOMAS of Portland,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, S. W. Mathews, Esq., be Speaker *pro tempore*.

Mr Mathews was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Thomas.

On motion of Mr. HINCKLEY of Georgetown, that gentleman was charged with a message to the Senate, informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker, S. W. Mathews had been appointed Speaker *pro tempore*.

Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, was charged with the same to the Governor and Council.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Albert Lewey and others of Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, for appropriation; also

Reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the payment of salaries to white person or persons not belonging to the Penobscot tribe of Indians, without the consent of said tribe.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting same, on order relating to pauper settlement.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, reporting ought not to pass, on "resolve relating to the repeal of the bankrupt law."

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting bill "an act providing for the enrollment of the militia."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting on recommendation of the Superintendent of Common Schools, bill "an act to provide for the proper expenditure by towns of school money received from the State."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Star Slate Company;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Sebago Lake Steam Mill Company."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to establish a State uniformity of text books," came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. NASH.

Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," indefinitely postponed in the House, came back from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The House voted to adhere.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Feb. 17, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following titles of public acts of the present Legislature which have received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 98.

An act to continue in force chapter 5, public laws of 1872, an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

Approved February 14, 1873.

CHAPTER 99.

An act to regulate the closetime for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river.

Approved February 14, 1873.

CHAPTER 100.

An act to amend chapter 3 of the laws of 1872, entitled an act to amend section 33 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses.

Approved February 14, 1873.

CHAPTER 101.

An act additional to chapter 9 of the revised statutes, relating to the Penobscot Indians.

Approved February 14, 1873.

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

Ordered, That three hundred additional copies of the Fish Commissioners' Report be printed for distribution.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the Speaker of the House be instructed to invite Hon. W. W. Thomas, Jr., to deliver his lecture entitled "A Ramble in Norway," on Thursday evening, the 20th inst., and that the use of the Representatives' Hall be tendered him for that purpose.

Mr. ALLEY, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to repair the bridge across the Sebasticook river."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 29 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the militia."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 27 of the public acts of 1872."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oriental Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Bridgton."

Bill "an act to amend section 13, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act providing for the appointment of Port Wardens."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, and the latter assigned for to-morrow.

Bill "an act to authorize James Roberts and others to extend their wharf into tide waters in the town of Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 546 of the private and special laws of 1852, relating to the Mercantile Library Association of Portland."

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 provide for the appointment of an Assistant County Attorney for the County of Cumberland."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the Northern Aroostook Railroad."

Bill "an act in relation to the fees of the Judges of the Police Court of the city of Gardiner and of the Municipal Courts of the cities of Hallowell and Augusta."

Bill "an act to extend the time for building and completing the Portland and Ogdensburg 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 incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Woman's Christian Association."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the East Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Gould Engine Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Greenough Church Edifice Association."

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 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies," presented by Mr. FESSENDEN, and ordered printed as amendment to Senate document No. 18, was taken up, on motion of Mr. THOMAS, and referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. ELLIS of Brooks,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. COUSENS of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. THOMAS of Portland, bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies," was taken from the table, and referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner, bill "an act in addition to chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to fires," was taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of William Pitcher and others, for an act establishing uniform rates of fares on railroads.

This report came from the Senate read and referred to the next Legislature, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Jeanne M. Strickland, for a lot of land.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to boundaries between cities and towns where said lines are rivers and streams.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting same, on order relating to repair of road in Frenchville.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Oxford Mill Company;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Cove Slate Company in the town of Monson."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Hotel Company."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting, on petition of L. A. Wadsworth and others, bill "an act to amend the second specification of section 54, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, in regard to studies taught in common schools."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of D. F. Adams;" also

Reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of James Doyle."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and second reading of the resolves.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act for the consolidation of certain railroads," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the bill ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," and passed to be engrossed in the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted on its former vote, on motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the public laws of 1872, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Yarmouth to loan its credit for the establishment of manufactures."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Minot."

These bills were each passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted on its former vote.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Feb. 18, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following titles of public

acts of the present Legislature which have received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 102.

An act amendatory to section 15 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization.

Approved February 17, 1873.

CHAPTER 103.

An act to amend section 9 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to moose, deer and caribou.

Approved February 17, 1873.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the memorial of the National Board of Trade of the United States, was received, read, and the memorial referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. KELLOCH, by leave, laid on the table "resolve in favor of Rev. J. K. Mason."

Mr. CLARK of Tremont, presented a "resolve in favor W. J. Corthell," which was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to Senate.

Mr. HATCH of Bangor, presented "resolve abating State tax of Eaton grant, Aroostook county," which was read once and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

On motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner,

WHEREAS, It appears by the report of the State Treasurer, that the Thomaston Savings Bank has neglected to comply with the provisions of chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks; therefore

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be hereby instructed to give notice to the officers of said bank, to appear before them and show cause why their charter should not be repealed, the said notice to be given by advertisement, in the Daily Kennebec Journal, stating the time and place of hearing.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads be requested to inquire into the expediency of revoking and annulling and repealing

the charter of the Portland, Bath and Sea Shore Railroad Company, granted the present session, and report as soon as may be.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on Change of Names, reported finally.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. RAND, from the Committee on Towns, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Henry Knowles and others, to set off part of No. 7, Range 5, in Aroostook county, to Moro plantation.

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

Mr. MORTLAND, from the Committee on Jail System, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to improve the jail system of the State," which was read and accepted and the bill ordered to be printed under the joint rules.

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of John Robbins and others, for repeal of the law of 1872, changing the shire town of Somerset county.

Mr. MASON, from the Minority of the Committee, on same petition, reported bill "an act to submit to the people of the county of Somerset the question of restoring the shire town of said county to Norridgewock."

Mr. MANSON of Pittsfield, moved to substitute the Minority for the Majority Report, and that the same printed, and Thursday assigned.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition of S. C. Andrews and others, bill "an act imposing a penalty on the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Corporation for abuses of its privileges and franchises."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and ordered printed, on motion of Mr. BISBEE, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. BOARDMAN, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on order, bill "an act to prevent the throwing of ballast in certain parts of Kennebec river."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 26, chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors' disclosures."

Bill "an act to repeal section 12 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of juries."

Mr. ALLEY, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition, "resolve in aid of the bridge across Mattawamkeag river in Penobscot county."

Mr. PENDEXTER, from the Oxford County Delegation, on order, reported, "resolve to correct a clerical error in the number of polls in the town of Hartford."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to provide for an enrolment of the militia."

Bill "an act to provide for the proper expenditure by towns of school money received from the State."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebago Lake Steam Mill Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Star Slate Company of Monson."

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 27 of the public acts of 1872, relating to liens on animals."

Bill "an act in addition to the charter of the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to repair bridge across the Sebasticook river."

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the militia."

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 authorize Giles Loring to extend his wharf into tide waters of Royals river."

Bill "an act to change the name of Maria Emily Leighton."

Bill "an act to amend section 87 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastport Gas Light Company."

Bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterford Hotel Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to amend section 5 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to indecent exposures."

Bill "an act to increase the salary of Judge and Register of Probate for Aroostook county."

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 97 of the revised statutes, relating to authority of deputy sheriffs."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 223 of the laws of 1871, relating to fares on railroads."

Bill "an act to extend the time for locating the route of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northport Wesleyan Grove Camp Meeting Association."

"Resolve in favor of inhabitants of Eagle Island Military Plantation in the county of Hancock."

"Resolve in favor of Moses A. Currier."

"Resolve in aid of road in Island Falls."

"Resolve in favor of Annie O. Burnham."

"Resolve in favor of James Withers."

"Resolve in favor of Addison J. Brown."

"Resolve in favor of Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of E. E. Glidden and Carroll C. Record."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker *pro tem.* and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in aid of free high schools," was read the third time, and laid on the table, and assigned for to-morrow.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oriental Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Bridgton," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. MAYHEW of Mt. Vernon.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which bill "an act to amend chapter 115 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of members of the government," was passed to be engrossed, was taken from the table, and decided in the affirmative.

Mr. MAYHEW of Mt. Vernon, moved the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland, 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 same to be engrossed, it was taken by yeas and nays, and the bill refused a passage, by yeas 58, nays 68.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Atwood,	Gregg,	Prentiss,
Barron,	Hawes,	Pressy,
Bisbee,	Herrick,	Putnam,
Boardman,	Hinckley,	Rand,
Brewer,	Hinch,	Randall, Island Falls,
Brockway,	Howard,	Remick,
Butnam,	Keegan,	Robbins of Guilford,
Campbell,	Kimball,	Rounds,
Coburn,	Knowlton,	Stevens of Eastport,
Corthell,	Lord,	Talbot,
Crocker,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Titcomb,
Croswell,	Mathews,	Trefethen,
Dingley,	Mayberry,	Vinton,
Egery,	Milliken,	Warren,
Ellis,	Mortland,	Webster of Orono,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Nash,	Weeks,
Ford,	Ouilette,	Wentworth,
Foss of Dexter,	Paul,	Whitcomb,
Fuller,	Perry,	Wood—58.
Getchell,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Alley,	Dennison,	Kelloch,
Bailey,	Folsom of Newburg,	Kingman,
Bennett,	Foss of Danforth,	Knight,
Carvill,	Green,	Lake,
Cary,	Hatch,	Lindley,
Clark,	Heselton,	Littlefield,
Coffin,	Hobson,	Loring of Portland,
Cushman,	Hubbard,	Manson,
Cutting,	Jones,	Martin,
Davis,	Jordan,	Mason of Searsmont,

Mason of Biddeford,	Richards,	Treworgy,
Mayhew,	Richardson,	True,
Moffit,	Ricker,	Twombly,
Mower,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	Walker,
Neal,	Rollins,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Oak,	Sargent,	Webster of Castine,
Patten,	Smith,	Weston,
Peaks,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',	Wheeler of Corinth,
Pendexter,	Sturtevant,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Pierce,	Thomas,	Whipple,
Randall of Richmond,	Thompson,	Winslow,
Ray,	Totman,	Witherly.—68.
Reed,	Treat,	

Bill "an act to define what shall constitute pauper supplies," being on its passage to be enacted, the vote passing the same to be engrossed, was reconsidered, bill amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of H. A. Pike and others, for right of suffrage to women, was taken from the table.

Mr. PEAKS of Charleston, moved to amend by substituting the minority report.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was so amended, by yeas 64, nays 59.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Adams,	Davis,	Hubbard,
Bailey,	Egery,	Kingman,
Brewer,	Folsom of Oldtown,	Lake,
Brockway,	Ford,	Lindley,
Campbell,	Foss of Dexter,	Lord,
Cary,	Foss of Danforth,	Manson,
Coburn,	Getchell,	Mayberry,
Coffin,	Hall,	Mayhew,
Corthell,	Harmon,	Moffit,
Crocker,	Hawes,	Mower,
Cushman,	Hinch,	Neal,
Cutting,	Howard,	Oak,

Patten,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Peaks,	Stevens of Eastport,	Webster of Orono,
Pendexter,	Sturtevant,	Webster of Castine,
Perry,	Thomas,	Weeks,
Pierce,	Thompson,	Wentworth,
Pressy,	Titcomb,	Weston,
Remick,	Trefethen,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Robbins of Guilford,	Twombly,	Whitcomb,
Robbins of Deer Isle,	Warren,	Winslow—64.
Rollins,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Atwood,	Kimball,	Ray,
Barron,	Knight,	Reed,
Bennett,	Knowlton,	Richards,
Bisbee,	Littlefield,	Richardson,
Boardman,	Loring of Portland,	Ricker,
Butman,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Rounds,
Carvill,	Martin,	Sargent,
Clark,	Mason of Biddeford,	Smith,
Ellis,	Mathews,	Talbot,
Fuller,	Milliken,	Totman,
Gregg,	Mortland,	Treat,
Green,	Nash,	Treworgy,
Hatch,	Ouilette,	True,
Herrick,	Paul,	Vinton,
Heselton,	Prentiss,	Walker,
Hinckley,	Putnam,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Hobson,	Rand,	Whipple,
Jones,	Randall, Island Falls,	Witherly
Jordan,	Randall of Richmond,	Wood—58.
Keegan,		

"Resolve providing for an amendment to the constitution conferring the right of suffrage on women," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

"Resolve in aid of road over Indian Township in the County of Washington."

"Resolve in aid of building bridges in Hamlin plantation, Aroostook county."

Bill "an act to enable academies to surrender their property to cities, towns or plantations, for the benefit of free high schools."

The foregoing were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HEATH of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from the Governor, transmitting the address of the Executive Committee of the Gettysburg Battlefield Association, relating to a memorial to Major General George C. Meade on the field of Gettysburg, came from the Senate, read, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the safety of passengers on railroads.

Report of Committee on Reform School, reporting same, on order inquiring into the expediency of changing the law relating to the Reform School.

Report of Committee on Agriculture, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the East Piscataquis Agricultural Society."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass, bill "an act to incorporate the Diamond Slate Company in the County of Piscataquis."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting, on petition, bill "an act additional to, and amendatory of, chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to Savings Banks."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting, on

petition, "resolve in aid of building a bridge over Magalloway river in Township No. 5, Range 1, in the County of Oxford."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of bills, and Wednesday of next week for second reading of the resolve.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford and Saco Street Railway Company."

This report 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 in concurrence, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act concerning paupers."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read once, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to attachment on real estate, accepted by the House, came back from the Senate amended by substituting the Minority Report; and bill "an act relating to attachments of real estate," read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was laid on the table by Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. GREENE of Athens,

Ordered, That on and after Friday, February 21, the House hold two sessions each day, the afternoon session to commence at 2½ o'clock, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. VINTON presented the following order:

Ordered, That the Clerk in making up the travel of members, be directed to make it for one way only.

On motion of Mr. BISBEE, the order was amended, by striking

out the words, "for one way only," and substituting the words, "to and from their places of residence."

The order, as amended, passed.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act respecting free ticket passengers."

Mr. MORTLAND, from same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act explanatory of section 83 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to actions on promissory notes."

Mr. TITCOMB, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act in relation to attachments in certain cases;" also

Reported, on order, bill "an act providing for the trial of issues of fact by a jury in equity cases."

Mr. MATHEWS, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 23 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to interest on reports of referees."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under joint rule.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "an act amendatory and additional to, chapter 398 of the public laws of 1864, and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston.

Mr. KNIGHT, from the Committee on Conference, on bill "an act relating to bounty on wild animals," reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House passing the same to be engrossed.

Mr. MORTLAND, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 84 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to mutual accounts;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act to facilitate the redemption of mortgaged real estate."

Mr. VINTON, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to amend sections 18 and 19 of chapter 83 of the revised statutes."

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 82 of the revised statutes."

Mr. MASON, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order, relating to licensing of auctioneers; also

Reported same, on order relating to mortgages.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same on order relating to compensation to witnesses when unable to give sureties; also

Reported same, on order relating to lands or property injuriously affected by location of railroads.

Mr. VINTON, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to amendment of the lien law.

Mr. HOWARD, from the Committee on Counties, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Solomon Hamilton and others of Isle au Haut province, that the said island may be set off from Deer Isle and incorporated as a plantation.

Mr. TREAT, from the Committee on Claims, reported same, on petition of Margaret Nedeau for deed of a lot of land.

Mr. MOWER, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Joseph W. Ulmer for additional bounty.

Mr. PRENTISS, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of William Suckforth, for additional State bounty.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 378, of the private laws of 1846, entitled 'an act authorizing the Katahdin Iron Works to construct a canal.'"

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, "resolve in favor of the State Library."

Mr. TREFETHEN, from the Committee on Counties, reported, on petition, "resolve to define the bounds of Macwahoc and other plantations in Aroostook county."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read three times, resolves twice, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Company."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process."

Printed bill "an act to prevent injury to railroad fences or property."

Mr. WOOD, from the Committee on County Estimates, reported "resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State."

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on order, "resolve in aid of repairing bridge in Bancroft, Aroostook county."

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

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Railroad Company," was read the third time, and referred to the next Legislature, on motion of Mr. PEAKS of Charleston.

"Resolve in aid of rebuilding bridge over Moose river in Somerset county," was read the second time, and recommitted, on motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta.

"Resolve in favor of chapel for the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve in favor of the Eastern Normal School at Castine."

"Resolve in favor of the Western Normal School at Farmington."

These resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, laid on the table, and the last two assigned for to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oxford Mill Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cove Slate Company in the town of Monson."

Bill "an act to amend the second specification of section 54, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, in regard to studies taught in common schools."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Hotel Company."

"Resolve in favor of Woodland plantation."

"Resolve in favor of D. F. Adams."

"Resolve in favor of repairing and rebuilding bridges over streams between Patten and Chamberlain lake."

"Resolve in favor of James Doyle."

"Resolve in favor of chapel connected with the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

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

Bill "an act imposing a penalty on the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Corporation for abuses of its privileges and franchise."

Bill "an act to repeal section 12 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes relating to fees of juries."

Bill "an act to amend section 26 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors' disclosures."

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of ballast in certain parts of Kennebec river."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

"Resolve in aid of building road from Kingfield to Eustis, in Franklin county."

"Resolve in favor of Walker Darling."

"Resolve in favor of Katharine S. Brown."

"Resolve abating State tax of Eaton grant, Aroostook county."

"Resolve providing for the payment of bounties on wild animals."

"Resolve in aid of opening road in Castle Hill plantation."

"Resolve to correct a clerical error in the number of polls in the town of Hartford."

"Resolve making an appropriation for the propagation of fish, and for additional Fish Wardens."

"Resolve appropriating money to be expended in repairing bridge across Umcolcus stream."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury."

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

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company and amendatory acts thereto relating to the St. Croix and Penobscot Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to legalize and make valid the organization of the Border Publishing Company at Bangor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Hampden Dairy Association."

Bill "an act authorizing Jotham P. Norton and John B. Leavitt to erect and extend wharves in York into the waters of York river."

Bill "an act to set off part of the town of Minot and annex the same to the city of Auburn."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Johnson's Home School for Boys at Topsham."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for placing obstructions on railroads."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 310, private laws, approved February 5, 1870, entitled an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond in Franklin county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the South Paris Savings Bank."

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 *pro tempore* and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act in aid of free high schools," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolves providing for an amendment to the constitution conferring the right of suffrage on women," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and the question of passing the same to be engrossed, was taken by yeas and nays, and refused a passage, by yeas 61, nays 69.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Alley,	Davis,	Hall,
Bailey,	Dingley,	Hawes,
Brewer,	Egery,	Hinch,
Brockway,	Folsom of Newburg,	Howard,
Cary,	Folsom of Oldtown,	Hubbard,
Croswell,	Foss of Dexter,	Humphreys,
Cushman,	Foss of Danforth,	Kenniston,
Cutting,	Getchell,	Kingman,

Lake,	Peaks,	Titcomb,
Lindley,	Pendexter,	Trefethen,
Locke,	Perry,	Twombly,
Lord,	Pierce,	Warren,
Manson,	Pressy,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Mason of Searsmont,	Remick,	Webster of Orono,
Mayberry,	Robbins of Guilford,	Webster of Castine,
Mayhew,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	Wentworth,
Moffit,	Rollins,	Weston,
Mower,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',	Wheeler of Corinth,
Neal,	Sturtevant,	Whitcomb,
Oak,	Thomas,	Winslow—62.
Patten,	Thompson,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Atwood,	Hulit,	Ray,
Barron,	Jones,	Reed,
Bennett,	Jordan,	Richards,
Bisbee,	Kelloch,	Richardson,
Boardman,	Keegan,	Ricker,
Butman,	Kimball,	Robinson,
Came,	Knight,	Rounds,
Carll,	Knowlton,	Sargent,
Carvill,	Littlefield,	Scofield,
Clark,	Loring of Portland,	Smith,
Corthell,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Stevens,
Dennison,	Martin,	Totman,
Ellis,	Mason of Biddeford,	Treat,
Fessenden,	Mathews,	Treworgy,
Ford,	Mortland,	True,
Gregg,	Nash,	Vinton,
Green,	Ouilette,	Walker,
Haley,	Paul,	Weeks,
Hatch,	Prentiss,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Herrick,	Putnam,	Whipple,
Heselton,	Rand,	Witherly,
Hinckley,	Randall, Island Falls,	Wood,
Hobson,	Randall of Richmond,	Yates—69.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Deering Railroad Company," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A,"

“B,” “C,” “D,” “E,” “F,” “G” and “H,” on motion of Mr. HAWES of Deering, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Bill “an act to amend section 13 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court,” was taken from the table, amended as per sheet “A,” on motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill “an act to amend section 3 of chapter 105 of the public laws of 1871, in regard to the rights and liabilities of stockholders,” was taken from the table.

Senate amendment “A,” adopted, further amended as per sheet “B,” on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland, and passed to be engrossed.

• Bill “an act to amend chapter 44 of the public laws of 1872, entitled an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to lands in unincorporated townships,” was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

“Resolve in favor of Rev. J. K. Mason,” was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on State Prison.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. WEBB, in the Chair.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of Committee on Education, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the duties of State Superintendent of Common Schools.

Report of Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Enoch Hall for a deed of lot of land.

Report of Committee on Pensions, reporting same, on petition of Sophia Blake for pension.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition of Samuel Kimball and others of Waterville, for amendment of the law relating to divisions of towns.

Report of Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to change the law of divorce."

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to amend the charter of the Fairfield Village Corporation."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 39, chapter 22 of the revised statutes, relating to the fees of fence viewers."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to amend chapter 677 of the private and special laws of 1871, relating to the throwing of refuse into the waters of the St. Croix river."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on the Governor's Message, a "resolve in relation to industrial statistics."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting, on petition, a "resolve making an appropriation in aid of building a bridge in the town of Cape Elizabeth."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting on the Governor's Message, a "resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians;" also

Reporting "resolve in favor of Joseph Necolar;" also

Reporting, on report of the Agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, "resolve making appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting on memorial, a "resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

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

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta, Hatch of Bangor, Corthell of Calais conferees.

Bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," passed to be engrossed by the House and insisted upon, came back from the Senate, that branch adhering to its former vote of indefinite postponement.

The House proposed a conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Titcomb of Augusta, Barron of Topsham, and Haley of Kennebunk, conferees.

Communication from the Land Agent, in response to an order of the House transmitting the information that the amount of money received for stumpage since, and including the year 1870, is \$24,014.18; which was read.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Bank Examiner, was received and the report referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. RANDALL, by leave, laid on the table "resolve in favor of certain settlers in Silver Ridge plantation."

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, that gentleman was charged with a message to the Senate, requesting that branch to return to the House "resolve relating to repair of the Moose River Bridge."

The resolve was subsequently returned, and the vote reconsidered, by which it was recommitted, amended as per sheet "A," and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CORTIELL.

Petitions of Messrs. Wilson and Johnson of Gardiner, Little, Bean and Company, and others, for "an act to give effect to the statutes relative to railroad connections, and to prevent unjust discriminations," was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 61 of the revised statutes, relating to suits by married women."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the same Committee, on recommendation of the Attorney General, reported, bill "an act relating to recognizances and testimony."

Mr. VINTON, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 12, section 4, of the revised statutes, relating to parish and other religious meetings"; also

Reported ought to pass, in a new draft on bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to Railroads"; also

Reported, on order, bill "an act relative to the equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court"; also

Reported, on order, bill, "an act to amend section 8, chapter 4, of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings."

Mr. HALEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported

ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 87, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence."

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on "resolve relating to the claims of settlers upon proprietors' lands in the County of Aroostook."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed under the joint rule, and the resolve on motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company."

Mr. CROCKER, from the Committee on Claims, reported ought not to pass, on "resolve in relating to the State tax of Van Buren plantation."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported same, on bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to the going at large of dogs."

Mr. WHITCOMB, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Thomas Plumadore for State bounty.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order, to amend section 1, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the same Committee, reported same, on order, relating to misrepresentations made by the assured in applications of insurance in life policies.

Mr. VINTON, from the same Committee, reported same, on order, to inquire into the expediency of relieving towns from all liabilities for accidents on highways.

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition of James L. Cheeseman, bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company."

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

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass with amendments, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Lime Rock Railroad Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Trust Company."

Printed bill "an act respecting tickets on railroads."

Printed bill "an act to improve the Jail System of the State."

Printed bill "an act for the consolidation of certain railroads."

Printed bill "an act providing for the trial of issues of fact by a jury in equity cases."

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee on State Lands and Roads, reported, on order, "resolve in favor of building bridges in Chapman plantation."

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition of John A. Waterman, "resolve in behalf of the library of the Probate Court of Cumberland county."

Mr. TREAT, from the Committee on Claims, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of J. W. Hines."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to Savings Banks," was reported, read the third time, and laid on the table by Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta.

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Piscataquis Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Diamond Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford and Saco Street Railway Company."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, Senate amendments "A," "B" and "C" to the latter bill, adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Cumberland county to construct and maintain a public highway into tide waters in the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process."

Bill "an act to prevent injury to Railroad fences or property."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State."

The foregoing 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 incorporate the Sebago Lake Steam Mill Company."

Bill "an act to enable academies to surrender their property to cities, towns or plantations for the benefit of free high schools."

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the Northern Aroostook Railroad."

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, relating to bowling alleys and billiard rooms."

Bill "an act to provide for enrolment of the militia."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 546 of the private and special laws of 1852, relating to the Mercantile Library Association of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cove Slate Company of Monson."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis River Boom Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the extension of the charter of the Androscoggin Navigation Company."

Bill "an act to extend the time for locating, building and completing the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad."

Bill "an act relating to disturbing public meetings."

Bill "an act to authorize Alfred E. Conners and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Frenchman's bay."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 581 of the special laws of 1868, entitled an act to regulate the taking of trout in Moosehead lake and Brassau lake."

Bill "an act to authorize James Roberts and others to extend their wharf into tide waters in the town of Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to provide for the proper expenditure by towns of school money received from the State."

Bill "an act to incorporate the State Publishing Association."

Bill "an act relative to free text-books in public schools."

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Oxford to raise money for a public library."

“Resolve establishing the valuation of the estates of the several towns of Sagadahoc county.”

“Resolve in favor of appropriating money for the repair of the bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in the plantation of Haynesville.”

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, relative to the shire town of Somerset county, special assignment for to-day, was taken from the table, the question being on substituting the Minority for the Majority Report.

The question was considered and laid on the table, and to-morrow, immediately after the expiration of the morning hour, assigned.

Petition of George E. Brickett and others, for an appropriation to carry on the work of the State Temperance Reform Association, was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Dunn Manufacturing Company,” came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, and was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. RANDALL, by leave, laid on the table “resolve in favor of the town of Sherman.”

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HARDING of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from the Governor, transmitting a letter from Hon. Nathan Webb and others, relating to the importance of providing by legislation for the safety of life on steamers on the interior waters of the State, came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, and was referred in concurrence.

Final reports of the Committees on the Judiciary, State Lands and State Roads, Pensions, Military Affairs, Insane Hospital, and Fisheries, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition of P. Coburn, for amendment of the charter of the Moosehead Lake Railroad Company.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting same on the address of the Executive Committee of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting same, on petition of Victor Beauboncher, for re-embursement of money advanced to the Jaffa colonists.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting legislation inexpedient, on report of the Soldiers' Orphan's Home at Bath.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary, reporting same, on order relating to the sale of insolvent estates.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting, on petition, bill "an act additional to the charter of the Merchants' Mutual Marine Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Universalist Meeting-house in Oldtown into a parish."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of Henry Harmon."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Slate Quarry Manufacturing Company."

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Reform School."

These reports came from Senate read and accepted, bills and resolves read and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act additional to an act, entitled an act to establish the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill read twice, ordered to be printed as amended by the Senate, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland, and Tuesday assigned.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Laid on the table and this afternoon at 3 o'clock assigned.

Report of the Committee of Conference on bill "an act relating to bounty on wild animals," reporting that the Senate recede and concur in passing the same to be engrossed, and which was accepted by the House, came back from the Senate rejected.

The House insisted.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, That on and after to-day the Speaker adjourn the House, without debate, at fifteen minutes to one o'clock P. M.

Mr. HATCH presented "resolve authorizing a temporary loan," which was read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of certain settlers in Silver Ridge plantation," was taken from the table, read once, and to-morrow assigned for the second reading.

"Resolve in aid of the town of Sherman," was taken from the table, read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. ALLEY of Hartford.

Memorial of Messrs. Wheelwright and Clark and others, for an act to give effect to the statutes relative to railroad connections, and to prevent unjust discriminations, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. WEEKS, from the Committee of Conference on bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company," reported that Senate amendment "B" be rejected, that the bill be further amended as per sheet "C."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, amended as per sheets "A" and "C".

Mr. BUTMAN, from the Committee on Towns, on re-committed bill "an act to incorporate the town of Lakeville," reported the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. KELLOCH, from the Committee on Commerce, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize the proprietors of the Rose Place (so called) in Bangor, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river."

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

Mr. BARRON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition of G. W. Smith, bill "an act to incorporate the Central Hall Company of Jonesport."

Mr. MASON, for the same Committee, reported ought to pass in a new draft on bill "an act relating to drains and sewers in the city of Portland."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Aroostook River Railroad Company."

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on peti-

tion, reported, bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Land and Improvement Company."

Mr. RANDALL, from the Committee on State Lands and Roads, reported, on order, "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land in Lyndon"; also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Dennis Getchell."

Mr. PRENTISS, from the Committee on Claims, on petition of the town of Alexander and other towns, for re-imbursement, reported, "resolve referring certain claims to the Adjutant General."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 23, chapter 77, of the revised statutes, relating to interest on reports of referees."

Printed bill "an act explanatory of section 83, chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to actions on promissory notes."

Printed bill "an act relating to recognizances and testimony."

Printed bill "an act in relation to attachments in certain cases."

Printed bill "an act relative to equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 8, chapter 4, of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 87, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence."

Printed "resolve relative to claims of settlers upon proprietors' lands in the County of Aroostook."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act for the assessment of State tax for the year 1873, amounting to \$1,124,197.64."

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

Bill "an act for the consolidation of certain railroads," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of Fairfield Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 677 of the private laws of 1871, relating to refuse in St. Croix river."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 22, section 39 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of fence viewers."

Bill "an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture."

"Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians."

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Necolar."

"Resolves making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

"Resolve making an appropriation in aid of building a bridge in the town of Cape Elizabeth."

"Resolve in relation to industrial statistics."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

These bills and resolves were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third time, Senate amendment to the latter adopted, resolves read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to improve the jail system of the State."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Trust Company."

Bill "an act providing for the trial of issues of fact by a jury in equity cases."

"Resolve in behalf of the Library of the Probate Court of Cumberland county."

"Resolve in aid of building bridges in Chapman plantation."

"Resolve in favor of J. W. Hines "

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

Bill "an act respecting free ticket passengers on railroads," was reported, read the third time, and laid on the table by Mr. VINTON of Gray.

Bill "an act imposing a penalty on the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Corporation for abuses of its privileges and franchises."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the public laws of 1872, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act to define what shall constitute pauper supplies."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Minot."

Bill "an act to provide for the appointment of an Assistant County Attorney for the County of Cumberland."

"Resolve in favor of W. J. Corthell."

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.

On motion of Mr. MORTLAND of Rockland, bill "an act to amend the act to incorporate the Lime Rock Railroad Company," was taken from the table, amendment "A" offered, which was ordered to be printed with the bill.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, relating to the shire town of Somerset county, was taken from the table, the question being on substituting the Minority for the Majority Report.

Mr. MANSON moved, and the House ordered, that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the House refused to substitute, by yeas 51, nays 82.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Adams,	Hall,	Pressy,
Bailey,	Hawes,	Randall, Island Falls,
Bennett,	Heselton,	Ray,
Brewer,	Hinch,	Reed,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ricker,
Carll,	Hubbard,	Robbins of Deer Isle,
Carvill,	Kelloch,	Robinson,
Clark,	Kingman,	Scofield,
Crocker,	Lincoln,	Sturtevant,
Cutting,	Locke,	Titcomb,
Davis,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Torrey,
Dennison,	Manson,	Treworgy,
Egery,	Martin,	Walker,
Foss of Dexter,	Mason of Biddeford,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Foss of Danforth,	Mayhew,	Whitcomb,
Fuller,	Neal,	Witherly,
Gifford,	Patten,	Yates—51.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Alley,	Atwood,	Barron,
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Bisbee,	Kenniston,	Remick,
Boardman,	King,	Randall of Richmond,
Brockway,	Kimball,	Richards,
Butman,	Knight,	Robbins of Guilford,
Came,	Knowlton,	Rollins,
Cary,	Learned,	Rounds,
Coburn,	Lindley,	Sargent,
Coffin,	Lord,	Smith,
Corthell,	Loring of Portland,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Croswell,	Mason of Searsmont,	Thomas,
Cushman,	Mathews,	Thompson,
Ellis,	Mayberry,	Totman,
Fessenden,	Milliken,	Treat,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Moffit,	Trefethen,
Ford,	Mortland,	Twombly,
Getchell,	Mower,	Vinton,
Gregg,	Nash,	Warren,
Green,	Oak,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Haley,	Ouilette,	Webster of Orono,
Hatch,	Paul,	Webster of Castine,
Herrick,	Peaks,	Weeks,
Hinckley,	Perry,	Weston,
Hobson,	Pierce,	Whipple,
Humphreys,	Prentiss,	Wilder,
Jones,	Putnam,	Winslow,
Jordan,	Rand,	Wood—82.
Keegan,		

The majority report was then accepted.

Mr. VINTON moved a reconsideration of the foregoing vote, and the House refused, and the report was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, relating to attachments on real estate, was taken from the table, the question being on receding and concurring with the Senate in substituting the Minority Report for the Majority Report, and it was so taken and decided in the affirmative.

Bill "an act relating to attachments of real estate," was then read three times, rules being suspended, Senate amendment "A" adopted and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,
Bill "an act to establish a board of Harbor Commissioners,"
was taken from the table.

Mr. HATCH of Bangor offered amendment "A" pending,
which, the hour having arrived for adjournment, the Speaker de-
clared the House adjourned till half past two o'clock this after-
noon.

AFTERNOON SESSION. .

Met according to adjournment.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Feb. 21, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following titles of public
acts of the present Legislature which have received the approval
of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 104.

An act to amend section 5 of chapter 124 of the revised stat-
utes, relating to indecent exposure.

Approved February 19, 1873.

CHAPTER 105.

An act to amend section 1 of chapter 223 of the laws of 1871,
relating to fares on railroads.

Approved February 19, 1873.

CHAPTER 106.

An act to amend section 2 of chapter 97 of the revised statutes,
relating to authority of Deputy Sheriffs.

Approved February 19, 1873.

CHAPTER 106.

An act to increase the salary of Judge and Register of Probate
for Aroostook County.

Approved February 17, 1873.

Reports of the Committee on Towns, relating to the division of
the town of Waterville, were taken from the table and assigned
for Tuesday.

Report of the same Committee, relating to setting off Daniel Bunker's island from the town of Benton and annexing it to Fairfield, was taken from the table and assigned to Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock.

On motion of Mr. PRENTISS of Milford, the vote assigning to-morrow morning for the second reading of "resolve referring certain claims to the Adjutant General," was reconsidered, and Tuesday morning assigned.

The House resumed consideration of bill "an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners."

Amendment "A" was adopted.

Further amended as per sheets "B," "C" and "D," on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland.

The bill was then indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad," special assignment, was taken from the table, the question being on receding and concurring in the adoption of Senate amendment "A."

Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, moved, and the House ordered, the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 71, nays 43.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Alley,	Egery,	Lord,
Atwood,	Ford,	Mason of Biddeford,
Barron,	Foss of Danforth,	Mathews,
Bisbee,	Haley,	Mayhew,
Brockway,	Hall,	Milliken,
Campbell,	Hatch,	Moffit,
Carll,	Hobson,	Mortland,
Carvill,	Hulit,	Oak,
Cary,	Kelloch,	Paul,
Clark,	Kenniston,	Peaks,
Croswell,	King,	Perry,
Cushman,	Kingman,	Putnam,
Cutting,	Kimball,	Rand,
Davis,	Lake,	Reed,
Dennison,	Littlefield,	Richards,

Richardson,	Sturtevant,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Ricker,	Thompson,	Webster of Orono,
Robbins of Deer Isle,	Torrey,	Weston,
Robinson,	Totman,	Whipple,
Rollins,	Treat,	Whitcomb,
Rounds,	Treworgy,	Wilder,
Scofield,	Twombly,	Witherly,
Smith,	Vinton,	Wood—71.
Stevens, Gouldsboro',	Walker,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Bailey,	Keegan,	Pierce,
Boardman,	Knight,	Pressy,
Coburn,	Learned,	Randall, Island Falls,
Coffin,	Lincoln,	Randall of Richmond,
Corthell,	Lindley,	Remick,
Crocker,	Locke,	Robbins of Guilford,
Ellis,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Sargent,
Fessenden,	Mason of Searsmont,	Titcomb,
Fuller,	Mayberry,	Trefethen,
Getchell,	Mower,	Webster of Castine,
Gifford,	Neal,	Weeks,
Herrick,	Ouilette,	Wentworth,
Hinckley,	Patten,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Hinch,	Pendexter,	Yates—43.
Hubbard,		

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence, being amended as per sheet "A."

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Legal Affairs, Claims, Towns, Manufactures, State Prison, and Counties, came from the Senate, read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 47 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to highways."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on order relating to the propriety of requiring the European and North American Railway Company to carry freight and passengers at the same rates as other railroads.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the Thomaston Savings Bank.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to authorize the town of Bridgton to subscribe for stock in the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company."

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought to pass in a new draft on bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Warren Manufacturing Company."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on recommitted bill "an act to amend chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to fires."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act relating to schools in the Madawaska territory."

Report of the Committee on Reform School, reporting "resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

Report of the Committee on State Prison, reporting ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of Rev. J. K. Mason."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of the Waldo County Law Library."

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 Monday assigned.

Report of the Special Committee on Biennial Elections and Sessions of the Legislature, reporting, on the recommendation of the Governor, "resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution, so as to provide for Biennial Elections," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve amended as per sheet "A," and refused a passage.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice and refused a passage in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the People's Ferry 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.

Report of Committee on Education, reporting, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Common Schools, bill "an act to amend item 5, section 55, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school registers," came from the Senate read and accepted, and the resolve indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of Committee on Agriculture, reporting in a new draft, and that the same ought to pass, bill "an act for the better preservation of horse records."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill referred to the next Legislature, being amended as per sheets "A" and "B".

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three

times, rules being suspended, amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Temperance, reporting, on order, bill "an act amendatory of chapter 63 of the public laws of 1872, and chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors," came from the Senate read and amended by substituting the Minority Report of said Committee reporting bill "an act to amend chapter 63 of the public laws of 1872, and of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors," and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

Pending acceptance of the Majority Report, laid on the table on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 116, section 8 of the revised statutes, relative to the service of venires," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed, and was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceborough," passed to be enacted in the House, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted on motion of Mr. RAND of Greenwood.

Bill "an act to amend section 87, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools," passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and reconsidered the vote passing the same to be engrossed. Senate amendment was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish a Board of Harbor Commissioners," indefinitely postponed by the House, amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C" and "D," came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House adhered to its vote.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Newichawanick Company," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Feb. 18, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives :

I have the honor to lay before you the following titles of public acts of the present Legislature which have received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 108.

An act to amend chapter 118, section 6 of the revised statutes, relative to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads.

Approved February 21, 1873.

CHAPTER 109.

An act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the revised Statutes, relating to bowling alleys and billiard rooms.

Approved February 21, 1873.

CHAPTER 110.

An act relative to free text books in public schools.

Approved February 21, 1873.

CHAPTER 111.

An act to provide for the proper expenditure by towns of school money received from the State.

Approved February 21, 1873.

CHAPTER 112.

An act to provide for enrolment of militia.

Approved February 21, 1873.

CHAPTER 113.

An act relating to disturbing public meetings.

Approved February 21, 1873.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Wilton Cheese Manufacturing Company;" and

Bill "an act authorizing Jeremiah P. Simpson and William L. Mathews, to extend their wharf into the tide water of York river," were presented and read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Augusta,

Ordered, That Joseph L. Witherly be excused from further

attendance, after Monday next, and that his pay be made up to the end of the session.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to amend section 21, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways," reported that the House recede and concurs with the Senate in its indefinite postponement.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Mr. BISBEE, from the Oxford Delegation, reported reference to next Legislature, on petition of the Selectmen of Hebron, for change of valuation.

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

Bill "an act to amend section 8, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings."

Bill "an act in relation to attachments in certain cases."

Bill "an act explanatory of section 83, chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to actions on promissory notes."

Bill "an act to amend section 23 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to interest on reports of referees."

Bill "an act relating to recognizances and testimony."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Aroostook River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act relating to drains and sewers in the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Hall Company of Jonesport."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Land Company."

"Resolve in favor of Dennis Getchell."

"Resolve in favor of certain settlers in Silver Ridge plantation."

"Resolve relative to the claims of settlers upon proprietors' lands in the County of Aroostook."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Slate Quarry Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the Merchants Mutual Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Universalist Meeting-house in Oldtown into a parish."

"Resolve in favor of Henry Harmon."

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Reform School."

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

Bill "an act relative to the equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court," was read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land in Lyndon."

Bill "an act to amend section 87 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence."

The foregoing were laid on the table, pending the question of passing the same to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Coburn Land Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dunn Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Yarmouth to loan its credit for the establishment of manufactures."

Bill "an act to amend the second specification of section 54 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, in regard to studies taught in common schools."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Diamond Slate Company in the County of Piscataquis."

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the Militia."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Hotel Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cove Slate Company in the town of Monson."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oxford Mill Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 68 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Piscataquis Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act in aid of free high schools."

Bill "an act to amend section 26 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtor disclosures."

Bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners to repair the bridge across the Sebasticook river."

Bill "an act to repeal section 12 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to the fees of juries."

Bill "an act to prevent injuries to railroad fences or property."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 27 of the public laws of 1872, relating to lien on animals."

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 205 of the public laws of 1871, in regard to the rights and liabilities of stockholders."

Bill "an act to authorize the proprietors' of the Rose Place property (so called) in Bangor, to extend a wharf into the waters of Penobscot river."

"Resolve to correct a clerical error in the number of polls in the town of Hartford."

"Resolve in favor of Walker Darling."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

"Resolve in aid of building bridges in Hamlin plantation in Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of the State Library."

"Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath."

"Resolve in favor of Woodland plantation."

"Resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the County of Washington."

"Resolve in favor of repairing and rebuilding bridge over streams between Patten and Chamberlain Lake."

"Resolve in favor of D. F. Adams."

"Resolve in favor of the chapel connected with the Insane Hospital."

"Resolve in favor of James Doyle."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve making valid the doings of the Warden of the State Prison in making sale and conveyance of certain lands," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in aid of bridge in Oxbow plantation," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the officers and members of Casco Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Yarmouth," was taken from table and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. LORING of Yarmouth.

Bill "an act to divide Clinton Gore plantation and annex the same to adjoining towns," was taken from the table and [was pending when the House

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

A message was received from the Senate through Mr. Lane, the Secretary, requesting the return of 'resolve in favor of the reform school.

The vote accepting the report, and assigning Monday for the second reading was reconsidered, and the resolve returned to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Ways and Bridges, Indian Affairs, Federal Relations, Commerce, Agriculture, and Reform School, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, reporting legislation inexpedient on memorial of the National Board of Trade.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting on the memorial of the managers, bill "an act relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on recommitted bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, the two last amended each as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, and Monday assigned for the third reading, except the latter, which was assigned for Tuesday.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted the Senate amendment, and passed the resolve in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of J. W. Hines," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Bisbee of Buckfield, Treat of Winterport, and Knowlton of Skowhegan, conferees.

Bill "an act in relation to the fees of the Judges of the Police Court of the city of Lewiston, and of the Municipal Courts of the cities of Hallowell and Augusta," came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted, and appointed Messrs. Nash of Gardiner, Titcomb of Augusta, and Mason of Biddeford, conferees.

Bill "an act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Cumberland County to construct and maintain a public highway into the tide waters in the city of Portland," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted Senate amendment and passed the bill in concurrence.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 61 of the revised statutes, relating to suits by married women," was read twice, and Monday assigned for the third reading.

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads," was read twice and indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend sections 65, 66 and 67, chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of the property of deceased persons."

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

Bill "an act to authorize Isaac S. Bangs and others, to clear the channel and navigate the Kennebec river between Waterville and Augusta," was taken from the table by Mr. TITCOMB, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to divide Clinton Gore plantation, and annex the same to adjoining towns," under consideration at the time of adjournment, was taken up and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to extend the right of towns and school districts in certain cases," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, read the second time, Mr. Vinton's amendment was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Papers from the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Reform School," came from the Senate read twice, amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was read twice, rules being suspended, Senate amendment adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act explanatory of section 83, chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to actions on promissory notes," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The House adhered.

Bill "an act to amend section 87, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A" by Mr. KEEGAN, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. NASH of Gardiner, all resolves assigned for a second reading on Wednesday, were assigned for Monday next.

"Resolve appropriating money to aid in rebuilding bridge over Moose river in Somerset county," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheet "A."

"Resolve in aid of the town of Sherman," was taken from the table, read the second time, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act respecting free ticket passengers on railroads;" and

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital;"

Were taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

"Resolve in favor of chapel for the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. BISBEE, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PAUL of Kittery,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

Reading of the Journal dispensed with.

Mr. MATHEWS, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following list of persons as duly elected members of the House of Representatives for the current year :

County of Androscoggin—Auburn, Ara Cushman, Oscar D. Bailey ; Greene, Oliver Mower ; Lewiston, Nelson Howard, Nelson Dingley, Jr., Warren D. Pressey ; Lisbon, Charles B. Jordan ; Minot, William H. Rounds ; Turner, James A. Cary.

County of Aroostook—Bancroft, Robert Hinch ; Island Falls, Daniel Randall ; Littleton, John R. Weed ; Lyndon, Lauriston R. King ; Presque Isle, T. M. Richardson ; Van Buren, Peter Charles Keegan ; Frenchville, Bruno Ouillette.

County of Cumberland—Bridgton, William F. Perry ; Brunswick, Charles C. Humphreys ; Cape Elizabeth, William Atwood ; Deering, Andrew Hawes ; Freeport, Henry C. Brewer ; Gorham, Merrill T. Files ; Gray, Warren H. Vinton ; Harrison, William Twombly ; Portland, James D. Fessenden, Weston F. Milliken, George Trefethren, Prentiss Loring, Wm. W. Thomas, Jr. ; Standish, Isaac L. Came ; Westbrook, John E. Warren ; Windham, Richard Mayberry ; Yarmouth, Giles Loring ; Cumberland, John Hulit ; Harpswell, George R. Skolfield ; Sebago, John D. Martin.

County of Franklin—Chesterville, John C. Wheeler ; Farmington, Thomas Croswell, Jr. ; Jay, Joshua Lake ; Weld, William H. Cutting ; Freeman, Amos H. Carvill.

County of Hancock—Bucksport, John Wentworth ; Castine, David W. Webster ; Ellsworth, John T. Whitcomb ; Gouldsboro', Curtis Stevens ; South Deer Isle, John Robbins ; Sedgwick, Samuel Herrick ; Surry, Willard Treworgy ; Tremont, James T. Clark ; Waltham, Calvin Kingman.

County of Kennebec—Augusta, Samuel Titcomb, George E. Weeks ; Belgrade, C. Marshall Weston ; Chelsea, N. R. Winslow ; China, Mark Rollins, Jr. ; Clinton, John Totman ; Farmingdale,

Reuben S. Neal; Fayette, J. H. Sturtevant; Gardiner, James Nash; Monmouth, Henry O. Pierce; Mt. Vernon, Moses S. Mayhew; Vassalboro', George Gifford; Waterville, Edmund F. Webb.

County of Knox—Rockport, Fred. E. Richards; Rockland, David N. Mortland, Caleb G. Moffitt; Appleton, Marcellus P. Fuller; St. George, Ruggles S. Torrey; Vinalhaven, Simon G. Webster; Warren, Warren Lindley; Thomaston, B. K. Kellogg.

County of Lincoln—Waldoboro', Asa R. Reed; Boothbay, Geo. B. Kenniston; Bristol, Alexander Yates; Nobleboro', George L. Hall; Wiscasset, Isaac T. Hobson; Jefferson, Charles M. Davis.

County of Oxford—Andover, Eben W. Gregg; Buckfield, George D. Bisbee; Denmark, Charles O. Pendexter; Fryeburg, John Locke; Greenwood, Eben E. Rand; Hartford, Moses Alley; Albany, John Heselton; Peru, Augustus J. Knight.

County of Penobscot—Bangor, Thomas N. Egery, Silas C. Hatch, Henry A. Wood; Brewer, Daniel Sargent, 2d; Carmel, James Patten; Charleston, Thomas J. Peaks; Corinth, Joseph B. Wheeler; Dexter, Cyrus Foss; Exeter, Lorenzo Oak; Milford, Jessie Prentiss; Hampden, Samuel W. Mathews; Kingman, Henry C. Coburn; Patten, Samuel L. Kimball; Lowell, Alexander Webb; Newburgh, Mark Folsom; Oldtown, Melville M. Folsom; Orono, Eben Webster; Plymouth, S. G. Butman.

County of Piscataquis—Atkinson, Caleb J. Ford; Dover, Damon W. Brockway; Guilford, C. G. Robbins.

County of Sagadahoc—Bath, Alexander Robinson; Georgetown, Benj. F. Hinckley; Richmond, Hatherly Randall; Topsham, George Barron.

County of Somerset—Embden, Fred. G. Green; Fairfield, James T. Coffin; Skowhegan, Hiram Knowlton; Solon, Sumner Whipple; St. Albans, George Jones; Anson, Benj. Adams; Brighton, Peter Walker; Pittsfield, John C. Manson.

County of Waldo—Belfast, Isaac M. Boardman; Burnham, Orrin Learned; Brooks, Joseph Ellis; Lincolville, Joseph L. Witherly; Monroe, Charles H. Getchell; Searsmont, William S. Mason; Stockton, William Smith; Winterport, Simeon J. Treat.

County of Washington—Calais, W. J. Corthell; Cherryfield, Samuel N. Campbell; Dennysville, Albert R. Lincoln; Eastport, Simon Stevens; Machias, Alvin G. Crocker; Machiasport, Lucius Dennison; East Machias, James R. Talbot; Pembroke, Joseph

Wilder, Jr.; Danforth, Joseph B. Foss; Harrington, A. Judson Ray.

County of York—Brewick, Samuel Hubbard; Elliot, Samuel A. Remick; Kennebunk, Addison E. Haley; Kittery, Warrington Paul; Limerick, Eben T. Severance; Biddeford, Luther T. Mason, Dominicus Ricker; Buxton, James O. A. Harmon; Lyman, Nathaniel Littlefield; Newfield, Usher B. Thompson; Saco, Ivory Lord; Sanford, Wm. P. True; Parsonsfield, John Bennett; York, G. W. S. Putnam; Kennebunkport, George R. Carll.

On motion of HATCH of Bangor, Mr. Kimball of Patten was excused from further attendance after Wednesday next.

Mr. KING, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to prevent prize fights and fights of game animals."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Waldo County Law Library," was read the second time, amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Bridgton to subscribe for stock in the Bridgton Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to fires."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Warren Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act relating to schools in Madawaska territory."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Magalloway river in township No. 5, Range 1, in the County of Oxford."

"Resolve in favor of Rev. J. K. Mason."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 61 of the revised statutes, relating to suits by married women."

"Resolve in aid of the bridge across Mattawamkeag river in Penobscot county."

"Resolve in aid of rebuilding bridge in Bancroft plantation, Aroostook county."

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

Mr. CORTHELL presented "resolve in favor of James S. Hall and B. F. Kelley," which was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing vote was reconsidered, and the resolve was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KING of Lyndon, presented a "resolve in favor of James Walton," which was read once, and Wednesday assigned for a second reading.

"Resolve in favor of Jared Fuller and others," presented by Mr. Keegan, was read twice, and indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 12, section 4 of the revised statutes, relating to parish and other religious meetings," was read three times, under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland and Portland," was reported, read the third time, Senate amendment "A" rejected, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. LORING of Portland, moved a reconsideration of the foregoing vote, pending which the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of ballast in certain parts of Kennebec river."

Bill "an act to amend section 13 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford and Saco Street Railway."

Bill "an act providing for the trial of issues of fact by a jury in equity cases."

Bill "an act relating to attachments of real estate."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 677 of the private laws of 1871, relating to refuse in St. Croix."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 22, section 39 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of fence viewers."

Bill "an act in addition to the charter of the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of Fairfield Village Corporation."

Bill "an act to improve the jail system of the State."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the People's Ferry Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 87 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company."

Bill "an act to provide for compulsory vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 378 of the private and special laws of 1846, entitled an act authorizing the Katahdin Iron Works to construct a canal."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process."

Bill "an act to incorporate the State of Maine Trust Company."

Bill "an act authorizing Jeremiah P. Simpson and William G. Mathews to extend their wharf into the tide waters of York river."

"Resolve making an appropriation for the propagation of fish, and additional Fish Wardens."

"Resolve in favor of Catharine S. Brown."

"Resolves making an appropriation for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians."

"Resolve providing for the payment of bounties on wild animals."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

"Resolve laying a tax upon the several counties in the State."

"Resolve appropriating money to be expended in repairing bridge across Moluncus stream."

"Resolve making an appropriation in aid of building a bridge in the town of Cape Elizabeth."

"Resolve to define the bounds of Macwahoc and other plantations in Aroostook county."

"Resolve in behalf of the Library of the Probate Court of Cumberland County."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury."

"Resolve in relation to industrial statistics."

"Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians."

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Nicola."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture."

"Resolve authorizing a temporary loan."

"Resolve abating State tax of Eaton Grant plantation, and assessing the same upon the town of Lyndon."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve providing for a geological survey of the State," was taken from the table, and refused a passage and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act in relation to the fees of the Judges of the Police Court of the city of Gardiner and of the Municipal Courts of the cities of Hallowell and Augusta," came back from the Senate, that branch refusing a conference and adhering to its former vote of indefinite postponement.

The House insisted on a conference.

"Resolve in aid of the bridge across Mattawamkeag river in Penobscot county," came back 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 same to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory to chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to Insane Hospital," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of chapel for the Insane Hospital," amended

as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate, amendment "A" rejected, amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were laid on the table on motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 61 of the revised statutes, relating to suits by married women," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed.

Pending the question of receding, the House.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The House resumed consideration of bill "an act to amend chapter 61 of the revised statutes, relating to suits of married women," and receded and concurred in the indefinite postponement of the same.

Printed bill "an act amendatory of, and additional to, chapter 398 of the public laws of 1864, and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston," was read and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to prevent prize fights and fights of game animals," indefinitely postponed by the House, came from the Senate passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceborough," came back from the Senate, that branch adhering to its former vote, referring to the next Legislature.

The House insisted on its vote passing the same to be enacted, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Mathews of Hampden, Thomas of Portland, and Webster of Orono, conferees.

"Resolve in favor of Insane Hospital," passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheet "A," came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House insisted, proposed a Committee of Conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Vinton of Gray, Titcomb of Augusta, and Mathews of Hampden.

Bill "an act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine," came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed.

The House voted to adhere.

Report of the Committee on Temperance, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to promote temperance reform," 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 indefinitely postponed.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on petition, bill "an act relating to a free high school in the town of Frenchville."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Lime Rock Railroad Company," was taken from the table, read the third time, amendment "A" adopted, and the same passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act providing for the appointment of Port Wardens," was taken from the table, amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," on motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," being on its passage to be enacted, Mr. BOARDMAN moved, and the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was passed, by yeas 62, nays 38.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Adams,	Carvill,	Heselton,
Alley,	Clark,	Kelloch,
Atwood,	Davis,	King,
Barron,	Dennison,	Kingman,
Bennett,	Egery,	Kimball,
Bisbee,	Ellis,	Lake,
Brewer,	Ford,	Littlefield,
Brockway,	Foss of Danforth,	Lord,
Campbell,	Hatch,	Mason of Biddeford,

Mathews,	Ray,	Thompson,
Mayberry,	Remick,	Torrey,
Mayhew,	Richards,	Treat,
Moffit,	Richardson,	Treworgy,
Mortland,	Ricker,	Twombly,
Nash,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	Vinton,
Oak,	Rollins,	Walker,
Ouilette,	Rounds,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Paul,	Smith,	Weston,
Peaks,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',	Wilder,
Perry,	Sturtevant,	Wood—62.
Putnam,	Thomas,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Boardman,	Keegan,	Pierce,
Coburn,	Knight,	Randall, Island Falls,
Coffin,	Learned,	Robbins of Guilford,
Corthell,	Lincoln,	Sargent,
Crocker,	Lindley,	Titcomb,
Cutting,	Locke,	Totman,
Fuller,	Loring of Portland,	Trefethen,
Getchell,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Webster of Castine,
Gregg,	Martin,	Weeks,
Herrick,	Mason of Searsmont,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Hinckley,	Mower,	Whipple,
Hinch,	Neal,	Yates—38.
Hubbard,	Patten,	

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11, section 59 of the revised statutes, relating to pay of school committees," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting, reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to provide for uniformity of text books," was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land in Lyndon," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. KING, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of the Eastern Normal School at Castine;" and

“Resolve in favor of the Western Normal School at Farmington;”

Were taken from the table, each amended as per sheet “A,” and passed to be engrossed.

“Resolve in favor of the town of Sherman;” also

“Resolve in favor of B. F. Higgins;” and

“Resolve in favor of an appropriation to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 58, public laws of 1869, in relation to the establishment of meridian lines;”

Were taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition for aid to Fort Fairfield high school, was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

Reading of the journal dispensed with.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill “an act to promote temperance reform,” indefinitely postponed by the House,” came back from the Senate that branch insisting on its vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a conference with Messrs. Farrington, Chaplin and Arnold, appointed conferees.

The House insisted, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. Titcomb, Nash and Dingley, conferees on the part of the House.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Northern Company,” passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded and concurred.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, requesting the return of "resolve authorizing the purchase of the 10th, 11th and 12th volumes of Maine Reports."

This resolve was subsequently returned, votes passing the same to be enacted and engrossed reconsidered, and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, requesting the return of bill "an act providing for vaccination and revaccination in towns and cities."

The bill was subsequently returned, and the votes, under suspension of the rules, passing the same to be enacted and engrossed were reconsidered.

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

On motion of Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House cause one thousand additional copies of the Fish Commissioners' Report to be printed for the use of the Fish Commissioners.

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 398 of the public laws of 1864 and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of James Walton;" and

"Resolve referring certain claims to the Adjutant General;"

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Samuel Appleton, for a division of the town

of Waterville, was taken from the table, the question being on substituting the minority report of said Committee, reporting bill "an act to incorporate the town of West Waterville," and being so taken the report was amended and accepted, and the bill read three times, rules being suspended, and laid on the table and assigned for this afternoon.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to establish the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company," was taken from the table, read the third time, and the question being on the adoption of the Senate amendment "J,"

Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland offered amendment "K," and the House ordered the question of its adoption to be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken was rejected, by yeas 45, nays 80.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Adams,	Harmon,	Milliken,
Bailey,	Hawes,	Pendexter,
Boardman,	Herrick,	Perry,
Brewer,	Heselton,	Prentiss,
Came,	Hobson,	Pressy,
Cary,	Humphreys,	Randall, Island Falls,
Crocker,	Jones,	Randall of Richmond,
Croswell,	Jordan,	Robbins of Guilford,
Cushman,	Knight,	Rounds,
Cutting,	Lincoln,	Thomas,
Egery,	Lindley,	Trefethen,
Fessenden,	Locke,	Walker,
Getchell,	Loring of Portland,	Warren,
Gregg,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Hall,	Mayberry,	Whitcomb—45.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Atwood,	Clark,	Foss of Danforth,
Barron,	Coffin,	Green,
Bennett,	Corthell,	Hatch,
Bisbee,	Davis,	Hinckley,
Brockway,	Dennison,	Hinch,
Butman,	Ellis,	Hubbard,
Campbell,	Folsom of Newburg,	Hulit,
Carll,	Ford,	Kelloch,
Carvill,	Foss of Dexter,	Keegan,

Kenniston,	Neal,	Stevens of Eastport,
King,	Oak,	Sturtevant,
Kingman,	Ouilette,	Titcomb,
Kimball,	Patten,	Torrey,
Knowlton,	Paul,	Totman,
Lake,	Peaks,	Treat,
Learned,	Pierce,	Treworgy,
Littlefield,	Putnam,	Twombly,
Lord,	Rand,	Webster of Castine,
Manson,	Ray,	Weeks,
Martin,	Remick,	Weston,
Mason of Biddeford,	Richardson,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Mathews,	Ricker,	Whipple,
Mayhew,	Robbins of Deer Isle,	Wilder,
Moffit,	Robinson,	Winslow,
Mortland,	Rollins,	Wood,
Mower,	Sargent,	Yates—80.
Nash,	Smith,	

Amendment "J" was then adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BARRON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the propriety of fixing a penalty for misappropriation of school money.

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

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, bill "an act to increase the efficiency of the public schools."

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

Bill "an act in relation to attachments in certain cases."

Bill "an act relating to the equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Aroostook River Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Cumberland county, to construct and maintain a public highway into tide waters in the city of Portland."

Bill "an act relating to drains and sewers in the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Universalist Meeting-house in Oldtown into a Parish."

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the Merchants Mutual Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Land and Improvement Company."

Bill "an act relating to recognizances and testimony."

Bill "an act to amend item 5 of section 55 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school registers."

Bill "an act for the better preservation of horse records."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Wilton Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Hall Company of Jonesport."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Newichawanick Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 8 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings."

Bill "an act to amend section 23 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to interest on reports of referees."

"Resolve in aid of building a road from Kingfield to Eustis, in Franklin county."

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Reform School."

"Resolve in favor of Henry Harmon."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

"Resolve making valid the acts of the Warden of the State Prison, in making sale and conveyance of certain lands."

"Resolve in aid of opening a road in Castle Hill plantation."

"Resolve in aid of a bridge in Oxbow plantation."

"Resolve in favor of building bridges in Chapman plantation."

"Resolve in favor of certain settlers in Silver Ridge plantation."

"Resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate."

"Resolve for a revision of treaties with the Penobscot tribe of Indians," was taken from the table by Mr. HATCH, and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the officers and members of Cumberland Royal Arch Chapter," was taken up and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of road in Township No. 11, Range 3, Aroostook county," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland," was taken up and assigned for this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

Bill "an act for the consolidation of certain railroads," was assigned for this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Lime Rock Bank;" also

Bill "an act to change the name of Fanny E. Cunningham;" also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Evans Rifle Manufacturing Company;" and

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Waterville Hotel Company;"

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

"Resolve in favor of the town of Poland," was presented by Mr. ROUNDS of Minot, which was read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 39 of the public laws of 1872, in relation to the salary of the Treasurer of the State," was presented by Mr. TITCOMB, read three times and indefinitely postponed."

Mr. TOTMAN of Clinton, presented "Resolve in favor of the town of Clinton," which was read once and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. LEONARD of Burnham,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish, for the information of the House, a statement of all sums of money expended on account of the Swedish Colony, including what has been paid the Commissioner, also the appropriation for the year 1873.

Bill "an act for the consolidation of certain railroads," special assignment, was taken up, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks," was taken from the table; amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, further amended as per sheet "B," on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to damages caused by the lodging of timber on the banks of streams, so as to better protect the rights of owners of such lands; also •

Reported same, on order relating to liens on logs and lumber for the protection of laborers.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee of Conference, on "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital, reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House in adoption of amendment "A."

Mr. BISBEE, from the Committee of Conference, on "resolve in favor of J. W. Hines," reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House in passing the same to be engrossed.

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

Bill "an act in aid of Frenchville High School," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting leave to withdraw on petition of Daniel Bunker for an act to set off his island from Benton to Fairfield Village Corporation, was taken from the table.

Mr. ROUNDS of Minot, moved to amend by substituting the minority report of said Committee, reporting bill "an act to set

off Bunker's island from the town of Benton, and annex the same to the town of Fairfield."

The question was so taken, and the report amended.

The bill was then read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of West Waterville," was taken from the table read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

The motion of Mr. Loring to reconsider the vote by which bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland," was taken from the table, and the House refused to reconsider.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, Feb. 25, 1873. }

To the Hon. Speaker of House of Representatives:

I have the honor to lay before you the following titles of public acts of the present Legislature which have received the approval of the Governor at the date assigned.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 114.

An act to amend section 87 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 115.

An act to enable academies to surrender their property to cities, towns or plantations, for the benefit of free high schools.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 116.

An act additional to chapter 66 of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 117.

An act to provide for the appointment of an Assistant County Attorney for the County of Cumberland.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 118.

An act to amend chapter 38 of the public laws of 1872, relating to insolvent estates.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 119.

An act to define what shall constitute pauper supplies.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 120.

An act to amend the second specification of section 54 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes in regard to studies taught in common schools.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 121.

An act to amend section 3 of chapter 205 of the public laws of 1871, in regard to the rights and liabilities of stockholders.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 122.

An act to amend section 26 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors' disclosures.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 123.

An act to repeal section 12 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to the fees of juries.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 124.

An act in aid of free high schools.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 125.

An act to amend chapter 27 of the public acts of 1872, relating to lien on animals.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 126.

An act to prevent injuries to railroad fences or property.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 127.

An act to amend section 13 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in supreme judicial courts.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 128.

An act relating to attachments of real estate.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 129.

An act to amend chapter 22, section 39 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of fence viewers.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 130.

An act providing for the trial of issues of fact by a jury in equity cases.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 131.

An act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process.

Approved February 24, 1873.

CHAPTER 132.

An act to amend section 3 of chapter 29 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the militia.

Approved February 24, 1873.

"Resolve in favor of the chapel of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, the question being on receding and concurring with the Senate in passing the same to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of Gray, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table and referred to the next Legislature.

"Resolve in favor of Simon F. Walker," was taken from the table, the question being on concurring with the Senate in a conference.

The House refused to appoint conferees.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on resolve to promote temperance reform, reporting "resolve, in new draft, to promote temperance reform," came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks," came back from the Senate amendment "A" adopted, amendment "B" rejected, further amended as per sheet "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred with the Senate in passing the bill to be engrossed, amended as per sheets "A" and "C."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table.

The House insisted on its vote of indefinite postponement, proposed a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Knowlton of Skowhegan, Bisbee of Buckfield, and Manson of Pittsfield, conferees.

Messrs. Martin and Keegan were excused from further attendance after Wednesday the 26th inst.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. THOMAS of Gardiner.

Messrs. Ricker, Folsom of Newburg, King, Oak and Torrey, were excused from further attendance after to-day.

Mr. TITCOMB, from the Committee of Conference, on disagreeing vote on bill "an act relating to the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," reported that the House recede and concur with the Senate in indefinite postponement.

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

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash."

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus."

"Resolve establishing the compensation of the Insurance Commissioner."

These resolves were read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Special Committee on Temperance was taken from the table.

The House non-concurred and accepted the majority report.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 63 of the public laws of 1872, and of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors," was read three times, rules being suspended.

Mr. VINTON of Gray, offered amendment "A," and the House ordered the question of its adoption to be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the amendment was adopted, by yeas 87, nays 41.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Adams,	Hubbard,	Randall of Richmond,
Atwood,	Hulit,	Remick,
Bennett,	Humphreys,	Richards,
Brewer,	Jones,	Richardson,
Brockway,	Knowlton,	Robbins of Guilford,
Butman,	Lake,	Robbins of Deer Isle,
Came,	Learned,	Robinson,
Carll,	Lincoln,	Rounds,
Carvill,	Lindley,	Sargent,
Cary,	Littlefield,	Scofield,
Coburn,	Lord,	Stevens of Eastport,
Corthell,	Loring of Portland,	Sturtevant,
Crocker,	Loring of Yarmouth,	Talbot,
Egery,	Manson,	Thomas,
Ellis,	Mason of Searsmont,	Titcomb,
Fessenden,	Mason of Biddeford,	Torrey,
Folsom of Newburg,	Mathews,	Treat,
Ford,	Mayberry,	Trefethen,
Foss of Danforth,	Mayhew,	Twombly,
Fuller,	Milliken,	Vinton,
Getchell,	Mortland,	Webb of Waterville,
Gregg,	Mower,	Webster of Orono,
Green,	Oak,	Webster of Castine,
Haley,	Ouilette,	Weeks,
Harmon,	Patten,	Wheeler of Corinth,
Hatch,	Paul,	Whitcomb,
Herrick,	Prentiss,	Wilder,
Heselton,	Putnam,	Winslow,
Hinch,	Randall, Island Falls,	Wood—87.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Alley,	Campbell,	Coffin,
Bisbee,	Clark,	Croswell,

Cushman,	Kenniston,	Rand,
Cutting,	King,	Ray,
Davis,	Kingman,	Rollins,
Dennison,	Kimball,	Stevens, Gouldsboro',
Dingley,	Locke,	Thompson,
Foss of Dexter,	Moffit,	Totman,
Hall,	Nash,	Treworgy,
Hawes,	Peaks,	Warren,
Hinckley,	Pendexter,	Webster, Vinalhaven,
Hobson,	Perry,	Whipple,
Howard,	Pierce,	Yates—41.
Jordan,	Pressy,	

Absent or not voting were Messrs.

Bailey,	Knight,	Walker,
Barron,	Martin,	Webb of Lowell,
Boardman,	Neal,	Weed,
Files,	Reed,	Wentworth,
Folsom of Oldtown,	Ricker,	Weston,
Gifford,	Severance,	Wheeler, Chesterville,
Kelloch,	Smith,	Witherly.
Keegan,	True,	

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Bridgton to subscribe for stock in the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Warren Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to extend the rights of towns and school districts in certain cases "

Bill "an act to authorize Isaac S. Bangs and others to clear the channel and navigate the Kennebec river between Augusta and Waterville."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Slate Quarry Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Lime Rock Railroad Company."

Bill "an act relating to schools in Madawaska territory."

Bill "an act providing for the appointment of Port Wardens."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to fires."

Bill "an act to amend section 87 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to evidence."

Bill "an act relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

Bill "an act to divide Clinton Gore plantation, and annex the same to adjoining towns."

Bill "an act to prevent prize fights and fights of game animals."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 12, section 4 of the revised statutes, relating to parish and other religious meetings."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Magalloway river in Township No. 5, in the County of Oxford."

"Resolve in aid of the bridge across Mattawamkeag river in Penobscot county."

"Resolve in favor of Rev. J. K. Mason, Commissioner to the International Penitentiary Congress."

"Resolve in aid of rebuilding bridge in Bancroft plantation, Aroostook county."

"Resolve appropriating money to aid in rebuilding bridge over Moose river in Somerset county."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land in Lyndon."

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, resolves finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate:

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on Railroads, reported legislation inexpedient, on memorial for an act to compel the Maine Central Railroad Company to connect with the Boston and Maine Railroad.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the same Committee, on the same memorial, reported bill "an act concerning railroad connections."

The reports and bill were ordered to be printed, and to-morrow at 10 o'clock assigned.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Clinton," was taken from the table, and referred to the next Legislature.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Common Schools be directed to furnish one copy each of the laws of this session, entitled "an

act in aid of free high schools," and "an act to provide for the proper expenditure by towns of school money received from the State," to the school committee and selectmen of every city, town and plantation, in this State.

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

"Resolve referring certain claims to the Adjutant General," passed to be engrossed, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted Senate amendments, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate," came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding, reporting a contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith for doing the State Binding for the current year, came from the Senate read and accepted, and the contract approved.

The report was read and accepted, and the contract approved in concurrence.

"Resolve establishing the compensation of the Insurance Commissioner," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House insisted on its vote, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Nash of Gardiner, Knowlton of Skowhegan, and Brockway of Dover, conferees.

Printed bill "an act to increase the efficiency of common schools," was read three times, rules being suspended, and referred to the next Legislature.

Printed bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for year 1873, amounting to \$1,124,197.65," was read three times under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee of Conference, on disagreeing vote on bill "an act amendatory of chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve establishing the compensation of the Insurance Commissioner," on which the House requested a Committee of Conference, came from the Senate, that branch refusing a conference, and adhering to its former vote.

The House adhered.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Frontier Fish Oil and Fertilizing Company," 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 incorporate the town of West Waterville."

Bill "an act to consolidate certain railroads."

These bills having had three several readings and passed to be engrossed, were reported from 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.

Bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland," came back from the Senate, amendment "A" rejected, amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RANDALL,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1873.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CHILDS of Gardiner.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Financial Affairs, Temperance, Interior Waters, Education, Railroads, and Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland," came back from the Senate further amended as per sheet "C."

The House receded, adopted amendment "C," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. VINTON of Gray, presented bill "an act additional to chapter 17 of the revised statutes, relating to nuisances."

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, presented bill "an act in addition to sections 4, 5, 6 and 7, of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to the calling of town meetings."

"Resolve in favor of West Waterville," was presented by Mr. HAWES of Deering.

These bills were read three times, resolve twice, each passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Messrs. Peaks, Kenniston, Hulit and Kelloch, were excused from further attendance.

On motion of Mr. WHITCOMB of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That no more members of this House be excused from service after the passage of this order.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on memorial for an act to compel the Maine Central Railroad Company to connect with the Boston and Maine Railroad, was taken from the table, the question being on substituting the report of the minority, reporting bill "an act concerning railroad connections."

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden, the whole subject was referred to the next Legislature, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 398 of the public laws of 1864, and in addition to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston."

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to establish the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Evans Rifle Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland and Deering Railroad Company."

Bill "an act extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 49 of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies."

Bill "an act to provide for free vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities."

Bill "an act to set off Bunker's island from the town of Benton, and annex the same to the town of Fairfield."

Bill "an act to change the name of a certain person."

Bill "an act relating to a Free High School in the town of Frenchville."

Bill "an act to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water."

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

Mr. CUSHMAN, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Aroostook County Delegation, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of inhabitants of Dayton, for abatement of State tax, was read and accepted.

Adjourned to 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital."

Bill "an act to incorporate the officers and members of Cumberland Royal Arch Chapter."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Lime Rock Bank."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Waterville Hotel Company."

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Frontier Fish Oil and Fertilizing Company."

Bill "an act in addition to sections 4, 5, 6 and 7, of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to calling of town meetings."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 17 of the revised statutes, relating to nuisances."

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

Bill "an act amendatory to chapter 63 of the public laws of 1872, and of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors."

Bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1873, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-four thousand one hundred ninety-seven dollars and sixty-five cents."

"Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate."

"Resolve in favor of the Western Normal School at Farmington."

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus."

"Resolve in aid of road in Township No. 11, Range 3, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Sherman."

"Resolve in favor of J. W. Hines."

"Resolve in favor of B. F. Higgins."

"Resolve in favor of an appropriation to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 58, public laws of 1869, in relation to the establishment of meridian lines."

"Resolve relating to a new Insane Hospital."

"Resolve referring certain claims to the Adjutant General."

"Resolve relative to the claims of settlers upon proprietors' lands in the County of Aroostook."

"Resolve in favor of town of West Waterville."

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash."

"Resolve in favor of James Walton."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Poland."

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.

Messrs. Twombly, Webster, Davis, Heselton, J. B. Foss, Coburn, Eben Webster, Treworgy, Ray, Crocker, Lincoln, Wilder, Gregg, Cary, John Robbins, Brockway, Severance, Lindley and Nash, were excused from further attendance.

Paper from the Senate.

Ordered, The House concurring, that both branches of the Legislature hold a session this evening, commencing at eight o'clock, for the purpose of finishing up the business of the session, which is clearly possible to be done.

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

Adjourned to 8 o'clock this evening.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

EVENING SESSION.

Met at 8 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Governor and Council be requested to pay to George G. Levens, First Assistant Messenger of the House, from the contingent fund, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, for extra services.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House," was read twice and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act relating to an act amendatory of the charter of the city of Lewiston," was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Paper from the Senate.

"Resolve on pay roll of the Senate," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to an act amendatory of the charter of the city of Lewiston."

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House."

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate."

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

Mr. HATCH of Bangor, was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch that the House had disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Hadlock of Hancock, informing the House that the Senate had disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn *sine die*.

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. Kennedy of Lincoln, Butler of York, and Brooks of Waldo, appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston, Talbot of East Machias, Nash of Gardiner, Loring of Portland, Bisbee of Buckfield, Corthell of Calais, and Boardman of Belfast, were joined on the part of the House.

Subsequently, Mr. DINGLEY reported that the committee had discharged the duty, 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 277 acts and 109 resolves, and that he had no further communication to make.

Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, then addressed the House as follows :

As we are now to separate, never more to meet, I should be doing great injustice to my own feelings, and to the feelings of the few members of this House with whom I am politically associated, if I should allow this opportunity to pass without expressing our thanks to the Speaker and members of the dominant party of this House, for the courtesy and respect that has been shown to us during the session that is now about to close.

Mr. CLERK, permit me to lay upon your table, the following resolve, and I would request that the question of its adoption be taken by rising.

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to Hon. E. F. Webb for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over its deliberations.

Mr. DINGLEY of Lewiston, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I rise to second the resolution introduced by the gentleman from East Machias, and I am sure that I express the feelings of every member of this House, when I say that the testimonials therein presented to our honored Speaker are no mere formality, but the heartfelt sentiment of every member of this body. For the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over our proceedings, I am sure we shall always feel under the deepest obligations, and he will bear with him to his home the sincere wishes of every member of this House, that his life may be long spared.

This session has to me at least, been one of unusual interest, and in separating, I am sure that not only myself, but every member of this House, will carry with him the remembrance of the associations which have been vouchsafed to us during the past two months. I am sure, too, that the proceedings of this legislature have been such as to commend themselves to the judgment of the people of this State. If we have erred at all, it has been

on the side of caution, and that is always a safe side to err upon. And I am sure that in some of the legislation, there have been enacted measures which will tell wonderfully upon the future of this State. I need not particularize.

And then, this session has been indeed unusually pleasant and harmonious. It has been my fortune, Mr. Clerk, to have been a member of some half a dozen previous legislatures, and I can say from my heart, that no previous session has seemed to me to be so harmonious, and to embody so much that we shall carry away and always hold in fond remembrance. We came here most of us strangers—we part friends. The faces which we have met, the associations which we have had, the acquaintances which we have formed, we can never forget wherever we go ; and meet each other as we may in the future, we shall turn back to this session with fond remembrance.

But, Mr. Clerk, time admonishes me that the hour draws near when we must separate. We shall never all meet again on earth ; but I trust that when our life-work is done, and when we shall cross the dark river, that it will be our unspeakable happiness to be gathered in that distant land—that haven prepared for those who have faithfully done their duty.

Mr. THOMAS of Portland, said :

Mr. CLERK :—It is with a feeling of sadness, which I care not to restrain, that I rise in my place in this House for the last time. We shall never all meet again on earth ; this is the burden that rests on every heart now present ; and though we go to meet at our firesides, bright faces and happy hearts, we would fain prolong this parting hour. True, we shall never all meet again on earth in the flesh, but in the bright realms of memory, how often, brothers, shall we not meet together in the future ? How often, even in the darkest night, shall we not clearly see, in retrospect, this familiar hall—the genial face of our respected Speaker, in the chair—the audience gathered here on the floor, and in the galleries—each member of this House in his old familiar seat, and then to memory springs up the debate—the contest—the battle, in which shoulder to shoulder, with friends trusted and true, we press on to victory, or fighting just as sincerely for our convictions, we meet with defeat from foemen that we respect, from foemen well worthy our steel ?

I am proud for one, to be a member of the legislature of 1873.

I believe it is a legislature with the marked characteristics of large heartedness and level-headedness—a body of men always ready to appreciate a joke, and always ready to vote for the right. We met, as it were, but yesterday ; we part to-night. How much do not these partings make up the inner life of every one of us ? Indeed, the psalm of life, to whose grand music we are all marching on toward the Golden Goal, is itself attuned to the minor key by these very partings, from the good bye of a day, to the farewell—the long farewell of the grave.

We met but yesterday, we part to-night. If this were all, it were sad ; but it is not all. We have formed friendships here—friendships, manly and noble ; friendships that will last in our hearts until those hearts are silent and cold. The heart treasures are the true treasures, and in this respect, at least, it has been good for us to be here, for in the treasure of the heart we depart richer than we came.

Mr. MANSON of Pittsfield, said :

Mr. CLERK :—It may not be inappropriate for me, belonging as I do to that side of the House, whose very feebleness has, through the magnanimity of this legislative body, proved its tower of strength during the session about to close, to express as best I can, and tender first to the Speaker, and second to each officer and member, including reporters, upon the majority side of this House, my sincere and heartfelt thanks for the uniform kindness, courtesy and impartially manifested toward us as a feeble minority.

Mr. Speaker, this has made a fixed and lasting impression upon my mind. The recollection of these pleasant associations will cluster around my heart so long as reason retains its throne, and I shall look back to this session as one of the bright and sunny spots in my existence.

Mr. Speaker, officers and members, one and all, please accept the best wishes of your humble servant. May the bright and effulgent rays of peace, prosperity and happiness ever illuminate your pathways—the dark clouds of adversity never o'ershadow your brows—may your days be long upon the earth, and when, at a ripe old age, you are called to surrender your earthly stewardship, like a candle burning down in its socket, may each one take his departure, at the same time receiving the welcome,

blessed and glorious plaudit, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport, said :

Mr. CLERK :—It would be untrue were I to say that it is with feelings of delight that I attempt to participate in the closing of this session, which is now upon us with its joys and sorrows. We met here on an auspicious morning when friend was greeting friend with "a happy new year," and since that time new and stronger ties of friendship have arisen between us which I trust will ever be cherished with pleasant remembrances. We met with colliding views, and I am not insensible to the fact that a full share of justice has been bestowed upon us by the dominant party. Never has the political bell been tinkled in a chiding spirit, but a feeling sense of uniform courtesy and kindness to the minority party in every respect has been visible in all our deliberations ; and we have acted with joint efforts for the common interest and public good of our great State. If any act of ours during the session shall prove defective, it can soon be remedied by those who are to succeed us. One year to-morrow evening a few of us present chanced to witness the closing moments of that session and in a few short weeks from that time two of its members (Mr. Perkins of Auburn and Mr. Lambert of Readfield) were called as to this world, to sleep that sleep that knows no waking. We, too, are traveling on to the same bourne to which we all shall arrive. Allow me to express my high esteem for the Speaker who has presided over this legislative body in so faithful and an impartial manner. In the discharge of his official duties we accord to him the ever welcome plaudit "well done." I fully concur in the resolution presented by the gentleman from East Machias. We are soon to separate and some of us will never meet again, but a bright thought comes up that makes the kindest feelings of the heart that before another setting sun, many of us will be gathered around the hearthstones in our happy homes. And now gentlemen, with the best wishes for your future success, I bid you one and all farewell.

Mr. MATHEWS of Hampden, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I have but a word to add to the eloquent and feeling sentiments which have been already uttered. The poet has well said that "the heart feels most when the lips move not,"

and at this hour of parting language utterly fails me. As I look over these countenances, now familiar, but a few weeks since strange to me, the thought presses upon my heart that we never can meet again. We shall all "gather at the river;" some of us

"May meet in the quiet retreat,
Or in the dusty arena of life;"

but never shall we, as we are now at this hour, gather here again. I can say from my heart that though a few weeks since I came among you a stranger, I have experienced but kindness and consideration at your hands, and from the bottom of my heart I thank you. May Heaven bless you through your remaining life; and may your path be strewn with flowers; and when we "gather at the river," may we meet as friends, to be ushered into that higher and better land, where there shall be no more parting.

Mr. RICHARDS of Camden, said:

Mr. CLERK:—I heartily endorse the resolution and sentiments which have been uttered here this evening. We have all looked forward with considerable anxiety for the closing hour of this legislature, that we might return to our homes and friends, and again engage in our various avocations; but now that the time of separation is actually upon us, I confess that my heart is filled with emotion not unmixed with sadness. When I came here eight weeks ago, I was a stranger to nearly every member of this House. I met gentlemen then as the representatives of their respective districts; I take my parting leave of them now as of friends, the recollection of whom will have a place in my memory so long as my life shall continue.

Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, said:

Mr. CLERK:—I had intended to say a word on this occasion, but I have nothing to add to what has so well been said by those who have preceded me. They have expressed better than I could, the emotions which affect me in this parting hour. For the fourth time it has been my lot to participate in such a scene as this, but never have I experienced a deeper feeling of regret than on this occasion, for never before has it been my fortune to witness the adjournment of a legislature characterized by so great harmony in its deliberations. It only remains for me, then, to return my

sincere thanks to the several members of this House, for the uniform kindness with which I, the youngest member, have invariably been treated. To our Speaker, who has presided over us so ably, and so well, I wish to express my gratitude for the courtesy which he has extended to us all. Gentlemen of the House, I bid you all farewell.

Mr. RANDALL of Island Falls, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I should do injustice to my own feelings at this time did I not rise here and give my emphatic indorsement of the resolution which has been laid upon your table, and I believe it expresses the feeling of every member present. It also gives me great pleasure to say that I believe I have never seen a previous House of Representatives characterized with so much harmony and good feeling in its deliberations as this, and in years to come I shall look back upon the many pleasant associations here with great satisfaction. While I am on my feet, Mr. Clerk, I wish to tender to the Speaker who has so ably and impartially discharged his duties, and to the officers and members with whom my associations have been so pleasant, my heartfelt gratitude for the courtesies and kindness that have been extended to me during this session. May each and every member have a pleasant and safe return to his family, there to enjoy quiet and happiness. I bid you all a kind farewell.

Mr. HATCH of Bangor, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I cannot allow the resolution before us to pass, without expressing my cordial concurrence in the sentiments it contains, and my hearty endorsement of all that has been said in regard to the very able and highly satisfactory manner in which the arduous duties of the chair have been performed. The business of the session has been greatly facilitated by the prompt, firm and gentlemanly manner in which the rules of the House have been enforced and its business dispatched by the chair, and every member of the House acknowledges with pleasure the uniform courtesy and considerate kindness extended to them, by our Speaker in his official capacity as our presiding officer.

Our work is now done ; how well and judiciously it has been performed, time and our constituents must decide. The hour of

separation is at hand. I trust we shall all part as friends ; for one, I shall long cherish the many pleasant acquaintances here formed, and can assure you that each and all of you have my best wishes for your prosperity and success in life, and may you all have a safe return to happy homes.

Mr. KELLOCH of Thomaston, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I desire to express thanks to the officers and members of this House, for the uniform kindness and courtesy that they have shown to me while acting in connection with them in the deliberations of this body.

Our legislative work is done, and we have but little to do to complete our record. That we have been earnest in the discharge of our duties, I have no doubt, but whether we have been faithful to the general interests of the State, and our constituents alike ; whether we have been just and wise in the discharge of our obligations as public servants, and have done all that was necessary for the public good ; whether we have faithfully served the people who sent us here to legislate for the interests of the commonwealth, and for the prosperity and happiness of all her citizens, and deserve from them on our return to our homes, the welcome plaudit " well done good and faithful servants ; " whether we have done all this and deserve such a plaudit, it is *not* for us to say. Of our action in this respect, they who sent us here must judge.

Of my social position in this body, allow me to give further expression to the sentiments of mind and heart, which this hour produces. These familiar walls and pleasant surroundings ; these happy associations and genial influences ; these congenial spirits and generous hearts ; these happy faces and agreeable companions ; these, one and all, will be remembered long after we shall have separated, yea, they will be remembered until reason falls from her present empire and the tongue that now speaks to you shall become silent forever. To the Speaker, I would personally tender my thanks for his kind and courteous bearing towards me. To the other officers and to each and every member of this House I tender my thanks, and when we separate to go to our several homes, my kindest wishes for your happiness and prosperity will accompany you.

With these remarks, gentlemen, I bid you adieu.

Mr. LORING of Portland, said :

Mr. CLERK :—In scenes like this, the lips very feebly utter the emotions of the heart. There is a delicate tenderness which words fail to express, and I arise, gentlemen and friends, not to utter what I feel, but to manifest that I have a feeling which I cannot utter, and to look once more, standing in this place, into these faces, into which I have looked in these days and weeks that are gone, and as I look I hear the fulfilment of my own prophecy when first I took my place in this House, that the members of this House were a body of honest, upright, diligent men, proposing to do their duty fairly, candidly and conscientiously. And now in the light of the experience of the few weeks that are gone, I find that prophecy all fulfilled, and here before me to-night, I see no man whom I do not respect and honor. I see no man, who, here and everywhere, I am not now, and shall not be glad to welcome and to favor, as often as opportunity may arise.

Mr. Clerk, I believe that I give utterance to the feelings of all, when I say that the feelings of regard toward our Speaker is not merely that of respect, not merely that of confidence, but the fuller, richer expression of fraternal regard and good fellowship, and I believe every man in this House, and every heart responds to my earnest expression that God may bless him richly.

Mr. TITCOMB of Augusta, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I believe the resolution offered by the gentleman from East Machias, fully represents the sentiment of respect, entertained for our honored Speaker by every member of this House. In a single instance, only, during the entire session, has any appeal been taken from any of his decisions. We have ever witnessed, on his part, duties discharged with diligence, promptness and impartiality, and a determination that all our deliberations should be conducted with calmness and dignity, and efforts honestly and earnestly made for the best interests, prosperity and honor of the State. But, sir, I will not detain you. I heartily second the resolution.

Mr. WHITCOMB of Ellsworth, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I fully indorse the resolution which has been laid upon the table, and I heartily concur in all the sentiments that have been uttered in the able and eloquent remarks of gentle-

men who have preceded me. Although I cannot add to what has already been said, I desire to express my sentiments. I should be false to my own heart if I did not stand up here and thank our Speaker and every member of this body for all the kindness with which I have been treated throughout the entire session.

Our labor is now done and our record made up, and the work goes out to the people, to be judged of according to its merits. I believe our actions have been as honest, if not as wise, as that of any previous legislature convened at this capitol.

It is but reasonable to suppose that very many of us will never meet again. But should it ever be my pleasure, hereafter, to meet with any of you, my hand will be extended with even more than a friendly grasp. I have never allowed any personal feeling to be carried beyond the decision of any questions which have come before us, and if I have ever done an unjust act, or uttered an unkind word to any of you, I most sincerely ask your forgiveness. We are now about to separate and go to our homes and friends. You carry with you, gentlemen, my best wishes for your future happiness and prosperity. I now bid you one and all good bye.

Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, said :

Mr. CLERK :—It was not my intention to have said anything this evening, but I cannot allow this occasion to pass without expressing my concurrence in the sentiments contained in the resolution now upon your table, and the very eloquent remarks of the various gentlemen. Our session has indeed been harmonious. In the exciting debates upon the various questions which it has been our duty to pass upon, no personal bitterness has been found here.

It must be gratifying to our Speaker, as it is to all of us, to know that he has the endorsement of every member of this House for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has served us.

And now that the time for parting is near at hand, I will take this opportunity to thank the members and officers for the very many kind courtesies I have received from them. In behalf of the citizens of this city, I have to state that you will all be remembered by them, as faithful to the duties your constituents have sent you here to discharge. Lonesome hours will follow this session, but very many pleasant memories will in the future cluster around the associations of this winter.

Mr. CORTHELL of Calais, said :

Mr. CLERK :—Some one has said, that "He who forms new friendships, brightens his own life, and adds to his own heart sources from whence shall flow new pleasures," and I am satisfied that I speak only the feelings of every member present, when I say that to myself, as I have no doubt to each one here, the associations of the past two months have been very pleasant, in that they have brought us into contact with so many we can honor and respect, these elements of thought being the best basis of all true friendship. Having occupied, upon the floor of the House, more time than I ought, as a new member, I could not let pass the present opportunity to ask from the House forgiveness. In the excitement of debate, and the eager strife to carry a measure, I know, now as I look back upon the past, that I have often given utterance to expressions that might be construed into expressions of personal feeling ; but there has been no hour, or moment in my connection with this House, when, for any member, there has been in my mind one particle of unkind thought or remembrance.

Mr. CLERK : Having some years ago met our honored Speaker in far different scenes than these, it has been with very great pleasure that I have been permitted to renew the acquaintance of that time, and through you, I must extend my thanks and gratitude to him for the uniform courtesy and kindness which he has ever extended to me upon this floor.

Gentlemen of the House : In a few hours hence, we shall be separated and in our own homes. Through the coming weeks and years, there will come back to each of us, the remembrance of this scene—stealing into our mind even the faces of men whom we have met and honored here, and is it unmanly for me to say faces of men, who, by a study of their character, we have learned to love, as noble men ? I believe that in my heart there is this feeling toward members of this House, that will be a source, not only of pleasure, but of good to me in the future. My sincere wish is that your future may be bright and happy.

Mr. ADAMS of Anson, said :

Mr. CLERK :—I do not propose to make any extended remarks at this time, but I feel it my duty, after hearing the very able remarks of gentlemen, to rise and say that I fully endorse the

resolution which has been offered, and that I fully concur in the remarks of the several gentlemen who have spoken. Without taking your time further, I will say that it gives me great satisfaction to say this much.

Mr. TREWORGY of Surry, said :

Mr. CLERK :—It is with a high degree of pleasure that I give my hearty indorsement to the resolution presented here to-night. My heart overflows with pleasant memories of the past few weeks, and because of those memories I rise here at this time in order that I may personally thank our Speaker, and the members of this House for the courtesy and kindness extended toward me during this session. For their kind and considerate attention paid me when in debate I thank them, and hope they will believe me when I say that if I have erred (I know I have) that it was an error of the head, and not of the heart. To you Mr. Speaker, and the members and officers of this House, I extend a God blessing.

Mr. WESTON of Belgrade, said :

Mr. CLERK :—As various gentlemen have expressed their approval of the resolution which has been offered, I move that we now be allowed to endorse the same by rising.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by rising.

The Speaker, Mr. WEBB, said : .

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :—The hour has arrived when these pleasant relations are to be severed. Your approbation of my conduct, as expressed in the resolve does me the highest honor. Be pleased to accept my most cordial thanks for this fresh instance of your favor towards me, and the uniform courtesy and kindness you have extended to me as your presiding officer. The labors of the office have been lightened by your generous support. Trusting that our deliberations here may realize for our State the most prosperous development of all its immense resources and invoking on you through life the richest blessing of kind Heaven, I bid you farewell, as in this moment I shall perform my last official act by declaring the Fifty-Second Legislature at an end.

Mr. MOFFITT of Rockland, introduced the following resolve, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members are hereby extended to S. J. Chadbourne, Clerk, and Joseph O. Smith, Assistant Clerk, for the faithful and impartial manner in which they have performed their various duties.

Mr. BISBEE of Buckfield, said :

Gentlemen of the House :—I had thought to make some remarks upon this occasion, but the lateness of the hour admonishes me that it is silence rather than speeches that you wish for now. But permit me to say to you, one and all, that should you ever visit my native village, among the hills of old Oxford, call at my humble home, and I promise you that my latch string shall always be on the outside. In closing, I have a resolve which I will read :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this House be, and are hereby tendered to James B. Walker, the gentlemanly and efficient Messenger, for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has discharged the arduous and various duties pertaining to his office during the present session.

The resolve was unanimously adopted.

Mr. PENDEXTER of Denmark, introduced the following resolve :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this House are due, and are hereby tendered to Geo. G. Leavens, 1st Assistant Messenger, Joseph R. Prescott, 2d Assistant Messenger, James B. Stinson, Page, and Carl King, Page, for the faithful and impartial performance of their several duties during the present session of the legislature.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. WEEKS of Augusta, offered the following, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House of Representatives are due, and are hereby tendered to F. A. Small, Reporter, and G. H. Blake, Reporter, for the faithful and impartial discharge of their arduous duties during this session of the legislature.

The SPEAKER declared the House of Representatives adjourned without day.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1873.

PUBLIC LAWS.

- An act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands.
authorizing justices of the peace to administer oaths and affirmations.
to amend section sixteen of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, relating to birds.
to amend section thirty-seven of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, relating to appeals from decision of county commissioners.
to authorize cities and towns to hold money in trust for certain useful purposes.
to increase the salaries of the judge and the register of probate in the county of Androscoggin.
additional to chapter twenty-nine of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, concerning the militia.
relating to damages for land taken for railroad purposes.
to amend section one of chapter eighty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy, relating to letters of administration.
relating to the change of names of persons.
to continue in force chapter five, public laws eighteen hundred seventy-two, "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."
to regulate the closetime for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river.
to amend chapter three of the laws of eighteen hundred seventy-two, entitled "an act to amend section thirty-three of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses."

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- An act additional to chapter nine of the revised statutes, relating to the Penobscot Indians.
- amendatory to section fifteen of chapter fifty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to marriage and its solemnization.
- to amend section nine of chapter thirty of the revised statutes, relating to moose, deer and caribou.
- to amend section five of chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the revised statutes, relating to indecent exposures.
- to amend section one, chapter two hundred and twenty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to fares on railroads.
- to amend section two of chapter ninety-seven of the revised statutes, relating to authority of deputy sheriffs.
- to increase the salary of judge and register of probate for Aroostook county.
- to amend chapter one hundred and eighteen, section six of the revised statutes, relative to the penalty for placing obstructions on railroads.
- to amend section three of chapter twenty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to bowling alleys and billiard rooms:
- relating to free text books in public schools.
- to provide for the proper expenditure by towns of school money received from the state.
- to provide for the enrolment of the militia.
- relating to disturbing public meetings.
- to amend section eighty-seven of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to normal schools.
- to enable academies to surrender their property to cities, towns and plantations, for the benefit of free high schools.
- additional to chapter sixty-six of the revised statutes, relating to insolvent estates.
- to provide for the appointment of an assistant county attorney for the county of Cumberland.
- to amend chapter thirty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to insolvent estates.

An act to define what shall constitute pauper supplies.

to amend the second specification of section fifty-four of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, in regard to studies taught in common schools.

to amend section three of chapter two hundred and five of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, in regard to the rights and liabilities of stockholders.

to amend section twenty-six of chapter one hundred thirteen of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors' disclosures.

to repeal section twelve of chapter one hundred and sixteen of the revised statutes, relating to fees of juries. in aid of free high schools.

to amend chapter twenty-seven of the public acts of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to liens on animals.

to prevent injury to railroad fences or property.

to amend section thirteen of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the supreme judicial court.

relating to attachments of real estate.

to amend chapter twenty-two, section thirty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to fees of fence viewers.

providing for the trial of issues of fact by a jury in equity cases.

to amend chapter eighty-six of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process.

to amend section three of chapter twenty-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, relating to the militia.

to improve the jail system of the state.

to amend item five of section fifty-five of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to school registers.

for the better preservation of horse records.

to amend section eight of chapter four of the revised statutes, relating to town meetings.

relating to recognizances and testimony.

to amend section twenty-three of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relating to interest on reports of referees.

An act in relation to attachments in certain cases.

- relative to the equity powers of the supreme judicial court.
- relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.
- to amend chapter twenty-six of the revised statutes, relating to fires.
- to amend chapter twelve, section four, of the revised statutes, relating to parish and other religious meetings.
- to extend the right of towns and school districts in certain cases.
- to amend section eighty-seven of chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, relating to evidence.
- to prevent prize fights and fights of game animals.
- providing for the appointment of Port Wardens.
- additional to chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, respecting insurance and insurance companies.
- to provide for free vaccination and re-vaccination in towns and cities.
- amendatory of chapter sixty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, and of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors.
- amendatory of chapter one hundred and forty-three of the revised statutes, relating to the insane hospital.
- additional to chapter seventeen of the revised statutes, relating to nuisances.
- in addition to sections four, five, six and seven of chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to the calling of town meetings.
- additional to and amendatory of chapter seventy-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to savings banks.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An act granting a new charter to Bates College.

- to incorporate the Maine Conference of Unitarian Churches.
- authorizing Philip D. Yates and others to maintain a wharf in tide waters, in the town of Bristol.
- authorizing Daniel Keene and others to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters, in the town of Bremen.

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- An act authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Franklin to re-assess certain taxes.
- to incorporate the Auburn Central Manufacturing Company.
 - to amend "an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company," approved February sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.
 - to amend the charter of the Bangor Insurance Company of Bangor.
 - to authorize George W. Manson to clear the channel and navigate the Androscoggin river between Lewiston and Lisbon Falls.
 - to increase the capital stock of the Laconia Company.
 - to repeal chapter seven hundred and fifteen of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to the duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield.
 - to incorporate the Portland Fire Insurance Company.
 - to incorporate the town of Kingman.
 - authorizing B. Brastow and others to extend a wharf or wharves into the tide waters of the Penobscot river.
 - to authorize A. Judson Ray and Charles W. Ray to build a dyke across Coles' creek, in the town of Harrington.
 - to authorize Willard P. Harriman to extend a wharf into tide water, in the city of Belfast.
 - to prevent the taking of trout in Bellscop Meadow brook, in the town of Waldoborough.
 - to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Maine Poultry Association.
 - to incorporate the town of Eaton.
 - to incorporate the Union Hall Company of Southport.
 - to authorize the county commissioners of Penobscot county to re-assess certain taxes.
 - to incorporate the Winterport and Bucksport Ferry Company.
 - to amend "an act authorizing the inhabitants of the town of Addison to build a bridge across Pleasant river."
 - to incorporate the town of Hersey.
 - to incorporate the Williams Slate Quarry Company of Brownville.
 - to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

An act authorizing the filling of a channel between Deer Isle and Little Deer Isle.

to remove gates and bars from the highways in North Haven.

to incorporate the Portland, Bath and Sea Shore Railroad Company.

for the relief of William Bingham Clymer and Charles Willing, as trustees of the estate formerly of William Bingham the elder, deceased, and for the relief of persons claiming under them.

to confirm the location of the railroad of the Boston and Maine Railroad through the towns of Berwick and North Berwick, subject to certain restriction.

to incorporate the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Litchfield Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Lisbon Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

authorizing Elizabeth Johnson to extend a wharf at Hampden into the tide waters of the Penobscot river.

to empower Joseph Oakes to extend a wharf or wharves into tide waters of the Penobscot river at Brewer.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the town of Ellsworth into a city," approved February the eighth, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

to authorize Jacob H. Keen to repair, extend and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Medomak river.

authorizing Bradford Thompson to extend a wharf into tide waters of Rutherford's Island Gut.

to continue in force "an act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Goss pond in the town of Waldoborough."

to amend the charter of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company.

in addition to "an act to incorporate the Bangor House Proprietary."

to incorporate the West Branch Mattawamkeag Canal Company.

relative to the town of Scarborough.

to incorporate the town of Benedicta.

to incorporate the Trustees of the Abbott Family School at Little Blue.

An act to amend and extend the charter of the Bangor Water Power Company.

to change the names of certain persons.

to change the name of Sumner Melville Marden, Jr., and to make him the heir of Sumner Handy.

to authorize the building of a dyke across Flat Bay stream, in the town of Harrington, county of Washington.

additional to "an act to establish the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad Company."

to incorporate the North Jay Cheese Company.

to incorporate the Madrid and West Phillips Cheese Company.

to incorporate the Penobscot Brick Company.

to incorporate the Appleton Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to authorize the building and extension of a wharf in Camden.

to authorize James M. Johnson to extend a wharf into tide waters, in the town of Harpswell.

for the preservation of water fowl in the ponds and streams of the town of Plymouth.

to incorporate the Ligonía Iron Works.

to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on the roads of the towns of Dennysville and Edmunds.

to prevent fishing in Harding's Pond, in Baldwin.

in addition to "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company."

to incorporate the Chesterville Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Mattanawcook Dam Company.

additional relative to the building loan of the city of Portland.

to incorporate the East Dover Cheese Factory Association.

to incorporate the Earle Slate Company.

to incorporate the Phillips Building Company.

to authorize William A. Wells and others to erect a wharf in tide waters, in Bristol.

to incorporate the Weld Corner Cheese Company.

relating to the will of Nancy Hanson.

to incorporate the Saco Steamboat Company.

An act relative to the fees of the judge of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford.

to authorize the Clark's Island Granite Company to build and maintain a causeway from said island to the main land.

to incorporate the Odd Fellows Hall Association.

providing for division of rents of island shores to the Penobscot Indians, and for other purposes.

to amend "an act providing for the appointment and duties of a recorder of the police court of Bangor," approved March fourteen, eighteen hundred and fifty-six.

to annex the plantation of Hamlin's Grant, in the county of Oxford, to the town of Woodstock.

to incorporate the Farwell Manufacturing Company.

to authorize Nathaniel L. Thompson to build a wharf on the western side of Kennebunk river in Kennebunk.

to incorporate the Pondicherry Company.

to incorporate the Franklin Land and Lumber Company.

to authorize Eli Bickmore and Zenas Cook to maintain and extend their wharf into tide water of Friendship Harbor.

to incorporate the Kennebec and New York Steam Navigation Company.

relating to the election of Directors of the Village School District in the city of Augusta.

to extend the time for the location and completion of the Bridgton Branch Railroad.

to incorporate the Paris Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to authorize the extension of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad, and to change the name of the company, and to add to, and amend, existing acts in relation thereto.

to set off a part of the town of Manchester, and annex the same to the town of Winthrop.

to amend the charter of the city of Hallowell, approved August twenty-nine, eighteen hundred and fifty.

to incorporate the Central Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the town of Kingman," approved January twenty-five, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

- An act to incorporate the Pleasant River Steamboat Company.
authorizing Ira D. Sturgis to build piers and wharves and drive piles and maintain booms in tide water at Wiscasset.
to legalize the doings of school district number eight, in the town of Bristol.
to authorize the town of Gouldsbrough to regulate the running at large of neat cattle in said town.
to incorporate the Monroe Cheese Company.
to make valid the doings of Jared C. Nash as a justice of the peace.
relative to the Androscoggin Pulp Company.
to prevent the casting of sawdust, edgings, trimmings and brush, into Mill brook, in the town of Waterford.
to authorize Josiah H. P. Merrow, Norris W. Purrington and their associates, to extend a wharf at Bowdoinham.
to make legal the doings of the Union Meeting House Association of Round Pond, in the town of Bristol.
to incorporate the Dixfield Cheese Factory.
to incorporate the Bartlett Land and Lumber Company.
to incorporate the Maine State Temperance Reform Association.
to incorporate the Maine State Pomological Society.
to incorporate the Topsham Granite and Manufacturing Company.
to incorporate the Hancock County Savings Bank.
to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company."
to incorporate the Mexico and East Rumford Cheese Manufacturing Company.
to incorporate the Island Railroad Company.
to incorporate the New Sharon Cheese Manufacturing Company.
to incorporate the Buckfield Savings Bank.
to incorporate the Tremont Savings Bank.
to incorporate the Canton Manufacturing Company.
to incorporate the Lisbon Savings Bank.
to incorporate the Androscoggin and Oxford Railroad Company.
to incorporate the Moose Branch Steamboat Company.

- An act to legalize the acts of the selectmen of Wiscasset, and the votes of said town.
- to incorporate the Portland Women's Christian Association.
 - to incorporate the Greenough Church Edifice Association.
 - to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company.
 - to legalize the doings of the East Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society.
 - to incorporate the Gould Engine Company.
 - to extend the time for locating the route of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railway.
 - to incorporate the Eastport Gas Light Company.
 - to incorporate the Waldoborough Village Corporation.
 - to incorporate the Northport Wesleyan Grove Camp Meeting Association.
 - to change the name of Marcia Emily Leghton.
 - to change the names of certain persons.
 - to authorize Giles Loring to extend his wharf into tide waters of Royals river.
 - to incorporate the Waterford Hotel Company.
 - to amend "an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and amendatory acts thereto," relating to the St. Croix and Penobscot Railroad Company.
 - to incorporate the Trustees of the Johnson Home School for Boys, at Topsham.
 - to incorporate the Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
 - to set off a part of the town of Minot, and annex the same to the city of Auburn.
 - to incorporate the West Hampden Dairy Association.
 - to incorporate the South Paris Savings Bank.
 - authorizing Jotham P. Norton and John H. Leavitt to erect and extend wharves in York, into the tide waters of York river.
 - to legalize and make valid the organization of the Border Publishing Company, of Bangor.
 - to amend chapter three hundred and ten, approved February fifth, eighteen hundred and seventy, entitled "an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond, in Franklin county."

- An act to authorize the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the Northern Aroostook Railroad.
- to amend section one of chapter five hundred and forty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-two, relating to the Mercantile Library Association of Portland.
- to authorize James Roberts and others to extend their wharf into tide waters in the town of Vinalhaven.
- to extend the time for locating, building and completing the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad.
- to authorize the extension of the charter of the Androscoggin Navigation Company.
- to incorporate the State Publishing Association.
- to incorporate the Star Slate Company of Monson.
- to authorize Alfred E. Conners and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Frenchman's bay.
- to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Oxford to raise money for a public library.
- to incorporate the Piscataquis River Boom Company.
- to incorporate the Sebago Lake Steam Mill Company.
- imposing a penalty on the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Corporation for abuses of its privileges and franchises.
- to incorporate the Coburn Land Company.
- to amend chapter five hundred eighty-one of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "an act to regulate the taking of trout in Moosehead lake and Brassua lake.
- to make valid the doings of the town of Minot.
- to incorporate the Oxford Mill Company.
- to incorporate the Belfast Hotel Company.
- to incorporate the Cove Slate Company in the town of Monson.
- to amend section one of chapter three hundred and seventy-eight of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and forty-six, entitled "an act authorizing the Katahdin Iron Works to construct a canal."
- to incorporate the Dunn Manufacturing Company.

An act to incorporate the Biddeford and Saco Street Railway Company.

to incorporate the Diamond Slate Company, in the county of Piscataquis.

to incorporate the East Piscataquis Agricultural Society.

to authorize the county commissioners to repair the bridge across the Sebasticook river.

to authorize the proprietors of the Rose Place Property, so called, in Bangor, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river.

to prevent the throwing of ballast in certain parts of Kennebec river.

to amend the charter of Fairfield Village Corporation.

to incorporate the State of Maine Trust Company.

to amend chapter six hundred and seventy-seven of the private laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to refuse in St. Croix river.

in addition to the charter of the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company."

to amend "an act to incorporate the People's Ferry Company."

authorizing Jeremiah P. Simpson and William G. Mathews to extend their wharf into the tide waters of York river.

authorizing the town of Yarmouth to loan its credit for the establishment of manufactures.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."

relating to drains and sewers in the city of Portland.

to incorporate the Wilton Cheese Company.

to incorporate the Central Hall Company of Jonesport.

to incorporate the Eastern Land and Improvement Company.

additional to the charter of the Merchants Mutual Marine Insurance Company.

to increase the capital stock of the Newichawanic Company.

An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Universalist Meeting House in Oldtown into a parish.

to authorize and empower the county commissioners of Cumberland county to construct and maintain a public highway into tide waters in the city of Portland.

to incorporate the Aroostook River Railroad Company.

to increase the capital stock of the Warren Manufacturing Company.

to authorize Isaac S. Bangs, junior, and others, to clear the channel and navigate the Kennebec river between Waterville and Augusta.

to authorize the town of Bridgton to subscribe for stock in the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company.

relating to schools in the Madawaska territory.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Lime Rock Railroad Company."

to incorporate the town of West Waterville.

for the consolidation of certain railroads.

to divide Clinton Gore plantation and annex the same to adjoining towns.

to incorporate the Saco Slate Quarry Manufacturing Company.

to supply the cities of Lewiston and Auburn with pure water.

amendatory of and additional to chapter three hundred and ninety-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and in addition to "an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston."

additional to an act entitled "an act to establish the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company."

to change the name of a certain person.

to set off Bunker's island from the town of Benton, and annex the same to the town of Fairfield.

to incorporate the Evans Rifle Manufacturing Company.

relating to a free high school in the town of Frenchville.

extending the time for the Maine Central Railroad Company to complete its road between Cumberland junction and Portland.

An act to incorporate the Portland and Deering Railroad Company.

to incorporate the officers and members of the Cumberland Royal Arch Chapter.

to increase the capital stock of the Lime Rock Bank.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Waterville Hotel Company."

for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-four thousand one hundred ninety-seven dollars and sixty-five cents.

to incorporate the Frontier Fish, Oil, and Fertilizing Company.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

relating to "an act amendatory of the charter of the city of Lewiston.

TITLES OF RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1873.

Resolve relating to Hell Gate pilot law.

providing for the purchase of the Maine state year book
and legislative manual.

ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain lots
in Mount Pleasant cemetery, in the city of Augusta.

in favor of John Gardner.

in favor of the city of Hallowell.

in favor of Charles O. Higgins.

in aid of building a road in township F, range one, in the
county of Aroostook.

in favor of Peter Sepsis.

in favor of Charles O. Donham.

in favor of Samuel Harvey.

in favor of Charles A. Chase.

in favor of John Gabriel.

in favor of the town of Lyndon.

in favor of Samuel T. Sewall.

authorizing the adjutant general to sell a gun house at
Milo.

in aid of a road in Crystal plantation.

in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

in favor of Charles S. Page.

in aid of repairing the road through Long Swamp, in the
town of Littleton.

in favor of Charles W. Cobb.

in favor of a road in the town of Mount Chase.

in favor of the road leading from Monson to Greenville in
the town of Shirley.

abating part of the state tax of Sherman and assessing
the same upon the town of Linneus.

- Resolve in favor of Samuel C. Niles.
establishing the valuation of number five, range three,
Somerset county.
authorizing the land agent to deed a lot of land to Albert
Ball.
in favor of John B. Farrell.
relative to setting apart national domain as a public
school fund.
relative to Indian school on Oldtown island.
in addition to chapter one hundred and three of the
resolves of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, relating
to Indian affairs.
providing for surveying and marking the line between
Maine and New Hampshire.
relating to newspaper postage.
in favor of Joseph Gary.
in favor of John Gabriel.
in favor of the joint standing committee on the state
prison.
providing for the payment of the expenses of the com-
mittee on military affairs.
in favor of Henry F. Eaton, Charles H. Eaton, and T. W.
Baldwin.
in favor of inhabitants of Eagle Island military plan-
tation, county of Hancock.
in favor of Addison J. Brown.
in favor of James Withers.
in favor of E. E. Glidden and Carroll C. Record.
in favor of Aroostook county.
in aid of road in Island Falls.
in favor of Annie O. Burnham.
in favor of Moses A. Currier.
in favor of appropriating money for the repair of the
bridge across the Mattawamkeag river, in the plan-
tation of Haynesville.
establishing the valuation of the estates of the several
towns of Sagadahoc county.
in favor of W. J. Corthell.
in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath.
in favor of the state prison.

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- Resolve in favor of repairing and rebuilding bridges over streams between Patten and Chamberlain lake.
- in favor of James Doyle.
 - in favor of D. F. Adams.
 - in favor of Woodland plantation.
 - in favor of chapel connected with the insane hospital.
 - in favor of Walker Darling.
 - to correct a clerical error in the number of polls in the town of Hartford.
 - making appropriation for the propagation of fish, and for additional fish wardens.
 - in aid of road over Indian township, in the county of Washington.
 - in aid of building bridges in Hamlen plantation, Aroostook county.
 - laying a tax on the several counties of the state.
 - appropriating money to be expended in repairing bridge across Molunkus stream.
 - in favor of Catharine S. Brown.
 - providing for the payment of bounties on wild animals.
 - in favor of the town of Kingsbury.
 - abating state tax of Eaton Grant plantation, and assessing the same upon the town of Lyndon.
 - to define the bounds of Macwahoc and other plantations in Aroostook county.
 - in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.
 - in behalf of the library of the probate court of Cumberland county.
 - in relation to industrial statistics.
 - making an appropriation in aid of building a bridge in the town of Cape Elizabeth.
 - making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.
 - in favor of the joint standing committee on agriculture.
 - in favor of Joseph Necolar.
 - in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.
 - authorizing a temporary loan.
 - in aid of opening a road in Castle Hill plantation.
 - in favor of certain settlers in Silver Ridge plantation.

- Resolve making valid the acts of the warden of the state prison in making sale and conveyance of certain lands.
- in favor of building bridges in Chapman plantation.
 - in favor of building a road from Kingfield to Eustis in Franklin county.
 - in favor of Henry Harmon.
 - in aid of bridge in Ox Bow plantation.
 - in favor of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.
 - in favor of state reform school.
 - in favor of the committee on reform school.
 - in aid of the bridge across Mattawamkeag river in Penobscot county.
 - in aid of building a bridge over Magalloway river in township number five, range one, in the county of Oxford.
 - appropriating money to aid in rebuilding a bridge over Moose river in Somerset county.
 - in favor of Rev. J. K. Mason, commissioner to the international penitentiary congress.
 - in aid of rebuilding bridge in Bancroft plantation, Aroostook county.
 - authorizing the land agent to convey a lot of land in Lyndon.
 - in favor of B. F. Higgins.
 - in favor of Western Normal School at Farmington.
 - in favor of an appropriation to carry into effect the provisions of chapter fifty-eight, public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, in relation to the establishment of meridian lines.
 - in favor of the town of Sherman.
 - in aid of road in township numbered eleven, range three, Aroostook county.
 - in favor of the town of Poland.
 - in favor of James Walton.
 - in favor of J. W. Hines.
 - in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus.
 - in favor of the secretary of the senate.

Resolve relating to a new insane hospital.
in favor of the town of West Waterville.
relative to the claims of settlers upon proprietors' lands
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in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash.
referring certain claims to the adjutant general.
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on the pay roll of the senate.



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- " 15. Not to speak out of seat.
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- " 50. Grants of land, money or public property to be accompanied by statement of facts—must be read on two several days.
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- “ 57. No rule to be dispensed with without consent of two-thirds of members present.
- “ 58. No rule to be altered or repealed or new rule to be adopted without one day's notice.

RULES.

DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE SPEAKER.

1. It shall be the duty of the speaker to take the chair at the hour to which the house shall have adjourned, call the members to order, and after the appearance of a quorum, cause the journal of the preceding day to be read ;

To announce the business before the house in the order in which it is to be acted upon ;

To receive and submit to vote all motions and propositions regularly moved or that necessarily arise in the course of proceedings, and announce the result ;

To restrain the members, when engaged in debate, within the rules of order, and to enforce, on all occasions, the observance of order and decorum among the members ;

To decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house ;

To receive all messages and other communications and announce them to the house ;

To authenticate by his signature bills that have passed to be enacted and resolves finally passed ;

To name the members who are to serve on committees, unless the house otherwise direct ;

To appoint the member who shall take the chair when the house has determined to go into committee of the whole ;

And to name a member to perform his duties during his absence for a time not exceeding the remainder of the day.

2. The speaker may address the house on points of order, in preference to other members ; and may vote in all cases.

DUTIES OF THE CLERK.

3. The clerk shall keep a journal of what is done by the house ; read papers when required by the house or speaker ; call the roll alphabetically, and note the answers of members, when the house orders, or when a question is taken by yeas and nays ; notify committees of their appointment and of the business referred to them ; authenticate by his signature all the orders and proceedings of the house not authenticated by the speaker ; have charge of all the documents and papers of every kind confided to the care of the house ; bear all messages and transmit all papers from the house to the governor or to the Senate, unless the house shall otherwise order ; and in the absence of the speaker at the hour for meeting, shall preside until a speaker *pro tem.* be chosen ; and at the close of the session shall file in on orderly manner all papers and documents, in possession of the house, passed upon or received during the session ; and at the commencement of the next legislature, shall preside until the election of speaker, and record the doings of the house until a new clerk shall be chosen and qualified ; and in the absence of the clerk, the assistant clerk shall be clerk *pro tempore*, with power to appoint an assistant.

CHAPLAINS.

4. Every morning, the house, on assembling, shall join with the chaplain in religious service.

5. The chaplains may change duties with each other or with the chaplains of the senate.

MONITORS.

6. One monitor shall be appointed by the speaker for each division of the house, whose duty shall be, to see to the observance of the rules of the house, and on demand of the speaker, to return the number of votes and members in his division.

7. If any member shall transgress any of the rules of the house, and persist therein, after being notified thereof by any monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to give information thereof to the house.

COMMITTEES.

8. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session, whose duty shall be to consider all subjects referred to them and report thereon :

On elections,

On engrossed bills,

On bills in the third reading,

On leave of absence,

To consist of seven members each.

On business of the house,

To consist of three members.

On county estimates,

To consist of one member from each county.

9. In all elections by ballot, of committees of the house, the person having the highest number of votes shall act as chairman. In case two or more persons receive the same number of votes, the committee by a majority of their number shall elect a chairman.

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

10. The seat which a member draws at the commencement of the session, shall be his during the session, unless he shall have leave of the speaker to change it.

11. No member shall sit at the desk of the speaker or clerk, except by the permission of the speaker.

12. When two or more members rise at the same time, the speaker shall name the person to speak ; but in all cases the member who shall rise first and address the chair, shall speak first.

13. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except to call to order, or to correct a mistake.

14. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question, without first asking leave of the house.

15. No member shall speak out of his place without leave from the chair, nor without first rising and addressing the speaker ; and he shall sit down as soon as he has done speaking.

16. No member shall act as counsel for any party, before a joint committee of the legislature, or a committee of this house.

17. No member shall be permitted to stand up to the interruption of another, while any member is speaking, or pass unneces-

sarily between the speaker of the house and the person speaking ; or stand in an alley, or sit or stand covered, during the session of the house.

18. Every member shall make out and deliver to the clerk or to the committee on pay roll, a statement of the number of miles usually travelled in going from his residence to the seat of government.

19. Every member who shall neglect to give his attendance to the house for more than six days after the session commences, shall, on making his appearance therein, be held to render the reason for such neglect ; and in case the reason assigned shall be deemed by the house sufficient, such member shall be entitled to receive pay for his travel, and not otherwise ; and no member shall be absent more than two days without leave of the house ; and no member shall have such leave, unless it be reported by the committee on leave of absence ; and no leave of absence shall avail any member who retains his seat more than five days from the time the same was obtained.

20. Any member having obtained leave of absence, and having in his possession any papers relating to the business before the house, shall leave the same with the clerk.

21. When any member shall be guilty of a breach of any of the rules and orders of the house, and the house has determined he has so transgressed, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, unless by way of excuse for the same, until he has made satisfaction.

22. Every member who shall be in the house when a question is put, where he is not excluded by interest, shall give his vote, unless the house, for special reason, shall excuse him, and when the yeas and nays are ordered, no member shall leave his seat until the vote is declared. In all elections by the house, or in joint ballot of the two houses, no member shall leave his seat, after voting, before a return of the house is had.

23. When the galleries shall be ordered to be cleared or shut, the matter which may occasion such order, shall be kept secret by each member, until the house shall order such injunction of secrecy to be taken off.

24. No person not a member or officer of the house, except members of the senate, its secretary and assistants, the governor and council, state treasurer, secretary of state, land agent, adjutant general, judges of the supreme judicial court, chaplains of

the senate, and reporters of the proceedings and debates of the house, shall be admitted within the representatives' hall unless invited by some member of the house.

PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES.

25. After the reading of the journal, the following shall be the order of business :

1st, Senate papers, and first reading of accompanying bills and resolves.

2d, Messages and documents from the executive and heads of departments.

3d, Reception of petitions, bills and resolves requiring reference to any committee ;

4th, Orders ;

5th, Reports of committees and first reading of bills or resolves ;

6th, Bills and resolves reported by committee on bills in the third reading, and on their passage to be engrossed ;

7th, Bills on their passage to be enacted ;

8th, Orders of the day.

The speaker shall announce each item of business in its turn, and no paper shall be taken up out of its regular order, except by the unanimous consent of the house. The orders of the day shall take precedence of all other business at the expiration of the morning hour.

26. It shall be the duty of the clerk to make up daily a calendar of bills, resolves and other papers, assigned for that day's consideration, and also a calendar of bills and resolves which have had their first reading, and showing the disposition that has been made of each.

27. The unfinished business in which the house was engaged at the time of the last adjournment, shall have preference in the orders of the day, and shall continue to be among the orders of the day for each succeeding day until disposed of, and no motion or other business shall be received, without special leave of the house until the former is disposed of.

28. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but—

1st. To adjourn ;

2d. To lay on the table ;

- 3d. For the previous question ;
- 4th. To commit ;
- 5th. To postpone to a day certain ;
- 6th. To amend ;
- 7th. To postpone indefinitely ;

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

Questions of concurrence or otherwise with the senate shall have precedence of each other in the following order :

- 1st. To recede ;
- 2d. To concur ;
- 3d. To insist ;
- 4th. To adhere ;

29. A motion to adjourn shall always be first in order, and shall be decided without debate.

30. A vote to lay a proposition on the table shall not preclude the further consideration of it on the same day.

31. When motion for the previous question is made, the consent of one-third of the members present shall be necessary to authorize the speaker to entertain it. No debate shall be allowed until the matter of consent is determined. The previous question shall be submitted in the following words : *Shall the main question be put now?* No member shall speak more than five minutes on the motion for the previous question, and while that question is pending a motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate. A call for the yeas and nays, or for division of a question, shall be in order after the main question has been ordered to be put. After the adoption of the previous question, the vote shall be taken forthwith upon amendments, and then upon the main question.

32. Propositions to amend by striking out and inserting dates, numbers and sums, are not divisible ; but all propositions, otherwise divisible, shall be divided at the request of any ten members. A motion to strike out being lost, shall neither preclude amendments, nor a motion to strike out and insert.

33. In filling blanks and in assigning times for the consideration of business, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

34. When a proposition consists of several paragraphs or sections, amendment of one of them shall not preclude amendment of a prior paragraph or section.

35. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

36. After a motion or order is stated or read by the speaker, and seconded, it shall be regarded as in the possession of the house, and shall be disposed of by vote of the house. But any motion or order may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before a decision or amendment, except a motion to reconsider, which shall not be withdrawn except by consent of the house.

37. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if required by the speaker or by any member.

38. No member shall be permitted to lay a motion in writing on the table, until he shall have read the same in his place.

39. When a vote having been declared by the speaker, is doubted, the members for and against the question, when called on by the speaker, shall rise and stand till they are counted, and the vote made certain without further debate. But a call for the yeas and nays shall be in order at any time before such a vote is made certain and declared.

40. When a motion has been once made and carried in the affirmative, or negative, it shall not be in order for any member who voted in the minority, to move for a reconsideration thereof; but any member who voted with the majority, or in the negative on a tie vote, may move to reconsider on the same or succeeding day. A motion to reconsider shall not be postponed nor laid on the table without a time certain assigned for its further consideration. When a motion for reconsideration has been decided, the vote shall not be reconsidered. A motion to reconsider shall not be in order, more than once on the same question.

41. When a member shall move, or give notice of his intention to move, a reconsideration of any vote, the papers to which the motion relates shall remain in possession of the clerk until the question of reconsideration shall have been decided, or the right to move such a question is lost.

42. In all elections by ballot of the house a time shall be assigned for such election, at least one day previous thereto.

43. When a reading of a paper is called for, which has been before read to the house, and the same is objected to by any member, the question of reading shall be determined by a vote of the house.

44. Every question of order, which shall be decided on appeal shall be entered on the journal of the house, with the decision thereon.

45. A proposition to require the opinion of the judges of the supreme court, as provided by the constitution, shall not be acted upon until the next day after such proposition is made.

46. All petitions, memorials and other papers addressed to the house, shall be presented by the speaker, or by a member in his place, and shall be endorsed with the name of the person presenting it, and the subject matter of the same. They shall be read by the speaker, clerk, or such other person as the speaker may request, and shall be taken up in the order they were first presented, unless the house shall otherwise direct.

47. All bills in their third reading, and resolves in their second reading, shall be committed to the standing committee on bills in the third reading, to be by them examined and corrected.

48. All resolves appropriating money or land, shall have their second reading on Wednesday of the week following that of their first reading.

49. All engrossed bills and resolves shall be committed to the standing committee on engrossed bills, to be strictly examined; and if found by them to be truly and strictly engrossed, they shall so report to the house, and the question shall be taken without any further reading, unless on motion of any member, a majority of the house shall be in favor of reading the same as engrossed.

50. Every bill or resolve, providing for the grant of money, land, or other public property, which may be laid on the table by leave, and any report of a committee upon any bill or resolve providing for such grant, shall be accompanied by a written statement of facts in each case; and no such bill or resolve shall be considered before such statement is made, or pass without being read on two several days.

51. No new bill or resolve of a public nature shall be received, except it be reported by a committee, unless the house otherwise order; and all bills and resolves not reported by a committee, shall be laid upon the table for one day, before further action thereon.

52. No act or resolve shall be passed affecting the rights of individuals or corporations, without previous notice to such individuals or corporations.

53. No bill shall pass to be engrossed until it shall have had

three several readings ; the time for the second and third readings shall be assigned by the house ; but if no objection is made, the second reading may be by the title, and at the time of the first. Every resolve which shall require the approval of the governor, shall have two several readings ; the second reading shall be subject to the provisions of the third reading of bills.

54. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be sent to the senate, without notice thereof being given to the house by the speaker.

55. When a bill or resolve shall be returned by the governor with his objections, the question shall be stated by the chair, *Shall this bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the governor?* and the same in substance in case of a resolve ; which question may be postponed to a day within the session, not exceeding one week, or may be committed. But no other question shall apply to bills and resolves originating in either branch.

56. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Cushing's Manual, excepting section 51, relating to the reception of petitions, shall govern the house in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the house, and the joint rules of the senate and house of representatives.

57. No rule or order of the house shall be dispensed with, unless two-thirds of the members present shall consent thereto.

58. No rule or order of the house shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any new standing rule or order be adopted, unless one day's previous notice thereof be given in each case ; and such notice shall be entered on the journal.

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JOINT RULES.

1. The following joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session, viz :

- On the judiciary,
- On legal affairs,
- On financial affairs,
- On federal relations,
- On education,
- On railroads,
- On commerce,
- On mercantile affairs and insurance,
- On banks and banking,
- On manufactures,
- On agriculture,
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- On ways and bridges,
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- On counties,
- On towns,
- On indian affairs,
- On claims,
- On pensions,
- On insane hospital,
- On reform school,
- On state prison,
- On public buildings,
- On library,

And each of said committee shall consist of three on the part of the senate, and seven on the part of the house, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

2. Joint select committees shall consist of three on the part of the senate, and seven on the part of the house, unless the order creating the same shall provide a different number.

3. Whenever a select committee shall be appointed by either house, and be joined by the other, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the senate, or the clerk of the house, as the case may be,

to transmit, one to the other, the names of the members so joined, in order that they may be entered upon the journal of each house.

4. In presenting a report upon any matter referred to a committee, such report shall set forth the subject referred, and the substance shall also be briefly endorsed on the back of the same.

5. Orders directing inquiry in relation to an existing statute shall state the subject matter of such statute—also the chapter and section to which the inquiry is directed.

6. The titles of all bills and resolves shall state, briefly, the subject matter of the same.

7. The enacting clause of every bill shall follow its title, in these words, viz :

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :"

All bills and resolves reported by any joint committee shall be written in a fair legible hand, on not less than a sheet of paper. And in all bills having more than one section, the sections shall be consecutively numbered, beginning with "Section 1."

Mistakes in bills and resolves, merely clerical, may be corrected upon suggestion, without a motion to amend.

8. When a bill, resolve, or order, which shall have passed one house, is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the house in which the same shall have passed, by the secretary or clerk, as the case may be. And every bill that shall have passed both houses to be enacted, and all resolutions having the force of law, that shall have finally passed both houses, shall be presented by the secretary of the senate to the governor, for his approval ; and the secretary of the senate shall enter on the journal of the senate, the day on which such bills or resolutions are so presented to the governor.

9. All indorsements on papers, while on their passage between the two houses, shall be under the signature of the secretary of the senate, or the clerk of the house, respectively ; but after the final passage of bills and resolves, they shall be signed by the presiding officer of each house.

10. Every bill or resolve of a public nature, reported in either house by a committee, or laid upon the table by leave, shall be printed and distributed in both houses before having its first reading. The printed copies shall show by what committee the bill or resolve was reported, or by what member laid upon the table.

11. Whenever any document shall be printed for the use of the legislature, the number of copies shall be three hundred and fifty, unless otherwise ordered. The copies printed shall be delivered to the messengers of the two houses in the proportion of one-fourth for the use of the senate, and three-fourths for the use of the house, after reserving seventy-five copies for the departments and for binding.

12. No business shall be transacted in convention of the two houses, unless by unanimous consent, except such as may be agreed upon before the convention is formed.

13. Committees of conference shall consist of three members on the part of each house representing its vote, and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected ; but no other action shall be had, except through another committee of conference.

14. When any measure shall be finally rejected; it shall not be revived except by reconsideration ; and no measure containing the same subject matter; shall be introduced during the session, unless three days' notice is given to the house of which the mover is a member.

15. Whenever a message shall be sent from the senate to the house, it shall be announced at the door by the messenger of the senate, and shall be communicated respectfully to the chair by the bearer of it. In like manner messages from the house shall be communicated to the senate—the messenger of the house announcing them at the door of the senate.

16. No joint rule or order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present in each house.

17. No member shall be permitted to vote on any question in either branch of the legislature, nor in committee, whose private right, distinct from public interest, is immediately involved.

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RULES.

1. The president shall take the chair at the time to which the senate stands adjourned ; but in case the president shall be absent, the secretary shall preside until a president *pro tempore* be chosen.

2. At the first session of each day, on the appearance of a quorum, the journal of the preceding day shall be read.

3. When the president speaks, he shall address the senate. When a senator speaks, he shall stand in his place and address the president, and when done speaking shall take his seat.

4. The president when he speaks to any member of the senate, and the members when referring to each other in debate, shall use in their addresses the title of *senator*, and by way of distinction name the county in which he resides.

5. The president shall have the right to name a senator to perform the duties of the chair during his absence ; but the substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

6. The president may read sitting, but he shall rise to put a question. He shall declare all votes ; but if any senator doubt the vote, all those voting in the affirmative, when called upon by the president, shall rise and stand until they are counted, and also those in the negative, in like manner, to make the vote certain.

7. The president shall consider a motion to adjourn as always first in order, and it shall be decided without debate.

8. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely ; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

9. A motion shall be reduced to writing, if desired by the president or any senator, and shall then be deemed to be in possession of the senate, to be disposed of by the senate ; but the mover may withdraw it at any time before a decision or amendment be made to it.

10. The senator who shall first rise and address the chair, on any question, shall be entitled to the floor; and the president shall determine all questions of priority under this rule.

11. No senator shall speak more than once to the same question, to the prevention of any other who desires to speak and has not spoken, nor more than twice without first obtaining leave of the board, if any senator objects, unless he be the mover of the matter under debate, and then not more than three times without leave as aforesaid.

12. No senator shall interrupt another while speaking, except to call to order.

13. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

14. An amendment proposed may be amended before it is adopted, but not afterwards, except the vote adopting it be first reconsidered.

15. When a motion has been made and carried, it shall be in order for any member of the majority to move for a reconsideration thereof, on the same or succeeding day. A motion to reconsider any vote shall not be laid on the table unless a time shall be specially assigned for its consideration.

16. Questions of order shall be decided by the president without debate; but if an appeal is taken, the same may be debated like other questions, and the decision thereon shall be entered upon the journal.

17. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division, shall be divided whenever desired by any member.

18. In filling up blanks the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

19. Every paper shall be once read at the table, before any senator shall be obliged to vote on it, but when the reading of a paper is called for, that has been before read to the senate, if any senator object, the question shall be determined by the senate.

20. All bills and resolves in the second reading, shall be committed to the committee on bills in the second reading, to be by them examined, corrected, and so reported to the senate.

21. Upon the second reading of a bill or resolve, after the same shall be read through, and before the question is put on its passage, it shall be read and considered by paragraphs, at the request of any member of the senate; and no bill or resolve shall have a

second reading, unless a time not less than one hour after the first reading, be assigned therefor.

22. No bill or resolve shall pass to be engrossed, without being twice read; and all bills and resolves, immediately after the same shall have been engrossed, shall be committed to the committee on engrossed bills; whose duty shall be to examine the same, and to see that the same have been truly engrossed; and before any bill shall pass to be enacted, or any resolve be finally passed, it shall be reported by the committee for the examination of engrossed bills, to be truly and strictly engrossed, and the title thereof be read by the president.

23. No resolve of any kind, or order making any grant of money, lands or other public property, shall be passed without being read on two several days; the time for the second reading shall be assigned by the senate.

24. After the reading of the journal, the following shall be the order of business :

1st, House papers not acted on; and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve.

2d, Messages and documents from the executive and heads of departments.

3d, The reception and reference of petitions and such other papers, except bills and resolves, as require action by a committee.

4th, Reports of committees, and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve. Bills, resolves, &c., offered by senators, and their reference or first reading.

5th, Bills and resolves reported by the committee on bills in the second reading.

6th, Bills on their passage to be enacted, and resolves on their final passage.

It shall be the duty of the secretary to number bills and resolves in the order in which they shall be reported by said committee, and enter them upon the calendar in such order. They shall be taken up for their second reading and passage to be engrossed, or other disposition, in the order in which they stand upon the calendar. When a bill or resolve, after it is put on the calendar, is laid on the table, and no time assigned for its further consideration, it shall go to the foot of the calendar as it then stands. Papers from the house, concerning which there has been a disagreeing vote of the two houses, shall be disposed of before commencing

with the calendar. This rule shall not apply to or interfere with motions to reconsider, or special assignments or other privileged questions.

25. When the yeas and nays are taken, the names of the senators shall be called alphabetically.

26. After a question is put to vote, no senator shall speak on it. Every senator who may be present shall vote unless excused by the senate, or excluded by interest.

27. The unfinished business, in which the senate was engaged at the time of the last adjournment, shall have preference in the orders of the day.

28. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be sent to the house without notice thereof being given to the senate by the president.

29. Every member who shall present a petition, shall place his name thereon and a brief statement of its subject.

30. All confidential communications made by the governor to the senate shall be by the members thereof kept inviolably secret until the senate shall by their resolution take off the injunction of secrecy.

31. No rule shall be dispensed with except by the consent of two-thirds the members present.

32. Any member of the senate may exchange seats on consulting the president and obtaining his permission.

33. No member shall absent himself from the senate without leave, unless there be a quorum left present.

34. All committees shall be nominated by the president, (unless when it may be determined that the election shall be by ballot,) and appointed by the senate.

35. The following standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the session, viz :

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE.

On bills in the second reading,

On engrossed bills,

To consist of twelve members each. Any one of the first and any two of the second shall constitute a quorum.

36. No member of the senate shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the legislature.

37. All messages from the senate to the house, and to the governor, or governor and council, shall be carried by the secre-

tary, unless the senate shall direct some other mode of transmission, and all papers shall be transmitted to the governor and council, and to the house, by the secretary or his assistant.

38. No bill or resolve, the subject matter of which has been acted upon by a committee, shall be laid upon the table by leave.

39. The senate may, at any time, upon motion, by a vote of a majority of the members present, resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering any subject named in the motion; and a chairman shall be appointed by the president. If a message is announced while the senate is in such committee, the president shall resume the chair for the purpose of receiving it; immediately after which, the committee shall proceed, until dissolved in the usual manner.

40. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Cushing's Manual, and Cushing's Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies, shall govern the senate in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules of the senate, or the joint rules of the two houses.

MEMORANDA.

1. Orders, motions in writing, and reports of committees, should never be presented on less than half a sheet of paper.
2. When a *report* of a committee is made to either house it should be accompanied by the *order* appointing said committee.
3. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances from towns in their *corporate capacity*, should be endorsed thus, "*Petition of town of ———,*" [stating concisely the subject matter thereof.]
4. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances from individuals, should be endorsed thus, "*Petition of ———, and others of the town of ———,*" [stating concisely the subject matter thereof.]
5. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances from corporations, should be endorsed thus, "*Petition of ———,*" [naming the corporation and stating concisely the subject matter thereof.]
6. The name of the member presenting petitions, memorials and remonstrances, should be endorsed on the back thereof, *near the bottom*, with the place of his residence.
7. The member presenting an *order*, should put his name thereto on the inside, at the bottom of the page, on the left, with the place of his residence.
8. Petitions, memorials and remonstrances on which *leave to withdraw* was ordered by a former legislature, cannot be recalled from the files with a view of being again referred. The *original*, however, may be taken from the files, and the subject presented *de novo*.
9. Bills and resolves *refused a passage, rejected or postponed indefinitely* by a former legislature, cannot be called from the files with a view of being considered by the present legislature.

10. The heading or caption of *bills* should be as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

An act ———

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

11. The caption of *resolves*, as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

[*Omitting* the year required in bills.]

Resolve ———

12. The caption of *orders*, as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, ———, 187 .

[or IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ———, 187 .

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13. All bills amended by statute, by striking out words from any section or independent clause thereof, or by adding or inserting other words and provisions, should recite the section or clause as it would read after being amended as proposed.



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	16	" N. Fessenden, aid to Fort Fairfield high school.
Fisheries.....	17	" E. H. Torrey and others, change of porgie law.
	18	" Nathan Warren and others, amendment of fish laws.
	19	" Joseph F. Gray and others, eels in Bagaduce river.
	20	" Robert R. Crosby and others, trout in Rangely outlet and other waters.
	21	" H. G. Mower, control of trout brook in Corinna.
	22	" Davis Bennett and others, time for taking smelts.
	23	" Thomas Clark and others, fish in Oxford and Lyman.
	24	" J. J. Emery and others, spawn lobsters, repeal of chapter 20, public laws of 1872.
	25	" B. B. Murray and others, fish in Webb's pond in Weld.

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	27	" Hiram Ricker and others, fish in Range and Tripp ponds in Poland.
	28	" J. H. Gould and others, fish in Mower's and other ponds.
	29	" Isaac C. Young and others, fishing in Madison pond.
Indian Affairs.....	30	" Gov. Neptune and others for appropriations.
	31	" Gov. Neptune and others, appropriation for agricultural purposes.
	32	" John Gabriel, to represent Passamaquoddy Tribe.
	33	" Sabates Powell and others, commutation of goods in money.
Interior Waters	34	" Albert Lewey and others, appropriations.
	35	" Josiah Hupper, wharf in Howard's Cove—(See Package No. Three, Ought not to Pass, No. 5.)
	36	" Joseph Williamson and others, Belfast Water Company.
Judiciary	37	" John H. Gray and others, S. J. Court, Washington county.
	38	" Alden Call and others, voters to pay tax.
	39	" Thomas M. Reed and others, sale of meeting-house at Phippsburg.
	40	" Amos Nourse, amendment of statutes.
	41	" H. O. Field and others, right to vote based on payment of taxes.
	42	On memorial of George M. Weston.
Legal Affairs	43	On petition of Israel Dean and others, litigants and lawyers.
	44	" C. H. Crossman and others, Letter E and Madrid.
	45	" E. M. Stillwell and others, moose and deer.
	46	" J. W. Porter, killing of deer.
	47	" town of Danforth, doings legalized.
	48	" Willard Carver and others, amendment of charter of Bangor.
	49	" Sidney Cook, highway taxes.
	50	" Isaac Hacker and others, S. J. Court, Aroostook county, at Lyndon.
	51	" W. H. Rhodes and others, Rockland Water Company, rates.
	52	" Isaac Wilder, fees, sheriff Washington Co.
	53	" Allen Lambard, taxation of widows.
	54	" citizens of Kennebunkport, voting without paying taxes.
	55	" D. A. Sewall and others, law relating to roads.
	56	" John Libbey and others, Attorney General and County Attorneys, as railroad directors.
	57	" John Robbins and others, shire town of Somerset county. (See No. 16, Indefinitely Postponed—Package No. Four.)
Merc. Affairs and Ins.	58	" Nathaniel French, chapter 49 revised statutes.
Military Affairs.....	59	" Thomas Plumadore, state bounty.
Pensions	60	" Benjamin Smith for pension.
	61	" Sophia Barker for pension.
Railroads.....	62	" inhabitants of Charleston, credit to Penobscot Central Railroad.
	63	" J. U. Hubbard and others, railroad, West Waterville to Augusta.

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Committee.	No.	
Somerset Co. Delega'n	64	On petition of Selectmen of Canaan, reduction of valuation.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	65	John Sterling, redress relating to land.
	66	C. T. Daniels, land, waiving settling duties.
	67	George B. Sprague, bridge across St. Croix river.
	68	George W. Rust for land.
	69	James C. Shaller and others, repair of roads.
	70	inhabitants of Van Buren, road to Violette settlement.
Ways and Bridges....	71	Enoch Hall, land, waiving settling duties.
	72	John G. Gove and others, narrow-rimmed wheels in Perry.
	73	S. G. Worcester and others, narrow-rimmed wheels in Columbia Falls.
	74	inhabitants of Columbia, chapter 95, special laws 1872.
	75	selectmen of Lyndon, aid to repair bridge.
	76	citizens of Charleston, choosing highway surveyors.
	77	citizens of Brewer, highway into tide waters.
	78	Henry Kelley and others, charter Fairfield Bridge Company.
Temperance	79	Theo. Wyman and others, road in Barnard.
	80	I. P. Stinson and others, Popham Lodge I. O. of G. T.
Towns	81	Henry T. Knowles and others, to be annexed to Moro plantation.
	82	H. Fifield, Belgrade, Readfield and Manchester, set off.
	83	inhabitants of Limington, territory reannexed from Limerick.

PACKAGE NUMBER TWO.

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Banks and Banking ..	1	On order relating to Thomaston Savings Bank, repeal of charter.
Commerce	2	On communication of A. Watson, relating to marine telegraph.
Cumberl'd Co. Delega'n	3	On order relating to salary of County Commissioners of Cumberland county.
Education.	4	increasing school mill tax and reducing per capita tax.
	5	the normal department of Maine Central Institute.
	6	duties of Superintendent of Common Schools.
Federal Relations	7	endowment of agricultural colleges.
	8	On memorial of National Board of Trade.
Financial Affairs.....	9	On order relating to revising and correcting State valuation.
Fisheries	10	the taking of lobsters, amending section 20, chapter 40 of the revised statutes.
Indian Affairs.....	11	legality of sale of land in Indian township.
	12	bell for chapel at Peter Denis point.
	13	paying salaries to white persons without consent of tribe.

Legislation Inexpedient, (Continued.)

Committee.	No.	
Insane Hospital.....	14	On order relating to damages for destruction of property by insane patients.
Judiciary	15	" " amending chapter 61, revised statutes, relating to the rights of married women.
	16	" " amending the law relating to State paupers.
	17	" " requiring counties to support the poor.
	18	" " allowing ministers to solemnize marriages.
	19	" " amending section 38, chapter 24, revised statutes.
	20	" " amending section 4 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes.
	21	" " appeals from joint boards of county commissioners.
	22	" " conferring police powers on railroad conductors.
	23	" " power of coroners to summon witnesses.
	24	" " division of partition fences.
	25	" " authorizing jailors and jail officers to administer oaths.
	26	" " uniform rates of railroad tariff.
	27	" " *playing base ball and foot ball in public streets.
	28	" " duties of supreme and superior court judges in charging juries.
	29	" " counting votes for registers of deeds and county treasurers.
	30	" " adding to voting lists on day of election.
	31	" " support of paupers by plantations.
	32	" " pauper settlement, eight years to acquire.
	33	" " authority of coroners to serve writs.
	34	" " boundaries of towns and cities on streams.
	35	" " compensation of witnesses unable to give bail.
	36	" " land injured by location of railroads.
	37	" " mechanics' liens.
	38	" " liability of towns for defective high-ways.
	39	" " sale of insolvent estates.
	40	" " misrepresentations in applications for life insurance policies.
	41	" " amending section 1 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage.
	42	On the petition of L. A. Wadsworth, relating to the public health of children.
Legal Affairs	43	On order relating to amending section 13 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of witnesses.
	44	" " misappropriating school money by towns.
	45	" " legal settlement of paupers.
	46	" " liens on animals.
	47	" " authorizing towns to pay for buildings destroyed by fire.
	48	" " return of justice actions.
	49	" " term of office of selectmen of towns.
	50	" " the assignment of wages.

Legislation Inexpedient, (Concluded.)

Committee.	No.	
Legal Affairs	51	On order relating to amending sections 4 and 6 of chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages.
	52	On order relating to licensing auctioneers.
	53	“ “ damages caused by the lodging of logs on the banks of streams.
	54	“ “ liens on logs and lumber in favor of laborers on the same.
	55	On communication relative to the power of trial justices in criminal cases.
	56	On order relating to deputy town and county treasurers.
Military Affairs	57	On report of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Bath.
Railroads	58	On order relating to safety of passengers on railroads.
Reform School	59	“ “ change in law so as to allow parents and guardians to commit boys to reform school in certain cases.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	60	“ “ amending section 28, chapter 5 of the revised statutes, relative to local land agents.
	61	“ “ lands escheated to the State.
	62	“ “ repair of a road in Frenchville.

PACKAGE NUMBER THREE.

Ought Not to Pass.

Claims	1	Resolve relative to the State tax of Van Buren plantation.
Federal Relations	2	Resolve in relation to the repeal of the bankrupt law.
Fisheries	3	An act to amend chapter 155 of the private and special laws of 1869, entitled “an act to authorize William Tabbut to construct a fish weir in the town of Addison.”
Interior Waters	4	An act to prevent fishing in Chase's pond
	5	“ to authorize Josiah Hupper to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Howard's Cove in St. George. (See No. 35, Leave to withdraw, PACKAGE No. ONE.)
	6	“ to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company.
Judiciary	7	“ in reference to the cancelling of mortgages and attachments of real estate.
	8	“ to establish the settlement of paupers.
	9	“ authorizing municipal aid in the establishment of manufactures and in the improvement of water powers in this State.
	10	“ to amend sections 55 and 56 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes.
	11	“ to amend chapters 51 and 52 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads and steam navigation.
	12	“ to change the law of divorce.
	13	“ to amend section 84 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, and for other purposes.
	14	“ to facilitate the redemption of mortgaged real estate.
	15	“ to amend sections 18 and 19 of chapter 83 of the revised statutes.
	16	“ to amend section 1 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to the going at large of dogs.
Legal Affairs	17	“ to amend sections 65, 66 and 67 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to the embezzlement of the property of deceased persons.
	18	“ to amend section 2, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriff's bond.

Ought Not to Pass, (Concluded.)

Committee.	No.	
Legal Affairs	19	An act to prevent trespasses on islands.
	20	" additional to chapter 93 of the revised statutes, relating to lands of deceased persons leaving no heirs.
	21	" to amend section 9 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes.
	22	" to amend section 47 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to highways.
Railroads	23	" amending an act authorizing any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes.
	24	" to extend the time for locating, building and completing the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad.
State Prison	25	Resolve authorizing the sale of land connected with the State Prison.
Temperance	26	An act to amend section 25, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of cider.
Towns	27	An act in addition to an act to provide for the preservation of the boundaries of ancient highways and additional to chapter 18 of the revised statutes.

PACKAGE NUMBER FOUR.

Indefinitely Postponed.

Agriculture.....	1	An act to amend an act entitled "an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," of the special laws of 1867.
Education	2	An act to amend chapter 11, section 59, of the revised statutes, relating to the pay of school committees.
Indian Affairs.....	3	Resolve for a revision of treaties with the Penobscot tribe of Indians.
Insane Hospital.....	4	Resolve in favor of chapel for the Insane Hospital.
Judiciary	5	An act to incorporate the Northern Company.
	6	" additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads, (House Doc. No. 70.)
	7	" respecting free ticket passengers on railroads, (House Doc. No. 59.)
	8	" to amend chapter 61 of the revised statutes, relating to suits by married women.
	9	" to incorporate Oriental Lodge No. 13 of Free and Accepted Masons.
	10	" concerning paupers, (Senate Doc. No. 36.)
	11	" to amend section 21 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways.
	12	Resolve in favor of the State Library.
	13	An act to amend chapter 116, section 8, of the revised statutes, relative to the service of venires.
	14	" to incorporate the officers and members of Casco Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Yarmouth.
Legal Affairs	15	" to amend chapter 44 of the public laws of 1872, entitled "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to lands in unincorporated townships"
	16	" to submit to the people of the county of Somerset the question of restoring the shire town of said county to Norridgewock.
	17	Resolve in favor of the Waldo county law library.
No Committee	18	An act to amend chapter 39 of the public laws of 1872, in relation to the salary of the Treasurer of State.

Indefinitely Postponed, (Concluded.)

Committee.	No.	
No Committee	19	Resolve in favor of James S. Hall, and B. F. Kelley.
	20	Resolve in favor of J. M. Herrick, Jared Fuller, D. F. Davis, William Spratt and George H. Smith.
	21	Order relating to reports of Committees in certain cases.

PACKAGE NUMBER FIVE.

Next Legislature.

Claims.....	1	Petition of Margaret Nedean for deed of land.
	2	" Victor Beauboncher.
Counties.....	3	" C. Black and others, Penobscot and Aroostook county, set off.
	4	" S. Hamilton and others, Deer Isle and Knox county, set off.
Education	5	An act to establish State uniformity of text-books.
	6	" increase the efficiency of the public schools.
Fisheries.....	7	Petition of municipal officers of Orland, relative to obstructions in Eastern river.
Interior Waters.....	8	" Henry M. Prentiss and others for an act to incorporate the East Branch Log Driving Company.
	9	" S. R. Chapman and others, refuse in east branch of Ellis river.
	10	" E. H. Tolman and others, edgings, etc., in Moose brook in Denmark.
	11	" Francis S. Gibson, slabs, etc., in mill pond in Perry.
	12	" Moses T. Cross, incorporation of Cambridge Dam Company.
Judiciary	13	An act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations.
Legal Affairs	14	Petition of selectmen of Deering, State valuation.
Military Affairs.....	15	Address of Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association.
Oxford Co. Delegation	16	Petition of selectmen of Hebron, change of valuation.
Railroads.....	17	Petition of William Pitcher and others, uniform rates of railroad fares.
	18	Report on memorial relating to connections between the Maine Central and Boston and Maine Railroads.
	19	An act concerning railroads.
	20	An act for the extension of the Georges Valley Railroad.
	21	Order relating to fares on European and North American Railroad.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	22	Petition of Jeanne M. Strickland for land.
	23	" P. Coburn, amendment of charter of Moosehead Lake Railroad Company.
Towns	24	" Samuel Kimball and others, plans for division of towns and votes by inhabitants.
	25	" Albert S. Bradley, China and Vassalborough, set off.
	26	An act to incorporate the town of Lakeville.
Washing'n Co. Deleg'n	27	An act to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Washington.
Ways and Bridges....	28	Petition of selectmen of Monticello and others, aid to repair road.
	29	An act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor Bridge, approved February 16, 1828.
No Committee	30	An act to amend chapter 136, section 8, of the revised statutes, relating to justices and judges of municipal and police courts.

Next Legislature, (Concluded.)

Committee.	No.	
No Committee	31	An act to amend chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to allowances.
	32	An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Railroad Company.
	33	Order relating to amending the city charter of Bangor, relating to the election of certain officers.
	34	Petition of John W. Brown, reimbursement for land.
	35	" Isaac Hanscome and others, uniform width of sleds on road, Milo to Katahdin Iron Works.
	36	" A. R. Phillips and others for an act to prevent the killing of deer.
	37	" J. P. Simpson and another, wharf in York river.
	38	" L. Maddocks and others, Atlantic Oil and Guano Company.
	39	" G. L. Witham and others, bridge, Boothbay and Southport.
	40	" L. Maddocks, Northern Steamboat Company.
	41	Remonstrance of L. B. Patten and others, toll of Mattanawcook Dam Company.
	42	Resolve in favor of the town of Clinton.

PACKAGE NUMBER SIX.

Lost by Adherence.

Agriculture.....	1	An act to amend chapter 30, section 5, of the revised statutes, in relation to bounty on wild animals.
Claims.....	2	Resolve in favor of Simon F. Walker.
Education.....	3	An act to secure the education of youth in the State of Maine.
Federal Relations....	4	An act to establish a board of harbor commissioners.
Judiciary	5	An act explanatory of section 83 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to actions on promissory notes.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	6	Resolve in favor of Jesse Drew.
Temperance	7	An act to promote temperance reform. Resolve to promote temperance reform.
Towns	8	An act to incorporate the town of Vanceborough.
No Committee	9	Resolve establishing the compensation of insurance commissioner.

Refused a Passage.

Agriculture.....	10	Resolve providing for a geological survey of the State.
Biennial Elections....	11	Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution, so as to provide for biennial elections, (Senate Doc. No. 33.)
Judiciary	12	Resolves providing for an amendment to the Constitution, conferring the right of suffrage on women, (House Doc. No. 47.)
	13	An act to amend chapter 115 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of members of the government.

PACKAGE NUMBER SEVEN.

On Senate Table when Legislature Adjourned.

Committee.	No.	
Legal Affairs	1	An act in relation to the fees of the judges of the police court of the city of Gardiner and of the municipal courts of the cities of Hallowell and Augusta.
No Committee.....	2	Communication from the Secretary of State, with list of resolves appropriating money, (Senate Doc. No. 47.)
	3	Order relating to taking papers from files of 1872.
	4	Order relating to final adjournment February 14, 1873.
	5	Order relating to repeal of charter of the Portland, Bath and Sea Shore Railroad Company.
	6	THE FOLLOWING OF PACKAGE NUMBER FIVE, FROM THE FILES OF 1872.
Banks and Banking ..	1.	An act to incorporate the Home Savings Institution.
Education.....	2.	An act to incorporate the Little Falls Savings Bank.
Insane Hospital.....	4.	Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.
Interior Waters.....	6.	An act defining the duties of the superintendent and steward of the Insane Hospital.
Legal Reform.....	7.	An act authorizing the Kennebec Land and Lumber Company to construct and maintain booms in the Kennebec river.
	10.	An act to amend sections 65, 66 and 67, chapter 64 revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons.
	12.	An act to amend section 6, chapter 51 revised statutes, relating to assessment of damages for locating high-ways and railroads.
Manufactures.....	13.	Petition of William Brown and others for bill to incorporate gas company in Bangor.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	14.	Petition of Remi Lizotte and others for title to lands.
No Committee.....	15.	An act exempting property used for educational purposes from taxation.
	16.	An act relating to demurrers in criminal cases.
	18.	Petition of D. W. Pierce and others for division of Orrington, and remonstrances against the same.

PACKAGE NUMBER EIGHT.

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1	Roll of Senators elect.
2	Report of Committee on Governor Votes.
3	“ “ Senatorial Votes.
4	“ “ Treasurer's Accounts.
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6	“ “ Printing and Binding.
7	“ “ Treasurer's bond.
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9	Report of Committee of Conference on the reference of certain bills and petitions.
10	Reports of Committees on election of officers of the Senate.
11	Communications, acceptances of State officers elect.
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15	Resignation of Senator C. L. Dunning.

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	17	Order, publication of Senate Register.
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	19	" in favor of George G. Leavens.
	20	Orders limiting legislation.
	21	" for printing certain documents.
	22	" miscellaneous, Nos. 1 to 33.
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