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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 3, 1874. }

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

ORDERED, That the Clerk publish the proceedings of the House.

Read and passed.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.

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AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, January 7, 1874. }

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 Sumner J. Chadbourne, Clerk of the House of 1873.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY 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 146 members responded to the call, and a quorum found to be present.

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

Messrs. Hatch of Bangor, Milliken of Portland, Cobb of Lewiston, Corthell of Calais, Boardman of Belfast, Kelloch of Thomaston, and Crosswell of Farmington, 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. Hatch subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duty assigned, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend upon the members elect for the purpose desired.

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

Mr. Hawkes of Manchester, having conscientious scruples against taking an oath, duly affirmed.

The Governor and Council then retired.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Messrs. Fessenden of Portland, Guptill of Gouldsboro', Snow of Hallowell, Wilson of Bangor, Campbell of Cherryfield, Lord of Saco, and Welt of Waldoboro', were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker of the House.

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

Whole number of votes.....	150
Necessary for a choice	76
William W. Thomas, Jr., had	113
James C. Talbot.....	37

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. W. W. Thomas, Jr., 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:—I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me in electing me to preside over your deliberations. I accept the position, confident that the same generosity which has called me to the Chair, will support me in the discharge of its duties ; and I pledge you my best endeavor to make the session of the Fifty-Third House of Representatives pleasant to its members and profitable to the Commonwealth.

It is a little more than half a century ago since the first Legislature of Maine met in the Court House at Portland. From that time until the great rebellion, Maine steadily increased in population and wealth. But the patriotism which helped save the nation, made desolate our homes, and checked the growth of our State.

All the signs of the times, however, indicate that Maine has rallied from this check, and is now entering upon a new era of progress. A stream of valuable immigration has begun to flow in

upon us ; the cliffs of our rock-bound State prove mines of wealth ; the trees felled in our wilderness again fill our harbors with a forest of masts ; and the colossal strength of our rivers no longer flows idly to the sea, but lashed to the wheel turns the spindles of industry.

At this time, that legislation is especially wise, which, by equal laws, distributes the burdens and blessings of government justly among all classes and sections ; thus harmonizing all interests, and opening broadly the way to prosperity and power, along which the good State of Maine is beginning once more to advance.

On motion of Mr. PRESSEY of Lewiston,

Messrs. Pressey of Lewiston, North of Augusta, Hamilton of Biddeford, Wilson of Bangor, Campbell of Cherryfield, Stuart of Deering, and Keegan of Madawaska, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk.

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

Whole number of votes.....	143
Necessary for a choice	72
Sumner J. Chadbourne had	106
George C. Wallace	36
Scattering	1

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. GIBBS of Glenburn,

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

Mr. PRESSEY, from the Committee, reported :

Whole number of votes.....	139
Necessary for a choice	70
Oramandal Smith had	104
John Varney.....	35

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

On motion of Mr. PRESSEY of Lewiston, 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. Pressey subsequently reported he had discharged the duty assigned him, and Sumner J. Chadbourne, Clerk, and Oramandal Smith, 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 1873.

On motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn,

Ordered, That J. B. Walker be Messenger, George G. Levens be Assistant Messenger, J. R. Prescott be 2d Assistant Messenger, and Charles H. Gatchell be Folder.

A message was received from the Senate through Mr. Rounds of Androscoggin, announcing the organization of that branch by the election of Hon. John E. Butler, President, and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., Secretary.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland, that gentleman conveyed a message to the Governor informing him of the organization of the House, by the election of Hon. William W. Thomas, Jr., Speaker, and Sumner J. Chadbourne, Clerk.

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

On motion of Mr. CARVILL of Brunswick,

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

Carl C. King and Thomas S. Elliot were appointed Pages.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden,

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

On motion of Mr. CARVILL of Brunswick,

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

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to furnish to each member, officer and chaplain of the House, one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal, and one other daily paper printed in the State, such as each member, officer or chaplain may elect.

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

Ordered, That the House hold one session each secular day, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., except on Saturdays, when it shall meet at 9 o'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,

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 the Holy Bible, and one copy of Cushing's Manual.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland, amended by adding the words, "and the same be returned to the Secretary of State at the close of the session."

The order as amended passed.

On motion of Mr. TABBUT of Addison,

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

The SPEAKER announced the Monitors of the House as follows :

1st Division	Leavitt of Eastport.
2d	"Lord of Saco.
3d	"Denison of Poland.
4th	"Gill of Alfred.
5th	"Pullen of Portland.
6th	"Croswell of Farmington.
7th	"Keith of New Gloucester.
8th	"Judd of Presque Isle.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting 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, Dyer of Franklin, Harmon of Washington, Holbrook of Cumberland, Carr of Sagadahoc, Foss of Piscataquis, and Cutler of Penobscot, appointed said Committee.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Woodman of Auburn, Powers of Houlton, Stuart of Deering, Fernald of Wilton, Guptill of Gouldsboro', Snow of Hallowell, Richards of Camden, Yates of Bristol, Foster of Newry, Wilson of Bangor, Scammon of Greenville, Reed of Bath, Connor of Fairfield, McGilvery of Searsport, Talbot of East Machias, and Carll of Kennebunkport, were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Paper from the Senate.

Ordered, That the House concurring, the Joint Rules and Orders of 1873 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.

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.....	80,953
Necessary for a choice.....	40,477
Nelson Dingley, Jr., had.....	45,244
Nelson Dingley	510
Joseph Titcomb.....	32,924
Joseph H. Williams.....	2,160
Scattering	115

And Nelson Dingley, Jr., 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. Nelson Dingley, Jr., 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. Arnold of Aroostook, Rounds of Androscoggin, and Holbrook of Cumberland, appointed said Committee on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Williams of Augusta, Talbot of East Machias, Cobb of Lewiston, Files of Gorham, Fernald of Wilton, Kellogg of Thomaston, and Keegan of Madawaska, were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. WILLIAMS 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 11 o'clock A. M., in the Hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., 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.

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Cumberland,

That Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., Governor elect, informing him that the two branches of the Legislature were in Convention assembled in the Repre-

sentatives' 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. Holbrook 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. Nelson Dingley, Jr., Governor elect, attended by Governor Perham, 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 Nelson Dingley, Jr., and that he is duly elected, and he having in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of that office, I therefore declare and make known to all persons in this State who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all good citizens thereof, that NELSON DINGLEY, Jr., 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:

In entering upon the discharge of the duties to which we have been respectively called by our fellow-citizens, it is fitting that we should recognize our dependence upon that Being who is over all and above all. We have cause of devout gratitude for the Divine favor which has been shown towards the State and nation during the year which has just closed. In no period of the history of

either, has our advance in population, material prosperity and other conditions of true greatness, been more conspicuous. We may well congratulate ourselves that so marked progress has been made in healing the wounds of the terrible struggle for national existence, and in re-uniting all sections of our beloved country in a common devotion to a Republic preserved from enemies without and within, redeemed from the curse of slavery, and consecrated to the grand work of maintaining the equal rights of every citizen.

NECESSITY FOR ECONOMY.

The financial panic which so recently threatened to cause serious derangement to the business of the country, has not been without its influence for good. It has given new emphasis to the great economic law, that the savings rather than the incomes of a people, are the measure of their material prosperity. The careful observer of the tendencies to extravagance so noticeable everywhere, can but recognize the truth that *economy* is the one word which needs to be spoken and put in practice in private as well as public circles. Fortunately the wave of extravagance has not been felt in this part of the country with so much force as elsewhere. Although the public affairs of the State have been managed with such exceptional prudence and integrity, that the opportunities for retrenchment are few ; yet you will undoubtedly consider it an imperative duty at this time to study the closest economy, and to confine your appropriations within as narrow limits as is consistent with the public welfare. In wisely prescribing the extent of public expenditures, and in determining such cases of compensation of public officers as may arise, you cannot fail to recognize principles which are at once the safety and glory of a popular government,—that frugality and simplicity are essential characteristics of free institutions ; and that official positions should be sought less for the salaries attached to them, than for the satisfaction and honor which come from faithful public service. In every endeavor to maintain and promote the highest efficiency, economy and integrity in all the departments of the State government, you will have my earnest co-operation.

THE STATE FINANCES.

The report of the State Treasurer shows that the receipts of the State Treasury during the year ending Dec. 31, 1873, including

\$379,762.08 on hand December 31, 1872, were \$1,798,884.45, and the expenditures during the same period, \$1,362,453.77, leaving a balance of \$436,430.68 in the the treasury at the close of the year, most of which will be needed to meet obligations of the State that will mature at an early date. Of the receipt, \$131,293 was the tax on savings banks, \$3,666 interest on deposits, \$2,180 duty on commissions, \$1,111 balance paid into the State Treasury by the Insurance Commissioner, \$986 license fees from hawkers and peddlers, and nearly all the remainder, reaching about a million and a quarter dollars, was from direct taxation. Of the expenditures, \$430,566 was on account of interest, and \$214,708 on account of sinking fund and principal of public debt, and about \$40,000 for pensions of soldiers and aid to soldiers' orphans; making a direct expenditure of about \$685,274 arising from the late war. The sum of \$374,978 was also paid from the State Treasury to towns for common school purposes, and reduced municipal taxation to that extent. This left about \$300,000 as the expenditures for general State purposes.

THE STATE TAX.

That portion of the public debt which came due in 1873, and was presented to the Treasury, amounting to \$49,000, has been paid; and the sinking fund for the redemption of the debt as it shall become due, has been increased during the year to \$1,255,746. After deducting the sinking fund, the State debt on the 1st of January, 1874, was \$5,882,654,—a reduction of \$284,499 during the past year, and of \$2,366,746, or more than one-fourth, since the close of the war. At the present rate of accumulation of the sinking fund, the State debt will be met as it matures, and entirely extinguished in 1889. As the sinking fund, invested in United States and State securities, is already over a million and a quarter dollars, and is constantly increasing, I suggest whether some additional provision for its oversight and security would not be advisable.

SOURCES OF TAXATION.

It will be observed that up to the present time, almost the only resource of the State to meet both ordinary and extraordinary expenditures, has been direct taxation. The State tax last year was five mills on the dollar, but it is the judgment of the Treasurer

that the tax may be reduced the present year to four and a half mills, provided the legislature shall make no unusual appropriations. I most earnestly urge, however, that you should consider whether it is not advisable to devise some method other than direct taxation to secure a part of the revenue required for State expenditures; so that the rate of taxation may be still further reduced. Pennsylvania finds no difficulty in securing sufficient receipts from indirect taxation to support the State government. A large share of the State expenditures of Massachusetts is met by the proceeds of a State tax upon the valuation of the corporate stock of railroad and other corporations, over and above municipal taxation for real estate and machinery; and upon the business of fire and life insurance companies. Without indicating more in detail what sources of revenue may be made available to this State, I desire to call your attention to the subject, and to suggest a careful inquiry and investigation, with a view of devising methods of lifting some portion of the burden of taxation from real estate. Such a policy would give needed encouragement to our agricultural interests, and promote the development of the resources of the State.

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

Although the object sought in establishing a Department of Insurance, was simply to secure such a supervision of the business of insurance as would protect the public interests, yet the fees received for licenses have not only paid the salary and expenses of the Commissioner, but also yielded to the State a revenue of about eleven hundred dollars for the year ending July 1, 1873. The indications thus far are that the revenue of the present year will be as much. The Department has conferred great benefits upon the public by preventing many doubtful companies from doing business in the State, and supplying needed information on insurance topics by means of its annual reports.

STATE INSTITUTIONS.

The reports of the Inspectors of the State Prison and Trustees of the Reform School, which will be promptly laid before you, contain information and suggestions of much importance. The report of the Trustees of the Insane Asylum has not yet reached me. For the highest success of these important State institutions,

it is important that, through your several committees intrusted with their interests, you should make your oversight of them not simply a brief, formal visitation, but a thorough and careful annual inspection and investigation, in the early part of the session, when at least a portion of the members of each committee could give the time necessary for this work. Thus you would bring the people into closer relations with these institutions, remove abuses, if any had grown up, disarm criticism, and inspire that generous confidence on which their success so largely depends.

THE STATE PRISON.

According to the report of the Inspectors, the earnings of the convicts have defrayed the expenses of carrying on the State Prison during the year ending November 30, 1873, and yielded to the State a net profit of \$6,544.98, which has been added to the working capital of the institution. The salaries of the Warden and Inspectors, amounting the past year to \$4,460.35, are paid from the State Treasury, in accordance with the system which has always obtained in making up the prison accounts. Deducting this amount, and there still remains a balance of \$2,084.63 in favor of the State, after paying all the expenditures of supporting the prison, including salaries of Warden and Inspectors, the cost of transportation of prisoners from the several jails, and payments to convicts when discharged. Should this favorable financial condition of the institution continue, the State will be relieved of all expenditures on prison account, except so far as may be necessary to keep the buildings in safe condition, and provide for possible losses by fire. The recent increase of prison accommodations by the erection of a new wing, supplies all the demands which will be made in this direction for years.

The Inspectors report that the value of the tools, stock on hand and balance of debts due the prison on the 30th of November last, was \$125,197.03. A few days after, one of the workshops was unfortunately burned, involving a loss of the building, valued at about \$6,000, and also of stock and tools valued at \$17,000. This loss reduces the value of the tools, stock, &c., to about \$108,000; but it is thought that the operations of the prison can be carried on as usual without any appropriation to supply this part of the loss. A new fire-proof workshop will, however, be required another summer, whether the labor of the prisoners is disposed

of to contractors, or employed on account of the State. For the erection of such a building as shall be well adapted to the wants of the prison, the Inspectors recommend an appropriation of \$12,000.

With the exception of a period of six or eight years, the State has always employed the labor of the convicts in manufacturing operations on its own account, on the assumption that such a course was preferable on grounds of economy as well as discipline. Inasmuch as it is thought by some that it would be more equitable to the public, and more advantageous to the State, to dispose of the labor of the convicts to contractors, I would suggest that your committee on that institution investigate the subject, and give a hearing to all persons interested in this or any other matter connected with the management of the prison.

REFORM SCHOOL.

The Trustees of the Reform School give expression to a judgment forced upon them by observation and experience, and in harmony with the advice of officers of similar institutions in other States, that a large part of the benefits which might be expected from that school, are lost in consequence of so faulty an arrangement of the interior of the building as to make it impossible to properly separate the different grades of boys. As it is now, there must be an enforced association of boys who are committed for truancy or some petty misdemeanor which by no means argues more than want of parental care, with youth who are to a great extent depraved; as well as an indiscriminate herding of all classes of crime. Under such circumstances, any methods of reform must be largely counterbalanced by bad influences. The Trustees ask for an appropriation of \$20,000 to make the changes in the building required in order to overcome the insuperable difficulties suggested, and are thoroughly convinced that unless this can be done the institution must continue shorn of a large part of its power for good. I am so profoundly convinced of the correctness of this view, that I trust you will give the recommendations of the Trustees that favorable consideration which they so well deserve.

INSANE HOSPITAL.

The report of the Trustees of the Insane Hospital, which has been delayed for a thorough examination of the accounts of the late

Treasurer of the institution, will be laid before the Legislature as soon as it is placed in my hands.

The report of the Superintendent shows a steady increase of the number of the patients, and gives evidence of a successful discharge of the duties resting on him. I am informed that a proposition will be made to you to so amend the laws relating to the Hospital, as to place the patients more completely under the protection of the laws. This suggestion is not made on account of any existing necessity in this State, but in pursuance of a general movement designed to reach all similar institutions in this country.

The report of the Commissioners of a proposed new Insane Hospital, appointed by virtue of a resolve of the last Legislature, will be found of such importance as to claim your considerate attention. Two members of the commission report in favor of erecting, on the present Hospital grounds in Augusta, a new Hospital, to accommodate one hundred patients, at an estimated cost of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. One member reports in favor of the erection, on the Hospital grounds, of two or three cottages at first, and subsequently others as they may be needed, to severally accommodate about twenty patients, at an estimated cost of about five thousand dollars each. The present Hospital building is over-crowded, and additional accommodations are already required.

STATE CHARITIES.

During the past year the State has expended about fourteen thousand dollars in educating fifty-five deaf and dumb and eleven blind beneficiaries. The cost of supporting insane State paupers has reached the large sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, and of paupers in unincorporated places six thousand dollars. It is more than probable that an amendment of the law relating to these charities is expedient.

THE INDIAN TRIBES.

In accordance with treaty stipulations and the provisions of existing laws, more than twelve thousand dollars have been expended in aid of the remnants of the two Indian tribes still living within the State, about \$8,700 of which has been devoted to the Penobscot tribe, and \$3,700 to the Passamaquoddy tribe. Of the amount devoted to the Penobscots, however, about \$5,000 was

the interest on the fund belonging to the tribe held in trust by the State. By direction of an act of the last Legislature, the proceeds of certain shore rents amounting to over \$5,000, are to be distributed among the members of the tribe. As probably some heads of families entitled to receive a large sum, would make an improper use of the same, it is possible that the law may need some amendment to give a larger discretion in the disposition of the fund.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

I regret that the late financial disturbances have as yet prevented the Trustees of the Maine Industrial School for Girls, from securing the twenty-five thousand dollars required through private subscriptions, before they could avail themselves of the five thousand dollars conditionally granted by the State to aid in the establishment and maintenance of the proposed institution. The School has been located in Hallowell, in consideration of liberal donations from two benevolent ladies of that city; and it is intended to put it in operation as soon as the balance of the private contributions required can be secured. It is to be hoped that measures to that end will be successful at an early day, so that the State may be provided with a school so much needed for a class of girls leading an idle, vagrant or vicious life, or in great danger of falling into habits of vice or immorality. To secure such a school the State may wisely extend liberal assistance.

EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS.

The report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, which will be laid before you at an early day, presents an encouraging view of the condition and prospects of the educational interests of the State. The increase in school money arising from the State mill-tax and the tax on Savings Banks; the improvement in methods of teaching, growing largely out of the work of our Normal Schools; and the already marked influence of the Free High School System adopted by the last Legislature; have materially improved the character and efficiency of our public schools, and aroused a new interest in the cause of education.

FREE HIGH SCHOOLS.

The Free High School system, especially, although in practical operation but little more than half of the past year, has already

achieved so great success as to surpass the utmost expectations of its warmest friends, and to promise, within a reasonable time, results that can but satisfy all of the wisdom of the policy. The official reports which have been received by the Department of Education, show that 150 Free High Schools, in 133 different cities, towns and plantations, representing every county in the State, have been maintained from one to three terms each, since the first of March last; and that these schools have been supported by municipal appropriations to the amount of \$83,523, and State aid to the amount of \$29,134. In these schools 10,286 pupils have received instruction in those branches usually taught in the common schools, excluding primary studies, and also in such other directions as are demanded by the increasing industrial and business wants of the times. It is especially note-worthy that a large portion of the youth of both sexes reached by these schools, are those who had already withdrawn from the common school with a deficient education; or whom poverty or other circumstances had prevented from leaving their homes to obtain better opportunities for education than those afforded by the short winter term of their district school. Many youth, who will hereafter make most valuable teachers of our common schools, are receiving, in the Free High School, that broader and deeper culture so essential to prepare them for this high work. The influence on the common schools of such pupils as have attended the Free High School, is already proving in the highest degree beneficial. So far as I am informed, in most of the towns in which such school has been held, a new interest has been awakened in the cause of education.

It was feared by some that the system would be impracticable for small or sparsely settled towns; but some of the most successful Free High Schools maintained during the autumn, have been in just such localities. In one case, at least, a sparsely settled plantation has maintained a most flourishing school for eleven weeks, by a municipal appropriation of \$75, increased by an equal amount from the State. Indeed, thus far the most complete success of the Free High School system has been in exclusively farming towns, where this adjunct of the common school system is affording such facilities for education as can but serve to increase the attractions of that rural life which is the source of our national strength and purity. With a continuance of the system,

there can be scarcely a doubt that within a brief period these schools will be established in most of the towns of the State; and will give such an impetus to our educational interests as nothing else could.

EDUCATIONAL EXPENDITURES.

The aggregate expenditure for the public schools of the State during the past school year, has been \$1,000,596, exclusive of the amount expended for school buildings, and Free High Schools. Of this sum, towns have directly contributed \$625,618, and the State \$374,978. If to this sum should be added the annual expenditures for school buildings, Free High Schools, Normal Schools, and College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, and the public and private expenditures for those Academies, Seminaries and higher institutions of learning which supplement our educational system and confer such lasting benefits on the State, there can be little doubt that the amount would reach a million and a half dollars. So large an annual expenditure on the part of the people, is a conclusive answer to the suggestion that the people are losing their interest in our free schools. To our credit as a State, let it be said, never before was there so general interest in education; never before so almost universal willingness to make the largest sacrifices, in order that our children may have the inestimable blessings of intellectual culture. All that the people of Maine ask is to be assured that their contributions for so grand an end, are prudently and wisely expended. To my mind, indeed, it seems clear that the work on which our educators may at present well unite their earnest efforts, is not so much to secure larger school revenues—although these are essential in some localities—as to devise methods by which better results may be obtained from the means at our disposal. By this it should not be inferred that there is not the closest economy in school expenditures. For the most part, there is this; and yet that policy which loses sight of the fact that a good teacher is cheap at any price, and a poor instructor dear even if his services are gratuitous, is not true economy, but waste.

NORMAL SCHOOLS.

It is in this direction that our two Normal Schools are conferring lasting benefits upon the public schools of this State. Recognizing the truth that the highest success as a teacher requires not

only natural aptitude, but also, like other professions, special preparation and training, the State has wisely established and maintains these institutions as a part of its educational system. Probably no money expended in educational directions, yields larger returns. The teachers who go forth from Farmington and Castine, not only impress themselves on the schools over which they are called to preside, but also make their influence felt for good over many other instructors with whom they come in contact. No one who has watched the progress of our common schools for the past decade, can have failed to discover a striking improvement in methods of instruction, coming largely from the influence of our Normal Schools. Whatever appropriations are required to maintain their high standard and excellence, and increase their means of usefulness, should be made; and made, too, in the interest of the wisest economy. It should not be forgotten that a special necessity for increasing the efficiency of our common school system, has arisen from the fact that the intense activity pervading modern American life, is seriously abridging the time within which our public schools must do their work, by withdrawing our youth from them at least five years earlier than formerly; while at the same time it is necessitating a broader culture.

SCHOOL SUPERVISION.

Next to skilful instruction, nothing is more essential to the highest efficiency of our public schools, than careful, intelligent and well-sustained inspection and supervision. Excellent as is the work of most of our school committees, yet it is not to be expected that men engaged in other pursuits, can spare the time requisite to keep abreast of the progressive educational movements of the times, and thus be able to suggest improvements in the work of the teachers under their charge, and inspire in them that professional pride and ambition which is so essential to success. As it is physically impossible for the State Superintendent to personally and effectively reach the several towns and town committees, sooner or later it will be found necessary to establish some form of intermediate supervision, through which the State Superintendent may impress on them the results of his observation and experience, and secure a uniform system that will cover the examination and certification of teachers, as well as the

most effective inspection of schools. In view of the fact that time and means will be required to perfect and extend the Free High School system, so that its advantages may be felt by every town, I do not recommend that any legislative steps be taken at present to secure a more effective inspection of the common schools, but trust that the subject may continue to receive that public consideration which its importance may demand.

THE DISTRICT SYSTEM.

While it is generally conceded by the most experienced educators that the district system is in the way of the highest efficiency in the public schools; yet, in view of the strong hold which it has on the public mind, it would be unwise for legislation to go further at present than it has already gone in simply authorizing towns to abolish the system and manage the schools as a unit. Many towns have already done this, and in every case with satisfactory results. By this change better teachers have been secured, the smaller districts have had the same length of school as the more densely populated village centres, less difficulties have been encountered, and more effective inspection had. For the present, however, these are considerations that must be addressed to the citizens of the several towns, rather than to the law-makers.

OBLIGATORY ATTENDANCE.

Notwithstanding the large expenditures to maintain free schools in sufficient number to secure to every child such elementary education and training as all alike will need for the common duties and the ordinary pursuits of life, yet the last census makes the startling announcement that there are 13,486 persons in this State, above ten years of age, who cannot read or write. Our State pride may be somewhat satisfied by the consideration that a large portion of this army of illiterates are immigrants; yet we cannot lose sight of the fact that they and their children are now a part of our people, and that their education into American ideas and duties, has become doubly essential. But the evils of truancy and absenteeism from our common schools are by no means confined to the children of foreign born parents. Poverty may have something to do with the development of these dangerous evils, and thoughtlessness and avarice more; but both of these causes

united have not had half so much to do with it as intemperance and immorality. It must be confessed that such is the indifference of the public mind, or its aversion to interference with what is popularly thought to be the right of parents to control their own children, the experience of other States with obligatory statutes, has by no means been encouraging. Even the Factory Act in this State, which requires certain attendance at school of children who work in manufacturing establishments, is a dead letter.

Compulsory laws, with a strong central government to enforce them, as in Prussia, have produced excellent results, but in this country, where the execution of the laws depends so much on public opinion, there must be a more earnest and general public discussion of the subject, before we shall reap much benefit from such legislation. The right of the State to have every child educated sufficiently to intelligently discharge his duties as a citizen, and shield him against the dangers of ignorance, is necessary to his own safety. The child has a right to such an education. The parent, indeed, has rights, but he has duties also; and the enforcement of the duties which every parent owes his child, cannot be an invasion of his rights. Defensible, and even important as is a legal enforcement of the parent's duty to educate his child, yet such a statute can press only as a complement to sound views, wrought into the popular mind and heart. The most important work in this direction at present must be done by earnest personal appeals to parents, and by making the school-room attractive to the child.

No subject claiming your attention as legislators, demands more thoughtful and earnest consideration than that of our public schools. A free government like ours can exist only where the people are educated; and there can be no general education without an effective common school system. To impair the efficiency, or sap the foundations of this system, is to strike at the life of the State and the Nation. More than this, it is to overthrow an institution which is doing so much to improve social life, promote private virtue, comfort and thrift, and secure general prosperity.

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS.

The reports of the Trustees, President and Treasurer of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, present unmistakable evidence of the prosperity and progress of this institution. Only

five years have elapsed since the college opened with twelve students; and now one hundred names appear on the roll of undergraduates—an increase of twenty-nine since the last report. The friends of this institution have thus far been disappointed in the reasonable expectation that private donations would go far to provide the means necessary for the erection of suitable buildings. This would have left the State mainly to make such appropriations as might have been needed to supplement the annual income of the national endowment, (which is but little more than \$8,000,) and maintain the institution in the highest degree of efficiency. Notwithstanding the State has already made large appropriations for building purposes, as well as smaller sums to meet the annual deficiencies, yet the college is still greatly in need of additional means in the same directions. It is to be hoped that an institution so well calculated “to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions of life,” will receive that popular sympathy and support which it so well deserves.

THE LAND DEPARTMENT.

The Land Agent reports that the affairs of his office are being so rapidly closed up, that, within two years, at least, such considerable State interests as remain may be transferred to the care of the Secretary of State and State Treasurer, and the once important land department of the State government be discontinued. This will necessitate legislation authorizing the Land Agent to select and reserve such portion of the 114,000 acres set apart for settlement as may be suitable for that purpose, and to sell the remainder; and also to dispose of the 82,880 acres of school land, and the timber on the ten townships reserved in the grant to the European and North American Railroad. This railroad grant included not far from 700,000 acres, valued at more than \$300,000, and is nearly all still held by the road, although mortgaged to secure the payment of their bonds. It is of the highest importance to the State, that so much of these lands as well as of other immense tracks of land within the State now held by proprietors, as is suitable for settlement, should be placed within the reach of settlers on the most favorable terms. It is too late now to correct the wasteful policy under which the magnificent domain which the State possessed a half a century since, has disappeared,

yet much may be done to remedy evils that arise from the locking up of large tracts of settling lands which would otherwise be improved.

Decisions favorable to the State have been had in two of the cases where the European and North American Railroad made certain claims on the State; but the most important case, involving a claim on the part of that corporation to nearly all the remaining lands held by the State, although argued last July, is still held by the court for advisement. Your attention is called to several important recommendations made by the Land Agent, and particularly to the importance of taking measures to "quiet" certain claims of settlers which arose from the settlement of our northeastern boundary.

SWEDISH IMMIGRATION.

The report of the Commissioner of Immigration presents a detailed account of the inception and progress of the enterprise of founding a Swedish colony in Aroostook; and announces that in September last all State aid to the Swedes ceased, and that the colony of 600 persons is now self-sustaining. The colony owes the State a balance of \$16,292.16, on supplies, advanced to them, which is to be paid in work on highways as wanted. There are at present no American citizens and consequently no municipal organization in New Sweden, and can be none for two years, at the expiration of which time a hundred and thirty-three Swedes who have already taken the necessary preliminary steps, will become American citizens. The Commissioner is confident that the colony will not only prosper, but also that it will attract a still larger immigration from Sweden; and the results fully justify the State expenditure now closed. He recommends that the care of the public property in New Sweden, as well as of the road labor due the State, be transferred to the Land Agent; and that the act establishing the office of Commissioner of Immigration, be repealed.

THE FISHERY COMMISSION.

The annual report of the Commissioners of Fisheries gives an interesting account of the progress of their work, in connection with that of United States Commissioner Baird, in introducing and disseminating valuable species of fish into the streams and

lakes of this State. The experiment of re-stocking our fresh waters with salmon, shad and alewives, has so far progressed, and the difficulties in the way have been so far obviated by the construction of fishways over dams and the removal of other obstacles, that the Commissioners speak with entire confidence of the complete success of this important movement to restore to our lakes and streams their former abundance of food fishes. In a very short time now the practical results of these efforts will be patent to all, and if these shall come near the confident expectation of those who have the best means of information on this subject, we may regard the small investment of the State in this direction as peculiarly fortunate and wise. The recommendations of the Commissioners should receive the attention they so well deserve.

THE LAW DEPARTMENT.

The report of the Attorney General gives a detailed statement of the extent of the labors of this officer, as well as of the several County Attorneys, in enforcing the laws of the State against crime. The suggestions contained in his report should receive due consideration.

THE LAWS TO PUNISH MURDER.

In view of criticisms which have found expression, not only in public journals, but even in courts of justice, I should fail to discharge the duty imposed upon me, if I did not direct your attention to the anomalous provisions of our statutes for the punishment of the crime of murder in the first degree, since the legislation of 1869. In contravention of well-settled principles of government, this statute fails to preserve the wise distribution of powers contemplated by the framers of the constitution, in that it imposes upon the executive department the duties and responsibilities of a court of review—a function clearly judicial rather than executive.

By this statute it is made the imperative duty of the governor and council to carefully review the evidence and proceedings in every case; and then to decide whether the sentence of the court imposing the punishment provided by law, shall stand, or another penalty be substituted. Practically, the determination of this extraordinary court of review—in which each member is a law unto himself,—is controlled by a majority of the council; for a

sense of the impropriety of one and the same person acting both as judge and executioner, has in every case that has arisen under the law, restrained the executive from assuming the grave responsibility of over-riding the action of the council when that body has voted in favor of commutation. When the council have voted otherwise, as they have done in only a single case since the enactment of the statute of 1869, the executive has issued his warrant, as then clearly required by law.

It will be observed that the statute requirement to which your attention is called, is additional to, and even inconsistent with the design of the pardoning power conferred upon the executive by the constitution. The latter is a constitutional prerogative, designed not as an ordinary provision for revising the proceedings of the courts, but simply as an exceptional resort in extraordinary cases, over which it was intended that neither the legislative nor judicial department should have control, and for the exercise of which the executive department should be solely responsible. But the former is a statute duly imposed upon the executive department, requiring a "review" of every case, and almost inviting the exercise of the pardoning power as if the legislature contemplated that modification of sentence should be the rule instead of the exception. As the constitution makes ample provision for any exigency demanding the intervention of the pardoning power, it seems to me eminently desirable that our statutes should establish such a penalty for the crime of murder as the law-making power expects to have uniformly executed. To incorporate in them a provision looking to the modification after conviction and sentence of the penalty provided, is not only to create in the administrators of the law more than a suspicion that the punishment nominally established was not designed to be executed; but also to deprive the law of that wholesome influence over the evil-disposed, which comes from the conviction that no one adjudged guilty can avoid the uniform and impartial enforcement of whatever penalty the legislature may under all the circumstances consider best calculated to protect society.

PREVENTION OF CRIME.

It is cheaper and more effective and beneficent to prevent crime by removing its causes, than to allow these to ripen into criminal acts which require punishment. A large part of this work of

prevention is within the sphere of personal moral effort ; yet that important portion which consists in removing the hindrances to right conduct, and repressing the temptations to vice interposed by men in their relations as citizens, comes confessedly within the domain of law. Indeed, no government fulfils its mission which forgets that the State can in this way do much to make it easy to do right and difficult to do wrong. So large a proportion of pauperism and crime arises from intemperance, of which the dram shop is the prolific cause, that all citizens who have regard for the public safety and welfare, as well as the highest court of the nation, unite in affirming the principle that the liquor traffic is a source of grave peril to society, against which it is the right and duty of the State to protect itself by such enactments as the legislative authority shall consider best calculated to that end.

On this well settled principle has rested all the legislation ever had in restraint of the liquor traffic, whether involving the principle of license or of prohibition. For more than two hundred years, first in the parent Province and Commonwealth, and subsequently in the State of Maine, a thorough trial was had of the license system, in every form that could be devised. This experience led to so wide spread a conviction that any system of licensing dram shops is nearly powerless to repress the temptations which promote intemperance, that in 1851 this State adopted the policy of prohibiting drinking houses and tippling shops altogether, and of authorizing the sale of intoxicating liquors only for medicinal and mechanical purposes, by agents appointed for that purpose. This system has had a trial of only twenty-two years ; yet its success, in this brief period, has on the whole been so much greater than that of any other plan yet devised, that prohibition may be said to be accepted by a large majority of the people as the proper policy of this State towards drinking houses and tippling shops ; and to be acquiesced in to a great extent by others, as an experiment which should have as thorough a trial as other systems that preceded it. By dealing in this spirit with a question affecting so momentous interests, there will ultimately be substantial agreement among all good citizens on such a policy as experience shall have shown to be most effective in repressing the evils of the liquor traffic. To this end, such an investigation into the effects of the traffic, and the results of legislation to suppress or restrain the same, as is contemplated by a proposition introduced into

Congress by one of the Representatives from this State, could not fail to be in the highest degree beneficial.

It would be unwise for any one to claim that prohibition has entirely suppressed or can entirely suppress the dram shop. That is no more possible than it is for human enactments to entirely prevent theft, robbery, arson, or even murder. Indeed, any effective enactments against practices which are exceptionally profitable, and at the same time pander to men's appetites and passions, are peculiarly difficult of thorough enforcement, as has always been found the case with statutes prohibiting gambling saloons and houses of ill-fame, as well as drinking houses and tippling shops. The true test of the merits of such legislation, of whatever character, is not whether it entirely uproots the evils prohibited; but whether on the whole it does not repress them as effectually as any system that can be devised.

Where our prohibitory laws have been well enforced, few will deny that they have accomplished great good. In more than three-fourths of the State, especially in the rural portions, where forty years since intoxicating liquors were as freely and commonly sold as any article of merchandise, public sentiment has secured such an enforcement of these laws, that there are now in these districts few open bars; and even secret sales are so much reduced as to make drunkenness in the rural towns comparatively rare. The exceptions to this state of things are mainly in some of the cities and larger villages, where public sentiment on this question is usually not so well sustained as in towns more remote from the tide of immigration. But even in these places our prohibitory legislation has always been enforced to some extent, and not infrequently with much thoroughness; and has never been without that important influence for good which all laws in moral directions exert. Constant, uniform and impartial enforcement, to the highest practicable standard, is required in any municipality, in order to obtain the full benefit of any system of legislation in restraint of the liquor traffic. Under our system of government, where the public sentiment of municipalities even will have great influence in controlling the measure of enforcement of this as well as other laws, the only permanent remedy for any laxity in this direction in exceptional localities, ultimately lies in such a quickening of public opinion as will either give new energy and purpose to local officers in power, or will secure the election of other men

in their places. For it should be remembered that local officers are primarily required to enforce the laws against drinking houses and tippling-shops, and can do this work, if they will, much more satisfactorily and effectively than any others.

In addition to the duties thus imposed on local officers, the act of 1872, and the Executive orders issued in compliance therewith, make it the duty of sheriffs to inquire into all violations of these and other laws of the State, within their respective counties, and to institute legal proceedings against such violations. The act also imposes upon County Attorneys the duty of directing inquiries before the grand jury into such violations, and of prosecuting persons indicted and securing the prompt sentence of such as shall be convicted. If either of these officers shall wilfully refuse or neglect to discharge the duties imposed upon him, evidence of the specific instances of such refusal or neglect, as contemplated by the act and the constitution, may be presented to the Executive, and if he is satisfied that the charges are sustained, it will be his duty to bring such fact to the attention of the Legislature at the earliest practical day, whereupon that body may request the removal of the delinquent officer.

While such a remedy as this is provided for exceptional cases of delinquency, yet it will rarely be found that any of these officers will wilfully refuse or neglect to do his duty, where he is made to feel that the public sentiment will sustain him. Where this sentiment is not strong enough in a county either to urge existing officers to a faithful discharge of their duty, or, in case of their neglect, to secure the election of men who will do their duty, the ultimate remedy must be sought, under our system, through such instrumentalities as will arouse and elevate public opinion.

Valuable and indispensable as is the prohibitory system of legislation for the repression of drinking houses and tippling-shops, whose fruits are drunkenness, ignorance, brutality, waste, pauperism, crime, impaired health, shattered intellect, premature decay and untimely death, it should not be forgotten that the efficiency of law, as well as the power of those moral instrumentalities which law only supplements, depends on the constancy and energy with which labors are directed to maintain a high standard of public sentiment on this question. In so glorious a moral work as this, every good citizen should unite his sympathies and efforts.

THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The reports of the Adjutant General, and of Major General Chamberlain as Commander of the First Division of Maine Militia, furnish full information as to the condition of the Military Department of the State; and their recommendations and suggestions are commended to your favorable consideration. There are ten companies of infantry and one of artillery, uniformed as well as equipped by the State; and two additional companies of infantry armed and equipped by the State, but uniformed at their own expense. The expense of uniforming these companies was about eleven thousand dollars; the expense of the encampment, held near Portland in the month of August, about six thousand dollars; and other incidental expenses of the department about two thousand dollars. Probably the annual expense of supporting the existing military establishment, with an encampment, would not hereafter exceed nine thousand dollars. The State could hardly meet the reasonable expectations of the national government, or exercise common prudence in providing itself with a force to meet any internal exigency, without maintaining a volunteer militia at least as numerous as that now existing, which in case of necessity could be promptly expanded from one regiment into ten or more. And it seems to me clear that our present volunteer companies cannot be well maintained without an annual encampment.

SOLDIERS OF THE LATE WAR.

Among the obligations which a grateful State and nation recognize as peculiarly sacred, is that of generously caring for the destitute families of soldiers who lost their lives or were disabled in the late war to preserve the national existence. With what fidelity this debt of gratitude is being met by this State, as well as by the American people, is known to all. And yet our obligations to the men who took their lives in their hands and went forth at the call of their country, will not be redeemed so long as there shall remain a destitute "boy in blue," or an indigent family of a living or dead soldier, whose necessities are not supplied; and supplied, too, not as paupers, but as citizens who are only receiving what they have more than earned.

To this end, the national government has during the past year paid the generous sum of \$1,224,640 to ten thousand eight

nhundred and sixty pensioners in Maine ; and this State, under the direction of the Adjutant General, the sum of \$21,646 to aid soldiers' families ; \$2,477 to aid in the support of soldiers' orphans under the charge of the Board of Guardians ; and \$10,000 for support of soldiers' orphans at the Bath Home, and \$1,000 at the Bangor Home. I suggest that the Board of Guardians of Indigent Orphans of soldiers and seamen, be abolished, and their duties and funds transferred to the Pension Department of the Adjutant General's office, which can discharge this trust more conveniently, systematically and economically than under the present system. It will be incumbent on you either to continue in force the pension act of 1871, which expired by limitation at the close of 1873 ; or if this shall not seem to fully meet the obligations of the State, to enact another law more liberal in its provisions.

THE ORPHAN ASYLUMS.

The Bangor Home is a general Orphan Asylum, eminently deserving of the contributions of a generous people ; and so far as it cares for indigent orphans of soldiers, it should receive aid from the State. The Bath Home has at the present time nearly sixty children in its charge, all but three of whom are soldiers' orphans ; and has found homes for other soldiers' orphans in private families during the year. This work reflects the highest honor on those liberal minded men and women who have contributed to found a soldiers' Orphans' Home, and deserves a continuance of the bounty of the State.

MEMORIAL DAY.

In view of the fact that the thirtieth day of May of each year has been designated by the Grand Army of the Republic as the Soldiers' Memorial Day, and is every year coming to be more generally dedicated to services commemorative of the noble men who in the late struggle for national life gave their lives in defence of the Union, there seems to me to be eminent propriety in giving the same legal recognition to the day in this State, as is given to other holidays, and as has already been given by the State of New York. Such a graceful act would be a deserved and tender tribute to the memory of that noble band who responded to the call of the State for aid in her time of need, and who rest in cemeteries in this and

other States, or in nameless graves where they fell, in Virginia, in the Carolinas, wherever the banner of freedom was borne. Nay, it would be an eloquent teacher of the duty and honor of patriotism, and would place the day which honors the nation's salvation, side by side with the day which celebrates its birth.

THE NATIONAL CENTENARY.

By authority of an act of Congress, approved March 3, 1871, a Board of Commissioners was appointed by the President to prepare and superintend the execution of a plan for the national celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Independence of the United States, by the holding of an exhibition of arts, manufactures and products of the soil and mine, at Philadelphia, during the summer of 1876. The Centennial Commission, ably represented on the part of this State by Hon. Joshua Nye as Commissioner, and Hon. Charles P. Kimball as Alternate Commissioner, have made most successful progress in arranging such an international exhibition as will serve as a fitting recognition of so important a national event, and at the same time as a worthy exposition of our progress in literature, art, science and industry. To further the objects of the Exhibition, and secure an appropriate representation of the industries of the several States, the Commissioners invite Maine to appoint a Board of Directors consisting of five members, who, with the Commissioner and Alternate Commissioner, shall constitute the State Board of Centennial Managers, upon whom will devolve the responsibility of seeing that the State is properly represented in the Exhibition, and all its interests there faithfully cared for. I recommend that you authorize the appointment of such Directors, to serve without compensation.

MAINE IN THE NATIONAL STATUARY HALL.

By an act of Congress, passed a few years since, the several States were invited to furnish not exceeding two marble or bronze statues of citizens illustrious for their patriotism or distinguished services, to be placed in the old hall of the House of Representatives at Washington, which was set apart as a National Statuary Hall. Many States, including all of New England, except Maine and New Hampshire, have responded to the invitation. It would be peculiarly appropriate for you to take such preliminary action

as might result in giving this State, on the approaching centennial anniversary of American Independence, the honor of contributing to this national collection the statue of Major General Knox, the distinguished citizen soldier whose illustrious services, both in the struggle that gave our nation birth, and subsequently in the cabinet of the illustrious Washington, have conferred imperishable renown upon the State and the nation.

RAILROAD INTERESTS.

The report of the Railroad Commissioners gives a detailed account of the progress and condition of the important railroad interests of the State, and makes recommendations to which your attention is directed. Inasmuch as the Board of Railroad Commissioners must, from the growing importance of railroads, be charged with as high and delicate duties, within the sphere in which they act, as are imposed even upon the courts of justice, I suggest whether it would not better comport with the dignity of the State and the independence of the office, if the salaries of the Commissioners should be paid from the State Treasury, and the State itself should assess the several railroad corporations for the amount of the same.

Railroads have become so indispensable an agency in the material development of a State, and exert so important an influence over the public interests, as to make the laws relating to them worthy of your thoughtful attention. The pressing necessity for extension of new railroads into large sections of our State, as yet partially or wholly destitute of means of communication so essential to their convenience and development, and the partial competition afforded by exceptional facilities for water communication, have thus far made restrictions on railroad corporations in the public interest, seem to be less essential than in many other States. The fact that such a feeling of confidence exists to a great extent, makes the present time peculiarly favorable for such a careful revision of our railroad legislation as will, on the one hand, impose upon railway corporations just responsibilities and restraints; and on the other hand, properly protect invested capital, and inspire that public confidence which is so essential to the true interests of railroads, as well as of communities.

Inasmuch as railroad corporations are granted extraordinary powers which partake of the nature of sovereignty, it is only after many limitations and restrictions that they can be said to be

private corporations at all. Railroads should not and can not be regarded simply, or even principally, as the property of individuals, to be managed as they please. They are public works, no matter by whose capital built; and while the rights of property in them may not be violated, yet it is the right and duty of the State to see to it that they are so managed as to serve the public. So superior are they to every other means of land transportation, and so expensive is the construction of competing lines, that railroads are practically, and not necessarily in any offensive sense, monopolies along their respective lines of business; and unless there is some power to restrain them expressly or impliedly reserved in the control of the State, as there always is in other grants of exclusive privileges, they may not only impose such freight and passenger tax on the people as to control markets and destroy or build up communities, but they may discriminate between citizens at pleasure. Valuable and even indispensable as railroads may be to a community, so long as these corporations are servants, yet, in view of the tendency to a combination of their interests and aggregation of their capital in the hands of a few, if they are allowed to become masters, a large part of the benefits which the public have a right to expect from them will be lost, and the corporations become sources of oppression and public peril.

In authorizing the formation of railroad corporations hereafter—whether by special legislation or as is preferable, by general law—care should be taken to include such provisions as will remove all doubts as to the right of the State to exercise such supervision as the public interests may require. The question as to how far the legislature may exercise control of the railroad corporations which it has heretofore chartered—the most of them with peculiar privileges and powers,—is still in some important aspects an open one, although judicial decisions are gradually developing legislative rights which these corporations have steadily denied. It has been held by the Supreme Court of the United States that railroad corporations are common carriers, as that office is defined by the common law,—at least so far as to require them to provide sufficient and convenient methods of transportation, and to carry passengers and freight for all persons without distinction and without unjust discrimination; even if not on such terms as may be determined to be reasonable. It has also been held that a railroad corporation may be judicially

deprived of its franchises for a non-use or mis-use of them ; and that notwithstanding the ownership of a railway may be private, yet the use is public, and the road itself a public highway. And as a necessary consequence of this, the court added by way of argument that " the legislature is the exclusive judge of the mode of use ;" and this carries with it the right to make such provisions and impose such restrictions as the legislature may think necessary for public convenience, as well as safety.

While the importance of this subject demands a careful preliminary investigation and inquiry into such facts relating to the railroad systems of this and other States, as will furnish the *data* for a judicious and intelligent revision of our railroad laws,—which inquiry, either through the Railroad Commissioners or some other commission, I most earnestly recommend,—yet there are some features of such legislation of so immediate and obvious necessity, as it seems to me, that they need not be deferred.

Of this character is a general law for the formation of railroad corporations and construction of railroads. Hitherto this has been done by special charter, and has involved not only all the evils incident to ordinary special legislation, but also, at least in some other States, in cases where proposed roads were supposed to conflict with existing railways, those fearfully demoralizing practices to which great corporations sometimes resort to defeat or promote legislative measures. These evils would be entirely avoided by a general law authorizing a suitable number of persons, under restrictions which carefully protected private as well as public interests, to construct railroads between such points as they desired, and could obtain the means to build. By thus putting the construction of railroads on a free basis, subject to the same laws of trade that regulate other business transactions, they would be built wherever the demands of transportation justified, or communities could furnish the requisite means. Although, on account of the expense of the construction of railroads, even free rail-roading will by no means secure the same competition in this as in other business, yet its tendency would be in that direction, and its influence healthy. It would serve, on the one hand, to moderate the demands of railroad corporations from a knowledge that competition might spring up ; on the other hand, to some extent relieve such corporations from the odium which attaches to monopolies sustained by law.

Existing laws, as it seems to me, fail to confer upon the Railroad Commissioners powers which are essential to secure the convenience, even if they do the safety of the public. These Commissioners should have power to order that additional station or transportation facilities be furnished by a railroad to any town through which it may pass, where, after hearing and investigation, they may regard these facilities insufficient. They should have authority to require railroads to connect at such points as they may judge the public interest requires; and when the roads cannot agree upon connecting terms, should have power to adjust such differences. It is unjust to the public that they should suffer in consequence of disagreements between different roads preventing such a connection of their lines as is necessary to secure the public convenience. Without such a provision, it will be in the power of existing trunk lines to compel new roads seeking an outlet, to submit to such severe terms as may seriously impair the value of the latter, and prove prejudicial to the public interests.

There are other directions in which, sooner or later, legislation will be found necessary. While railroad corporations are clearly required, as common carriers, to transport passengers and freight for all persons, without distinction, and without unjust discrimination, yet as the remedies for a breach of these duties all rest on the common law and not on statute, there are great difficulties in the way of any private individual enforcing his rights against a powerful corporation, unless there shall be legislation to facilitate.

Inasmuch as it must ever be the aim of the managers of a railroad corporation, to make the net earnings sufficient to pay the interest on the bonded indebtedness and stock of the road, the law should guard against the serious evils which have resulted in some States from what is popularly known as "watering stock," by absolutely prohibiting the issue of any stock, except for a consideration of money, labor or property equal to the par value of such stock; or of any bonds or other evidences of indebtedness, except for such consideration equal to, perhaps, eighty per cent. of their value. So much danger is incident to the growing practice of railroad corporations, in purchasing and holding real and personal property for other purposes than those necessary to carry on the business for which they are incorporated, that it may be well to consider whether all such transactions should not be more clearly forbidden by law.

These and other considerations bearing upon this important subject, should receive your careful attention.

SPECIAL LEGISLATION.

In whatever direction you may feel called upon to exercise your authority as law-makers, too much care cannot be exercised to avoid private and special legislation, so far as possible. As a general principle, laws should be general in their character and uniform in their operations; for it is the business of government to protect the rights of all rather than the interests of a few. Too often private and special legislation is only a device to secure exceptional privileges at the expense of the people. It is the parent of that growing lobby system which is always injurious to the public interests; and when supported by powerful corporations or interests, becomes a source of demoralization and positive danger.

SAVINGS BANKS.

In view of the late financial complications, the annual report of the Bank Examiner, which will be laid before you at an early day, will be read with unusual interest. Savings Banks have become so generally distributed, and their financial operations have grown to such magnitude, that they afford a very correct indication of the material prosperity of the people. For this reason it is gratifying to know that on the third of November the amount of deposits in the fifty-six Savings Banks of Maine, was \$29,556,523.84—an increase of \$3,402,190.81, since the previous annual examination; and that the number of depositors was 91,398—an increase of 10,078. The Examiner, who seems to have conducted his investigations with great fidelity and thoroughness, finds these banks for the most part conducted with the greatest care, and with an earnest desire to conform both to the spirit of the law, and of the well settled principle that Savings Institutions should regard safety first and profit secondary.

In this view I can but commend the Examiner for the important step which he has taken in including in his detailed report of the condition of the several banks, a full statement of the nature of the resources of each. Such a public statement as this is due to every depositor, and will exercise a most beneficial influence in deterring the guardians of these institutions from investing in

doubtful securities which promise large returns. The fact that among the securities of these banks, are reported more than three millions of dollars in Western railroad bonds and stocks, and more than four millions in State, county and municipal bonds—mainly the latter—out of the limits of New England, leads the Examiner to recommend legislation designed to discourage if not prohibit such investments. Any proper legislation that will tend to retain the large accumulations of the savings of the people, within our own borders, will not only conduce to the safety of the banks, but also materially promote the development of the State.

The recommendations of the Examiner relative to providing an adequate penalty for violations of the Savings Bank law, and also for legislation to discourage the use of these institutions for large temporary investments, are worthy of your serious attention. When it is remembered that the deposits in the Savings Banks of Maine have already reached five and a half millions more than the aggregate capital and deposits of the National Banks in this State, the importance of the subject will be properly estimated.

THE PRESENT AND FUTURE OF MAINE.

You will rejoice with me over so unmistakable indications that Maine has entered upon a career of marked prosperity. Although temporarily checked by the recent financial panic, yet there is reason to believe that the progress of our national development will be unexampled during the next decade. Abundant evidence of this prosperity is afforded by the admirable and wonderfully complete report of the State Statistician, which will be laid before you in printed form at an early day, and cannot fail to show the importance and value of an undertaking which has been so successfully accomplished with so small means, in so short a time. Such an annual survey of the wealth and industries of the State, will serve not only to bring prominently before the capitalists of other States the extent and variety of our resources, but also to give our own people a stronger faith than ever in the future of Maine.

We have been ready, perhaps too ready to concede that Maine is not a good agricultural State. Yet, with all the drawbacks of climate and soil, it is capable of demonstration that the farmers in those sections of our State where manufacturing and industrial operations have developed home markets, are as prosperous as

those of States which have a more genial climate and a more fertile soil, but are further removed from the consumer. The State Industrial Commissioner estimates that the hay crop of Maine for 1873, was about two millions tons, worth twenty-five millions of dollars—several times the value of the wheat crop of any State of the fertile West, with an equal population. The value of our dairy products, which are rapidly increasing, was over two millions of dollars; and of all productions of the farm, including live stock, nearly fifty-seven millions of dollars. Yet the territory in Maine thus far reached by the tiller of the soil, is much smaller than that which is still a wilderness. Not to speak of the great body of unsettled productive land lying between the Androscoggin and Penobscot, there still remain unimproved, nearly three millions of acres in the Aroostook region, which surpasses in size the territory of Massachusetts, has a soil equal in depth and fertility to that of any portion of the Union, and is capable of supporting a population of a million persons. The fact that emigration from this State to the great West has practically ceased, and that the tide has to some extent turned eastward, unmistakably indicates that even as an agricultural State, Maine has a promising future. Whatever policy will give needed encouragement to those rural pursuits which engross the energies of a majority of our citizens, should be pursued,—not simply because it will promote the interests of so many of our citizens, but also and especially because thereby will be laid the most enduring foundations for the material and moral prosperity of the whole State.

It is to such a development of our natural resources as will create home markets, that those engaged in agricultural pursuits must look for a permanent promotion of their interests. In these resources Maine occupies a pre-eminent position. Within a few years, indeed, our manufacturing, commercial, mechanical and mining industries have wonderfully expanded. The value of the cotton manufactures of the State, for the past year, was nearly twelve and a half millions of dollars; of the manufactures of wool, seven millions; boots and shoes—an industry that has developed with remarkable rapidity—nearly nine millions; leather, four millions; paper, three millions; flour and grist-mill products, two and a quarter millions; iron, cast and forged, two and a half millions; machinery, two and a half millions; edge tools, nearly three-fourths of a million; oil cloths, a million and a half; bricks, a half

a million; fertilizers, nearly eighty thousand; menhaden and kerosene oils, a half a million; fisheries, more than three-fourths of a million; and canned products of the soil and sea, a million and three-fourths. The value of the ice cut from our rivers, was over a half a million dollars; of the granite quarried from our rock-bound shores and hills, four and a half millions; of the lime burned from the abundant materials at hand, one million eight hundred thousand dollars; and of the lumber cut from the immense forests, which, with proper care, may be handed down to future generations, nearly ten millions of dollars.

But, if possible, more encouraging still, not only on account of the immediate value of the industry itself, but also because of its great influence on national prosperity, is the revival of ship-building along our coast and rivers, as evidenced by returns showing that during the past year there have been built in Maine 276 vessels, with a tonnage of 89,817 tons, valued at nearly five and a half millions of dollars—more than double the tonnage of 1872, and nearly as large as that of any one of the prosperous years of this industry before the rebellion. And what is more hopeful yet, the indications are that if Congress shall continue, and if possible extend the wise policy adopted to promote the development of American commerce, and the consequent growth of American power and influence on the ocean and in foreign lands, we may reasonably look for such prosperity of our ship-building interests as has never before been known.

Gratifying as are the statistics which show that our agricultural productions, representing values wrung from the soil, have reached nearly fifty-seven millions of dollars; and our manufacturing and other industrial products, representing the value of raw materials as well as of labor, have reached ninety-six millions of dollars, an increase of twenty-two per cent. within three years,—making the aggregate value of the products of Maine soil and industry for the year 1873, nearly one hundred and fifty-three millions of dollars,—yet even these figures give but a faint idea of the magnitude of the natural resources of the State. I have spoken of the great extent of fertile territory yet awaiting the tiller of the soil, but which cannot be well reached until our railroad system, which has increased from 245 miles in 1850 to 905 miles in 1874, shall be extended into new regions. The beginning that has been made in supplying the increasing demand for the crystal ice of our rivers

and ponds ; in quarrying from our inexhaustible granite beds the most beautiful and enduring building material known to art ; in meeting the growing demand for the excellent slate which has already been found to occupy a belt that stretches eighty miles between the Kennebec and Penobscot ; in furnishing commerce with a desirable quality of charcoal-iron from the immense supplies of ore in Piscataquis, Penobscot and Aroostook ; and even in developing an important business from the tide of visitors to whom our charming natural scenery in the interior, and salubrious summer atmosphere on the coast, are an increasing attraction,—all shadow forth somewhat of the future that is in store for the State. Our commercial resources are unsurpassed. Including the sinuosity of the shore, Maine has from two to three thousand miles of coast-line, notched with safe and capacious harbors, and indented with bays and inlets, while navigable waters extend far into the interior. Situated in the great highway of commerce across the continent, this State presents commercial possibilities which may well inspire the highest hope.

It is, however, when the magnificent water power of Maine is considered, that this State stands forth the first in the Union, and presents resources which when developed will make it second to no other. Indeed, few, if any, portions of the earth's surface approach Maine in the extent, volume, momentum and constancy of its water-power. One thousand five hundred and sixty-eight lakes, at an average elevation of six hundred feet above the sea, form the head waters of five thousand one hundred and fifty-one streams, which go rushing down towards the ocean, creating over three thousand water-powers, which afford a force measured by not less than one million horse-powers, and equal to the working energy of thirteen million men ! When it is remembered that not a thousandth part of the water-power of the State is as yet harnessed to machinery, some faint idea of the almost boundless extent of our manufacturing resources, may be obtained. It is for you, gentlemen, in your public capacity ; for you, in your private spheres ; for every citizen, who takes a just pride in having Maine become the great and grandly prosperous State for which God designed her, to lend your energies in such directions as will tend to the development of so magnificent resources.

In this great work, as well as in every measure calculated to promote the material and moral interests of our beloved State, I

shall take pleasure in earnestly co-operating with you. Invoking the favor and guidance of that kind Providence who is over states and nations, as well as individuals, may we severally consecrate ourselves to the work before us.

NELSON DINGLEY, JR.

JANUARY 8, 1874.

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.

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. TABBUT of Addison,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish the Messenger of the House, one copy of the Acts and Resolves of 1873 for each member.

On motion of Mr. LORD of Saco,

Ordered, That 1,000 copies of the Governor's Address be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, when this Legislature adjourns, it be till Monday next, January 12, at 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. LIBBY of Limestone,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, a Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to inquire into and report at an early day whether the

office of Land Agent may not be abolished without detriment to the interest of the State.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Libby of Limestone, Corthell of Calais, Milliken of Portland, Richards of Camden, Wilson of Bangor, Reed of Bath, and Leavitt of Eastport.

The order was sent to the Senate.

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 10½ o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Treasurer 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. ABBOT of the Senate,

Messrs. Abbot of Kennebec, Foss of Piscataquis, Webster of Knox, Foster of Newry, Wentworth of Kittery, Davis of Corinth, Keen of Palmyra, Pinkham of Palermo, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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

Whole number of votes.....	149
Necessary for a choice	75
George G. Stacy had.....	120
John M. Goodwin	28
Albert S. Rice	1

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. Hall of the Senate, Messrs. Hall of York, Russell of Androscoggin, Cutler of Penobscot, Corthell of Calais, Hamilton of Biddeford, Sherman of Islesboro', Bursley of Sanger-ville, and Edes of Burlington, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Treasurer of State.

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

Whole number of votes.....	145
Necessary to a choice	73
Silas C. Hatch had.....	121
Abram Sanborn.....	21
William Caldwell.....	3

The report was read and accepted, and Hon. Silas C. Hatch declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. LOTHROP of the Senate,

Messrs. Lothrop of Somerset, Kent of Lincoln, Dyer of Franklin, Gibbs of Glenburn, Abbot of Vassalboro', Pierce of Embden, Grant of Pittston, and Stone of Bridgton, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

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

Whole number of votes.....	128
Necessary for a choice	65
Harris M. Plaisted had.....	94
Albert S. Rice.....	33
Abram Sanborn.....	1

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

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of the Senate,

Messrs. Foster of Oxford, Goold of Cumberland, Hanson of York, Yates of Bristol, Mullen of North Haven, Moulton of Porter, Fletcher of Bradford, and Robbins of Norridgewock, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

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

Whole number of votes.....	130
Necessary for a choice.....	66
Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., had.....	97
A. Grover.....	33

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

On motion of Mr. MARTIN of the Senate,

Messrs. Martin of Oxford, Lothrop of Somerset, Arnold of Aroostook, Powers of Houlton, Parker of Lebanon, Sturgis of Auburn, Winslow of Falmouth, and Small of Temple, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

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

Whole number of votes.....	135
Necessary for a choice.....	63
Parker P. Burleigh had.....	104
Gorham L. Boynton.....	30
Albert S. Rice.....	1

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

On motion of Mr. PALMER of the Senate,

Messrs. Palmer of Penobscot, Burgess of Cumberland, Morrison of Penobscot, Campbell of Cherryfield, Snow of Hallowell, Gile of Alfred, Estes of Troy, and Haskell of Cape Elizabeth, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

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

Whole number of votes.....	135
Necessary for a choice	68
Jeremiah M. Mason had.....	98
Fred N. Dow.....	98
William Grindle.....	98
Stephen D. Lindsey.....	98
Reuben W. Files	98
E. A. Thompson.....	98
Lemuel G. Downes.....	98
E. C. Spinney.....	37
Jonathan Fogg	37
Alonzo B. Shaw.....	37
Elihu Washburn.....	37
Asa R. Reed	37
A. J. Chase.....	37
Levi L. Lowell	37

The report was read and accepted, and Jeremiah M. Mason, Fred N. Dow, William Grindle, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson and Lemuel G. Downes, were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. BURGESS of Cumberland,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to inform George G. Stacy of his election as Secretary of State, Silas C. Hatch of his election, as Treasurer 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 Jeremiah M. Mason, Fred N. Dow, William Grindle, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files, E. A. Thompson and Lemuel G. Downes, 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.

Communications from Hons. Fred N. Dow, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files and E. A. Thompson, 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 12 o'clock and 20 minutes, for the purpose of administering to Fred N. Dow, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files and E. A. Thompson, 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 Mr. ABBOT of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Fred N. Dow, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files and

E. A. Thompson, 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 Fred N. Dow, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files and E. A. Thompson, Councillors elect, were pleased to say they would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, Fred N. Dow, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files and E. A. Thompson, 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. BOYLE of Waldo,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention inform the Governor of the qualification of Fred N. Dow, Stephen D. Lindsey, Reuben W. Files and E. A. Thompson, 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. KELLOCH of Thomaston,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

The Journal of Friday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor,

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. KELLOCH of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, all petitions for private legislation, except those for redress of wrongs and grievances, which may be presented to the Legislature after Wednesday, the 4th day of February, be referred to the next Legislature, and that this order be published in the Daily Kennebec Journal, Daily Eastern Argus, Portland Press and Bangor Daily Whig, until that date.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

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

On Business of the House.

Messrs. Knowlton of Skowhegan,
Pressey of Lewiston,
Fessenden of Portland.

On Leave of Absence.

Messrs. Robbins of Norridgewock,
Pillsbury of Biddeford,
Eaton of Dexter,
Caldwell of Sherman,
Woodbury of Cornish,
Hurd of North Berwick,
Macartney of West Waterville.

On Change of Names.

Messrs. Pullen of Portland,
Snow of Hallowell,
Bradbury of Oldtown,
Eaton of Dexter,
Haskell of Cape Elizabeth,
Lewis of Ripley,
Keegan of Madawaska.

On Bills in Third Reading.

Messrs. Carvill of Brunswick,
Wilder of Pembroke,
Scribner of Otisfield,
Keen of Palmyra,
Bradbury of Oldtown,
Moulton of Porter,
Lewis of Ripley.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Gibbs of Glenburn,
Files of Gorham,
Foster of Newry,
Stone of Bridgton,
Judd of Presque Isle,
Reed of Bath,
Guptill of Gouldsboro'.

On Elections.

Messrs. Swasey of Canton,
Moulton of Porter,
Small of Temple,
Denison of Poland,
Powers of Houlton,
Kellock of Thomaston,
Kimball of Waterford.

Remonstrance of George W. Drisko of Machias, against the right of Joseph W. Coffin to a seat in this House, was referred to the Committee on Elections.

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. Webb of Kennebec,
Emery of Hancock,
Boyle of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Knowlton of Skowhegan,
Wilson of Bangor,
Pullen of Portland,
North of Augusta,
Talbot of East Machias,
Cornish of Lewiston,
Keegan of Madawaska, *of the House.*

On Legal Affairs.

Messrs. Foster of Oxford,
Webster of Knox,
Palmer of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Powers of Houlton,
Davis of Corinth,
Swasey of Canton,
Hamilton of Biddeford,
Kellock of Thomaston,
Kimball of Waterford,
Lewis of Ripley, *of the House.*

On Financial Affairs.

Messrs. Holbrook of Cumberland,
Dyer of Franklin,
Russell of Androscoggin, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Williams of Augusta,
Milliken of Portland,
Reed of Bath,
McGilvery of Searsport,
Cobb of Lewiston,
Hall of Ellsworth,
Welt of Waldoboro', *of the House.*

On Federal Relations.

- Messrs. Boyle of Waldo,
Webster of Knox,
Goold of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. North of Augusta,
Pullen of Portland,
Wilson of Bangor,
Corthell of Calais,
Talbot of East Machias,
Woodbury of Cornish,
Hawks of Manchester, *of the House.*

On Education.

- Messrs. Burgess of Cumberland,
Emery of Hancock,
Foster of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Corthell of Calais,
Lord of Saco,
Guptill of Gouldsboro',
Denison of Poland,
Rowell of Sebec,
Moulton of Porter,
Moulton of Scarboro', *of the House.*

On Railroads.

- Messrs. Hall of York,
Shaw of Penobscot,
Crandon of Washington, *of the Senate.*
- Messrs. Fessenden of Portland,
Knowlton of Skowhegan,
Richards of Camden,
Pressey of Lewiston,
Snow of Hallowell,
Wentworth of Kittery,
Leavitt of Eastport, *of the House.*

On Commerce.

Messrs. Webster of Knox,
Abbot of Kennebec,
Emery of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. McGilvery of Searsport,
Young of Charlotte,
Thurston of Rockland,
Treat of Frankfort,
Winslow of Falmouth,
Sherman of Islesboro,
Moore of Machiasport, *of the House.*

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Messrs. Abbot of Kennebec,
Palmer of Penobscot,
Holbrook of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Boardman of Belfast,
Milliken of Portland,
Carvill of Brunswick,
Croswell of Farmington,
Campbell of Cherryfield,
Drake of Springfield,
Farrington of Lovel, *of the House.*

Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Carr of Sagadahoc,
Burgess of Cumberland,
Rounds of Androscoggin, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Milliken of Portland,
Denison of Poland,
Pilsbury of Biddeford,
Hatch of Bangor,
Carll of Kennebunkport,
Eaton of Dexter,
Reed of Bath, *of the House.*

On Manufactures.

- Messrs. Morrison of Penobscot,
Whitmore of Hancock,
Foss of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Cobb of Lewiston,
Walden of Portland,
Fernald of Wilton,
Warren of Westbrook,
Houghton of Woodstock,
Mitchell of Gardiner,
Bryant of Rockland, *of the House*.

On Agriculture.

- Messrs. Burgess of Cumberland,
Coffin of Waldo,
Arnold of Aroostook, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Wasson of Surry,
Foster of Newry,
Lord of Saco,
Abbot of Vassalboro',
Gibbs of Glenburn,
Sanborn of Wales,
Haskell of Cape Elizabeth, *of the House*.

On Military Affairs.

- Messrs. Rounds of Androscoggin,
Foster of Oxford,
Hall of York, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Wentworth of Kittery,
Snow of Hallowell,
Fernald of Wilton,
Small of Lisbon,
Whitmore of Bowdoinham,
Swasey of Canton,
Vittum of Concord, *of the House*.

On Interior Waters.

- Messrs. Crandon of Washington,
Morrison of Penobscot,
Cross of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Conner of Fairfield,
Campbell of Cherryfield,
Rogers of Windham,
Johnson of Waterboro',
Brawn of Bradley,
Silsby of Aurora,
Morrow of Bangor, *of the House*.

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Arnold of Aroostook,
Martin of Oxford,
Lothrop of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hall of Ellsworth,
Powers of Houlton,
Frost of Exeter,
Caldwell of Sherman,
Porter of New Portland,
Meserve of Dresden,
Estes of Troy, *of the House*.

On Ways and Bridges.

- Messrs. Palmer of Somerset,
Harmon of Washington,
Palmer of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Campbell of Cherryfield,
Bradbury of Oldtown,
Loring of North Yarmouth,
Judd of Presque Isle,
Smith of Livermore,
Morrow of Bangor,
McKenney of Hollis, *of the House*.

On Fisheries.

- Messrs. Whitmore of Hancock,
Harmon of Washington,
Carr of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Mullin of North Haven,
Keen of Bremen,
Blodgett of Brooksville,
Gove of Liberty,
Bailey of Newcasttle,
Hathorn of Cushing,
Bartlett of Hope, *of the House*.

On Counties.

- Messrs. Cutler of Penobscot,
Foss of Piscataquis,
Lothrop of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Foster of Newry,
Files of Gorham,
Keen of Palmyra,
Babbidge of Deer Isle,
Goodwin of South Berwick,
Grant of Pittston.
Bradbury of Kingfield, *of the House*.

On Towns.

- Messrs. Martin of Oxford,
Rounds of Androscoggin,
Hanson of York, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Bursley of Sangerville,
Aldrich of Freeport,
Hutchins of Penobscot,
McCarty of Westport,
Cushman of Hebron,
Baker of Orrington,
Hatch of Wells, *of the House*.

On Indian Affaris.

Messrs. Harmon of Washington,
Arnold of Aroostook,
Morrison of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Wilder of Pembroke,
Crockett of Stetson,
Nickerson of Swanville,
Dowst of Vienna,
Ouilette of Frenchville,
Harding of Hampden,
Lawler of Baileyville, *of the House.*

On Claims.

Messrs. Dyer of Franklin,
Holbrook of Cumberland,
Whitmore of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Files of Gorham,
Crowell of Benton,
Longfellow of Winthrop,
Burbank of Acton,
Libby of Limestone,
Tabbut of Addison,
Edes of Burlington, *of the House.*

On Pensions.

Messrs. Kent of Lincoln,
Goold of Cumberland,
Hanson of York, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Yates of Bristol,
Scribner of Otisfield,
Pinkham of Palermo,
Hawes of Union,
Blaisdell of Rome,
Fowler of Medway,
Phinney of Standish, *of the House.*

On Insane Hospital.

- Messrs. Palmer of Penobscot,
Coffin of Waldo,
Palmer of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Sturgis of Auburn,
Gibbs of Glenburn,
Williams of Augusta,
Robbins of Norridgewock,
Lamson of Richmond,
Lane of Raymond,
Tibbetts of China, *of the House.*

On Reform School.

- Messrs. Lothrop of Somerset,
Russell of Androscoggin,
Dyer of Franklin, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Warren of Westbrook,
Woodman of Auburn,
Wentworth of Bucksport,
Hunter of Strong,
Sanborn of Etna,
Gile of Alfred,
Keith of New Gloucester, *of the House.*

On State Prison.

- Messrs. Shaw of Penobscot,
Russell of Androscoggin,
Cross of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Parker of Lebanon,
Small of Temple,
Stone of Bridgton,
Fletcher of Bradford,
Clark of Tremont,
Black of Limington,
Stuart of Deering, *of the House.*

On Public Buildings.

Messrs. Hanson of York,
Kent of Lincoln,
Cutler of Penobscot, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Young of Charlotte,
Coffin of Columbia,
Scammon of Greenville,
Work of Carmel,
Bowker of Phippsburg,
Barker of Weston,
Frothingham of Paris, *of the House*.

On Library.

Messrs. Goold of Cumberland,
Foss of Piscataquis,
Webb of Kennebec, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Reed of Bath,
Carvill of Brunswick,
Pierce of Embden,
Scammon of Greenville,
Hawks of Manchester,
Hurd of North Berwick,
Macartney of West Waterville, *of the House*.

Report of the Commissioner on Claims of Settlers on Proprietors' Lands in the County of Aroostook, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska.

A communication was received from the Treasurer of State, transmitting his annual statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of all public money for the year ending December 31, 1873.

The foregoing was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to change its location below Kendall's Mills;" and
Petition of R. C. Jewett and others, for charter for a railroad from Rumford Falls to Lewiston;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of O. B. Grant and others, for the exclusive right to fish in Little Sawyer pond in Greenville, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of James Harriman and others, for an act to incorporate the Newport Cheese Company; and

Petition of George A. Parsons and others, for an act to incorporate the Aroostook Valley Cheese Factory;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of the town of Newry, for reduction of valuation, was referred to the Oxford County Delegation.

Petition of the Selectmen of Palmyra, for an act to incorporate the inhabitants of said town into a Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Joseph Church and Company, for authority to extend their wharf in the town of Bristol, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of John Fox and others, for change of time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. JOHN ALLEN of Farmington.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

A communication from Parker P. Burleigh, Land Agent, elect, signifying his acceptance, came from the Senate, and was read.

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

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Martin of Oxford, Whitmore of Hancock, and Carr of Sagadahoc, appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Walden of Portland, Hurd of North Berwick, Parker of Lebanon, Vittum of Concord, Robbins of Norridgewock, Macartney of West Waterville, and Moulton of Scarboro', on the part of the House.

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

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and Messrs. Foster of Oxford, Dyer of Franklin, and Harmon of Washington, appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Corthell of Calais, North of Augusta, Foster of Newry, McGilvery of Searsport, Powers of Houlton, Lord of Saco, and Kimball of Waterford, on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may 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. Hall of York, Burgess of Cumberland, and Webster of Knox, appointed on its part.

The order was passed in concurrence, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Pullen of Portland, North of Augusta, Wilson of Bangor, Bradbury of Oldtown, Stone of Bridgton, Richards of Camden, and Pressey of Lewiston, on the part of the House.

“Resolve relative to a Tax Commission,” came from the Senate read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The resolve was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Reform School, also transmitting the report of the Agent of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians ; also

Petition of William Rice and others of Bath, for an act authorizing the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company to extend their road from Bath to Portland ; also

Bill “an act authorizing the Maine Central Railroad Company to change its location, and construct a new bridge across the Kennebec river ;” also

Bill “an act to incorporate the Katahdin Slate Company ;” and
Petition of Abel S. Heald and others, in aid of the petition for a charter for railroad from Rumford Falls to Lewiston ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of James Devine, for a charter for an aqueduct company in Augusta ; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Bristol, for an act to establish the line between said town and Bremen ; also

Bill “an act amending section 53, chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fish ;” and

Bill “an act additional to chapter 22 of the revised statutes, relating to division fences ;”

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Alice McPhail, for deed of a lot of land ; and

Petition of Silas Colburn and others, for aid to open road leading from Patten to Golden Ridge in Sherman ;

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

Petition of John B. Trafton, for payment of his claim against the State ; and

Petition of the inhabitants of Macwahoc plantation, for abatement of State taxes ;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Amos Cook and others, for an act to incorporate the Houlton Cheese Company ; also

Petition of Benjamin Tucker, Jr., and others, for incorporation of the Waterford Cheese Factory Association ; and

Petition of Ward Mason and others, for incorporation of the Elm Cheese Factory in Montville ;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Lewis Guptill and others, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in the town of Addison, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Perry W. Richardson and others, for authority to extend a wharf in Bar harbor, Tremont ; also

Petition of T. L. Roberts, for authority to build a wharf in Bar harbor, Tremont ; also

Petition of George Dyer, for ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven ; also

Petition of the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company, for amendment of charter ; and

Petition of Cyrus J. Hall, for authority to extend wharves in Mt. Desert ;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of Gardner Colburn, for amendment of the charter of Shin Brook Dam Company, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of S. D. Carleton and others, for amendment of chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to savings banks, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Joseph F. Gray and others, for an act to prohibit the taking of eels in Southern bay in Brooksville ; also

Petition of Cyrus H. Phillips and others, for repeal of chapter 379 of the laws of 1846, relating to migratory fish ; and

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 196 of the public laws of 1871, relating to river fisheries ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Charles F. Caldwell and others, for an act to fix the width of sleds and sleighs ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Bridgewater, for an appropriation to aid the repair of road in said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of James Strout and others, for change of the line between the towns of Cherryfield and Milbridge ; also

Petition of George L. Goodwin and others, for an act to set off certain territory from Berwick to South Berwick ; and

Petition of John A. Green and others, to be set off from Bluehill to Surry ;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. CROWELL of Benton,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs report what amendments of chapter 113, section 55 of the revised statutes, are necessary to more clearly define the duties of sheriffs and jailors.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

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

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. POWERS of Houlton,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. ALLEN of Farmington.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Trustees of the Reform School, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Reform School.

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

Petition of D. J. Sawyer and others of Jonesport, for change of time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington; also

Petition of David Rodick and others, for incorporation of the Bar Harbor Water Company, with bill accompanying; and

Petition of C. L. Young, in aid of the same, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John H. Stinson and others, for incorporation of the Stinson Granite Company, with bill accompanying, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of John Whitmore of Verona, for authority to build a fish weir in said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Benjamin F. Bucknam and others, for authority to build a wharf in tide waters in Columbia, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of David Howe and others, for incorporation of the Lincolnville Railroad Company, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to place the inmates of the Insane Asylum under the protection of the laws," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be required to furnish for the use of the Legislature, a detailed statement, giving the names

of all the officers of the State elected or appointed, except members and officers of the Legislature, the names of their respective offices, with the amount of salary or compensation to each, for the year ending January 1, 1874; also giving the sum total of such salaries and compensation for each decade from 1822 to 1872, inclusive.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, on motion of Mr. HATCH of Bangor.

“Resolve requiring returns from banks,” came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order limiting private legislation, came back from the Senate amended so as to require the order to be published in the Lewiston Daily Journal. The amendment was adopted, and the order passed in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Insurance Commissioner, was received and read.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, gave notice that he should on to-morrow offer an amendment to Rule 8th of the House.

Petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to construct a bridge over Penobscot river at Verona, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill “an act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers;” also

Bill “an act to amend sections 65, 66 and 67, chapter 64, revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons;” also

Petition of Marshall Thaxter and others of Machias, for change of time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington; also

Petition of Turner Smith and others of Northfield, for same; and

Petition of Enoch L. Deering and others, for change of the law relating to fencing railroads;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Charles V. Lord and others, for incorporation of the Bangor Foundry and Machine Company, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures; also

Petition of T. Cole and others for an act to regulate the taking of smelts in Piscataquis river, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries; also

Petition of Edward O'Brien and others, for an act to incorporate a Water Company in Thomaston; and

Petition of A. P. Levensaller and others, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of U. D. Witherspoon and others of Eagle Island, to be reimbursed for money expended for war purposes, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of inhabitants of Aroostook county, for aid to the widow and children of Granville Hayden, late Sheriff of said county; also

Petition of inhabitants of School District No. 18 in Bristol, for an act to make valid the doings of said district; and

Petition of F. H. Smith and others of North Haven, for an act to make valid the doings of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Hiram W. Daggett and others, for aid to build a mill in Oakfield; also

Petition of John Smart and others, for aid to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge in Bancroft; and

Petition of John Smith of Maysville, for deed of a lot of land;

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

Petition of G. W. Kimball and others, for increase of the pay of the County Commissioners of Knox county, was referred to the Knox County Delegation.

Petition of Henry Marshall and others of Friendship and Cushing, to be set off from said towns and incorporated as Union plantation, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Josiah Hupper and others, for authority to build a wharf in tide waters of Georges river in St. George; and

Bill "an act to establish the lines of Portland harbor in Fore river;"

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of John H. Hilliane and others, for an act to make free the Oldtown toll bridge, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Albion Blethen for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Memorial of the Trustees of the Maine General Hospital for aid, was presented by Mr. PULLEN of Portland, and on his motion ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. BOWKER of Phippsburg,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 13, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, that all personal property shall be assessed for the year 1874 to the owner in the town where he was an inhabitant on the 1st day of January.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Newry,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of changing the language of section 169, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, in relation to the sale of land of residents for non-payment of taxes; also section 159, chapter 6, and other sections if necessary, so as to simplify the description of land of non-resident owners in relation to taxation.

On motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire what progress has been made in providing for the establishment of a State Industrial School for Girls, and whether any and what legislation is required for the establishment of such school.

On motion of Mr. PARKER of Lebanon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of so amending the school laws that the Supervisors or Superintending School Committees of the several cities, towns and plantations in the State may have the same power of prescribing the text-books used in the English branches taught in the high schools and academies that they now have in the common schools.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Auburn,

Ordered, That the use of the Hall be granted to the Pomological Society the 28th day of January, also the 29th, afternoon and evening.

“Resolve relating to a tax commision,” having had two several readings and passed to be engrossed, was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. TILTON of Augusta,

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

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

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

Came from the Senate, and were read.

Bill “an act to set off part of the town of Cape Elizabeth and annex the same to the city of Portland;” and

Petition of William Emery and others, to be set off from Berwick and annexed to South Berwick;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Ellis Fish and others, for an act providing for the taxation of dogs, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of citizens of Lincoln, for an act to establish the county of Appleton, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of William Hill and others of North Berwick, for an act to compel the Boston and Maine and Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Companies to erect a passenger station house in said town, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Report of the Insurance Commissioner, 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 so amending the laws relating to the service of precepts, as to give any deputy sheriff authority to serve a precept in favor of another deputy, or in favor of the sheriff by whose appointment he acts.

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

Information was received from the Senate of the following changes in Joint Standing Committees :

On Agriculture.

Burgess of Cumberland, excused ;
Cutler of Penobscot, appointed.

On Counties.

Cutler of Penobscot, excused ;
Burgess of Cumberland, appointed.

The following is the Committee on the part of the Senate, on order to abolish Land Office :

Messrs. Coffin of Waldo,
Foster of Oxford,
Palmer of Penobscot.

Petition of O. C. Whitehouse, in aid of the petition of James Devine, for charter for an aqueduct in Augusta ; also

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of Van Buren ;" and

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of Madawaska ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of citizens of Brewer, for a Steam Ferry between Bangor and Brewer ; also

Petition of J. P. Snow and others, for aid to build a bridge across Piscataquis river in Medford ; and

Petition of B. F. Walton and others, for an act to fix the width of sleighs and sleds ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of William and Luther V. Gilmore, for authority to build wharves and piers in Brewer and Orrington ; also

Petition of I. W. Holbrook and others, for an act to supply the city of Rockland and other towns with pure water from Oyster river; also

Petition of Elliot Orberton and others of Camden; also

Petition of G. W. Snow and others; also

Petition of W. H. Rhoades and others; also

Petition of J. G. Dougherty and others; and

Petition of Charles Studley and others, in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Edmund Miller and others of Barnard; and

Petition of T. Wyman, for annexation of said town to the town of Lubec; also

Petition of Nathaniel Shannon and others; also

Petition of R. S. Smart and others; also

Petition of D. W. Kincaid and others; also

Petition of William Atwood and others; and.

Petition of Cyrus Cole and others, for annexation of part of Cape Elizabeth to the city of Portland; also

Petition of Alfred E. Gowell and others of Lakeville, for incorporation of said plantation as a town; also

Petition of Daniel R. Sawyer and others, to be set off from Limestone and annexed to the town of Lyndon; and

Remonstrance of Warren Leighton and others of Milbridge, against a change in the town lines between said town and Cherryfield;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

"Resolve in favor of Cyr and Letter K plantations;" and

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

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Edwin Rich and others of Isle au Haut, for protection of shell fish, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company, for further time to complete the location of said road, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

"Resolve in favor of the road across Indian township," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of the Barnard Slate Quarry Company, for authority to increase its capital stock, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Joseph Church and Company, for authority to lay an aqueduct in Bristol, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Communications from Hons. Jeremiah M. Mason and William Grindle, Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance, came from the Senate, and were read.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Convention in the Representatives' Hall, this day at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of administering to Jeremiah M. Mason and William Grindle, Councillors elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

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

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. HALL of the Senate,

The Secretary of the Convention was directed to notify Hons. Jeremiah M. Mason and William Grindle that the two branches of the Legislature had assembled in Joint Convention, for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required 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 the Councillors elect were pleased to say they would forthwith attend upon the Convention.

Thereupon, Hons. Jeremiah M. Mason and William Grindle, Councillors elect, came in, and in the presence of the Convention, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then retired.

On motion of Mr. BOYLE of the Senate,

The Secretary of the Convention was directed to notify the Governor of the qualification of Hons. Jeremiah M. Mason and William Grindle.

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. PULLEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws relating to savings banks as to restrict their investments to bonds of the United States, and of the several New England States, bank stock of the national banks located within the New England States, mortgage bonds of railroads located in New England, first mortgages of real estate within the State of Maine, and notes secured by good and sufficient collaterals.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so modifying the laws relating to savings banks, as to forbid the cashier of any national bank from acting as treasurer or trustee of a savings bank.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing so much of section 6, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, as relates to the exemption of houses of religious worship, pews and furniture with the same, and property held by said societies as a parsonage, from taxation.

On motion of Mr. CROWELL of Benton,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the propriety of so amending section 14, chapter 134 of the revised statutes, in relation to compensation allowed attorneys defending persons on trial for capital offenses, so that the specified amount be allowed them by loan, instead of leaving it to the discretion of Court as the statute now reads.

On motion of Mr. CAMPBELL of Cherryfield,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, the Secretary of State be requested to furnish the Messenger of the House one copy of the Revised Statutes, and all subsequent laws, for the use of the several Committees.

On motion of Mr. GUPTILL of Gouldsboro',

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of an act prohibiting the catching of lobsters while in the diseased state incidental to the shedding of their shells.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the 8th Rule of this House be and hereby is amended, by adding to the list of Committees therein provided for, another Committee, to be entitled the Committee on Ways and Means.

The order passed, and the SPEAKER appointed,

Messrs. Williams of Augusta,
Milliken of Portland,
Reed of Bath,
McGilvery of Searsport,
Cobb of Lewiston,
Hall of Ellsworth,
Welt of Waldoboro'.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Ordered, That 2,500 copies additional of the Governor's Message be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Charles V. Lord, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Foundry and Machine Company."

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

The following communication was received:

BANGOR, January 15, 1874.

To W. W. THOMAS, Jr.,

Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I hereby resign the office of Representative in the Fifty-Third Legislature of Maine.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

S. C. HATCH.

The communication was read, and the resignation of Mr. Hatch accepted.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to notify the city of Bangor that Silas C. Hatch, one of the Representatives of said city, has this day tendered his resignation to this House, and that the same has been accepted, and that a vacancy thereby exists in the office of Representative from said city.

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Clerk make up the travel of Silas C. Hatch, as member of this House, and his attendance up to and including to-day.

On motion of Mr. PRESSEY of Lewiston,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. QUINBY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 14, chapter 134 of the revised statutes," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of Simon Carpenter, against amendment of charter of Shin Brook Dam Company; and

Petition of Charles G. Stevens and others, for incorporation of the Spaulding Pond Dam Company;

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

Petition of the Selectmen of Waterville, for abatement of a portion of the State tax of said town for 1873, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

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

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor Bridge," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

WHEREAS, By chapter 183 of the resolves of 1873, approved February 26, 1873, the sum of \$24,000 was appropriated to the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, situated at Orono, in which resolve it was provided that the trustees

of said college should pay from said appropriation the debt then existing against said college, and should not, under any circumstances, contract any further debt in behalf of said college; now therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be directed to ascertain for what purposes the said \$24,000 (drawn from the State Treasury March 25th, 1873,) have been expended, and report to this Legislature whether the debt against said college has been paid out of said appropriation, and whether the conditions of said appropriation have been complied with as expressed in said resolve; and what expense, if any, said college will be to the State from year to year hereafter.

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

Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Message, came from the Senate read and accepted, and as follows:

That so much as relates to State finances, and additional provisions for the care of the sinking fund, be referred to the Committee on Finance;

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

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

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

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 manufactures, to the Committee on Manufactures;

So much as relates to the inquiry into the railroad systems of the several States, to compensation of Railroad Commissioners, increased power of Railroad Commissioners, and protection to and convenience of the public, to the Committee on Railroads;

So much as relates to the Insane Hospital and additional hospital accommodations, to the Committee on Insane Hospital;

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

So much as relates to temperance and enforcement of the prohibitory law, to a Joint Select Committee on Temperance ;

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 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 industrial statistics, to the Committee on Manufactures ;

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

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

So much as relates to insane State paupers, to a Joint Select Committee ;

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 State pensions, to the Committee on Pensions ;

So much as relates to the prevention of crime, to the Joint Select Committee on Temperance ;

So much as relates to memorial day, to the Committee on Military Affairs ;

So much as relates to Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia, to the Committee on Manufactures ;

So much as relates to the National Statuary Hall at Washington, to the Committee on Military Affairs ;

So much as relates to the enforcement of the sentence for crime of murder, to the Committee on Legal Affairs ;

So much as relates to special and private legislation, and general laws for the organization of railroad corporations, to the Committee on Judiciary.

The report was read and amended as per sheet "A," by striking

out the word "Finance" in the first clause and inserting the words "Ways and Means."

Also further amended as per sheets "B" and "C," on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

The Joint Select Committees on Insane State Paupers and Temperance, recommended in the foregoing report, came from the Senate, and were joined on the part of the House, and are as follows :

On Insane State Paupers.

Messrs. Foss of Piscataquis,
Rounds of Androscoggin,
Goold of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Clark of Tremont,
Crowell of Benton,
Hunter of Strong,
Babbidge of Deer Isle,
Hawks of Manchester,
Lane of Naples, *of the House*.

On Temperance.

Messrs. Boyle of Waldo,
Carr of Sagadahoc,
Webster of Knox, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Wasson of Surry,
Foster of Newry,
Pressey of Lewiston,
Wilson of Bangor,
Scribner of Otisfield,
Abbot of Vassalboro',
Kellock of Thomaston, *of the House*.

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting, on petition of John H. Stimson and others, bill "an act to incorporate the Stimson Granite 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.

Communication from Hon. L. G. Downes, accepting the office of Councillor, came from the Senate, and was read.

A message was received from the Senate, through its Secretary, S. W. Lane, Esq., proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, this day, at 11 o'clock A. M., in the Hall of the House, for the purpose of administering to Hon. L. G. Downes, Councillor elect, the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

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

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

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Cumberland,

The Secretary of the Convention was directed to notify Hon. L. G. Downes that the two branches of the Legislature had assembled in Convention for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

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

Thereupon, Hon. L. G. Downes, came in, and in presence of the Convention, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Councillor then retired.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of the Senate,

The Secretary was directed to notify the Governor of the qualification of Hon. L. G. Downes as Councillor.

The purpose of the Convention having been accomplished, it was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

A communication from the Treasurer of State, transmitting sundry claims for bounties on wild animals, was received and read, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

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

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, in relation to the discharge of mortgages;" also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment, powers and duties of executors and administrators;" and

Petition of Benjamin Parker and others, for an act to suppress masquerade balls and parties;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to confirm the lease of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad to the Consolidated European and North American Railway Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Isaac W. Clark, for deed of a lot of land waiving settling duties; and

Petition of Silas H. Waldron, for deed of a lot of land waiving settling duties;

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

"Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians," was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Remonstrance of the municipal officers of Limestone, against setting off any part of said town to Lyndon; also

Remonstrance of Andrew Dunphy and others; and

Remonstrance of G. W. Wingate and others, against annexation of Barnard to the town of Sebec;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of A. P. Gould and others of Thomaston; also

Petition of E. W. Ward and others; and

Petition of Hiram Bliss and others, for increase of the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Knox;

Were referred to the Knox County Delegation.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Cordage Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to wolves and bears," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of the Oldtown Bridge Corporation, for amendment of charter, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges. •

On motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking, inquire into the expediency of modifying the laws relating to savings banks, as to allow the taxation of National bank stock held by savings banks.

On motion of Mr. BRYANT of Rockland,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law in relation to savings banks, as to provide for the notice which shall be given by depositors of their intention to draw funds from said banks.

On motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire what amendments are necessary in chapters 30 and 40 of the revised statutes, to further secure the protection of birds, fish and fisheries.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending section 11, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, that the compensation of jurors be increased.

On motion of Mr. BOWKER of Phippsburg,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law that all resident taxes not collected in six months after they are assessed, shall pay an interest of ten per cent. till they are collected.

On motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire what if any further amendment is needed in chapter 128 of the revised statutes, relating to offenses against the public health, safety and policy in the matter of killing and offering for sale calves less than four weeks old.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

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

On motion of Mr. DENISON of Poland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads inquire into the expediency of so amending section 24, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, so that said section may read as follows: When railroads cross each other, and passenger trains are due at the

crossing at any time within sixty minutes of each other, the first train arriving shall wait for the arrival of the other, if it comes within twenty minutes, and each shall afford suitable opportunity for passengers desiring it, to change with their baggage from one train to the other; and the superintendents, conductors and engineers of the roads violating this provision, shall be subject to a fine not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each offence, to be recovered on complaint before a trial justice or by indictment, to the equal use of the State and complainant.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Foundry and Machine Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the account of the Railroad Commissioners, with report of Council thereon, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The House non-concurred, and referred the same to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor Bridge," from the files of 1873, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Charles W. Bryant, for an act to incorporate the Hancock Stone Company, with bill, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of the municipal officers of the town of Burlington, for incorporation of the new county of Appleton, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of J. L. Field and others, for change of the law relating to paupers, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Insane Hospital inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 143 of the revised statutes, as to provide for a different tribunal for the adjudication of insanity of persons.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways, as to allow an appeal to be taken by parties interested, from the decision of County Commissioners, upon any petition for the location, alteration or discontinuance of a public highway, in two or more counties.

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

Order directing the Secretary of State to furnish the several Committees with copies of the statutes, passed by the House, came back from the Senate amended, by providing that the same shall be returned to the Secretary of State at the close of the session, and passed.

The amendment was adopted, and the order passed in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey land in township No. 9, Range 6, Aroostook county," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of legislation authorizing assessors of taxes in the assessment of school district taxes, to assess upon the district, over and above the sum committed to them to assess, a further sum for overlaying, as in case of town taxes; also, a further sum for the expenses of assessing and collecting the tax.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether it is necessary to enact a law to tax notes secured by mortgage on real estate.

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Waterford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relative to the powers of Judges of Probate, so that the appointment of guardians for minors may be transferred to an adjoining county, when the Judge of Probate in the county wherein such minor resides, is interested in the estate of such minor.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of paying a bounty for destruction of hen hawks and chicken hawks.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden,

Ordered, That 1,000 copies additional of the Bank Examiner's Report be printed for the use of the House.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stinson Granite Company."

"Resolve requiring returns from banks."

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

On motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it be till 2 o'clock P. M., Monday.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting returns of votes for Representatives, was received and the returns referred to the Committee on Elections, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell.

Credentials of Peter Salmore, representative from the Passamaquoddy Indians, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of the Selectmen of Newcastle and Nobleboro', for an act to protect and facilitate the taking of alewives in Damariscotta river, with bill, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of A. Colby and others, for an act to incorporate the Bucksport Water Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Daniel Boyington, for an act to fix the width of sleds and sleighs used on traveled roads, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges. . .

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, in relation to the fees of sheriffs and their deputies.

On motion of Mr. TABBUT of Addison,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what amendments, if any, are necessary in chapter 30 of the revised statutes, for the better protection of moose and deer.

On motion of Mr. LAWLER of Baileyville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire into the expediency of equalizing bounties so that the men enlisted in the first six batteries of light artillery, can receive the bounties promised them.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of selling the gun house at East Machias.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication of State Liquor Agent, transmitting his annual report, came from the Senate, and was read, and the report referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Petition of the St. Croix and Penobscot Railroad Company, for amendment of charter; and

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Penobscot Central Railroad Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of the St. Croix Log Driving Company, for amendment of charter, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Ordered, That so much of an order relating to amendment of chapters 30 and 40 of the revised statutes, to further secure and protect birds, fish and fisheries, as relates to birds, be taken from the Committee on Fisheries and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of repealing section 25, chapter 40 of the revised statutes; also of repealing section 1 of chapter 30 of the laws of 1872, relating to Fish Commissioners.

These orders were passed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to give the name of each officer and employee of the State Prison and Reform School, the name of the office or duty performed, and the amount paid each for his services for the years 1873 and 1863; also the sum total paid to such officers and employees for each institution separately for the past twenty years.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Report of the Committee on the Governor's Message, came back from the Senate, House amendment "A" concurred in, amendments "B" and "C" non-concurred in, and the report accepted.

The House receded and concurred.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the fifth-seventh annual report of the Directors and Officers of the American Asylum at Hartford for the Deaf and Dumb, was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Albert M. Nash and others, in aid of the petition for authority to build a railroad bridge across the Penobscot river at Bucksport; also

Bill "an act to amend the charters of the Somerset Railroad Company and Penobscot Railroad Company;" and

Petition of the Selectmen of Mouson, for an act to authorize said town to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to exempt cemetery lots from attachment," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of George F. Whitney, for deed of lot No. 85, Range 3, Aroostook county; also

Petition of Stephen Howes and others, for aid to repair road leading from Dalton to Seven Islands; also

Petition of Charles O. Brown of Moro, for deed of a lot of land; also

Petition of inhabitants of Mt. Chase, for appropriation on road in said town; and

Petition of Jeanne M. Strickland, for deed of a lot of land;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Tanning Company;" and

Petition of H. A. B. Keyes, for incorporation of the Enterprise Cheese Company of Industry;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Isaac W. Smith and others, for further protection of fish in Lufkin pond in Phillips; and

Petition of William B. Merry of Boothbay, for authority to construct a fish weir in Damariscotta river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Jacob McLellan and others, for an act to provide for the inspection of steam vessels on inland waters, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of Barak Maxwell and others, for authority to lay out a highway across Ogunquit river in Wells, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of citizens of Burlington, for incorporation of the county of Appleton, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of Edwin Smith of Biddeford, for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Change of Names.

Bill "an act for the better protection of human life in Maine," was presented by Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed.

Memorial of the Directors of the Maine General Hospital, for an appropriation, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Corinth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 17 of the public laws of 1872, in relation to the appointment of deputy town clerks.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of enacting a law allowing interest on accounts after the expiration of six months.

On motion of Mr. KEEN of Palmyra,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of so amending the statutes in relation to the payment of fence viewers' fees, that the delinquent party shall be required to pay the whole fee, instead of one half as the law now requires.

On motion of Mr. CROWELL of Benton,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the propriety of amending chapter 38 of the revised statutes, by substituting the word "printed or written," for the word "branded."

On motion of Mr. YOUNG of Charlotte,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of imposing a tax of two dollars on dogs, and also of amending section 7, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, by striking out the words "if towns so vote."

On motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta.

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of providing that presidents of savings banks may be paid a limited compensation for their services.

On motion of Mr. LAMSON of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing for lien upon pressed hay in favor of persons performing labor on same.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending line 4, section 44, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to assessment of money raised by school districts, by substituting the word "sixty" for "thirty" in said line, section and chapter.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TABBUT of Addison,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1874.

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 A. Dennett and others; also

Petition of William Hobbs and others; also

Petition of Christopher Buffum and others; and

Petition of Isaac W. Hobbs and others, for a union depot at North Berwick; and

Bill "an act granting further time to the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company to locate and complete its road;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Selectmen of Bremen, against the petition of the town of Bristol, for change of line between said towns, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of W. R. Hersey and others, for an act to incorporate the Sandy Stream Dam Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas S. Loring and others of Enfield; and

Petition of the municipal officers of Lincoln, for an act to incorporate the new county of Appleton;

Were referred to the Committee on Counties in concurrence.

Petition of Alphin Twitchell and others, for repeal of an act authorizing the town of Bethel to collect toll on the bridge over Androscoggin river at Barker's ferry in Bethel, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

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

Messrs. Hamilton of Biddeford,
Small of Lisbon,
Libby of Limestone,
Carvill of Brunswick,
Croswell of Farmington,
Wasson of Surry,
Williams of Augusta,
Bryant of Rockland,
Yates of Bristol,
Moulton of Porter,
Morrow of Bangor,
Bursley of Sangerville,
Reed of Bath,
Pierce of Embden,
Boardman of Belfast,
Talbot of East Machias.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Petition of E. F. Stevens and others of Steuben, for repeal of an act to change the time and place of holding court in the county of Washington ;

Petition of C. S. Leighton of Deblois ; and

Petition of Daniel Willey and others, for same ;

Bill "an act in relation to log lien cases ;" and

Bill "an act to amend an act relating to rescripts of the Supreme Judicial Court ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Calais to build a bridge across the St. Croix river at Calais ;"

Petition of James Pope and others ; and

Petition of H. C. Hall and others, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge across the Penobscot river at Bucksport ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Charles H. Treat and others, for an act to incorporate the Bath Manufacturing and Commercial Company, with bill ; also

Petition of Nathan Carver and others, for an act to incorporate the Dixfield Center Cheese Company ; and

Petition of John N. Varney and others, for incorporation of the Fort Fairfield Dairying Association ;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Benjamin B. Bussey, for pay for medical services attending small pox patients in Crooked Brook plantation, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of the Bucksport and Bangor Railroad Company, for authority to extend their wharves into tide waters of Penobscot river ; also \

Bill "an act to increase the tolls of Namakanta Dam Company ;" also

Petition of L. H. Talbot of East Machias, for authority to build a wharf in said town ; also

Petition of S. D. Warren and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of refuse into Presumpscot river ; and

Remonstrance of George Warren and others, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of William Shaw and others, for aid to build a bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of William Keen and others of Bremen, for authority to extend wharf in Medomak river, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of Trustees of Children's Home at Bangor, for aid, was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of the Selectmen of Atkinson, for correction of return of scholars and for the payment of money due said town, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Samuel Farmer and others, for incorporation of the Sandy River Telegraph Company, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Lyman S. Strickland and others, for aid to build a bridge across Little Madawaska river ; and

Petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county, in aid of the same ;

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

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Waterford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 86 of chapter 307 of the public laws of 1865, so that the State shall defray the expense of furnishing an armory for the volunteer militia, instead of the towns where such militia is located.

On motion of Mr. HAWKS of Manchester,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of providing for the sale of apples by weight.

On motion of Mr. KELLOCH of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing section 1, chapter 123 of the public laws of 1873, relating to the fees of juries.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the use of the Hall of the House be granted to the Maine State Agricultural Society immediately after the adjournment.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass on bill "an act relating to division fences."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the duties of sheriffs and jailors.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fish."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported reference to the Aroostook County Delegation, on petition for aid to the children of Granville Hayden.

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, on order relating to taxation of houses of religious worship:

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

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition of James Devine, bill "an act to incorporate the Devine Water Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta.

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass on bill "an act to legalize the doings of Van Buren plantation."

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

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. RICKER of Augusta,

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of B. Nutters and others, for incorporation of the Masonic Hall Association of Brooklin, with bill; and

Bill "an act to abolish the penalty of death as a punishment for crime;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of John Gray and others, for a union depot at North Berwick; also

Petition of Haven A. Butler and others; and

Petition of Charles E. Ricker and others, for same; and

Petition of the Passadumkeag Railroad Company, for extension of charter; and

Petition of J. T. Davis, in aid of the petition for an act to authorize the Bangor and Shore Line Railroad Company to build a bridge across the Penobscot river at Bucksport;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Wharf Steam Tow Boat Company," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Abel Prescott and others, for incorporation of the Canaan Cheese Manufacturing Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

"Resolve requiring returns of Savings Banks," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Clinton," from the files of 1873, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Prison inquire into the expediency of separating the business of manufacturing in the State Prison into two departments, that of manufacturing and sales; that of sales to be under the supervision of a commission appointed by the Governor and Council and responsible directly to them for the discharge of his duty.

Ordered, That the Committee on Printing inquire into the expediency of any change in regard to printing.

These orders were passed in concurrence.

Order requesting the Governor to furnish information in relation to pay of persons connected with the State Prison and Reform School, referred by the House to the Committee on Financial Affairs, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same.

The House recessed and concurred.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the seventh report of the Commissioners of Fisheries, was received and read, and the report referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

A communication was also received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the reports of the Board and Commissioner of Immigration.

Petition of W. T. Hobart and others, for an appropriation for road for the Passamaquoddy Indians; also

Petition of same, for repair of school house for said tribe; also

Credentials of Joseph M. Sockalexis, representative from the Penobscot Indians; also

Remonstrance of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, against change of treaty; also

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for payment of the salary of Governor; also

Petition of same, for survey of their lands; also

Petition of same, for aid to their priest; also

Petition of same, for aid to build a school house; also

Petition of same for aid to schools; and

Petition of same, for aid for agricultural purposes;

Were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relative to ways," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Alfred Winslow and others, for charter for railroad from West Waterville to Augusta; and

Petition of James R. Talbot and others, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad, for authority to build a bridge at Verona;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Remonstrance of Charles Deering, against the petition of T. L. Roberts, for authority to build a wharf at Bar harbor in the town of Eden, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of William B. Worcester and others of Columbia, for repeal of the law relating to narrow rimmed wheels in said town; and

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Addison, against repeal of the law relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of E. K. Bradeen and others, against division of the town of Bristol, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of the municipal officers of Fort Fairfield, for aid to complete the bridge across the Aroostook river; also

Petition of William Reed and others, for deed of a lot of land in township No. 11, Range 1, Aroostook county, to D. M. Libby; and

Petition of Miles Standish of Flag Staff plantation, for abatement of State taxes of said plantation;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland District Camp Meeting Association," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the town of Clinton, for an act to compel the county

of Kennebec to build a bridge in said town, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of L. P. Hall and others, for authority to extend their wharves into tide waters in Bucksport, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire into the expediency of recommending a resolve in favor of the widow of Capt. Peter Dana, (Indian) who piloted Lieut. Enoch Manning, then in command of a detachment of the 40th Regiment U. S. Infantry, with forty men, fourteen days through the wilderness, from the head waters of the Machias to Columbia, in 1812, sharing his camp and provisions with them up to the capture of Machias by the English.

On motion of Mr. LAWLER of Baileyville,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what legislation is needed in order to secure a printed report each year from the Agent of the Passamaquoddy Indians.

On motion of Mr. CROWELL of Benton,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 55, chapter 86 of the revised statutes, by striking from said section the following words, "and this shall not be exempt in any suit for necessaries furnished him or his family."

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 8, chapter 136, first line, of the revised statutes of 1871, by inserting the words "or judge of a municipal or police court."

On motion of Mr. SMALL of Lisbon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of so amending section 6, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, that farm products when held by the producer, shall be exempt from taxation.

On motion of Mr. KEEN of Palmyra,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing for the sale of eggs by weight.

On motion of Mr. TABBUT of Addison,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing for the sale of blueberries by weight.

On motion of Mr. EATON of Dexter,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so legislating as to allow savings banks to loan a limited amount of their deposits on notes signed by three responsible persons.

On motion of Mr. REED of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws relating to savings banks, as to provide as follows : no savings bank, or any person acting in its behalf, or in its interest, shall negotiate, take or receive any fee, brokerage, commission, gift or other consideration, for, or on account of any loan made by, or in behalf of such bank, or for the benefit thereof, either to his own use, or to the use of such bank, other than shall appear on the face of the note, or contract, upon which such loan shall purport to be made, providing that nothing herein contained, shall apply to any expenses of examining titles and making conveyances upon loans made by savings banks.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of extending the close-time for taking landlocked salmon in the St. Croix river.

On motion of Mr. HAWKS of Manchester,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending section 7, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, as to secure a more equal distribution of school funds.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads inquire into the expediency of amending section 42, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, by striking out the words "one hundred and fifty" and inserting the words "five hundred."

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, presented the following order :

WHEREAS, by reference to the message of the Governor, and the annual messages of the Governor for several successive years last past the impression has been given to the Legislature and the people of this State, that the State Prison at Thomaston has been, and still is a source of revenue to the State, more than paying the current expenses thereof;

AND WHEREAS, it nowhere appears from the reports of the State Treasurer for a number of years past that any amounts of money have been paid into the treasury as the profits accruing from the management of said institution ;

AND WHEREAS, in the reports of the Inspectors there are no accounts giving in detail the items and amounts of annual additions to the stock and working capital of said prison, or giving particular items, or value of stock on hand ;

AND WHEREAS, there is no official report of the amount of salaries or compensation to the several officers and employees connected with said prison ;

AND WHEREAS, the salaries, or amount of compensation paid to several of said officers is not fixed by law, but left to the discretion of the Inspectors of said prison, and no report or official document shows the sum or sums allowed by said Inspectors as salary or compensation to said officers ;

AND WHEREAS, it appears by the message of the Governor that a serious loss to the property of the State occurred by reason of a fire some time after an account of stock and property at said prison had been last taken ;

AND WHEREAS, charges have been made and published in some of the leading newspapers of the State, showing that the State Prison is by no means a source of revenue to the State, or self-sustaining, and that no account or report of the amount of salaries or compensation paid to officers or employees of said prison has appeared ;

AND WHEREAS, it appears by the acts and resolves for the last past ten years that large appropriations have been made from the treasury in favor of said prison, and no detailed account of the expenditure of said moneys has been communicated to the Legislature, therefore

Ordered, That — be a Committee of this House, whose duty it shall be to investigate fully all the affairs of said prison connected with the management thereof since the first day of January, 1864, to ascertain the number and names of all persons for each year since that date, connected with the management of said institution, or in any way employed and paid as officers or employees thereof. Also in what capacity employed, and the amount of compensation or salary paid annually to each of them. Whether any officers or persons have been employed without authority of law ; the amount annually paid into the State treasury

from said prison; the amount annually appropriated and paid in favor of said prison during said last ten years, together with the manner in which appropriations have been expended, and for what purposes. Also, what improvements have been made; the time and cause, or origin of said fire, and circumstances connected therewith. Whether it occurred before or after an account of the stock and property had been last taken by the Inspectors; the amount of all property and stock belonging to the State at said prison, and the uses made thereof, as near as may be ascertained, for each of the last ten years since January 1st, 1864. And also the amount of all such property and stock, and the uses thereof, now on hand, giving in full and detail the several items, together with the present cash value thereof. Also inquire into the sanitary condition of said prison and the treatment of the inmates thereof. And that said Committee have authority to send for persons and all books and papers in their judgment deemed necessary, and be directed and instructed to report on the aforesaid matters as soon as may be.

Mr. POWERS of Houlton, offered amendment "A," as follows: Amend by providing for the appointment, in the usual method, of a Committee of two on the part of the House, and one on the part of the Senate.

Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport, moved and the House ordered, that the question of its adoption be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was adopted, by yeas 98, nays 43.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Clark,	Fernald,
Bailey,	Cobb,	Fessenden,
Baker,	Coffin,	Files,
Barker,	Connor,	Fletcher,
Blaisdell,	Cornish,	Foster,
Boardman,	Corthell,	Fowler,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Crockett,	Frost,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Croswell,	Gibbs,
Brawn,	Crowell,	Grant,
Burbank,	Cushman,	Guptill,
Bursley,	Davis,	Hall,
Caldwell,	Denison,	Hamilton,
Campbell,	Dowst,	Hawks,
Carvill,	Eaton,	Houghton,

Hunter,	Nickerson,	Smith,
Hutchins,	North,	Snow,
Judd,	Ouilette,	Stone,
Keegan,	Pierce,	Sturgis,
Keen of Bremen,	Pinkham,	Swasey,
Keen of Palmyra,	Pillsbury,	Treat,
Knowlton,	Powers,	Walden,
Lamson,	Pullen,	Warren,
Leavitt,	Reed,	Wasson,
Libby,	Richards,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Longfellow,	Rogers,	Wentworth, Kittery,
Lord,	Rowell,	Whitmore,
Loring,	Sanborn of Wales,	Wilder,
Macartney,	Sanborn of Etna,	Williams,
McCarty,	Scammon,	Wilson,
Milliken,	Scribner,	Woodman,
Mitchell,	Silsby,	Yates,
Moulton of Porter,	Small of Lisbon,	Young—98.
Mullin,	Small of Temple,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Hawes,	Parker,
Babbidge,	Hurd,	Phinney,
Bartlett,	Johnson,	Porter,
Bowker,	Keith,	Robbins,
Bryant,	Kelloch,	Sherman,
Carll,	Kimball,	Stuart,
Estes,	Lane,	Tabbut,
Farrington,	Lawler,	Talbot,
Gile,	Lewis,	Thurston,
Goodwin,	McKinney,	Tibbetts,
Gove,	Meserve,	Vittum,
Harding,	Moore,	Welt,
Haskell,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Winslow,
Hatch,	Morrow,	Work—43.
Hathorn,		

The order, as amended, was then passed.

Mr. BOARDMAN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Select-

men of Palmyra, for incorporation of said town in a fire insurance company.

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

Mr. HOBBS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of Benjamin Tucker, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Waterford Cheese Factory Association;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Elm Dale Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Mr. WALDEN, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Tanning Company;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Cordage Company."

Mr. WARREN, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "act to incorporate the Aroostook Valley Dairy Association."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company."

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Commerce, on petition, reported bill "an act to authorize Cyrus J. Hall to extend a wharf or wharves into tide water in Mt. Desert."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of Silas H. Waldron;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Alice McPhail;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Isaac W. Clark;" also

Reported, "resolve in favor of Charles O. Brown."

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

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of Van Buren plantation," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to the settlement of paupers;" also

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations;" also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock Publishing Company;" and

Petition of Samuel Bradbury and others of Lubec, for change of the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of David R. Campbell and others, for an act to incorporate the Kineo Slate Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads in concurrence.

Petition of H. C. Coburn and others of Kingman, for incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred to the Committee on Counties in concurrence.

Ordered, That the report of the Commissioner of Immigration be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending section 36 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the loss of life by reason of negligence or carelessness of railroad corporations or their servants or agents, that the same may apply to employees whose lives are lost by reason of the negligence or carelessness of such corporations, as well as to the passengers.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 134 of the revised statutes, so that in all trials in criminal cases the State may have the right to challenge the same number of jurors as the accused.

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire if any further legislation is necessary to more clearly define the meaning of section 1, chapter 124 of the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools.

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

Communication from Hon. S. C. Hatch, accepting the office of State Treasurer and transmitting his official bond, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, and was referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Edwin Rich and others, for protection of shell fish in Isle au Haut, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was accepted in concurrence.

Petition of John A. Buck and others ; also

Petition of T. W. Allen and others ; and

Petition of A. S. Farnsworth and others, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge across Penobscot river at Verona ; also

Petition of the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company, for extension of time to locate said road ; also

Petition of Samuel Bunker and others, for extension of the Somerset Railroad ; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Brownville, for extension of time to allow the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to locate a branch railroad from Milo to Katahdin ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

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

Petition of inhabitants of Mayfield for an act to make valid the doings of said town ; and

Petition of R. B. Clark and others of Eastport, for repeal of the act changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of M. Gould and others, Trustees of Bridgton Academy, for the establishment of a State Normal School in place of said academy ; also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency;" also

Petition of Winslow Bates and others, for an act to enlarge the powers of trial justices; also

Petition of Hiram Watson and others of Cambridge, for change of the pauper law; also

Petition of M. G. Palmer and others, for incorporation of the Old Orchard Beach Association; also

Petition of Israel Luce and others, for incorporation of Orchard Beach Camp Meeting Association; also

Petition of William Percival and others, for relief of Bickford C. Mathews; and

Petition of J. W. Jones and others, for an act respecting School District No. 7 in Westbrook;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Brownville;" and

"Resolve in favor of the town of Pittston;"

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of inhabitants of Baileyville, for reduction of valuation, was referred to the Washington County Delegation.

Petition of Franklin Teague, for the protection of eels in Damariscotta river and pond, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of G. Lovrien and others, for an appropriation for road across Indian township; and

Petition for deed of a lot of land to Thomas Lovely;

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

Petition of Alva plantation, for an act to incorporate said plantation as a town; and

Remonstrance of H. A. Hurd, against division of the town of Berwick;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of John A. Hamilton, for incorporation of Chebeague Island Wharf Company, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Mr. FILES of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether the Cumberland and Oxford Canal has not failed to be of public use or benefit, and whether the stockholders in said canal having failed to keep the same in repair so as to permit the transportation

of goods or other commodities on said canal, any further legislation is expedient or necessary to enable adjacent land-owners to obtain possession of land taken for the construction of said canal.

On motion of Mr. ROBBINS of Norridgewock,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of requiring deputy sheriffs to report to county commissioners, instead of to sheriffs, as now required, whose duty it shall be to audit and approve the same; also requiring each deputy, messenger, or other employee, attendant upon court, to present his account to the judge holding said court, whose duty it shall be to audit and approve the same.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of changing the law of this State, taking the invoice and making assessment of all taxable property to the first day of January, 1874, instead of April, as the law now requires.

On motion of Mr. BARKER of Weston,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending the statutes relative to liens, as to give laborers on bark a lien on the same for their personal services.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of some further provision of law to prevent frauds and gambling on railroad cars.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 5, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, by adding: "And if the precept bears a written endorsement that the same be returned by mail or express, then only actual travel and postage or express charges are to be allowed."

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 42, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the taxation of land in unincorporated townships.

On motion of Mr. WINSLOW of Falmouth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of a law to better protect the sheep husbandry from destruction by dogs.

On motion of Mr. REED of Bath,

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs consider the

expediency of making it the duty of the State Treasurer to publish in his annual report at the close of each fiscal year, a statement of the indebtedness, if any, of each city, town and plantation, for the State taxes imposed thereon, specifying as far as may be convenient, in tabulated form, the several years for which the amount or amounts of such indebtedness may be outstanding against said town.

On motion of Mr. LAWLER of Baileyville,

Ordered, That the petition of the inhabitants of Vanceborough for incorporation as a town, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. PINKHAM of Palermo,

Ordered, That one on the part of the Senate and one on the part of the House, be added to the Joint Select Committee on the State Prison, making said Committee to consist of five instead of three.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, the Legislature adjourn finally the 25th day of February next.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEATITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives Hall, be tendered to Capt. Enoch Knight, for the purpose of delivering a lecture, "The Story of the State of Maine," Tuesday evening, Feb. 3d.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, on order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to hay."

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

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to tax on dogs.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on order relating to increase of the compensation of jurors.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Lewis Guptill of Addison, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in said town; also

Reported same, on petition of Ellis Fish, for an act to tax dogs. These reports were read and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRYANT, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Barnard Slate Quarry Company."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Water Company."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Tanning Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterford Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Aroostook Valley Dairy Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Elm Dale Cheese Manufacturing Association."

Bill "an act to authorize Cyrus J. Hall to extend a wharf or wharves into tide waters in Mt. Desert."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Cordage Company."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Foundry Machine 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. POWERS of Houlton, the vote by which bill "an act to make valid the doings of Van Buren plantation," passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered, and the same recommended to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER announced the Committee to investigate the affairs of the State Prison, on the part of the House, as follows:

Messrs. Talbot of East Machias,
Knowlton of Skowhegan,
Morrow of Bangor.

The order providing for the foregoing Committee was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL of Brunswick,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farmington Cheese Manufacturing Company," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of F. Shaw, for reimbursement of State tax levied on certain lands in Independence plantation, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Enoch E. Brown and others, for amendment of pauper law, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of citizens of Enfield; and

Petition of James Babcock and others, for incorporation of the new county of Appleton;

Were referred to the Committee on Counties in concurrence.

Petition of the Trustees of Colby University, for amendment of charter, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock Stone Company," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Petition of Albert Moore and others, for extension of the Somerset Railroad to Canada line, to meet the Levis and Kennebec Railroad; also

Petition of George W. McIntire and others; and

Petition of Jesse Smith, jr., and others, for same; and

Petition of Alden Bradford and others, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a railroad bridge across Penobscot river at Verona;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Thomas Clark and others, for incorporation of the West Tremont Brick Company, with bill, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of the inhabitants of Crystal plantation, for deed of a lot of land to Charles E. Murphy; and

“Resolve in favor of the town of Mayfield;”

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

Remonstrance of John N. Swazey and others, against repeal of an act to prevent the destruction of fish in the eastern Penobscot river in town of Orland, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. ESTES of Troy, presented the following order, which was read and amended by referring the same to the Committee on the Judiciary:

Ordered, That a special Committee be appointed, one from each county, on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, to inquire into the expediency of so amending the pauper law as to give all persons a settlement where they dwelt and had their homes on the first day of January, 1874.

On motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of regulating the sale of salt by weight.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LAMSON of Richmond,

Ordered, That the House meet on Mondays at 2 o'clock, P. M., until otherwise ordered.

Mr. MULLIN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the repeal of law providing for the appointment of Fish Commissioners.

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

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto."

Mr. SNOW, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act authorizing the Maine Central Railroad Company to change its location, and construct a new bridge across the Kennebec river."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. CONNER of Fairfield.

Mr. WILDER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported "resolve in favor of Peter Salmore."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act granting further time to the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company to locate and complete its railroad."

Mr. BLODGETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition, bill "an act to prevent the taking of eels in Southern bay, in the towns of Brooksville and Penobscot."

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

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Barnard Slate Quarry Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Devine Water Company," was taken from the table on motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta, who offered amendment "A."

The bill and amendment were ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRANE of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of J. E. Collins and others of Verona, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in said town, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of conferring additional powers upon administrators, by amending chapter 64 of the revised statutes.

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

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of Lewis Guptill and others of Addison, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in said town, reporting leave to withdraw, came back from the Senate recommitted.

The report was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry.

Report of the Committee on Towns, on the petition of Daniel R. Sawyer and others, to be set off from Limestone to Lyndon, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition, bill "an act granting further time to the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company to locate and complete its railroad," 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.

Petition of D. W. Dinsmore and others of Harrington; also
Petition of J. C. Nash and others of Addison; and

Petition of E. F. Allen and others, for change of time and place of holding court in Washington county ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Joseph H. West and others, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge across Penobscot river ; also

Petition of G. L. Baker and others of Steuben ; and

Petition of J. G. Hill and others of Gouldsboro', for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of William B. Skillin of North Yarmouth ; also

Petition of Charles R. Goodell and others of Windham ; also

Petition of John P. Perley and others of South Bridgton ; also

Petition of H. A. Shorey and others of Bridgton Centre ; also

Petition of Edward Kimball and others of North Bridgton ; and

Petition of Daniel Wiggins of Bridgton, for the establishment of a Normal School at Bridgton, in place of Bridgton Academy ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Charles Clark and others of Bangor, for amendment of the law relating to the sale of milk ; and

Petition of George Walker and others of Machias, for an act to provide for a bounty on wild cats and loupceviers ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Samuel S. Higgins and others, for change of the law regulating the taking of porgies ; also

Petition of Albert Treworgy and others of Surry ; also

Petition of Jonas Green and others of Bluehill, for protection of porgie netters ; and

Petition of L. N. Jordan and others of Raymond, for an act to protect fish in said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Abijah W. Tabbut and others of Columbia Falls, for repeal of the law relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in said town ; also

Petition of F. M. Loughton, for an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, with bill accompanying ; and

Petition of John Weller and others, for an act to legalize the doings of the town of Weston ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the inhabitants of Brunswick and Harpswell, for authority to build a bridge across tide waters, to connect Bailey's and Orr's islands, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of S. W. Foss and others, for an act to incorporate the Charleston Cheese Factory Association, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of changing the law so that personal property shall be holden for taxes the same as real estate.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to hay," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Water Company."

Bill "an act granting further time to the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company to locate and complete its road."

Bill "an act to prevent the taking of eels in Southern bay, in the towns of Brooksville and Penobscot."

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 Hancock Stone Company," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, presented the following, which was read and adopted:

WHEREAS, Governor Dingley in his recent address called the attention of this Legislature to the fact that by an act of Congress, approved March 3d, 1871, it was decided to celebrate in an appropriate manner the One Hundredth Anniversary of American Independence, by holding an exhibition of arts, manufactures and products of the soil and mine at Philadelphia during the season of 1876;

AND WHEREAS, the President of the United States by authority of said act has appointed two commissioners from each State and Territory to make preparations for this important event, in a manner commensurate with the dignity of the occasion;

AND WHEREAS, the Commissioners from Maine, the Hon. Joshua Nye and Hon. C. P. Kimball, in accordance with the plans of the

Executive Committee, and the Director General, now ask the appointment of five State Commissioners to form in connection with the two United States Commissioners, a State Board on which will devolve all the responsibilities of organizing the State and seeing to its thorough representation in the exhibition ;

AND WHEREAS, it is desirable the Legislature of Maine shall have all the light on the subject in their power to obtain, before acting on so important a matter ;

AND WHEREAS, Hon. C. P. Kimball, one of the Commissioners, has prepared an address setting forth in detail all the plans of the Centennial Commission ; therefore be it

Ordered, That the Hon. C. P. Kimball be and hereby is invited to deliver his address in this House on Monday evening, February second.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1874.

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 R. W. Hanscom and others, for repeal of the law requiring wholesale peddlers to pay license fee to the State ; and

Bill "an act in relation to execution of sentence in capital cases ;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Ordered, That the Committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending sections 91 and 92 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to education, that the State Treasurer shall annually appropriate and distribute the money raised for the support of common schools on the basis of the number of scholars actually enrolled.

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs inquire into the necessity of all expenditures for military purposes, with a view to abate a part or all of the same; also whether the "resolve relating to industrial statistics," approved February 24, 1873, may not be repealed without detriment to the public good.

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of repealing all or any part of the laws giving bounty on wild animals.

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

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on petition, bill "an act authorizing John Whitmore to construct weirs in the Penobscot river;" also

Reporting, on petition of Isaac W. Smith, bill "an act to continue in force so much of chapter 462 of the special laws of 1868, as relates to the fishing interest in Lufkin's pond."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Railroad Company," that the same ought to pass.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Order relating to investigation of the affairs of the State Prison, came back from the Senate, House amendment rejected, amended as per sheets "B" and "C," and passed. Amendment "B" is as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "B."

Amend by striking out all after the word "ordered," and insert the following:

That the Committee on State Prison be instructed to investigate all the affairs of said prison connected with the management thereof since the first day of January, 1864; to ascertain the number and names of all persons for each year since that date, connected with the management of said institution, or in any way employed and paid as officers and employees thereof; also in what capacity employed, and the amount of compensation or salary paid annually to each of them; whether any officers or persons

have been employed without authority of law. The amount annually paid into the treasury from said prison; the amount annually appropriated and paid in favor of said prison during said last ten years, together with the manner in which appropriations have been expended, and for what purpose; also what improvements have been made. The time and cause, or origin of the late fire, and circumstances connected therewith; whether it occurred before or after the account of stock and property had been last taken by the inspectors. The amount of all property and stock belonging to the State at said prison, and the use made thereof, as near as may be ascertained, for each of the last ten years since January 1st, 1864; and also the amount of all such property and stock, and the uses thereof, now on hand, giving in full and detail the several items, together with the present cash value thereof. Also to inquire into the sanitary condition of said prison and the treatment of the inmates thereof. And the said Committee have authority to send for persons and all books and papers in their judgment deemed necessary.

And said Committee is authorized to appoint a sub-committee if deemed expedient, and report of the result is to be made to this Legislature as soon as may be.

AMENDMENT "C."

Amend amendment "B," by inserting in the last clause of said amendment, after the word "expedient," the following:

"And to employ such person or persons, as assistants, in said investigation, as to said Committee may seem necessary and proper."

The question being on the adoption of Senate amendments "B" and "C," the House, on motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, ordered that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, the same were rejected, by yeas 40, nays 91.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Coffin,	Foster,
Aldrich,	Corthell,	Fowler,
Bailey,	Crockett,	Frost,
Black,	Croswell,	Gibbs,
Blaisdell,	Crowell,	Guptill,
Bursley,	Davis,	Hawks,
Campbell,	Denison,	Hawes,
Clark,	Fernald,	Hutchins,

Johnson,	Reed,	Silsby,
Knowlton,	Richards,	Small of Temple,
Lord,	Rowell,	Snow,
McCarty,	Sanborn of Wales,	Swasey,
Milliken,	Scribner,	Walden—40.
North,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Hurd,	Porter,
Baker,	Judd,	Powers,
Bartlett,	Keegan,	Pressey,
Boardman,	Keen of Bremen,	Pullen,
Bowker,	Keith,	Robbins,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Kellock,	Rogers,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Kimball,	Scammon,
Brawn,	Lamson,	Sherman,
Bryant,	Lane,	Smith,
Caldwell,	Lawler,	Stuart,
Carll,	Leavitt,	Sturgis,
Cobb,	Lewis,	Tabbut,
Connor,	Libby,	Talbot,
Cushman,	Longfellow,	Thurston,
Dowst,	Loring,	Tibbetts,
Eaton,	Macartney,	Treat,
Edes,	McGilvery,	Vittum,
Estes,	Meserve,	Warren,
Farrington,	Mitchell,	Wasson,
Fessenden,	Moore,	Welt,
Files,	Moulton of Porter,	Whitmore,
Frothingham,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Wilder,
Gile,	Morrow,	Williams,
Goodwin,	Mullin,	Wilson,
Gove,	Nickerson,	Winslow,
Grant,	Ouilette,	Woodbury,
Hamilton,	Phinney,	Woodman,
Harding,	Pierce,	Work,
Haskell,	Pinkham,	Yates,
Hathorn,	Pilsbury,	Young—91.
Houghton,		

“Resolve concerning the Pilgrim Society,” was presented by Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan, ordered to be printed and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Remonstrance of John H. Converse and others, against the petition of the Selectmen of Newcastle and Nobleboro’, for an act to prevent the throwing of sawdust into Damariscotta river in the fishing season ; also

Petition of Freeland Howe and others, for an act to protect fish in Pennessewassee pond in Norway ; and

Remonstrance of C. H. Blodgett and others, against the petition of J. L. Gray and others, to restrict the taking of eels ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill “an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government ;” also

Bill “an act to abate the State tax of Clinton Gore for 1873, and assess the same upon the towns of Clinton and Burnham ;” and

“Resolve abating part of the State tax of Perkin’s plantation, and assessing the same upon the town of Carthage ;”

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill “an act in reference to steamboat freight ;” and

Petition of inhabitants of No. 3, Range 3, for an act to make valid the doings of said plantation ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Enos Heald and others ; also

Petition of Dean Andrews and others ; and

Petition of Peter B. Young and others, for the establishment of a Normal School in Bridgton, in place of Bridgton Academy ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Jonas Hamilton, for an act to incorporate the Maine Sportsmen’s Association, with bill accompanying ; also

Petition of William A. Frye and others, for incorporation of the Eastern Stage Company ; and

Bill “an act to make valid the doings of the Livermore Falls Bridge Company ;”

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. H. Jewett and others, for an act to set off part of Berwick to South Berwick ; and

Remonstrance of Emery B. Moulton and others, and J. D. Cole and others, against the same ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Letter A or Macwahoc plantation, for incorporation as a town by the name of Molunkus ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Jackson Brook for incorporation as a town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of A. C. Denison and others, for increase of capital stock of the Mechanic Falls Dairying Association ; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the China Cheese Company ;" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fryeburg Cheese Company ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Michael Farrell, for reimbursement for labor on bridge in Hamlin plantation ; and

Petition of J. E. Cochrane, for an act to authorize the Land Agent to deed land to settlers on State lands when they shall occupy a lot containing less than 100 acres ;

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

Petition of E. L. Hadlock and others, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in Tremont, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of John B. Farrell, for an act to fix the width of sleighs and sleds ; and

Petition of Enoch Cousens and others of Kennebunkport, for authority to build a bridge in said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

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

Petition of J. C. Nash and others, for authority to build a wharf in tide waters at Addison Point, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LORD of Saco,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 4, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage, by striking therefrom the words "at least five days."

On motion of Mr. WARREN of Westbrook,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what amendments,

if any, should be made to chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the adoption of children.

On motion of Mr. STURGIS of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 47, section 91 of the revised statutes, so that it may read as follows: "The trustees shall see to the proper and safe investment of deposits and funds of the corporation in the manner they regard perfectly safe; but no loan exceeding twenty-five per cent. of the amount on deposit shall be made on security of names alone, nor directly or indirectly to any one of the trustees, or any firm of which he is a member."

On motion of Mr. FILES of Gorham,

WHEREAS, The time in which the Commissioners appointed under a resolve of last year, to receive proposals from towns and individuals as an inducement to the location of a proposed new Insane Hospital, appears to have elapsed, and an offer is to be made by Mr. J. P. Baxter of Gorham, of his farm and country seat in that town, as a site for said hospital, therefore

Ordered, That the Committee on Insane Hospital examine and consider the offer of Mr. Baxter, and make such report as in their judgment may seem proper.

On motion of Mr. WINSLOW of Falmouth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of a law to compel persons to maintain a land-mark, either by posts or trees, where they have ceased to maintain a fence by the highway, liable to be blocked by drifting snows.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of authorizing the school committees of the several towns in each county to meet in convention yearly.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden,

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

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, on petition for an act to authorize the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company to extend its road from Bath to Portland, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc and Cumberland Railroad Company."

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

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Enterprise Cheese Manufacturing Company of Industry."

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

Bill "an act to amend an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company," was reported, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act granting further time to the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company to locate and complete its road," was read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to hay," was read the third time, and recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture, with instructions to report a bill repealing sections 52, 53 and 54, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, on motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn.

Bill "an act authorizing the Maine Central Railroad to change its location and construct a new bridge across the Kennebec river," was read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CONNOR of Fairfield.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on petition of Lewis Guptill, was taken from the table, and recommitted in concurrence to the Committee on Agriculture.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act in relation to fees of clerks of courts;" and

Bill "an act abolishing all discrimination between male and female suffrage in the election of President and Vice President of the United States;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lockwood Cotton Mills," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Alumni Memorial Hall Association," was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Stetson and others, for authority to extend their wharf into tide waters of Muscongus harbor in the town of Bremen, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of George W. Smith and others of Mattawamkeag, for change of the law relating to the manner of raising money for schools; also for change of the law relating to paupers, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on the official bond of Hon. S. C. Hatch, Treasurer of State, that the same had been examined and found correctly drawn, that the sureties are responsible and sufficient, came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bond approved.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the bond approved.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks," was presented by

Mr. WARREN, ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of A. M. Pulsifer and others, for an act to confer upon the Little Androscoggin Water Power Company, authority to lay gas pipes in Auburn and Lewiston ; also

Petition of F. F. Haines and others, for incorporation of the East Livermore Cheese Company ; also

Petition of P. Stephens and others, for incorporation of the Maine Dairymen's Association ; also

Bill "an act to establish the New Gloucester Cheese Company ;" and

Petition of E. A. Thompson and others, for increase of the capital stock of the Earl Slate Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of John A. Green and others of Waterford ; also

Petition of James L. Parker and others of Stoneham ; also

Petition of Jacob N. Lovejoy and others of Albany ; and

Petition of the citizens of Harrison, for the establishment of a Normal School at Bridgton ; also

Petition of James H. Brackett and others, for change of the law relating to the raising of money for support of common schools ; also

Petition of Isaac Dunton, for an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 4 in Burnham ; and

Petition of William Freeman, praying that all money due the Cherryfield High School be paid to the Cherryfield Academy ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Henry Fogg and others, for charter for a horse railroad from Fairfield village to Waterville ; also

Petition of B. Hayford and others of Medway, for authority to build a bridge across Penobscot river in said town ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Prentiss, for aid to build a bridge in said town ; and

"Resolve in aid of building bridge across the Megalloway river in Oxford county ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of M. S. Drummond and others, for incorporation of the Allegash Dam Company ; also

Petition of Moses Giddings and others, for incorporation of a log driving company ; also

Petition of D. Knowlton and Company, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor; and

Petition of H. K. Bond and another, for an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Steamboat Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of William M. Nash and others, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge across Penobscot river; and

Petition of Elisha Fearin, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Benjamin Kingsbury and others of Portland;

Petition of George Leavitt and others of Machias;

Petition of Charles M. Davis and others of Jefferson;

Petition of Mrs. J. G. Dickerson of Belfast;

Petition of John Martin and others of Thomaston;

Petition of George L. Totman and another of Thomaston;

Petition of O. F. Allen and others of Orono;

Petition of citizens of Garland;

Petition of citizens of Hermon;

Petition of W. H. Bolster and others of Wiscasset;

Petition of George W. Morse and others of Union;

Petition of H. C. Levenseller and others;

Petition of A. H. Sweetser and others;

Petition of Thomas O. Brown and others of Bath; and

Petition of Ara Cushman and another of Lewiston and Auburn, for the right of suffrage to women; also

Petition of School District No. 1 in Hartland, for an act to make valid the doings of said school district; and

Petition of William Stone and others, for change of time and place of holding court in the county of Washington;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 395 of the private and special laws of 1864, to amend an act to establish a Police Court in the city of Rockland," was referred to the Knox County Delegation.

Petition of H. Winslow, for the exclusive right to breed and catch fish in B pond in Upton; and

Petition of L. Libby and others of Albion, for an act to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Lovejoy's pond in said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of George H. McKechnie and others of Alton, for abatement of State taxes, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of Robert Geyer and others, against the petition of Henry Marshall, to set off certain islands from Cushing and Friendship and incorporate the same as a plantation, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of the President and Secretary of the Raymond Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for an act to make valid the doings of said company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Benevolent Association," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 13, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to the time of killing and selling the carcasses and hides of moose, deer and caribou.

On motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending section 9, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, as to provide that original writs issued by police and municipal courts may be made returnable before any other police or municipal court in the same and adjoining counties.

On motion of Mr. LORD of Saco,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of enacting a law authorizing towns to take land upon which to build soldiers' monuments, in the same manner as is provided for public highways.

On motion of Mr. WARREN of Westbrook,

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 6, chapter 115 of the revised statutes, that it may read: "One dollar for every ten miles travel to and from his place of abode once in each session."

On motion of Mr. LORD of Saco,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending section 18, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, that railroad companies shall be required to erect and

maintain gates across highways instead of railroads, as now provided.

On motion of Mr. PARKER of Lebanon,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending the revised statutes, as to require the several counties of the State to build all roads laid out by their County Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 124, section 8 of the laws of 1873, so as to provide for semi-annual payments of money from the State for the support of Free High Schools.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 11, section 24 of the revised statutes, relating to powers and duties of school districts.

On motion of Mr. DENISON of Poland,

WHEREAS, citizens have and are falling into distress in towns where they have no settlement;

AND WHEREAS, in accordance with statute laws, those towns are bound for their maintenance;

AND WHEREAS, the expense of support falls ultimately upon the town wherein said pauper legitimately belongs;

AND WHEREAS, the residence of said pauper becomes frequently a question of dispute, to be settled by law;

AND WHEREAS, the town A, an innocent party in the transaction, is unable to determine pacifically whether said pauper belongs to towns B or C, both of which disclaim his residence, but it becomes evident that said pauper belongs to either B or C, therefore

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws relating to paupers, that the judges of the several districts, upon sufficient evidence, may cite the towns B and C to the burden of proof necessary to establish the residence of said pauper, and leave A, the innocent party, harmless.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to exempt cemetery lots from attachment;" also

Reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians."

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

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

Mr. KELLOCH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the election of selectmen.

Mr. LEWIS, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to the protection of moose and deer.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order relating to interest on taxes not collected in six months after assessment.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported reference to the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Gardner and Colburn, for amendment of the charter of the Shin Brook Dam Company.

Mr. SWASEY, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Hiram Watson, for change of the pauper law.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on petition of E. L. Deering and others, for change of law relating to fencing railroads.

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

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Mayfield."

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock County Publishing Company."

Mr. KELLOCH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland District Camp Meeting Association."

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Newport Cheese Manufacturing Association."

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

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to continue in force so much of chapter 462, special laws of 1868, as relates to the fishing interest in Lufkin's pond."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Enterprise Cheese Company of Industry."

"Resolve in favor of Charles O. Brown of Moro plantation."

"Resolve in favor of Alice McPhail of Presque Isle."

"Resolve in favor of Isaac W. Clark of Mapleton."

"Resolve in favor of Silas H. Waldron of Mapleton."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolves the second time, each passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Aroostook Valley Dairying Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock Stone Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Elm Dale Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waterford Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Cordage Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Tanning Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Cyrus J. Hall to extend a wharf or wharves into tide waters in the town of Mt. Desert."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company."

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. TABBUT of Addison,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JAKES of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

The Committee to investigate the affairs of the Maine State Prison, on the part of the Senate, are :

Messrs. Shaw of Penobscot,
Russell of Androscoggin.

Petition of L. E. Heywood and others of Verona ;

Petition of W. S. Lanpher and others of Bucksport ;

Petition of J. B. Johnson and others of Sullivan ; and

Petition of Charles D. McDonald and others, for the right of suffrage to women ;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

“ Resolve abating part of the State tax of Perkins plantation and assessing the same upon the town of Carthage.”

Bill “ an act to abate the State tax of Clinton Gore for 1873 and assess the same upon the towns of Clinton and Burnham.”

The foregoing, referred by the House to the Committee on Financial Affairs, came back from the Senate non-concurred in and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on Treasurer's accounts, came from the Senate, and is as follows :

The Committee has examined the books in the Treasurer's office, and find the accounts correctly cast, properly vouched, and to agree with his report presented to the Legislature.

We find the amount of cash on hand December 31, 1873, \$436,430.68, a large portion of which is deposited in banks of this State and Suffolk National Bank, Boston, their respective cashiers certifying to the amount in each.

We have made due record of the destruction by burning, of the bonds and coupons paid during the past year; also coupon bonds received in exchange for registered bonds, and registered bonds surrendered by holders, and a like amount re-issued to other parties.

We deem it proper to remark, that the practice of directing warrants, drawn to meet a claim belonging to some exhausted appropriation, to be charged to the account of some other appropriation designed for a different class of claims, is a manifest departure from the rule of the constitution, that no money shall be drawn from the treasury but in consequence of appropriations made by law; and that whenever the contingent fund of the Governor and Council is found insufficient for such exigencies as occasionally arise from deficient appropriations, that the warrant for payment of any claim thus unprovided for, should be deferred until the requisite amount can be appropriated by law.

(Signed)

S. A. HOLBROOK,
ALBION DYER,
EDMUND RUSSELL,
JOSEPH H. WILLIAMS,
W. F. MILLIKEN,
EDWIN REED,
AUGUSTUS WELT,
HENRY M. HALL,
WILLIAM MCGILVERY,
J. L. H. COBB.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, that legislation is inexpedient, on order relating to the propriety of allowing interest on accounts after six months.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, with leave to withdraw, on the petition of Benjamin Parker and others, for suppression of masquerade balls and parties.

The foregoing were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting, on order, bill "an act to establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls;" also

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill and resolve each 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.

The resolve was read once.

Mr. SNOW of Hallowell, moved a suspension of the rules, and the same be read the second time, and the question being taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport, it was decided in the negative, by yeas 65, nays 72.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Hurd,	Rogers,
Aldrich,	Johnson,	Rowell,
Blaisdell,	Keegan,	Scammon,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Knowlton,	Scribner,
Bryant,	Lamson,	Silsby,
Carvill,	Lane,	Snow,
Corthell,	Longfellow,	Stone,
Davis,	Macartney,	Sturgis,
Denison,	McGilvery,	Swasey,
Drake,	McKinney,	Thurston,
Eaton,	Milliken,	Treat,
Fessenden,	Mitchell,	Walden,
Frost,	Moore,	Warren,
Gile,	Mullin,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Gove,	Morse,	Whitmore,
Guptill,	North,	Wilder,
Hall,	Ouilette,	Williams,
Haskell,	Pierce,	Wilson,
Hawks,	Pinkham,	Woodbury,
Hawes,	Pilsbury,	Woodman,
Hunter,	Pullen,	Yates—65.
Hutchins,	Reed,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Bowker,	Carll,
Baker,	Bradbury of Oldtown,	Clark,
Barker,	Brawn,	Cobb,
Bartlett,	Bursley,	Coffin,
Blodgett,	Caldwell,	Connor,
Boardman,	Campbell,	Crockett,

Croswell,	Houghton,	Porter,
Crowell,	Judd,	Powers,
Cushman,	Keen of Bremen,	Richards,
Dowst,	Keen of Palmyra,	Robbins,
Edes,	Keith,	Sanborn of Wales,
Estes,	Kelloch,	Sanborn of Etna,
Farrington,	Kimball,	Sherman,
Fernald,	Lawler,	Small of Temple,
Files,	Leavitt,	Smith,
Foster,	Lewis,	Stuart,
Fowler,	Libby,	Tabbut,
Frothingham,	Loring,	Talbot,
Gibbs,	Meserve,	Tibbets,
Goodwin,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Vittum,
Grant,	Morrow,	Wasson,
Harding,	Nickerson,	Welt,
Hatch,	Parker,	Work,
Hathorn,	Phinney,	Young—72.

The resolve was assigned to Wednesday of next week for a second reading.

Mr. WILSON announced the attendance of Llewellyn J. Morse, Esq., member elect from the city of Bangor, 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. Morse subsequently took his seat.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Railroad Commissioners, was received and read, and the report referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of citizens of Brunswick, for increase of the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of said town ; also

Petition of Bangor Mercantile Association and Bangor Mechanics' Association, for amendment of the act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association ; also

Petition of Charles Cary and others of East Machias, for change of time and place of holding court in the county of Washington ; also

Bill "an act to promote the efficiency of police in the city of Bangor ;" and

Petition of A. W. Trickey and others, for change of law in regard to assessment of taxes ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John Ayer and others, for authority to extend the Somerset Railroad to connect with the Levis and Kennebec Railroad ; also

Petition of John F. Harmon and others of Northfield ; also

Petition of James C. Adams and others of Machias ; also

Petition of A. J. Merritt and others of Columbia ; also

Petition of Nelson Allan and others of Dennysville ; and

Petition of James Wass and others of Addison, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge across the Penobscot river at Verona ;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of the inhabitants of School District No. 13 in Deering, for an act to dissolve the connection of said district with the town of Westbrook ; and

Petition of School District No. 12 in Deering, for same ; and

Petition of H. Bacon and others, for an act to authorize the county of Kennebec to refund to Clinton Gore (now a part of Burnham,) the money expended in building a bridge across Sebasticook river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of C. F. Churchill, for deed of a lot of land in Washburn ; also

Petition of L. R. King, for conveyance of lot of land to Obediah Skidgel in Woodland ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Macwahoc plantation, for aid to build a bridge in said plantation ; also

Petition of A. W. Trickey, for aid to repair Canada road ; and

Petition of citizens of Mapleton and Castle Hill, for aid to build a road leading through said plantations ;

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

Petition of the inhabitants of Trenton, for change of school law ; also

Petition of John A. Buck and others ; also

Petition of Benjamin Davis jr., and others ; and

Petition of Selectmen and others of Friendship, for same ; and

Petition of citizens of Otisfield ; and

Petition of Nathan Freeman and others, for the establishment of a Normal School in place of Bridgton Academy ;

Were reported to the Committee on Education.

Petition of C. W. Curtis and others ; also

Petition of E. W. Tibbets and others ; also

Petition of W. H. Dustin and others ; also

Petition of A. K. P. Smart and others ; also

Petition of Nathaniel Dustin and others ; and

Petition of H. L. Wood and others, all of Dexter, for amendment of the liquor law ;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Petition of Jason Huckins and others, for incorporation of the Corinth Cheese and Canning Factory Association, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Benjamin Smith, for pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of S. H. Blake and others, for an act to incorporate the Ragged Lake Stream Dam Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of citizens of Sherman, against incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of E. W. French and others, for the better protection of lobster fishery, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Joint Select Committee on Investigation of the affairs of the State Prison, be directed to proceed forthwith in the prosecution of their duties, and make report as soon as may be, but not later than the 21st day of February next ; also that said Committee be authorized to employ a stenographer and a sufficient force of accountants and experts, to enable them to complete their examination, and make report within the above prescribed time.

Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, presented the following :

WHEREAS, The petition of Ralph C. Jewett and others, for a charter for a railroad from Rumford Falls, in the county of Oxford, along and upon the present location of the Portland and Oxford

Central Railroad to Mechanic Falls, in the county of Androscoggin, thence by the most feasible route to the city of Auburn, is now pending before this Legislature, without sufficient notice to all persons and parties who are or may be interested ;

AND WHEREAS, Said petition has been referred to the Committee on Railroads for a hearing of the parties, therefore

Ordered, That notice of the pendency of said petition and of the time and place for a hearing of all persons and parties interested, shall be given, by publishing this preamble and order in the Oxford Democrat, printed in the county of Oxford, the weekly Lewiston Journal, published in Lewiston, in the county of Androscoggin, and the weekly Portland Press, two weeks successively, the first publication in each of said papers to be at least ten days before Friday, the 13th day of February next ; on which day a hearing will be had before said Committee in the Senate Chamber, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time all parties or persons interested may be heard if they shall see cause.

On motion of Mr. SWASEY of Canton,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws pertaining to the management of railroads in this State, that in case of the neglect of any railroad corporation to operate their road after they shall have commenced to use the same and have taken tolls for the transportation of passengers and freight thereon, that the court may appoint a receiver to take possession of and put in operation the same ; and for all expense for repairing and operating said road, exceeding the receipts of the same, he shall have a lien on the property of the road, which shall take precedence of all other claims thereupon.

On motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta;

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 3, chapter 142 of the public laws of 1873, in respect to the fees of jurors for holding inquests in case of suspicious fires.

On motion of Mr. HOUGHTON of Woodstock,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what legislation is necessary to enable the late plantation of Hamlin Grant to collect money to pay its indebtedness.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what legislation is

necessary to facilitate the construction of a marginal railway around the city of Portland.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on Elections, on the remonstrance of George W. Drisko against the right of Joseph W. Coffin to a seat in this House, reported as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 28, 1874. }

The Committee on Elections, to whom was referred the remonstrance of George W. Drisko against the right of Joseph W. Coffin to a seat in this House as Representative from Machias classed district, comprising the towns of Machias, Northfield, Columbia and Columbia Falls, having carefully examined the evidence presented, and considered the case, most respectfully submit the following report :

The remonstrance offered by Mr. Drisko, sets forth in general terms that he received a majority of all the votes cast in all the towns composing said district, at meetings legally called and holden for the annual September election, A. D. 1873.

Upon examination, by your Committee, of the returns made to the Secretary of State, it was ascertained that these several towns cast their votes for Representative to the Legislature, as follows :

	Drisko.	Coffin.
Machias	68	182
Northfield.....	16	11
Columbia	54	19
Columbia Falls	56	39
	<u>194</u>	<u>251</u>

By these returns the sitting member, Mr. Coffin, appears to be elected by a plurality of fifty-seven votes. At the hearing before your Committee, the remonstrant introduced testimony to prove, and your Committee found, that the warrant for the September meeting in the town of Machias was posted on the second day of that month, and the meeting was holden on the eighth day of the same, thereby giving the inhabitants only six days' notice, instead of the time specified in the Constitution, Article 4, Section 5, which

requires that meetings in this State for the choice of Representatives shall be warned in due course of law by the Selectmen of the several towns seven days at least before the election. There was no objection made to the regularity of the election proceedings in the others towns—namely, Northfield, Columbia and Columbia Falls. Nor is there any claim of fraud or corrupt voting in the town of Machias, and the only question to be settled by your Committee, was this: Should the vote of the town of Machias be rejected for the insufficiency of the notice to the inhabitants? If the vote of Machias is rejected, the remonstrant, Mr. Drisko, would be elected by a plurality of fifty-seven, the same number which the returns show were given for Mr. Coffin. It nowhere appeared during the investigation, that the result would have been different, except possibly a little larger vote if the warrant in this town had been posted seven days instead of six. It was not claimed by the remonstrant that he would or could have received, or have obtained a majority vote in this district, provided all the initiatory steps relative to the calling of the several town meetings had been taken in strict accordance with the direction of the statute and Constitution. Hence the whole matter in controversy resolved itself into this single proposition or inquiry: Can town officers by fraud, mistake or negligence, in not complying with statutory directions in their official duties, disfranchise the citizens of a town, district, county or State, to whom the Constitution guarantees the right to vote? Is such the true meaning and intent of the Constitution and laws made in pursuance thereof? The Constitution, Article 2, Section 4, is a positive, unqualified declaration, mandatory in its character, expressed in the strongest terms known to the language, requiring that "elections for Governor, Senators and Representatives, shall be on the second Monday of September annually forever." This must be regarded as a general notice to each and every elector within the jurisdiction of our State annually forever, if at all, to assemble at the place and for the purpose therein expressed, except in cases where the seat is made "vacant by death, resignation or otherwise." It cannot signify anything less. Whereas, Section 5, Article 4, simply gives the manner of further specially notifying the inhabitants, by making it the duty of town officers to post a warrant setting forth the objects as well as the time of said meeting. This last section, in the opinion of your

Committee, is clearly directory in its legal significance, prescribing the duties of Selectmen, neither calculated nor intended to checkmate the rights of electors, and cannot be construed so as to render ineffective the Fourth Section of Article Second, as indeed it would if the right to vote and the time for holding the election meetings depended upon such an uncertain basis as the correctness and efficiency of town officers, rather than the constitutional requirement as to time. This view was clearly taken by the learned Committee in the Senatorial election case in 1868, and by the House Committee in the same year in case of Elliot vs. Littlefield; and is fully supported by the weight of precedents since the adoption of our Constitution. If any other construction obtains, the results to our minds would be subversive of the fundamental principles of equal right and justice, in this, that it would annually disfranchise a large number of our fellow citizens, perchance giving small minorities the right to rule and legislate; completely disregarding the true expression of the popular will at the ballot box, the surest medium of safety and security to the State. And further, that if such technical matters were to be allowed to unseat members whom the people have honestly selected to represent them, the result could only be disastrous to the vital interests of the people and the State.

But in the judgment of your Committee, the sections of the Constitution to which they have referred, relating to election meetings, are followed by another which may be considered the key to a just interpretation to all that precedes it pertaining to the same subject matter. Section 3, Article 4, gives to each house the right to judge of the elections and qualifications of its own members, which to our minds signifies the intent clearly of the framers of this Constitution and the people who adopted it, that the voice of the majority should be heard, that the will of the people of which the Constitution is but the creature, should be observed and maintained; and that the rights of every community, be it large or small, should be guarded and protected against every fraud, mistake or neglect in matters of election. We therefore, in view of the law as we understand it, and the facts as they have been presented to us, find that both law and justice require that the vote of the town of Machias should be counted; that the official returns, made to the proper State officers, upon which the

certificate seating Mr. Joseph W. Coffin a member of this House, are correct, and upon the remonstrance presented, report that the remonstrant have leave to withdraw.

JOHN P. SWASEY, Chairman,	} <i>Committee on Elections.</i>
LLEWELLYN POWERS,	
ADNA T. DENISON,	
SAMUEL F. SMALL,	

Mr. KIMBALL, from the minority of the Committee, submitted the following report, that George W. Drisko is entitled to a seat in this House.

The report is as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 28, 1874. }

The undersigned, feeling compelled, on account of the facts presented in the case, to differ from the majority, ask leave to submit the following report :

A statement of the vote of the district for Governor and Representatives, is as follows :

	Dingley.	Titcomb.	Williams.	Coffin.	Drisko.
Machias.....	182	49	19	182	68
Columbia.....	43	27	7	19	54
Columbia Falls...	44	49	4	39	56
Northfield.....	11	11	5	11	16
Total.....	280	136	35	251	194

The only question submitted for the consideration of the Committee was, whether the vote of Machias should be counted and allowed ?

Upon the evidence presented, the Committee were unanimously of the opinion that the meeting held in the town of Machias was illegal, the warrant having been posted but six days prior to the second Monday of September, the day of election.

The first clause of Article 4, Section 5, Part First of the Constitution, provides that the "meetings within this State for the choice of Representatives, shall be warned in due course of law by the Selectmen of the several towns, seven days at least before the election."

Section 17, chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, provides that "The Selectmen of every town, by their warrant, shall cause the inhabitants thereof, qualified according to the Constitution, to be notified and warned seven days at least before the second Monday of September annually, to meet at some suitable place designated in said warrant, to give in their votes for Governor, Senators and Representatives, as the Constitution requires, and such meeting shall be in the manner legally established for warning other town meetings therein."

In support of our opinion, we cite the case of William I. Farley et als., remonstrants vs. Jonathan Cilley, in the year 1833, (and re-affirmed in the Senatorial contest in 1872,) in which the Committee say: "But it may be asked if the electors of a town shall be deprived of their rights by the wrongful acts of Selectmen? We believe they may. The Constitution is not responsible for the acts of officers made by these very electors. It prescribes the mode of effecting an election, by following which, all dispute and uncertainty will be avoided. Individuals will have no cause to complain. The right of suffrage will be clear because it will be certain. On the other hand, if we disregard the provisions of the Constitution, upon this subject, and permit towns to come in upon an equitable claim, but through a violation of the authority that gives them any claim, the Legislature will be able to do but little more than sit as a tribunal to settle cases of contested elections, and our Constitution will have nothing left but a local habitation and a name."

We also cite the case of Chase vs. Cunningham in 1838, in which the Hon. Henry W. Paine, Chairman of the Committee on Elections, made use of the following language: "Inasmuch as the Constitution evidently contemplates and requires that meetings for the choice of Representatives shall be warned seven days at least before the election, your Committee are of the opinion that the meeting held in Westport was not a legal meeting, and that the votes should not be counted."

After a careful examination of the provisions of the Constitution and the law, and the several precedents above cited, your Committee do not feel authorized to act in violation of that Constitution and the Statutes, regulating the manner of notifying meetings for the election of Representatives; and therefore feel justified in declaring that, in our judgment, the meeting held in Machias, on

the eighth day of September, 1873, was illegal; that the vote of that town should be counted out and rejected; and that George W. Drisko was legally elected Representative from the Machias class, and therefore entitled to the seat now held by Joseph W. Coffin.

Respectfully submitted.

A. S. KIMBALL,
B. K. KELLOCH,
M. S. MOULTON.

The reports were laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 17 of the laws of 1872, relating to the appointment of deputy town clerks."

Mr. YATES, from the Committee on Pensions, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

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

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported reference to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition for an appropriation on road in Bridgewater.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported reference to the Committee on Financial Affairs, on petition of Miles Standish and others, for abatement of State tax of Flag Staff plantation.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported reference to the same Committee, on so much of the Governor's message as relates to the care of the Sinking Fund.

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

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Kennebunkport to bridge certain tide water creeks."

Mr. MOORE, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Joseph Church to build and maintain a wharf in tide waters of Bristol;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to lay a pipe or aqueduct in tide waters in the town of Bristol."

Mr. YOUNG, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize William Keen of Bremen, to maintain a wharf in said town;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Josiah Hupper to build a wharf in the tide waters of Deep Cove in Georges river."

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition of A. C. Denison, bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Mechanic Falls Dairying Association;" also

Reported, on petition of A. M. Pulsifer, bill "an act to authorize the Little Androscoggin Water Power Company to carry on the manufacture of gas."

Mr. COBB, from the same Committee, reported, on petition of Charles H. Treat, bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Manufacturing Company."

Mr. FERNALD, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Farmington Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Mr. HOUGHTON, from the same Committee, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Fryeburg Cheese Company."

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Katahdin Slate Company."

Mr. LEAVITT, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company."

Mr. ROWELL, from the Committee on Education, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Atkinson."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition, reported "resolve in favor of George W. Whitney of Presque Isle;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Jeanne M. Strickland."

Mr. HALL, from the same Committee, reported, on petition of H. W. Daggett, "resolve in favor of John Bell of Oakfield."

Reported, "resolve in favor of the road passing through Indian township;" also

Reported "resolve appropriating three hundred dollars on a road in the Indian township;" also

Reported ought to pass, on "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey land in Township No. 9, Aroostook county."

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 of next week for the second reading of the resolves.

Bill "an act authorizing John Whitmore to construct weirs on the Penobscot river," was reported by the Committee on Bills in Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Mayfield."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Newport Cheese Manufacturing Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland District Camp Meeting Association."

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 granting further time to the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company to locate and complete its road."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Barnard Slate Quarry Company."

"Resolve in favor of Peter Salmore."

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, each signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor, the votes passing to be enacted and engrossed, bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company," were reconsidered, and the same recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of Nathan Hopkins, against granting the foregoing charter, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HARDING of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Warden and Inspectors of the Maine State Prison, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of the Saco Water Power Machine Shop Company, for increase of capital stock, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of M. Lincoln, for authority to build a wharf in tide waters in Bremen; and

Petition of Charles P. Quint and others, for authority to build a wharf in Cathance river in Bowdoinham;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act to protect the rights of the public in the Newcastle and Nobleborough fisheries," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Fisheries.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of permitting the amendment of writs, by the striking out "one or more plaintiffs," where there are two or more, and also by inserting "additional plaintiffs."

This order was passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Brooklin Masonic Hall Association."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to protect and facilitate the taking of alewives in the Damariscotta river."

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting reference to Kennebec County Delegation, on "resolve in favor of the town of Clinton."

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, on petition of F. Shaw, for abatement of State tax levied in Independence plantation.

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Petition of George H. McKechnie of Alton, for abatement of part of the State tax of said town, referred to the Committee on Claims, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The House recessed and concurred.

Bill "an act relating to railroad connections;" and

Petition of Henry Bailey and others, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge over Penobscot river at Verona;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act relating to attachments of real estate;" also

Bill "an act relating to the filing of declarations;" also

Bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to liens on horses for stabling;" also

Petition of the Auburn Aqueduct Company, for amendment of charter; also

Petition of James Calderwood and others of Vinalhaven, for an act to make valid the doings of said town; and

Petition of the Selectmen of Woolwich, for an act to make valid the doings of said town, with bill accompanying;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of J. H. Stevens and others, for the right of suffrage to women; also

Petition of John H. Stillings and others of Berwick, for same; also

Petition of George L. Bucknam and others, for change of time and place of holding court in the county of Washington; and

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of York county;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of David Stanley and others of Winthrop, for repeal of the law establishing free high schools ; also

Petition of E. L. Pike and others of Sebago ; also

Petition of William Small and others of Raymond ; also

Petition of Johnson Knight and others of Casco ; also

Petition of John M. Church and others of Naples, for the establishment of a Normal School at Bridgton ; and

Petition of T. S. Somes and others, for change of the law relating to the raising of money for the support of common schools ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 39, revised statutes, relating to lime and lime casks," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of Caleb Holyoke and others, against incorporating the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company ; and

Petition of David Wasson and others, for an act to make free the toll bridge connecting the towns of Brooksville and Penobscot ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of James P. Russell and others of Temple, for pension for David W. Brooks, was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Alpheus Packard and another, to be set off from Peru to the town of Canton, was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of citizens of Lincoln, for incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Remonstrance of Sullivan Green and others, against change of the law relating to the lobster fishing, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of James P. White and others, for incorporation of the Belfast Marine Insurance Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Remonstrance of citizens of Sherman, against appropriating money to aid in building road in Crystal plantation ; and

Petition of Chandler A. Libby, for deed of a lot of land to James Phair ;

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

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Phippsburg, against granting authority to build a bridge from Bailey's to Orr's island, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Mr. YOUNG of Charlotte,

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 3, section 10 of the revised statutes, so as to compel towns to choose auditors of accounts where a minority of the legal voters request it.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to enable municipal corporations to set off the amount due them for taxes against such amount as may be found due by them to any person, and attached by trustee process.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Corinth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending the law, that County Commissioners may have authority to change the books of index of the records in the Registry of Deeds to the form known as ledger index.

On motion of Mr. HASKELL of Cape Elizabeth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of revising chapter 23 of the revised statutes, relating to pounds and impounding beasts.

The foregoing petitions and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of State for the current year be directed, in his next annual report, to show in tabular form the names of all salaried public officers, with the salary of each, their travelling expenses and the incidental expenses, and the amount received by each in the aggregate.

On motion of Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport,

Ordered, That the Messenger cause to be returned and hung in its proper place in this House, the map of Maine, showing the constructed railroad lines and those chartered and under construction.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That 1,000 additional copies of the report of the Railroad Commissioners be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Means be directed to consider what amount it will be necessary to raise by State tax to meet the demands upon the Treasury for the ensuing year, and report thereon as early as may be practicable.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to wolves and bears."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act additional to chapter 105 of the revised statutes, relating to gambling in railroad cars."

The reports were read and accepted, and the bills ordered to be printed.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order to amend the law relating to marriage.

Mr. HAWES, from the Knox County Delegation, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for increase of the salaries of Judge and Register of Probate for said county.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported reference to the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition of F. H. Smith of Vinalhaven, for an act to legalize the doings of said town.

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

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias of the State of Maine."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Benevolent Association."

Mr. DAVIS, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Weston."

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Perry W. Richardson and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters in East Bass harbor in the town of Tremont."

Printed bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc and Cumberland Railroad Company."

Printed bill "an act to exempt cemetery lots from attachment."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on order directing the State Treasurer to publish a statement of the indebtedness of towns, reported "resolve relating to the annual report of the State Treasurer."

Mr. LAWLER, from the Washington County Delegation, reported, on petition, "resolve reducing the valuation of the town of Baileyville, in the county of Washington."

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.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farmington Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Mechanic Falls Dairying Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Katahdin Slate Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock County Publishing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fryeburg Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Kennebunkport to bridge certain tide water creeks."

Bill "an act authorizing William Keen of Bremen, to maintain and repair wharf."

Bill "an act authorizing Joseph Church and Company to lay pipes or aqueducts in tide waters in the town of Bristol."

Bill "an act authorizing Joseph Church and Company to build a wharf in tide waters in Bristol."

Bill "an act authorizing Josiah Hupper to build a wharf in the tide waters of Deep cove in Georges river."

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 establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell, and Wednesday next specially assigned.

Bill "an act to empower the Little Androscoggin Water Power Company to carry on the manufacture of gas," was read the third time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. COBB of Lewiston.

Bill "an act granting further time to the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company to locate and complete its railroad."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to continue in force so much of chapter 462 of the special laws of 1868, as relates to the fishing interest in Lufkin's pond."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Water Company."

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

The SPEAKER appointed Mr. Morse of Bangor, to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Banks and Banking, occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Hatch.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of B. York and others of Patagumpus and Medway, for the union of said plantations, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Albert Pickering and others, for pension to the minor child of Charles W. Cobb, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of Joseph Ellis and others of Brooks, for incorporation of the Waldo Dairy Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Bill "an act to facilitate the decision of issues of fact in civil cause," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the municipal officers of Winn, for the incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Counties.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to allowances," from the files of 1873, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Committee of Department of Maine Grand Army of the Republic, for change of the pension law, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Pensions.

Report of the Committee on Towns, on petition of Henry Marshall and others of Friendship and Cushing, to be set off from said towns and incorporated as a plantation, with leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to offences against the public health; also

Reporting same, on order relating to protection of birds.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, with reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, on petition of the Selectmen of Waterville, for abatement of part of the State tax of 1873.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Kineo Slate Company;"

Reporting, on petition of David Howe, bill "an act to incorporate the Lincolnville Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition of Thomas Clark, bill "an act to incorporate the West Tremont Brick Company."

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Knickerbocker Steam Towage 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 Monday assigned for the third reading.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on order, bill "an act for the better protection of lobsters in the waters of Maine."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill recommitted.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill recommitted in concurrence.

Petition of D. J. Sawyer and others of Jonesport, in aid of the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge over Penobscot river at Verona; also

Petition of Ambrose Simpson and others; and

Petition of Nickerson, Rideout and others of Calais, for same; and

Bill "an act confirming the articles of agreement of the European and North American Railway Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of J. C. Leighton, for change of the school law; also

Petition of John Richards and others of Salem; and

Petition of inhabitants of Springfield, for same; also

Petition of D. T. Richardson and others of Baldwin; and

Petition of Smith Barber and others of Falmouth, for establishment of a Normal School at Bridgton ;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. R. Coolidge and Leonard J. Thomas, for deed of a lot of land ; and

Petition of inhabitants of Van Buren, Hamlin and Cyr plantations, for aid to build a bridge over the Little Madawaska river ;

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

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

Petition of Seward Dill and others, for an act to incorporate the Maine Dairymen's Association ; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of the citizens of Lincoln county, for an act to prevent the seining of white perch in Damariscotta pond, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Imperial Slate Company ;" and

Petition of J. C. Leighton and others of Columbia, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in the county of Washington ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Petition of F. Shaw and others, for change of the valuation of Vanceborough, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of legislation, requiring the payment of the last previously assessed poll or personal tax, as requisite to voting privilege.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire into the expediency of making regulations concerning the place and manner of the burning of slabs and edgings, prohibited from being thrown into the Penobscot river, by act approved February, 1868.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That the State Treasurer be directed to communicate to the House as soon as may be, the sum of reasonable compensation paid out of the State Treasury since 1870, and to whom paid, as provided by section 14, chapter 134, revised statutes.

A copy of the foregoing was sent to the Treasurer.

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 42, chapter 51, revised statutes, relating to the stopping of railroad trains at crossings."

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

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Winslow Bates and others, for enlargement of the powers of trial justices.

Mr. GOVE, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of O. B. Grant and others, for the exclusive right to raise fish in Little Sawyer pond in Greenville.

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported same, on petition of Selectmen of Monson, for an act to authorize said town to further aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company.

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

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to confirm the lease of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad to the Consolidated European and North American Railway Company."

Mr. LEAVITT, from the same Committee, on petition, reported bill "an act to amend an act incorporating the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor Water Company."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Brooklin Masonic Hall Association;" and

Bill "an act to protect and facilitate the taking of alewives in the Damariscotta river;"

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

Bill "an act to authorize Perry W. Richardson and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters in East Bass harbor in the town of Tremont."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians."

Bill "an act to exempt cemetery lots from attachment."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Benevolent Association."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Weston."

"Resolve relating to the annual report of the State Treasurer."

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.

"Resolve reducing the valuation of the town of Baileyville, in the county of Washington," was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. LAMSON of Richmond,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of William Bean and another, for incorporation of the Moose Brook Sluice Way in the town of Denmark, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The House non-concurred and referred the same to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of W. G. Turner and 34 others of Isle au Haut, to be set off from Deer Isle, and incorporated into a town, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of B. W. Googins and others of Lubec, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in the county of Washington; and

Petition of William Hunter and others, for same; and

Bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Franklin;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to encourage and protect the breeding of trout in Letter B pond in the town of Upton," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Fisheries.

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.

Ordered, That the order relating to notice, on the petition of Joseph R. Jewett and others, for a charter for a railroad from Rumford Falls to Mechanic Falls, be amended, by striking out the word "weekly" before the word Lewiston, and inserting in its stead, the word "daily."

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, with legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the expediency of allowing the State the right in all criminal cases to challenge the same number of jurors as the accused.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, with reference to the next Legislature, and order of notice, on petition of Franklin Teague and others, for an act to protect eels in Damariscotta river.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, with leave to withdraw, on petition to allow cattle to run at large in the towns of Verona, Tremont and Addison.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to protect the rights of the public in the Newcastle and Nobleborough fisheries."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Central Wharf Steam Tow Boat Company."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Alumni Memorial Hall Association."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

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

A communication was received from Hon. C. P. Kimball of Portland, accepting the invitation of the House to deliver his Address on the Centennial Exposition.

Petition of J. W. Johnson and others of Vassalborough, for the right of suffrage to women, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of C. D. Morrill and others, for extension of the Somerset Railroad to the Canada line to connect with the Levis and Kennebec Railroad, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of William P. Dean and others, for change of the law relating to the raising of school money; also

Petition of W. B. Hunt and others of Belmont; also

Petition of Amos Stevens and others of Canaan; and

Petition of J. Varney and others, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of the Aroostook Steamboat Company, for extension of charter; and

Petition of the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company, for amendment of charter;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Joseph R. Nelson and others, for incorporation of the Winthrop Dairying Association; also

Petition of James S. Glidden and others, for incorporation of the Palermo Cheese Factory Association; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Butter and Cheese Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Round Pond Telegraph Company;" and

Petition of the Selectmen of Palermo, for an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to juries;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the Selectmen of Richmond, for abatement of interest due on State tax for 1872, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Joseph Card and others of Surry, for change of the law relating to the taking of porgies, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Remonstrance of Lewis Simpson and others, against the petition to make free the Oldtown toll bridge, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GOVE of Liberty,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of enacting a law allowing towns and plantations of this State, that do not and cannot receive any practical benefit from the free high school law on account of the sparsity of their population and other reasons, and shall raise and expend for the education of their youth, any sum not to exceed two hundred dollars in excess of the amount now required by law, shall receive a like sum from the State Treasury, to be appropriated among the several school districts of such towns and plantations the same as all other school money is apportioned.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Corinth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs be directed to examine and audit the account of the Commissioner on Claims of Settlers on Proprietors' Lands in the county of Aroostook, appointed under resolve of February 27, 1873, and report what further sum shall be allowed for services and expenses of said Commissioner.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any additional legislation is necessary, in order to have all opinions of the law court reduced to writing, and published in the reports of decisions ; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of having the testimony in equity cases, taken at the trial courts by the official stenographer, and reported to the law court ; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether any additional legislation is necessary in order to carry out the provisions of sections 162 and 174 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MULLIN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for the protection of pickerel in Lovejoy's pond in Albion.

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

Mr. KELLOCH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 18, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads."

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

Printed bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," was recommitted to the Committee on Pensions, on motion of Mr. YATES of Bristol.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 17 of the public laws of 1872, relating to the appointment of deputy town clerks."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 105 of the revised statutes, relating to gambling in railroad cars."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to bears and wolves."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincolnville Railroad Company," was read the third time, and recommitted, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc and Cumberland Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor Water Company."

Bill "an act to confirm the lease of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad to the Consolidated European and North American Railway Company."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kineo Slate Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Tremont Brick Company."

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

Bill "an act to amend an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto."

Bill "an act to authorize John Whitmore to construct weirs in the Penobscot river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Enterprise Cheese Manufacturing Company."

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. PINKHAM of Palermo,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JONES of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 111 of the revised statutes, relating to recording of conditional notes;" also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 79 of the laws of 1872, relating to recording of devises of real estate in the registry of deeds;" also

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court;" also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 363 of the special laws of 1850, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Belfast;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of J. P. Chapman and others, for change of the pauper law; and

Petition of John Whitney and others, for repeal of the law establishing free high schools;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Oaks and others, against the appointment of county supervisors of schools, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of W. H. Friend and others of Franklin; and

Remonstrance of Joshua Watson and others, against any change in the law relating to the taking of porgies;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Thomas G. Kimball and others of Waterville, for an act to authorize towns to insure property against loss by fire, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of O. R. Hastings, for an act to make free the toll bridge at Bethel, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire what legislation is necessary, if any, to secure the proceeds of the sale of timber on the public lots in unincorporated places, to the public funds, as required by law.

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire how much, if any thing, should equitably be paid to T. W. Baldwin, the administrator of the estate of James E. Eaton, on account of land purchased by said Baldwin and Eaton in the year 1870 of the State, which falls short by the amount of 1890 $\frac{54}{100}$ acres, and for which they at that time actually paid.

These orders were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition, bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Saint Croix Log Driving Company."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, with ought to pass, on bill "an act amendatory of chapter 196 of the public laws of 1871, relating to river fisheries."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting "resolve in favor of Joseph M. Sockalexis."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and second reading of the resolves.

The following communication was received from the Treasurer of State :

STATE OF MAINE.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Augusta, February 3, 1874. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

In compliance with an order of the House of Representatives of the 31st inst., requiring that the State Treasurer be directed to

communicate to the House, as soon as may be, the sum of reasonable compensation paid out of the State Treasury since 1870, and to whom paid, as provided by section 14, chapter 134 of the revised statutes, I have the honor to state, in reply, that the following sums have been paid to the persons whose names are herewith submitted :

1871.	\$100	to C. P. Stetson.....	State vs. Reed.
"	200	William H. McCrillis.....	Same.
"	25	L. Clay.....	State vs. Bubier.
"	50	W. P. Whitehouse.....	State vs. Harvey.
"	150	E. F. Pillsbury.....	Same.
"	75	Joseph Baker.....	Same.
"	150	C. R. Whidden.....	State vs. E. S. Kirby.
"	150	Bion Bradbury.....	Same.
"	100	A. Sanborn.....	State vs. Smith.
"	100	C. P. Stetson.....	State vs. Cleaveland.
"	250	R. P. Tapley.....	Same.
"	50	J. F. Robinson.....	State vs. Reed.
"	100	C. P. Stetson.....	Same.
"	200	William H. McCrillis.....	Same.
"	60	S. D. Lindsey.....	State vs. Davies.
"	40	J. J. Parlin.....	Same.
"	300	E. F. Pillsbury.....	State vs. Mink.
"	125	C. R. Ayer.....	State vs. Littlefield.
"	100	G. C. Yeaton.....	Same.

Very respectfully,

S. C. HATCH, *Treasurer.*

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting reports of the Commissioners on new Insane Hospital, was received and read.

Petition of David W. Bean and others, for an act to incorporate the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Asylum, with bill accompanying ; also

Petition of Richard Pinkham and others, for the right of suffrage to women ; also

Petition of Henry S. Staples and others, for change of chapter 65 of the revised statutes, so as to restrain Judges of Probate from giving the personal estate of deceased persons to the widows of the deceased to the prejudice of creditors ; and

Bill "an act additional to chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, relating to the jail system of the State;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the New England Rolling Stock Company;" also

Petition of E. F. Collins and others, for charter for a railroad from West Waterville to Augusta; and

Bill "an act to amend chapter 388 of the private laws of 1873, relating to the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad in the city of Portland."

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of A. H. Clark and others, for an act to prevent the catching of smelts by nets in the Kennebec river; also

Petition of the Selectmen of Waldoborough, for an act to regulate the fisheries in said town; also

Petition of William E. Coffin and others, for authority to stock Penmaquam lake with salmon; and

Petition of Lemuel Preble and others, for an act to secure proprietors of land on tide-water streams the exclusive right to fish in such waters;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of H. J. Lane and others, for change of the law providing for the support of common schools; also

Petition of Gooding Grant and others of Prospect; also

Petition of Joseph Palmer of Monroe; also

Petition of James Robbins and others of Baileyville; and

Petition of the Selectmen and others of Southport, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. A. Emery and others of South Thomaston, for an act to legalize the doings of said town; and

Bill "an act additional to chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Dennis Getchell, for reimbursement of money paid the State for timber cut on land granted him; and

Petition of Selectmen of Limestone, in aid of the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of citizens of Lee, for the establishment of the new county of Appleton; and

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Lowell and Patten, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of Timothy Bailey and others, for an act to incorporate the North•Auburn Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company ; also

Petition of C. P. Low and others, for an act to incorporate the North Monmouth Cheese Manufacturing Company ; also

Petition of William Lewis and others, for incorporation of the North Wayne Cheese Company ; and

Petition of John T. Richards and others of Gardiner, for an act to incorporate the Oakland Park Association ;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of inhabitants of Silver Ridge, for aid to build bridge in said plantation ; also

Petition of municipal officers of Limestone, for aid to repair bridge at Fort Fairfield ; and

“ Resolve in favor of J. W. Ambrose ;”

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

Remonstrance of Moses Bailey and others, against granting authority to build a bridge from Bailey’s to Orr’s island, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of James Dingley and others, for amendment of the charter of the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Charles A. Kimball and others of Rumford, for aid to build a road leading from Upton to Andover ; and

Petition of Charles Abbott and others of Upton, for aid to build road leading through Grafton ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. OUILETTE of Frenchville,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of reporting “ resolves in aid of building a bridge over Wheelock brook in St. John plantation, and Peltier brook in St. Francis.”

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Waterford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire what

further legislation is necessary to secure uniform compensation to county and municipal officers.

On motion of Mr. STUART of Deering,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether any legislation is needed to determine the rights and liabilities of owners making executions on private lands.

On motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of amending section 55; chapter 73 of the revised statutes, by adding thereto the following words: "And any such insurance company which shall neglect or refuse to publish such statement, as aforesaid, shall forfeit not less than fifty dollars;" also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether the provisions of section 57 of chapter 73 of the revised statutes, do not exclude life insurance companies doing business on the note or loan plan, from the State.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Clerk publish the proceedings of the House.

On motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast,

Ordered, That the use of this Hall be granted to Enoch Knight of Portland, to-morrow night, instead of to-night, as previously ordered.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden,

Ordered, That George G. Leavens be excused from further attendance as Assistant Messenger, and the Clerk make up his pay to the end of the session; also

On motion of the same gentleman,

Ordered, That J. R. Prescott be 1st Assistant Messenger, and Charles H. Gatchell be 2d Assistant Messenger.

Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to wolves and bears," was reported, read the third time, and recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture,

with instruction to report a bill repealing the bounty on all wild animals.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Alumni Memorial Hall Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Wharf Steam Tow Boat Company."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 105 of the revised statutes, relating to gambling in railroad cars;" and

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 17 of the public laws of 1872, relating to the appointment of deputy town clerks;"

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 prevent the taking of eels in Southern bay in the towns of Brooksville and Penobscot."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Brooklin Masonic Hall Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Newport Cheese Manufacturing Association."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Mayfield."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rockland District Camp Meeting Association."

Bill "an act to protect and facilitate the taking of alewives in the Damariscotta river."

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 incorporate the Devine Water Company," was taken from the table, read the third time, amendment "A" adopted, further amended as per sheets "B," "C" and "D," on motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to authorize and empower the Little Androscoggin Water Power Company to carry on the manufacture of gas," was

taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. COBB of Lewiston, and passed to be engrossed.

These bills were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc and Cumberland Railroad Company," was taken from the table by Mr. REED of Bath, who offered amendment "A," pending which, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PHILBROOK of Nashua, N. H.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 83, public laws of 1872, relating to new trials," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. W. Clark and others of Oxford county, for an act that sleighs shall be provided with set over, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

"Resolve to furnish certain books to the library of Colby University, to make complete sets," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Library.

Petition of citizens of Lee, for an act to incorporate the new county of Appleton; and

Remonstrance of citizens of Mattawamkeag, against the same;
Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of the town of Richmond, for abatement of interest due on the tax of 1872, referred to the Committee on Claims in the House, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The House recessed and concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of reporting "resolve in favor of the town of Grafton, for aid, in construction of road in said town through Grafton notch."

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 122 of the public laws of 1873, relating to the disclosure of poor debtors.

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

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on petition for aid to the Children's Home in Bangor, reporting reference to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting, on order, bill "an act to repeal sections 52, 53 and 54, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to hay."

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to provide further protection to inmates of the Insane Hospital, and to guard against error in making commitments thereto."

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, the former bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for the third reading, the latter read three times, rules being suspended, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend section 16 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers of the Supreme Judicial Court;" also

Petition of John Estes and others of Vassalborough, for the right of suffrage to women; also

Petition of T. H. Springer and others of Litchfield, for an act to enable said town to raise money for agricultural purposes; also

Memorial of George M. Weston, for repeal of resolve relating to him, passed in 1860; also

Bill "an act to amend chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce;" also

Bill "an act relating to divorces;" also

Petition of Harrison Baker and others, for amendment of the law of 1872, relating to innholders; also

Petition of the inhabitants of Millbridge, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county; and

Petition of Charles A. Lord and others, for incorporation of the Williston Church;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of William Briggs and others, for change of the law relating to the support of common schools; also

Petition of H. C. Friend and others of Etna; and

Petition of Joshua Watson and others, for same; also

Petition of citizens of Otisfield and Harrison; and

Petition of citizens of Harrison, for a Normal School at Bridgton; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Eaton Family and Day School at Norridgewock;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. W. Hodgkins and others; also

Petition of B. F. Horton and others; and

Petition of John R. Herring and others, for amendment of the liquor law relating to sale of domestic wines;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Remonstrance of Tobias Roberts, against petition of T. L. Roberts, for authority to build a wharf in the town of Eden; and

Petition of John K. Ames and others, for amendment of the law to prevent the throwing of obstructions into Machias river;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Petition of Alexander Campbell and others, for repeal of an act to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus river; also

Petition of William Whitmore and others, for an act to allow persons owning lands on tide-water streams the exclusive right to fish in such waters; also

Bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to smelts;" and

Remonstrance of C. H. S. Webb and others of Deer Isle, against close time on the lobster fishery;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of O. H. Mason and others, for an act to incorporate the Bethel Cheese Manufacturing Company; also

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Granite Company;" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dexter Cheese Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Millbridge, against change of the town lines of Cherryfield and Millbridge; also

Petition of Erastus Hartshorn and others, for division of the town of Ellsworth; also

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Jackson Brook, against incorporation as a town; also

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Macwahoc plantation, against incorporation as a town;

Remonstrance of municipal officers of Cape Elizabeth, against annexation of said town to the city of Portland; also

Remonstrance of Freeman Evans and others;

Remonstrance of Frederic R. Jordan and others; and

Remonstrance of George W. Libby and others, against the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of D. W. Kincaid and others, for a steam ferry between Cape Elizabeth and Portland; also

Petition of J. F. Twitchell and others, for aid to build a bridge at Medway; and

Petition of J. W. Clark and others, for aid to repair road leading from Upton to Andover in Oxford county;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Joshua Chamberlain, praying that the Land Agent be authorized to convey land to Elizabeth Barrows; also

Petition of Cyrus T. Daniels, for aid to complete the road leading from the west line of Presque Isle township to Presque Isle stream; also

Petition of John Bachelder, for deed of a lot of land in Oakfield; also

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to settle with proprietors of lot 27, Township No. 18, Range 7;" also

Petition of N. S. Allen, for amendment of the law relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Dennysville and Edmunds; also

Memorial of inhabitants of Cyr plantation, relating to State lands in said plantation, not yet surveyed into lots; also

Petition of Frank Pannett, for deed of a lot of land; also

Petition of B. F. Higgins, for reimbursement of money for stumpage on land conveyed him; and

Petition of Daniel Fling, for deed of a lot of land in Easton ;

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

Remonstrance of the Bangor Board of Trade, against charter for railroad bridge across Penobscot river at Verona ; and

Remonstrance of citizens of Brewer, against same ; also

Petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for extension of time for locating its road ; and

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset Railroad Company to build a branch to Dodlin Granite Quarry ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Peter Walker and others of Brighton, for change of the school and pauper laws ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Millbridge ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Lee ; also

Petition of inhabitants of Palermo ; and

Petition of municipal officers of Fort Fairfield, for same ; also

Petition of F. W. Stimpson and others of School District No. 2, in Linneus, for an act to make valid the doings of said district ;

Bill "an act additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of County Commissioners of Aroostook county, for payment of certain money to said county from the State ; and

Petition of Pulaski McCrillis, collector of Dexter, for abatement of interest due on State tax ;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Joseph D. Sparrow and others, for repeal of the law allowing the Inspectors of the State Prison to fix the salary of the Warden, was referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition I. N. Wadsworth and others of Monmouth, for change of valuation of said town, was referred to the Kennebec County Delegation.

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for change in the method of electing officers of said tribe, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Springfield and Carroll, against incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of William R. Parker and others, for authority to locate

a bridge from Eagle point across Spruce creek in Kittery, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of the inhabitants of Bristol, for incorporation of the Bristol Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of County Commissioners of Cumberland county, for increase of pay, was referred to the Cumberland County Delegation.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of so amending section 18 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, as to require foreign insurance companies doing business in this State to appoint an agent to receive any notice or accept any service required to be given to, or served upon such companies by the insured; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing section 66 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 54, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, as to require mutual insurance companies to make their returns to the Insurance Commissioner at the same time that other insurance companies are required to make their returns.

On motion of Mr. PINKHAM of Palermo,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, so that the fees of trial justices for the trial of an issue shall be one dollar and twenty-five cents; for the entry of an action, fifty cents; and for execution of a writ, twenty-five cents, instead of the fees now established.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending or adding to the statutes of the State, as to prevent the expression of opinion upon matter of fact by the presiding justice during the progress of the trial, or in the charge to the jury, so as to leave questions of fact exclusively to the jury.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the constitutionality of raising the mill tax as a school fund.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of so amending the law in relation to the standard of weights and measures, as to conform to the standard adopted by the United States.

On motion of Mr. WARREN of Westbrook,

Ordered, That notice of a public hearing in regard to the discontinuance of the Cumberland and Oxford Canal, to be held before the Judiciary Committee of the Legislature, on Tuesday, the 17th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M., be printed for six days successively in the Portland Daily Press and the Daily Eastern Argus, and that such publication be deemed a sufficient notice to all parties interested.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on Governor's recommendation, reported bill "an act to amend section 57 of chapter 2 of the revised statutes, for the further security of the sinking fund."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relative to trustee process;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators."

Mr. PULLEN, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes;" also

Reported, on order, bill "an act in relation to costs in log lien cases."

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported, on order, bill "an act regulating the weight of apples."

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

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the York County Delegation, on bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of said county."

Mr. CORNISH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to amendment of the pauper law, so as to give all persons a settlement where they had their homes on the first day of January, 1874.

Mr. TALBOT, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to service of precepts by deputy sheriffs.

Mr. NORTH, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to taxing of notes secured by mortgages on real estate.

Mr. WILSON, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to mileage of members of the Legislature.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on order relating to the propriety of changing the law so that personal property shall be holden for taxes.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported same, on order to regulate the sale of blueberries by weight.

Mr. HASKELL, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to the sale of salt by weight.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend the revised statutes, relating to the killing of moose, deer and caribou."

Mr. TALBOT, from same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of J. C. Leighton and others, for change of the pauper law, and the law relating to the support of common schools.

Mr. NORTH, from same Committee, reported legislation unnecessary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Bristol, for an act to establish the lines between said town and Bremen.

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

Mr. CORNISH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of Madawaska."

Mr. WILSON, from same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Franklin."

Mr. PULLEN, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Asylum."

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of Van Buren plantation."

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Beach Association;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Orchard Beach Camp Meeting Association."

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Charleston Cheese Factory Association;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Canaan Cheese Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Dixfield Center Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Mr. BOARDMAN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Marine Insurance Company."

Mr. MULLIN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition of S. N. Jordan, bill "an act to protect fish in the waters of the town of Raymond."

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to abate the State tax of Clinton Gore, for the year 1873, and assess the same upon the towns of Clinton and Burnham;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville, for the year 1873, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville;" also

Reported same, on "resolve abating a part of State tax of Perkin's plantation, and assessing the same upon the town of Carthage."

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on Claims, reported ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of the town of Pittston."

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 first resolve.

The second resolve was assigned to Wednesday of next week.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to deed southwest quarter of Block No. 9, in Township 9, Range 6, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of John Bell of Oakfield."

"Resolve appropriating three hundred dollars on a road in the Indian township."

"Resolve in favor of the road through Indian township."

"Resolve in favor of George F. Whitney of Presque Isle."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Atkinson."

These resolves were reported by the Committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the St. Croix Log Driving Company."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 196 of the public laws of 1871, relating to river fisheries."

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Sockalexis."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Jeanne M. Strickland ;" and

"Resolve in favor of the Industrial School for Girls ;"

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls," was taken from the table, and refused a passage.

Mr. WASSON moved a reconsideration of the vote.

Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays.

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed, being amended as per sheet "A," and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CHILD of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of David Cargill and others, for incorporation of the Maine Sabbath School Association, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the overseers of the poor of Cornville and others, for change of the pauper laws ; also

Bill "an act to prevent the wanton destruction of birds ;" and

Bill "an act to regulate and establish the compensation of the Examiner of Banks ;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of George W. Clark and others, for change of law relating to the support of common schools ; and

"Resolve in favor of free common schools in New Sweden ;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of John L. Cutler, for incorporation of the Penobscot Mill Owners' Co-operative Insurance Company, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of settlers in Woodland plantation, for abatement of taxes, was referred in concurrence to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Remonstrance of A. J. Fox, against division of Ellsworth ; and

Petition of Nason Ingalls and another, to set off part of Woodville plantation to Mattawamkeag ;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Towns.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Brooks," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Library.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldo County Dairymen's Association," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Union River Boom Company," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 1, chapter 39 of the revised statutes, as to provide for the election of inspectors of lime and lime casks by the several towns at the annual meetings.

Ordered, That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing arrest and imprisonment for debt, and providing other means of obtaining a disclosure of a debtor's affairs.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation on the State road in the town of Kingsbury.

Ordered, That the Committee on Education consider the expediency of so amending section 3, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to education, as to allow towns, voting to abolish school districts, a longer time in which to make assessments.

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

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 45, chapter 40 of the revised statutes."

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, on petition of Miles Standish of Flag Staff, for abatement of State taxes.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the payment of the fees of fence viewers.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting same, on order relating to the fees of jurors; also

Reporting same, on order relating to lien on pressed hay in favor of persons performing labor thereon.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on order relating to the sale of eggs by weight.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, with leave to withdraw, on petition of Selectmen of Deering for adjustment of valuation.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting, on petition of inhabitants of Alva, bill "an act to incorporate the town of Blaine."

Report of the Special Committee, reporting, on order, "resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bill and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Passadumkeag Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Railroads.

The House receded and recommitted the bill in concurrence.

Petition of David Smith and others, for authority to build a causeway from Dix Island to Birch island ; and

Petition of same, for authority to extend a wharf ;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Bill "an act to amend an act establishing the Municipal Court for the city of Lewiston ;" also

Bill "an act to prevent the use of steam whistles in certain places ;" and

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 675 of special laws of 1871, entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of the city of Bangor, against the petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge across Penobscot river at Verona, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Bill "an act to amend the act establishing the Cumberland and Oxford Canal Company," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of Handy Leighton and others of Steuben, for change of the law in regard to the support of common schools, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Union Insurance Company of Bangor," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds;" and

Petition of W. H. Vinal and others of Vinalhaven, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Francis G. Arey, for a steam ferry between Bangor and Brewer, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "an act to incorporate the New England Slate Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Humane Society," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That notice of public hearing, in regard to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, to be held before the Committee on Agriculture of the Legislature, on the 18th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., be printed five days successively, in the Bangor Daily Whig and Courier, and the Bangor Daily Commercial, and that such publication be deemed a sufficient notice to all parties interested.

On motion of Mr. STURGIS of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Delegation of Androscoggin County be instructed to inquire into the expediency of increasing the salary of the County Attorney of said county.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRYANT, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to lime and lime casks."

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported bill "an act to repeal sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to bounty on bears and wolves."

Mr. ROWELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the apportionment of school money."

Mr. MOULTON, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency."

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

Mr. DENISON, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw, on various petitions for change of law relating to the distribution of school money.

Mr. MOULTON, from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of William Freeman and others, for the payment of money due Cherryfield High School to the Cherryfield Academy; also

Reported reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition of Isaac Dunton, for an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 4 in Burnham.

Mr. GUPTILL, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the propriety of allowing towns that do not avail themselves of the Free High School act, certain amount of money, to be applied for the benefit of the common schools.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported leave to withdraw, on petition, for an appropriation on the road in Bridgewater.

Mr. KIMALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported reference to the Committee on Claims, on petition of Bickford C. Mathews.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported legislation inexpedient, on order inquiring what, if anything, should be paid to T. W. Baldwin and administrators of the estate of Joseph E. Eaton, on account of land purchased of the State.

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

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the New England Rolling Stock Company."

Mr. MCGILVERY, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Chebeague Island Wharf Company."

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the North Monmouth Cheese Manufacturing Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Livermore Cheese Factory Association;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the New Gloucester Cheese Company."

Mr. FERNALD, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Butter and Cheese Company."

Mr. BRYANT, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Waldo Dairy Manufacturing Association."

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition, bill "an act to prevent the destruction of white perch in Damariscotta pond."

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Daniel M. Libby;" also

Reported ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of settlers on Township F, Range 1, Aroostook county;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of John Smith of Maysville;" also

Reported, on petition of C. A. Libby, "resolve in favor of James Phair of Limestone."

Mr. POWERS, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, "resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Little Madawaska river in Letter K, Range 2, 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 Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolves.

"Resolve abating a part of State tax of Perkins plantation and assessing the same upon the town of Carthage," was read the second time, and recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means, on motion of Mr. FERNALD of Wilton.

Bill "an act to repeal sections 52, 53 and 54, chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to hay," was reported by the Committee

on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orchard Beach Camp Meeting Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Beach Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Asylum."

Bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Franklin."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of Van Buren plantation."

Bill "an act to protect fish in the waters of the town of Raymond."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Charleston Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dixfield Centre Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Canaan Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to abate in part the State tax of Clinton Gore for 1873, and assess the same upon the towns of Clinton and Burnham."

Bill "an act abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville for the year 1873, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville."

These bills were severally 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 make valid the doings of the town of Weston."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Wharf Steam Tow Boat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West Tremont Brick Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kineo Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias."

Bill "an act to exempt cemetery lots from attachment."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Manufacturing and Commercial Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Kennebunkport to bridge certain tide water creeks."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bowdoin Alumni Memorial Hall Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farmington Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fryeburg Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Mechanic Falls Dairying Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Katahdin Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hancock Publishing Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph Church and Company to lay a pipe or aqueduct."

Bill "an act authorizing Joseph Hupper to build a wharf in the tide waters in Deep cove in Georges river."

Bill "an act authorizing Joseph Church and Company to build and maintain a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bristol."

Bill "an act to authorize Perry W. Richardson and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters in East Bass harbor in Tremont."

Bill "an act authorizing William Keen of Bremen, to maintain and repair the wharf now owned by him."

"Resolve in favor of Charles O. Brown of Moro plantation."

"Resolve relating to the annual report of the State Treasurer."

"Resolve in favor of Isaac W. Cobb of Mapleton."

"Resolve in favor of Alice McPhail of Presque Isle."

"Resolve in favor of Silas H. Walden of Mapleton."

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 incorporate the Sagadahoc and Cumberland Railroad Company, was taken from the table, amendment "A" amended as per sheet "B," and adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Reports of the Committee on Elections, in the case of Drisko and Coffin, were specially assigned for to-morrow, at 11 o'clock.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass to be engrossed bill "an act to establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls," was taken from the table, and specially assigned for Tuesday next, at 11 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. DENISON of Poland,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

The House was called to order by the Clerk, who announced the absence of the Speaker, and presided during the choice of Speaker *pro tem.*

On motion of Mr. SWASEY of Canton,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, James D. Fessenden, Esq., be Speaker *pro tem.*

The Speaker *pro tem.* was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Swasey.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Newry, that gentleman conveyed a message to the Governor informing him of the choice of J. C. Fessenden as Speaker *pro tem.*

Mr. PARKER of Lebanon, conveyed the same information to the Senate.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of J. H. Macomber and others, for incorporation of the Milo Cheese Company; and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farmington Slate Company ;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Manufactures.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the necessity of amending section 167, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes, so that it shall refer to the proper previous section of the same chapter.

This order was passed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs inquire into the necessity of reducing the salaries of every salaried officer of the State of Maine, whether legislative, judicial, civil or military, twenty per cent. of their present salaries, or such per cent. as may be deemed equitable ; also, in like manner, reduce the compensation of every employee in the service of the State in whatever department.

This order was read, and laid on the table by Mr. SNOW of Hallowell.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of George S. Goodwin and others, to set off part of Berwick to South Berwick ; also

Reporting same, on petition for incorporation of Lakeville as a town.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting same, on various petitions for a union depot at Berwick.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the propriety of requiring persons to maintain landmarks on highways where fences have been removed.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Marine Insurance Company ;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Dairying Association."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Petition of Joseph Granger and others, for amendment of the law establishing the Municipal Court in the city of Calais, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of C. R. Pike and others of Calais, for incorporation of a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals ; also

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Bodwell Granite Company ;" and

Petition of inhabitants of Linneus, for change of the school and pauper laws ;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of George E. Minot and others, for change of the limits of the Kennebec Agricultural Society ; and

Petition of Frank Ingalls and others of Passadumkeag, for an act allowing cattle to run at large in said town ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of the Belfast Foundry Company, for authority to increase its capital stock, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KELLOCH, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest."

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported, on order, bill "an act exempting farm products from taxation."

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

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on petition, bill "an act for the extension of the Somerset Railroad ;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to change its location below Kendall's Mills."

These reports were read and accepted, the first bill read twice, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Railroads, reported reference to the Railroad Commissioners, on order to amend section 24, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroad connections.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to bounty on hen hawks.

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

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Sportmen's Association;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act additional to the acts establishing the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

Mr. KELLOCH, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the Livermore Falls Bridge Company."

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Railroads, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to locate and construct branch lines."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Imperial Slate Company."

Mr. MORROW, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Samuel H. Talbot of East Machias, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of East Machias river."

Mr. WALDEN, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the North Auburn Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company."

Mr. COBB, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the China Cheese Factory Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Palermo Cheese Factory Association."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 18 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 42, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the stopping of railroad trains at crossings."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relative to trustee process."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 57 of chapter 2 of the revised statutes, for the further security of the sinking funds."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes."

Printed bill "an act regulating the weight of apples."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators."

Printed bill "an act in relation to costs in log lien cases."

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported, on order, "resolve in favor of Commissioner on Claims of Settlers on Proprietors' Lands in the county of Aroostook."

Mr. WILDER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported, on order, "resolve in favor of Peter Dana's widow."

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Michael Farrell."

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.

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act confirming the articles of agreement of the European and North American Railway Companies."

This report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of white perch in Damariscotta pond," was 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 town of Blaine;" and

"Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual;"

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to confirm the lease of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad to the Consolidated European and North American Railway Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor Water Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Saint Croix Log Driving Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Benevolent Association."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 196 of the public laws of 1871, relating to river fisheries."

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 tem.* and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to provide further protection to inmates of the Insane Hospital, and to guard against error in making commitments thereto," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. ROBBINS of Norridgewock, and recommitted.

Report of the Committee on Elections, was taken from the table.

Mr. KIMBALL of Waterford, moved to amend the report by substituting the report of the minority.

Mr. KIMBALL moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was decided in the negative, by yeas 47, nays 67.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Frothingham,	Lewis,
Bailey,	Goodwin,	Macartney,
Barker,	Gove,	Meserve,
Bartlett,	Harding,	Moore,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Haskell,	Moulton of Porter,
Bryant,	Hatch,	Moulton of Scarborough,
Caldwell,	Hathorn,	Morrow,
Carll,	Houghton,	Nickerson,
Cushman,	Keen of Bremen,	Ouilette,
Edes,	Kelloch,	Phinney,
Estes,	Kimball,	Porter,
Farrington,	Lane,	Reed,
Frost,	Lawler,	Saarnorn of Etna,

Sherman,	Stuart,	Tabbut,
Talbot,	Tibbets,	Williams,
Wilson,	Work—47.	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Gibbs,	Pressy,
Aldrich,	Grant,	Richards,
Baker,	Guptill,	Rogers,
Black,	Hawks,	Rowell,
Boardman,	Hunter,	Scammon,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Hurd,	Scribner,
Brawn,	Johnson,	Silsby,
Burbank,	Judd,	Smith,
Campbell,	Knowlton,	Snow,
Carvill,	Lamson,	Stone,
Clark,	Libby,	Swasey,
Cobb,	Longfellow,	Thurston,
Connor,	Lord,	Treat,
Corthell,	Loring,	Walden,
Crockett,	McCarty,	Warren,
Croswell,	Milliken,	Wasson,
Crowell,	Mitchell,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Denison,	Mullin,	Whitmore,
Dowst,	Parker,	Wilder,
Drake,	Pierce,	Woodbury,
Fernald,	Pinkham,	Yates,
Files,	Powers,	Young—67.
Foster,		

The question being on the acceptance of the report, the House, on motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, ordered that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, it was accepted, by yeas 65, nays 40, and Mr. Coffin thereby declared entitled to a seat in this House.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Brawn,	Clark,
Baker,	Burbank,	Cobb,
Black,	Caldwell,	Connor,
Boardman,	Campbell,	Corthell,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Carvill,	Crockett,

Croswell,	Lord,	Scribner,
Crowell,	Loring,	Silsby,
Denison,	McCarty,	Smith,
Dowst,	Milliken,	Snow,
Drake,	Mitchell,	Stone,
Fernald,	Morse,	Swasey,
Foster,	Mullin,	Thurston,
Gibbs,	Parker,	Treat,
Guptill,	Pierce,	Walden,
Hawks,	Pinkham,	Warren,
Hunter,	Powers,	Wasson,
Hurd,	Pressey,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Johnson,	Richards,	Whitmore,
Judd,	Rogers,	Wilder,
Lamson,	Rowell,	Yates,
Libby,	Sanborn of Etna,	Young—65.
Longfellow,	Scammon,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Grant,	Moore,
Bailey,	Harding,	Moulton of Porter,
Barker,	Haskell,	Moulton of Scarboro',
Bartlett,	Hatch,	Morrow,
Bryant,	Hathorn,	Phinney,
Carll,	Houghton,	Porter,
Cushman,	Kelloch,	Sherman,
Edes,	Kimball,	Tabbut,
Estes,	Lane,	Talbot,
Farrington,	Lawler,	Tibbets,
Frost,	Lewis,	Williams,
Frothingham,	Macartney,	Wilson,
Goodwin,	Meserve,	Work—40.
Gove,		

On motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn, the vote by which bill "an act to provide further protection to inmates of the Insane Hospital, and to guard against error in making commitments thereto," was recommitted, reconsidered, and the same assigned for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. YATES of Bristol,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Stanley T. Pullen, Esq., be Speaker *pro tem*.

The Speaker *pro tem*. was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Knowlton of Skowhegan.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. LEWIS of Ripley, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Governor and Council, informing them of the choice of Stanley T. Pullen Esq., as Speaker *pro tem*.

The Clerk of the House conveyed the same information to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, through S. W. Lane, Esq., its Secretary, informing the House of the choice of Hon. H. H. Burgess of Cumberland, as President *pro tem*.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Jacob Hardison and others, for incorporation of the Lyndon Cheese Company, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Manufactures.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of submitting an amendment of the Constitution to the people, so that the election of State Senators shall be determined by a plurality of votes, instead of a majority, as now provided.

This order was passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of S. D. Warren and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into Presumpscot river, with leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same, on petition for amendment of the charter of the Shin Brook Dam Company.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting same, on petition of William Hill and others, for a union depot for the Boston and Maine and Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Companies, at Berwick.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting ought not to pass, on "resolve concerning the Pilgrim Society."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of A. Twitchell, to make free the bridge over Androscoggin river in Bethel.

These reports were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act concerning evidence in equity cases," came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill recommitted.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Lockwood Cotton Mills," came from the Senate read accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

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

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, with leave to withdraw, on petition for an act to protect pickerel in Lovejoy's pond, in Albion, and accepted by the House, came from the Senate recommitted, and was concurred in by the House.

Petition of E. Coolidge and others, for charter for railroad from West Waterville to Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Molunkus and Macwahoc; and
Remonstrance of inhabitants of Winn, against incorporation of the new county of Appleton;

Were referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of F. W. Hill and others, for incorporation of the Exeter Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of the municipal officers of West Waterville, for adjustment of valuation, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 55, chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in relation to imprisonment of poor debtors, so as to make it the duty of creditors, their attorneys, or the sheriff committing said debtor, to deposit with the jailor one week's board in advance, before receiving the debtor into custody; and that the jailor shall release such debtor, unless the creditor or attorney shall at all times have paid one week's board in advance.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the necessity of any further legislation in relation to section 53, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways.

On motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the necessity of legislation to more clearly define what property of literary institutions is exempt from taxation.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the second section of an act establishing free high schools, by adding the word "more" in the fourteenth line of said section, so that said line in said section shall read, "two or more adjoining school districts in different towns may establish and maintain a union free high school."

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the necessity of change in the revised statutes, relating to the powers and duties of district committees in districts maintaining graded schools; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending section 84, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, as to extend the course of study in Normal Schools to three years, instead of two, as now provided.

On motion of Mr. WILDER of Pembroke,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of amending the law with reference to the election of

Trustees of the Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings consider the best method for the State to adopt to construct or otherwise provide suitable legislative committee rooms, and submit a report upon the matter on or before February 20.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KIMBALL of Waterford,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to make up the travel and pay of George W. Drisko, at the rate of two dollars per day, up to and including February 7th.

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

Mr. YATES, from the Committee on Pensions, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to continue in force chapter 98 of the public laws of 1873, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

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

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the election of inspectors of lime and lime casks.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported same, on order to abolish imprisonment for debt.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported reference to the Committee on Education, on petition of Peter Walker and others, for change in school and pauper laws.

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

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 1 in Hartland."

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

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of No. 3, Range 3, in Somerset county."

Mr. WALDEN, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the North Wayne Cheese Company."

Mr. MORROW, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill "an act to extend the time for the Aroostook Steamboat Company to commence running steamboats on the Aroostook river."

Printed bill "an act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to change its location below Kendall's Mills."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to lime and lime casks."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11, section 7 of the revised statutes, relating to the apportionment of school moneys."

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

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Lincolnville Railroad Company."

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Dairymen's Association."

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

Printed bill "an act repealing sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to bounty on bears and wolves," was read twice, and Wednesday of next week assigned for the third reading.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process;" and

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

Were reported, read the third time, laid on the table, and Tuesday assigned for latter, and Wednesday for the former.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Insurance Company."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Dairying Association."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Butter and Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldo Dairy Manufacturing Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Monmouth Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the New Gloucester Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Palermo Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Livermore Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the New England Rolling Stock Company."

Bill "an act in relation to costs in log lien cases."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes."

Bill "an act regulating the weight of apples,"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Chebeague Island Wharf Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 57 of chapter 2 of the revised statutes, for the further security of the sinking fund."

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 provide further protection to inmates of the Insane Hospital, and to guard against error in making commitments thereto," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn, who moved the previous question.

The House seconded the call, and ordered the main question to be now put.

The question then being on passing the same to be engrossed in concurrence, Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, moved, and the House ordered that it be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, 55 voted in the affirmative, and 15 in the negative.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Foster,	Nickerson,
Babbidge,	Frost,	North,
Baker,	Frothingham,	Ouilette,
Black,	Gibbs,	Parker,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Gove,	Pinkham,
Bursley,	Guptill,	Rogers,
Caldwell,	Haskell,	Rowell,
Campbell,	Hathorn,	Scammon,
Clark,	Houghton,	Sherman,
Connor,	Judd,	Silsby,
Croswell,	Keen of Bremen,	Smith,
Crowell,	Knowlton,	Thurston,
Cushman,	Lawler,	Treat,
Dowst,	Lewis,	Walden,
Drake,	Libby,	Wasson,
Edes,	Loring,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Farrington,	Moulton of Porter,	Wilder,
Fernald,	Mullin,	Yates—55.
Fletcher,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Bailey,	Estes,	Stone,
Barker,	Hunter,	Tabbut,
Burbank,	Macartney,	Woodbury,
Coffin,	Phinney,	Work,
Crockett,	Pierce,	Young—15.

No quorum being present, the House, on motion of Mr. PINKHAM of Palermo,

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, J. S. Snow, Esq., of Hallowell, be Speaker *pro tem*.

The Speaker *pro tem*. was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Corthell.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HINES of Augusta.

Mr. STONE of Bridgton, conveyed a message to the Governor and Council, informing them of the choice of J. S. Snow, Esq., as Speaker *pro tem*.

The Clerk conveyed the same message to the Senate.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 74 of the public laws of 1872, relating to savings banks," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of L. Hilton and others of Kingsbury, for aid to build the New England road, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of citizens of Medway, against incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Counties.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act to repeal chapter 83 of the public laws of 1872, relative to granting new trial."

Report of the same Committee, with legislative inexpedient, on order to amend section 2, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of trial justices; also

Reporting same, on order relating to the expediency of authorizing towns to take land for soldiers' monuments.

Report of the same Committee, with ought to pass, on bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, in relation to the discharge of mortgages;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 44, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school district taxes;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 8 of chapter 136 of the revised statutes, relating to costs and fines in criminal cases;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act in relation to the assessment of school district taxes."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Earl Slate Company;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Winthrop Cheese Factory Association;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Corinth Cheese and Canning Factory Association."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition of Charles P. Quint, bill "an act authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Bowdoinham;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Benjamin F. and Gilbert L. Bucknam to build a wharf into tide waters of Pleasant river."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting reference to the Railroad Commissioners, on order relating to railroad connections, accepted by the House, came back from the Senate recommended.

The House receded and concurred.

Petition of Samuel Sewall and others, for change of the school laws; and

Petition of L. B. Randall and others, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act giving three-fourths of the jury, power to render a verdict in civil suits, after two disagreements," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of P. M. Purrington and others, for incorporation of the St. Croix and Mattawamkeag Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of J. H. McLarren and others, for an act to establish a steamship line between Eastport, Digby and Annapolis, Nova Scotia, was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TABBUT of Addison,

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.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 83 of the revised statutes, concerning writs issued by trial justices, and police and municipal courts."

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

Mr. EDES, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Simon F. Walker, for payment from the State for services as a officer in a criminal process.

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

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Sabbath School Association."

Mr. WILSON, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to repeal chapter 675 of the private and special laws of 1871, entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lockwood Cotton Mills," 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 chapter 11, section 7 of the revised statutes, relating to the apportionment of school moneys."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency."

Bill "an act to amend section 42 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the stopping of railroad trains at crossings."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the Livermore Falls Bridge Company."

Bill "an act additional to the acts establishing the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Imperial Slate Company."

Bill "an act to extend the time for the Aroostook Steamboat Company to commence running steamboats on the Aroostook river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Sportsmen's Association."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of No. 3, Range 3, in Somerset county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Wayne Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the China Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Auburn Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to locate and construct branch lines."

Bill "an act authorizing Samuel H. Talbot of East Machias, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of East Machias river."

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to lime and lime casks."

Bill "an act for the extension of the Somerset Railroad."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, each amended as per sheet "A," the former on motion of Mr. RICHARDS of Camden, the latter on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to change its location below Kendall's Mills," was read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CONNER of Fairfield.

Bill "an act to repeal sections 52, 53 and 54 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to hay."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 105 of the revised statutes, relating to gambling in railroad cars."

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 17 of the public laws of 1872, relating to appointment of deputy town clerks."

Bill "an act to authorize and empower the Little Androscoggin Water Power Company to carry on the manufacture of gas."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Devine Water Company."

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

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Sockalexis."

"Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual."

"Resolve in favor of a road through Indian township."

"Resolve appropriating three hundred dollars on a road in Indian township."

"Resolve in favor of John Bell of Oakfield plantation."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to execute a deed of southwest quarter of Block No. 9, in Township No. 9, Range 6, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of George F. Whitney of Presque Isle."

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.

On motion of Mr. YATES of Bristol.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

The Speaker, Mr. THOMAS, in the chair.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of Henry Poor and others, for reduction of valuation of Township A, Range 7, Penobscot county, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Winn, for incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Counties.

Remonstrance of S. Parkman and others, against making legal the doings of School District No. 1 in Hartland, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Hall C. Burleigh and others, for incorporation of the Maine Stock Breeders' Association, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "an act to revive the provisions of section 2 of chapter 63 of the laws of 1861, relating to the raising of ten regiments," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition for adjustment of the valuation of West Waterville, referred by the House to the Committee on Claims, came back from the Senate referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The House receded and concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 97 of chapter 6, revised statutes, so that in case of the appointment of any person to act as constable and collector for the collection of taxes in any town, if the assessors cannot find any person in town who will serve as such constable and collector, they may appoint one of

their own board, or some suitable person outside of the town, to perform the duties of said office.

This order was passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition for change in the manner of electing officers of Penobscot Indians.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the constitutionality of the mill tax act; also

Reporting same, on order relating to abolishment of imprisonment for debt.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting same, on petition for change of treaty with Penobscot Indians.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on various petitions for the establishment of a Normal School at Bridgton.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 18 in the town of Bristol."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, with ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 13 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, the latter amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

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

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition for an act to allow cattle to run at large in Vinalhaven, came from the Senate recommitted.

The report was read, and recommitted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to game; also

Petition of James H. McMullen and others, for the establishment of a Superior Court for the county of York, with bill accompanying; also

Remonstrance of C. A. Dow and others, against petition of

Harrison Baker and others, for repeal of the law requiring inn-holders and victuallers to give bond not to violate the provisions of the prohibitory liquor law ;

Remonstrance of C. F. Hatton and others ;

Remonstrance of James Lowe and others ;

Remonstrance of Charles Percival and others ;

Remonstrance of Stephen Thomas and others ;

Remonstrance of David Potter and others of Gardiner ;

Remonstrance of Henry Woodward and others of Winthrop ;

Remonstrance of G. A. Andrews and others of Monmouth ;

Remonstrance of C. F. Penney and others of Augusta ;

Remonstrance of Stanley Plummer and others of Bangor ;

Remonstrance of John S. Kimball and others of Bangor ;

Remonstrance of John S. Ayer and others ;

Remonstrance of Charles Town and others of Augusta ;

Remonstrance of D. M. Meserve and others of Waldoboro' ;

Remonstrance of H. D. Pinkham and

Remonstrance of John Fitz Gerald and others of Brunswick, against the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Selectmen of Starks, for change of the school and pauper laws, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. K. Foy and others for incorporation of the Oakland Ice Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Carroll against incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Petition of William Rice, for amendment of the charter of the city of Bath, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Penobscot, against petition of David Wasson, for authority to surrender the charter of the toll bridge in Brooksville, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. CARVILL presented bill "an act to supply the towns of Brunswick, Topsham and the city of Bath with pure water," which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, and ordered to be printed.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting county estimates for the year 1874, was received and referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Trustees of the Maine Insane Hospital; also

Report of the Agent of the Passamaquoddy Indians; also

Report of the Soldiers Orphans' Home at Bath.

Communication from the Governor, transmitting the report of Hon. A. W. Paine, Tax Commissioner, appointed under resolve approved January 16, 1874, was received, and the report ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, the vote by which the order changing the hour of meeting was passed, was reconsidered.

Mr. LONGFELLOW, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of George W. Ayer for State aid.

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

Bill "an act exempting farm products from taxation."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to innholders."

Bill "an act to continue in force chapter 98 of the public laws of 1873, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 44 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school district taxes," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska.

Bill "an act to authorize Benjamin F. and Gilbert L. Bucknam to build a wharf into tide waters of Pleasant river."

Bill "an act authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Bowdoinham."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Corinth Cheese and Canning Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Winthrop Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act in relation to the assessment of school district taxes."

Bill "an act to amend section 8 of chapter 136 of the revised statutes, relating to fines and costs in criminal cases."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Earl Slate Company."

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

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, in relation to the discharge of mortgages," was read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 675, special laws of 1871, entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity;" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Sabbath School Association;"

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

Bill "an act to amend section 18, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads," was read the third time, and recommitted, on motion of Mr. LEWIS of Ripley.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Dairying Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dixfield Centre Cheese Company."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc and Cumberland Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Belfast Marine Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lockwood Cotton Mills."

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.

A message was received from the Senate, requesting the return to that branch of bill "an act to amend section 13, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

The vote by which it was assigned for to-morrow for the third reading, was reconsidered, and the bill returned to the Senate.

Bill "an act to establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls," was taken from the table, the question being upon reconsideration of the vote by which the House refused to pass the same to be engrossed, and being so taken by yeas and nays, the House refused to reconsider, by yeas 47, nays 60.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Hall,	Pullen,
Aldrich,	Hamilton,	Reed,
Baker,	Haskell,	Rogers,
Burbank,	Hawks,	Scribner,
Bursley,	Hawes,	Silsby,
Caldwell,	Hurd,	Snow,
Carvill,	Keegan,	Stone,
Cobb,	Lord,	Sturgis,
Corthell,	Loring,	Treat,
Croswell,	Macartney,	Walden,
Denison,	McCarty,	Whitmore,
Eaton,	Mitchell,	Wilder,
Fernald,	Morse,	Williams,
Fessenden,	North,	Wilson,
Files,	Pilsbury,	Yates—47.
Guptill,	Pressey,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Boardman,	Connor,
Bailey,	Bowker,	Cornish,
Barker,	Bradbury of Oldtown,	Crockett,
Bartlett,	Brawn,	Cushman,
Black,	Campbell,	Drake,
Blaisdell,	Clark,	Edes,

Estes,	Leavitt,	Scammon,
Farrington,	Lewis,	Sherman,
Fletcher,	Libby,	Small of Temple,
Foster,	Longfellow,	Smith,
Frost,	Meserve,	Stuart,
Frothingham,	Moore,	Swasey,
Grant,	Moulton of Porter,	Tabbut,
Hatch,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Thurston,
Hathorn,	Nickerson,	Tibbets,
Houghton,	Ouilette,	Wentworth, Kittery,
Judd,	Pierce,	Winslow,
Kimball,	Richards,	Woodbury,
Lane,	Robbins,	Work,
Lawler,	Sanborn of Wales,	Young—60.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls," was taken from the table, and refused a passage.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Insane Hospital, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Report of the Bath Soldiers Orphans' Home, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Report of the Agent of the Passamaquoddy Indians, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Saco Water Power Machine Shop."

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting bill "an act establishing the boundaries of the plantation of Medway."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on petition of Llewellyn Libby and others, bill "an act for the preservation of pickerel in Lovejoy's pond in Albion."

Report of the Committee on Education, with ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Eaton Family and Day School at Norridgewock."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on petition, bill "an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of Colby University."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, with ought to pass, on bill in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend section 65, chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of the property of deceased persons."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills passed to be engrossed, the latter being amended as per sheet "A."

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting reference to the Kennebec and Waldo County Delegations, on petition for an act to authorize the county of Kennebec to refund money expended by the town of Clinton Gore in building bridge over Sebasticook river.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Dairymen's Association," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate recommitted.

The House recessed and concurred.

Bill "an act regulating the weight of apples," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House, on motion of Mr. HAWKS of Manchester, insisted on its former vote.

Remonstrance of A. C. Webber and others of Lewiston;

Remonstrance of A. H. Curtis and others of Brooks;

Remonstrance of C. H. Starbird and others of Falmouth;

Remonstrance of A. A. Goud and others of Topsham ;
Remonstrance of William K. Smart and others of Benton ;
Remonstrance of A. M. Billings and others of Clinton ;
Remonstrance of John Dinsmore and others of Winslow ;
Remonstrance of Charles Jewett and others of Clinton ;
Remonstrance of W. H. Littlefield of Vinalhaven ;
Remonstrance of George L. Runnel of Wiscasset ;
Remonstrance of W. H. Hobbs of Portland ;
Remonstrance of H. F. Wood and others of West Waterville ;
Remonstrance of Nahum Totman of Harrison ;
Remonstrance of William W. Springer of Harrison ;
Remonstrance of Parker Jaques and others of Hallowell ;
Remonstrance of F. C. Simonds of Kennebunk ;
Remonstrance of Josiah Norris of Wayne ;
Remonstrance of J. P. Cowles and others of Camden ;
Remonstrance of George M. Hubbard of West Waterville ;
Remonstrance of Henry Tallman of Bath ;
Remonstrance of A. J. Potter ;
Remonstrance of G. O. Payson and another of Rockland ;
Remonstrance of T. M. Smith of Rockland ;
Remonstrance of R. Anderson of Rockland ;
Remonstrance of W. H. Hyde of Rockland ; and
Remonstrance of E. S. Fish and others of China, against petition
of Harrison Baker, for repeal of that part of the prohibitory law
requiring innholders and victuallers to give bond ; and
Bill " an act relating to registers of deeds ;"
Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.
Petition of Sewell Goff and others, for change of the law relat-
ing to distribution of school money ; also
Petition of Henry M. Briggs and others ;
Petition of J. B. Young and others ; and
Petition of Amaziah Tracey and others, for same ;
Were referred to the Committee on Education.
Bill " an act additional to chapter 15 of the revised statutes,
relative to cemeteries ;" and
Petition of Leonard Fisher and others, for change of the school
and pauper laws ;
Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.
Remonstrance of inhabitants of Edmunds, against change of the

law relating to narrow rimmed wheels in said town, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of city of Bangor, against amendment of the charter of the Bangor Bridge Company; and

Petition of A. J. Robinson and others, for repeal of the charter of the Portland and Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of William C. Hammatt and others, against incorporation of the new county of Appleton, was referred to the Committee on Counties.

Mr. SCAMMON of Greenfield, presented petition of D. T. Sanders and others, for an act to prevent the destruction of trout in Wilson's pond, and moved a suspension of the rule, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT, the House ordered that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, refused to suspend the rule, by yeas 28, nays 97.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Eaton,	Parker,
Aldrich,	Gile,	Pierce,
Bailey,	Hall,	Reed,
Barker,	Hamilton,	Richards,
Bowker,	Houghton,	Robbins,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Judd,	Scammon,
Burbank,	Keegan,	Snow,
Corthell,	Moore,	Sturgis,
Denison,	Ouilette,	Walden—28.
Drake,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Campbell,	Cushman,
Bartlett,	Carvill,	Davis,
Black,	Clark,	Dowst,
Blaisdell,	Cobb,	Edes,
Blodgett,	Coffin,	Estes,
Boardman,	Connor,	Farrington,
Brawn,	Cornish,	Fessenden,
Bryant,	Crockett,	Files,
Bursley,	Croswell,	Foster,
Caldwell,	Crowell,	Frost,

Frothingham,	Loring,	Smith,
Gibbs,	Macartney,	Stone,
Grant,	McCarty,	Stuart,
Guptill,	McKinney,	Tabbut,
Harding,	Meserve,	Talbot,
Hatch,	Mitchell,	Thurston,
Hathorn,	Moulton of Porter,	Tibbets,
Hawks,	Morrow,	Treat,
Hawes,	Mullin,	Warren,
Hunter,	Nickerson,	Wasson,
Hutchins,	North,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Hurd,	Phinney,	Wentworth, Kittery,
Keen of Palmyra,	Pinkham,	Whitmore,
Keith,	Pressy,	Wilder,
Kimball,	Rogers,	Williams,
Knowlton,	Rowell,	Wilson,
Lamson,	Sanborn of Wales,	Winslow,
Lane,	Sanborn of Etna,	Woodbury,
Lawler,	Scribner,	Woodman,
Leavitt,	Sherman,	Work,
Lewis,	Silsby,	Yates,
Longfellow,	Small of Temple,	Young—97.
Lord,		

The petition was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act providing for the taxation of railroads and insurance companies."

Bill "an act providing for a duty on private acts of the Legislature."

Bill "an act providing for a duty on ice."

These bills were presented by Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, and on his motion, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. YOUNG of Charlotte,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of passing a law for a more effectual way of making roads passable when blocked with snow.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire whether it is expe-

dient to amend section 188, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to report of auditors ; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of imposing upon town clerks the duty of causing all conveyances of real estate sold for taxes to be recorded in the registry of deeds of the county where such real estate is situated.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Governor and Council to take measures for properly ventilating the Hall of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire what legislation is necessary, to enable the Land Agent to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 179 of the resolves of 1873, and chapter 61 of the resolves of 1872.

On motion of Mr. McKENNEY of Hollis,

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of a law providing that all bridges hereafter required for public convenience or necessity between towns and cities in this State, whose estimated cost shall be two thousand dollars or more, shall be built, constructed and maintained, at the expense of the county or counties in which such bridge or bridges may be ; and all bridges now existing between towns and cities, whose original cost was two thousand dollars or more, shall hereafter be maintained and kept in good repair and condition at the expense of the county and counties in which such bridge or bridges are located.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Means inquire whether further legislation is necessary, in relation to taxes on lands in places not incorporated.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the use of the Representatives' Hall be tendered to Hon. Henry John Murray, H. B. M. Consul at Portland, to give a reading on Tuesday evening next.

Mr. CORNISH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition of R. W. Hanscom, bill "an act repealing chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers ;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 111 of the revised statutes, relating to recording conditional notes."

Mr. WILSON, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend section 16 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers of the Supreme Judicial Court;" also

Reported, on order, relating to expediency of amending the law, so as to prevent the expression of opinion upon matter of fact by the presiding justice during the progress of the trial or in charge to the jury, bill "an act relating to judicial courts."

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

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for amendment of the charter of the city of Calais.

Mr. HATHORN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported same, on petition of A. H. Clark and others, for an act to prevent the taking of smelts by nets in the Kennebec river.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the time of killing and selling the carcasses and hides of moose, deer and caribou.

Mr. WILSON, from the same Committee, reported same, on order in relation to imprisonment of poor debtors, so as to make it the duty of creditors to pay one week's board in advance.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature, on memorial of G. M. Weston.

Mr. PULLEN, from the same Committee, reported reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, on order inquiring into the necessity of legislation to more clearly define what property of literary institutions is exempt from taxation.

Mr. CROWELL, from the Committee on Claims, reported ought not to pass, on "resolve in favor of the town of Brownfield."

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

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on order, requesting the Secretary of State to furnish a statement of the salaries of officers, reported the following:

Ordered, That the Secretary of the State be required to furnish to the publishers of the Maine State Year Book, a detailed state-

ment, giving the names of all the officers of the State elected or appointed, except members and officers of the Legislature, with the amount of salary or compensation to each for the year ending January 1, 1874, and that the publishers be required to publish the same therein.

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

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Williston Church."

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 4 in the town of Burnham."

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition, bill "an act to encourage and protect the breeding of trout and landlocked salmon in Letter B pond in the town of Upton."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 83 of the revised statutes, concerning writs issued by trial justices and police and municipal courts."

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

Bill "an act repealing sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, chapter 30, revised statutes, relating to bounty on bears and wolves."

"Resolve in favor of Michael Farrel."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Little Madawaska river in Letter K, Range 2, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Daniel M. Libby."

• "Resolve in favor of settlers on Township F, Range I, Aroostook county."

The foregoing were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read three times, resolves twice, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 18 in the town of Bristol," 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 exempting farm products from taxation."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to innholders."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Pittston."

"Resolve in favor of Commissioners on Claims of Settlers on Proprietors' Lands in the county of Aroostook."

"Resolve in favor of Peter Dana's widow."

"Resolve in favor of James Phair of Limestone plantation."

"Resolve in favor of John Smith of Maysville."

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 to continue in force chapter 98 of the public laws of 1873, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," was reported, read the third time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. PINKHAM of Palermo, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Madawaska."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of Van Buren plantation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Canaan Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Charleston Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to make valid certain doings of the town of Franklin."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orchard Beach Camp Meeting Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Beach Association."

Bill "an act to abate the State tax of Clinton Gore for the year 1873, and assess the same upon the towns of Clinton and Burnham."

Bill "an act abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville for the year 1873, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville."

Bill "an act to protect fish in the waters of the town of Raymond."

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of white perch in Damariscotta pond."

Bill "an act confirming the articles of agreement of the European and North American Railway Companies."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Asylum."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Atkinson."

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 amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 44, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school districts," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1874.

Met according to adjournment. *

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BECKWITH of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to protect the rights of owners of islands," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Albans Cheese Association," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Manufactures, and referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the House concurring, the Committees of the Legislature be instructed to report finally on or before the 18th instant.

This order came from the Senate read and passed, and was read and laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, with ought not to pass, on bill "an act in relation to fees of Clerks of Courts;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to amend section 11, chapter 363 of the special laws of 1850, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Belfast."

Report of the same Committee, reporting reference to the Committee on Financial Affairs, on communication from the Secretary of State transmitting accounts of Railroad Commissioners.

Report of the Committee on Towns, with reference to the next Legislature, on petition of John A. Greene and others, to be set off from Bluehill to Surry.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of Joseph Carll and others, for change of the law regulating the taking of porgies.

Report of the same Committee, with leave to withdraw, on petition of William E. Coffin and others, for authority to stock Penamaquon lake with salmon.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting same, on petition of Thomas G. Kimball, for an act to authorize towns to insure property against loss by fire.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, with leave to withdraw, on petition of John H. Hilliard and others, for an act to make free the Oldtown Toll Bridge; also

Reporting same, on petition of the Oldtown Bridge Corporation, for amendment of charter.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways in unincorporated places."

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting, on petition of Jacob McLellan, bill "an act to provide for the security of life on board vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam, on the inland waters of this State."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Mathew Lincoln and Charles Woodman to build a wharf in tide waters of Brewer."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to establish the measure of milk;" also

Reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 47, chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to illegal fishing;" also

Reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 39 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to close-time on trout, salmon and togue;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to amend section 53, chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for taking certain fish unlawfully."

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 an act entitled an act to amend section 13, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court," came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House concurred.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the North Bank of Rockland," came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of B. M. Roberts and others of Stockton ;

Remonstrance of J. M. Day and others of Camden ;

Remonstrance of John F. Lamb and others of Clinton ;

Remonstrance of George W. Parkman and others of Clinton ;

Remonstrance of B. F. Dow and others of Clinton ;

Remonstrance of H. A. Shorey and others of Bridgton ;

Remonstrance of Henry Miller and others of Cape Elizabeth ;

Remonstrance of N. T. Roberts of Dexter ;

Remonstrance of L. A. Hutchins and others of Kittery ;

Remonstrance of C. T. Kimball and others of Carmel ;

Remonstrance of S. Coburn and others of Skowhegan ;

Remonstrance of A. H. Wyman of Skowhegan ;

Remonstrance of William Folsom of Skowhegan ;

Remonstrance of Jefferson Taylor of Skowhegan ; and

Remonstrance of E. W. Stetson and others of Damariscotta, against the petition of Harrison Baker, for change of the prohibi-

tory liquor law requiring innholders and victualers to give bonds not to violate said law ; also

Bill "an act respecting the Edward Little Institute ;" and

Bill "an act relating to proof of marriage ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of T. P. Hutchinson and others, for change of the pension law, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the town of Kingman and for other purposes," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what change, if any, is necessary in chapter 82, section 108, revised statutes, in order to make said statute plain and secure the rights of parties ; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what change, if any, is necessary in chapter 188 of the public laws of 1871 ; also

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what change, if any, is necessary in the law relating to taxation of costs to make certain the rights of parties.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing or modifying section 7, chapter 94 of the revised statutes, relating to forcible entry and detainer.

On motion of Mr. MOULTON of Scarborough,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire if any further legislation is necessary in regard to towns and cities laying out highways across railroad tracks and keeping the same in repair at such crossings.

On motion of Mr. PILSBURY of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of a law making it a penal offence to change one's name without due course of law, punishable by a fine of fifty dollars, the said fine to be paid to the county where the party resides.

On motion of Mr. CROWELL of Benton,

WHEREAS, There is now, and has been for the past three months, a citizen incarcerated in the Kennebec jail, committed to said jail for debt; and

WHEREAS, Said county has paid, and is now paying said debtor's board; and

WHEREAS, The jailor neglects and refuses to notify the overseers of the poor, in order that said debtor may be set at work, therefore,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending the statute in relation to such matters, that it shall be the duty of the jailor to notify the overseers of the poor before furnishing board, and if said jailor neglects or refuses so to do, he shall have no claim on the county for support of such debtor.

On motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast,

WHEREAS, The State sinking funds are dangerous machinery to run, and are no longer necessary to maintain the State bonds at par, therefore

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs inquire whether the laws creating the sinking funds may not be repealed with advantage to the interests of the State and without injustice to her creditors.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That such persons as are required to appear before the Joint Special Committee to investigate the affairs of the State Prison, be paid the same for travel and attendance as they would be entitled to for travel and attendance at the Supreme Judicial Court; and that each person so attending, certify the number of miles travel and the number of days' actual attendance; and the bill of costs for such travel and attendance shall be examined and allowed by the Governor and Council, and paid from any funds not otherwise appropriated.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Farmington Slate Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on order relating to the appointment of a receiver in certain cases of neglect and mismanagement of railroad corporations, bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill an act in reference to steamboat freights, reported bill "an act relating to unclaimed goods held by common carriers;" also

Reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to auditors of accounts."

Mr. MOULTON, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order relating to amendment of the free high school law, so as to allow two or more school districts in different towns to maintain a free high school, bill "an act to amend the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

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

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported back to the House, bill "an act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company," and requested that the Committee be discharged from further action thereon.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. YATES, from the Committee on Pensions, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Benjamin Smith for pension.

Mr. MULLIN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported same, on petition of Lemuel Preble and others, for an act to allow owners of lands on tide water streams the exclusive right to fish in such waters.

Mr. BAILEY, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of William B. Merry of Boothbay, for authority to build a fish weir in Damariscotta river.

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Commerce, reported same, on petitions for an act to authorize the construction of a bridge from Bailey to Orr's island.

Mr. LORD, from the Committee on Education, reported same, on petition of David Stanley and others, for repeal of the law establishing free high schools.

Mr. CUSHMAN, from the Committee on Towns, reported same, on petition of Erastus Hartshorn and others, for division of the town of Ellsworth.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of Frank Ingalls and others, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in Passadumkeag.

Mr. HASKELL, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of W. H. Vinal, for an act to allow cattle to run at large in Vinalhaven.

Mr. GUPTILL, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to amendment of the school laws so as to allow school committees to prescribe the text books in the English branches taught in academies.

Mr. DENISON, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of Peter Walker and others, for change of school and pauper laws.

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

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 388 of the private and special laws of 1873, relating to the rights of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company."

Mr. PULLEN, from the same Committee, reported, on bill and an act to prevent the use of steam whistles in certain places, that same pass in a new draft, under title of bill "an act to confer certain powers upon the city of Portland."

Mr. MITCHELL, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Oakland Park Association."

Mr. FERNALD, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Dexter Cheese Factory;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Sidney Cheese Factory Association."

Mr. COBB, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Exeter Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Company."

Mr. HOUGHTON, from the same Committee, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bethel Cheese Factory Association."

Mr. WARREN, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Belfast Foundry Company."

Mr. MITCHELL, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Granite Company."

Mr. WENTWORTH, from the Committee on Railroads, reported same, on bill "an act authorizing the Somerset Railroad Company to build a branch to Dodlin granite quarry."

Mr. SNOW, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company."

Mr. RICHARDS, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the St. Croix and Mattawamkeag Railroad Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

Mr. WILDER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act relating to the reports of the Agents of the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize the town of Kittery to build a free bridge over tide waters of Spruce creek in the town of Kittery;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of North Haven."

Mr. PRESSEY, from the Androscoggin Delegation, reported, on order, bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Androscoggin county."

Mr. NORTH, from the Kennebec Delegation, reported "resolve authorizing the county of Kennebec to aid in rebuilding the Learned bridge across the Sebasticook river."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on order, "resolve in aid of building a bridge over Megalloway river."

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills and the first resolve, the latter resolve was assigned for Wednesday of next week under the rule.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Saco Water Power Machine Shop."

Bill "an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of Colby University."

Bill "an act establishing the boundaries of the plantation of Medway."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of Eaton Family and Day School at Norridgewock."

Bill "an act for the preservation of pickerel in Lovejoy's pond in Albion."

Bill "an act to amend section 65 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, Senate amendment "A" to the latter bill adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 83 of the revised statutes, concerning writs issued by trial justices and police and municipal courts."

Bill "an act to encourage and protect the breeding of trout and land-locked salmon in Letter B pond in the town of Upton."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Williston Church."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 4 in the town of Burnham."

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 section 8 of chapter 136 of the revised statutes, relating to fines and costs in criminal cases."

Bill "an act to amend section 57 of chapter 2 of the revised statutes, for the further security of the sinking fund."

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to the discharge of mortgages."

Bill "an act in relation to the assessment of school district taxes."

Bill "an act authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Bowdoinham."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Chebeague Island Wharf Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Benjamin F. and Gilbert L. Bucknam to build a wharf in tide waters of Pleasant river."

Bill "an act to incorporate the New England Rolling Stock Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital of the Earl Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Palermo Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Winthrop Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Monmouth Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the New Gloucester Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Butter and Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Corinth Cheese and Canning Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldo Dairy Manufacturing 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 in relation to log lien cases;" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Livermore Cheese Factory Association;"

Being on their passage to be enacted, were each amended as per sheet "A," the former on motion of Mr. POWERS of Houlton, the latter on motion of Mr. SMITH of Livermore, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to provide further protection to inmates of the Insane Hospital, and to guard against error in making commitments thereto," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act repealing sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, chapter 30, revised statutes, relating to bounty on bears and wolves," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

“Resolve in favor of Michael Farrel.”

“Resolve in favor of Daniel M. Libby.”

“Resolve in favor of settlers on Township F, Range 1, Aroostook county.”

“Resolve in aid of building a bridge over the Little Madawaska river in Letter K, Range 2, Aroostook county.”

The foregoing were taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, the latter being amended as per sheet “A.”

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. HINES of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Sandy River Slate Company ;”
and

Bill “an act to incorporate the Harmony Dairying Association ;”

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

Bill “an act for the better security of voluntary trusts ;” and

Bill “an act additional to chapter 63, revised statutes, relating to probate courts ;”

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing juries in actions of contract against more than one defendant to return a separate verdict as to each defendant.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the

expediency of amending chapter 63 of the revised statutes, and also to provide for the better security of trusts.

These orders were passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to expediency of requiring deputy sheriffs to return their accounts to county commissioners for settlement instead of to the high sheriff; also

Reporting same, on order relating to the expediency of requiring the opinions of the law court to be in writing and published in the reports of decisions.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting same, on order relating to appeal from decisions of joint boards of county commissioners in locating or discontinuing highways.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition for incorporation of the Bristol Agricultural Society and Farmers' Club.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting same, on petition of Nason Ingalls of Woodville, to annex certain lots of land to the town of Mattawamkeag.

Report of the Kennebec Delegation, reporting reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, on petition of D. N. Wadsworth and others of Manchester, for reduction of valuation of said town.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, with ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting same, on bill "an act to regulate and establish the compensation of the Examiner of Banks;" also

Reporting, on petition of Samuel Farmer, bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company;" also

Reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Bodwell Granite Company."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to repeal an act to regulate the taking of fish in the Narraguagus river."

Report of same Committee, reporting, on petition, bill "an act in relation to the salmon, shad and alewife fishery in the Medomak river in the town of Waldoborough."

Report of the Cumberland Delegation, reporting, on petition,

bill "an act establishing the compensation of the County Commissioners for Cumberland county."

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.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincolnville Railroad Company," came back from the Senate, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell.

Bill "an act to repeal sections 52, 53 and 54 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to hay," passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Crowell of Benton, Pierce of Embden, and Foster of Newry, conferees on the part of the House.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the seventh annual report of the Bank Examiner, was received and read.

Bill "an act to incorporate the West New Portland Dairy Association," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

"Resolve providing for a State Board of Centennial Managers," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Coal, Hay and Ice Company;" and

Petition of J. F. Houghton and others, for change of school and pauper laws;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of A. S. Downs and others, for protection of fish in Bunganut pond in Alfred and Lyman, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Petition of David E. Parsons and others of Bingham, for charter for railroad from West Waterville to Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Petition of citizens of Eastport, for the erection of a gun house in said town, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Remonstrance of Daniel S. Harrington and others, against law for protection of trout in Wilson's pond, was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending section 49, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, so that service made in fact, and that by reason of death, disqualification or other cause, the officer has not made his return upon said process, that a return may be made upon the same by a sheriff, under the direction of the presiding judge, at the next term of court holden in the county where such service has been made.

On motion of Mr. LAMSON of Richmond,

Ordered, That the Committee on Insane Hospital be and is hereby authorized to visit Gorham, a proposed location for new hospital buildings.

On motion of Mr. SWASEY of Canton,

WHEREAS, Upon petition of Alpheus Packard and others, for separation from the town of Peru and annexation to the town of Canton, which was referred to the Committee on Towns, it appearing in the opinion of said Committee that further notice should be given, therefore be it

Ordered, That said petitioners shall cause notice of its pendency by serving a copy of said petition upon each of the town clerks of said towns, and by two publications in the Oxford Democrat, at least ten days before final hearing upon the same.

On motion of Mr. KELLOCH of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 115 of the public laws of 1873, by inserting in the fourth line of section one, after the word "mixed," the following words, "or any part thereof;" also by inserting in the seventh line of the same section, these words, "or the trustees of any school fund of any town;" also by striking out the word "or," after the word "selectmen" in the ninth line of the same section, and inserting after the word "assessors" in the same line, words as follows, "or trustees;" also by inserting in the fourth line of section two, after the word "plantation," the following words, "or trustees;" and they, the said

Committee, are hereby ordered, if they find it expedient to make any changes or alterations in said chapter, to make such changes and alterations and any others that may be deemed necessary, to enable trustees of academies to transfer school property and funds in any town, when such trustees of school funds hold appointment or office by virtue of any provisions in the acts of incorporation of the towns where said trustees exist, or by any amendments to said acts of incorporation, and report by bill or otherwise.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. ROBBINS, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on report of Trustees, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 150 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital."

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on recommitted bill "an act to amend section 18 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads."

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

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of N. D. Witherspoon and others, for reimbursement for money expended for military purposes.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on petition of Selectmen of Palermo and others, for amendment of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to juries.

Mr. KELLOCH, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of William A. Frye, for incorporation of the Eastern Stage Company.

Mr. KELLOCH, from the same Committee, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to liens on horses for stabling."

Mr. WENTWORTH, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported same, on bill "an act to revive the provisions of section 2 of chapter 63 of the laws of 1861, relating to the raising of ten regiments."

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to payment of personal tax as requisite to the voting privilege.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, re-

ported same, on order relating to the burning of slabs and edgings prohibited from being thrown into the Penobscot river ; also

Reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of M. S. Drummond and others, for incorporation of the Allegash Dam Company.

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported, on recommendation of the Governor, "resolve providing for a statue of General Knox to be placed in the National Statuary Hall at Washington."

These reports were read and accepted, resolve read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Bath."

Mr. KELLOCH, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of South Thomaston."

Mr. KIMBALL, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Woolwich and to authorize said town to aid Sagadahoc Ferry Company."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor bridge."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Water Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize S. P. Hall and others to extend their wharves into tide waters at Bucksport Village;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize D. Knowlton and Company to extend their wharves in Camden harbor;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Ragged Lake Dam Company."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 111 of the revised statutes, relating to recording conditional notes."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 16, chapter 27 of the

revised statutes, relating to the powers of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Printed bill "an act relating to judicial courts."

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of J. W. Ambrose;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve for the repair of the Shin Pond road leading from Mattawamkeag to the lumbering regions;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Cyrus T. Daniels of Presque Isle;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of inhabitants of Silver Ridge plantation;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Christian F. Churchill of Washburn."

Mr. YATES, from the Committee on Pensions, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Elmira E. Cobb."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Library, reported ought to pass, on "resolve to furnish certain books to the town of Brooks."

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported "resolve establishing the valuation of the town of Kingman."

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 latter resolve. The other resolves were assigned for Wednesday of next week for the second reading under the rule.

Bill "an act to amend section 47 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to illegal fishing;" and

Bill "an act to amend section 39 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to close-time on trout, salmon and togue;"

Were read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais.

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for the county of Androscoggin," was read the third time, and referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, on motion of Mr. REED of Bath.

Bill "an act to establish the measure of milk."

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds."

Bill "an act to provide for the security of life on board vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam on the inland waters of this State."

Bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for taking certain fish unlawfully."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relative to ways in unincorporated places."

Bill "an act authorizing Mathew L. and Charles Woodman to build a wharf in tide waters of Brewer."

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 388 of the private and special laws of 1873, relating to the rights of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to confer certain powers upon the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dexter Cheese Factory Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sidney Cheese Factory Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Exeter Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Corporation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bethel Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Granite Company."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Belfast Foundry Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oakland Park Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Croix and Mattawamkeag Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company."

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset Railroad Company to build a branch to Dodlin granite quarry."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Kittery to build a free bridge over tide waters of Spruce creek in said town."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of North Haven."

Bill "an act relating to the reports of the Agents of the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians."

"Resolve authorizing the county of Kennebec to assist in rebuilding the Learned bridge across the Sebasticook river."

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 North Wayne Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the China Cheese Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency."

Bill "an act to amend section 42, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the stopping of railroad trains at crossings."

Bill "an act for the extension of the Somerset Railroad."

Bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to locate and construct branch lines."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11, section 7 of the revised statutes, relating to the apportionment of school moneys."

Bill "an act to amend section 44, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school district taxes."

Bill "an act to extend the time for the Aroostook Steamboat Company to commence running steamboats on the Aroostook river."

Bill "an act additional to the act establishing the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of No. 3, Range 3, Somerset county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Auburn Boot and Shoe Company."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 18 in the town of Bristol."

Bill "an act to make legal the doings of the Livermore Falls Bridge Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Sportmen's Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Imperial Slate Company."

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 authorizing the Maine Central Railroad Company to change its location, and construct a new bridge across the Kennebec river," was taken from the table.

Mr. CONNER of Fairfield, offered amendment "A," and on his motion, the House ordered that the question of its adoption be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was adopted by yeas 72, nays 27.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Fletcher,	Moulton of Scarboro',
Bailey,	Gile,	Morrow,
Barker,	Grant,	Mullin,
Bartlett,	Guptill,	Ouilette,
Blaisdell,	Hamilton,	Pinkham,
Blodgett,	Harding,	Porter,
Bowker,	Hathorn,	Pressey,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Hawks,	Reed,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Hunter,	Robbins,
Brawn,	Hutchins,	Scammon,
Bryant,	Keegan,	Silsby,
Carll,	Keene of Palmyra,	Small of Temple,
Cobb,	Kelloch,	Swasey,
Connor,	Kimball,	Talbot,
Cornish,	Lamson,	Treat,
Corthell,	Lawler,	Vittum,
Crowell,	Lewis,	Warren,
Cushman,	Longfellow,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Davis,	Loring,	Whitmore,
Dowst,	Macartney,	Wilder,
Drake,	McCarty,	Winslow,
Edes,	McGilvery,	Woodman,
Farrington,	Meserve,	Yates,
Files,	Morse,	Young—72.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Boardman,	Hatch,	Pullen,
Burbank,	Houghton,	Richards,
Bursley,	Hurd,	Scribner,
Campbell,	Knowlton,	Snow,
Carvill,	Leavitt,	Stuart,
Eaton,	Milliken,	Thurston,
Fessenden,	Moore,	Walden,
Goodwin,	North,	Williams,
Hall,	Parker,	Wilson—27

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the Committee on Federal Relations inquire what further legislation, if any, is needed to protect the rivers and harbors of this State.

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of John Whitney, for repeal of the Free High School law.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order inquiring into the expediency of further legislation in regard to life insurance companies doing business on the note or loan plan.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, with ought not to pass, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor Bridge."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Humane Society;" also

Reporting same on bill "an act to incorporate the Round Pond Telegraph Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order relating to amendment of writs, bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court;" also

Reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act relating to clerks of judicial courts."

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting, on petition, bill "an act authorizing the Dix Island Granite Company to erect a bridge or causeway across a bar from Dix Island to Birch Island;" also

Reporting, on petition of David Smith, bill "an act authorizing the Dix Island Granite Company to erect and maintain wharves in tide waters on Dix Island."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting ought to pass, on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Dairymen's Association."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 99 of the laws of 1873, entitled an act to regulate the close-time for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, with ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Waldo County Dairymen's Association."

Report of the Committee on the Library, with ought to pass, on bill "an act to furnish certain books to the library of Colby University."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting same, on "resolve in favor of free common schools in New Sweden."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to innholders," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Order requiring the publication in the Maine State Year Book of the names of State officers and their salaries, passed by the House, came back from the Senate amended, by striking out the word "required" in the order, and inserting the word "requested."

The order was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. MILLIKEN, pending the amendment.

The following communication was received from the Governor:

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
Augusta, February 14, 1874. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I return herewith, bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, in relation to the discharge of mortgages," being unable to give the same my official approval, as long as it contains a provision that it shall take effect immediately. Acts of a private nature, affecting only those few persons who have had notice of the pendency of such legislation, may safely take effect on approval. But unless there is some overshadowing reason to the contrary, laws of a public nature, affecting the interests of the people of the whole State, who for the most part, cannot be aware of the existence of new legislation, until it is officially promulgated, should be left to the operation of the rule of construction established by the revised statutes, which provides that unless otherwise indicated, laws shall not go into effect until thirty days after the adjournment of the Legislature passing them.

NELSON DINGLEY, Jr.

The House proceeded immediately to reconsider the bill, and the Chair put the question—

"Shall this bill become a law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?" and being taken by yeas and nays, as provided by the Constitution of the State, it was decided unanimously in the negative, by 77 nays.

Those present and voting were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Fernald,	Libby,
Bailey,	Fletcher,	McCarty,
Barker,	Foster,	Mitchell,
Bartlett,	Frost,	Moore,
Blaisdell,	Gove,	Moulton of Scarboro',
Blodgett,	Güptill,	Morrow,
Boardman,	Hamilton,	Mullin,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Harding,	North,
Bryant,	Haskell,	Ouilette,
Burbank,	Hathorn,	Parker,
Caldwell,	Hawes,	Pierce,
Campbell,	Houghton,	Porter,
Carl,	Hunter,	Scammon,
Carvill,	Hutchins,	Scribner,
Clark,	Hurd,	Silsby,
Coffin,	Johnson,	Snow,
Connor,	Judd,	Tabbut,
Corthell,	Keegan,	Thomas,
Crockett,	Kelloch,	Tibbets,
Crowell,	Kimball,	Treat,
Cushman,	Knowlton,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Davis,	Lamson,	Wilder,
Dowst,	Lane,	Wilson,
Drake,	Lawler,	Woodman,
Edes,	Leavitt,	Yates—77.
Farrington,	Lewis,	

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Central Slate Company ;"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Slate Company ;"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company ;"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Pond Slate Company ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act in relation to the protection of bottles used by the manufacturers of mineral waters, ginger ale, &c.," was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

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

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation," was referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "an act imposing a duty on collateral inheritances," was ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

"Resolves relating to the United States Arsenal at Augusta, Maine," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, and ordered to be printed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether further legislation is necessary declaratory of the meaning of certain provisions of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, in order to make them more effectual in accomplishing the purposes for which they were designed.

On motion of Mr. KELLOCH of Thomaston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 79 of the revised statutes, so that clerks of judicial courts shall have power to appoint deputies.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of the purchase by the State of the pine and spruce stumpage on Perham plantation, in order to facilitate the settlement of said plantation.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Business of the House, reported that all the Committees of the Legislature would be able to report finally on or before the 24th inst.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, on an order relating to the necessity of raising a state tax, reported the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Means be authorized and directed to report a bill assessing a State tax for the current year of five mills on the dollar of the State valuation.

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

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Reform School, reported information in relation to that institution, and "resolve in favor of the Reform School," which was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported, on recommendation of the Governor, bill "an act to make the thirtieth day of May a legal holiday."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 108, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court, in cases where an account in set off is filed."

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported, on order, bill "an act to better protect sheep husbandry from destruction by dogs."

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

Mr. BURBANK, from the Committee on Claims, reported reference to the Committee on Ways and Means, on petition for abatement of State tax of Macwahoc plantation.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported reference to the next Legislature, on order relating to exemption of houses of religious worship from taxation.

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of F. Shaw and Brother, for change of valuation of the town of Vanceboro'.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Temperance, reported same, on petition for amendment of the law relating to the sale of domestic wines.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the propriety of providing that the election of Senators shall be determined by a plurality of votes instead of a majority; also

Reported same, on order relating to lien on bark in favor of persons performing labor thereon.

Mr. CROWELL, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Pulaski McCrillis, for abatement of interest on State tax of the town of Dexter.

Mr. EDES, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of John B. Trafton, for payment of his claim against the State.

Mr. BURBANK, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of Dennis Getchell, for pay for timber cut on land granted him by the State.

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

reported same, on petition of David Wasson, for authority to surrender the charter of the toll bridge in Brooksville.

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

Mr. CROWELL, from the Committee on Claims, reported ought not to pass, on "resolve in favor of the plantations of Cyr and Letter K."

The report was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska.

Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on Railroads, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge across the Penobscot river at Verona.

The report was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for abatement of State tax on Township No. 6, Range 4, Penobscot county; also

Reported same, on petition for abatement of valuation of the town of Baileyville.

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of Miles Standish, for abatement of State tax of Flagstaff plantation; also

Reported same, on petition of Selectmen of Richmond, for abatement of interest on State tax for 1872.

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to taxes on lands in places not incorporated.

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act respecting the Edward Little Institute."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy Stream Dam Company."

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition, bill "an act to authorize Joseph Stetson and others to extend a wharf into tide waters of Muscongus harbor in Bremen."

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Milo Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Printed bill "an act relating to unclaimed goods held by common carriers."

Bill "an act repealing chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads," was read the third time, and laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned, on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of South Thomaston," was read the third time, and recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "an act to authorize S. P. Hall and others to extend their wharves into tide waters at Bucksport village," was read the third time, and recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters, on motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor.

Bill "an act in relation to the salmon, shad and alewife fishery in the Medomak river in the town of Waldoboro'."

Bill "an act to repeal an act to regulate the taking of fish in the Narraguagus river."

Bill "an act establishing the compensation of the County Commissioners for Cumberland county."

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relative to the equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to regulate and establish the compensation of the Examiner of Banks."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Bodwell Granite Company."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 16 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act relating to judicial courts."

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 111 of the revised statutes, relating to recording conditional notes."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor Bridge."

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the town of Kingman."

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 establish the boundaries of the plantation of Medway."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Sabbath School Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Eaton Family and Day School at Norridgewock."

Bill "an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of Colby University."

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 675 of the private and special laws of 1871, entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the North Bank of Rockland."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Saco Water Power Company."

Bill "an act for the preservation of pickerel in Lovejoy's pond in Albion."

Bill "an act to amend section 65 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to the embezzlement of property of deceased persons."

Bill "an act regulating the weight of apples."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincolnville Railroad Company," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Machiasport,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Petition of B. Casey and others ;

Petition of D. Dresser and others ;

Petition of O. W. Trask and others ; and

Petition of S. W. Smith and others, for change of law in relation to the close-time for land-locked salmon in St Croix river ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Remonstrance of M. M. Rhodes and others of Bristol, against the petition of Harrison Baker and others, for repeal of that part of the prohibitory liquor law which requires innholders to give bond to keep the peace ;

Bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to damage on bonds ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Tyler Kidder and others of Dixfield, for aid to build a road leading from Upton to Andover, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of Eben E. Brown and others of Exeter and Corinth, against granting a new charter to the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of heirs of Samuel Emery, for certificate of land claimed by said Emery under former legislation, was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate, through S. W. Lane, Esq., its Secretary, informing the House that in the absence of the President, Hon. L. A. Emery of Hancock, had been chosen President *pro tem*.

Mr. NORTH from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill an act relating to register of deeds, reported bill

"an act relating to the unfinished record of deeds made by the late Register of Deeds for Cumberland county."

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

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for change of the law in relation to allowance made by judges of probate to widows.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported ought not to pass, on "resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians."

Mr. ESTES, from the same Committee, reported reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition of N. S. Allan and others, for amendment of the act prohibiting the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Dennysville and Edmunds.

Mr. HALL, from the same Committee, reported legislation inexpedient, on order inquiring what legislation is necessary to secure the proceeds of the sale of timber on land in unincorporated places to the public schools.

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

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to insane hospital."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to auditors of accounts."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 18 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 108, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court in cases where an account in set off is filed."

Printed bill "an act to make the thirtieth day of May a legal holiday."

Printed bill "an act to amend the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on recommendation of the Commissioners of Immigration, "resolve relative to the duties of the Land Agent."

The report was read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of John Bachelder;" also

Reported, on order, "resolve in aid of road in Chapman plantation;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of the heirs of Josiah Coolidge and Nicholas J. Thomas;" also

Reported, on petition, resolve in favor of Charles E. Murphy;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Obediah Skidgel;" also

Reported, on petition of Joshua Chamberlain, "resolve authorizing the location of certain land certificates."

Mr. POWERS, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to purchase proprietors' interest in lot No. 27, Township No. 18, Range 7."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for the second reading.

Printed bill "an act to protect sheep husbandry from destruction by dogs," was read twice, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden.

Bill "an act to legalize the 'doings of the town of Woolwich, and authorize said town to aid Sagadahoc Ferry Company," was read the third time, and recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs, on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "an act repealing chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers, was reported, read the third time, and laid on the table by Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta.

Bill "an act in addition to and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Bath."

Bill "an act respecting the Edward Little Institute."

Bill "an act relating to unclaimed goods held by common carriers."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ragged Lake Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize D. Knowlton & Co., to extend wharves in Camden harbor."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Water Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy Stream Dam Company."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph Stetson and others to extend a wharf into tide waters of Muscongus harbor in Brewer."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Milo Cheese Manufacturing Company."

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court."

Bill "an act relating to clerks of judicial courts."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Round Pond Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Humane Society."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 99 of the laws of 1873, entitled an act to regulate the close-time for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river."

Bill "an act authorizing the Dix'Island Granite Company to erect and maintain wharves in tide waters at Dix Island."

Bill "an act authorizing the Dix Island Granite Company to erect a bridge or causeway across a bar from Dix Island to Birch Island."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldo County Dairymen's Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Dairymen's Association."

"Resolve to furnish certain books to the library of Colby University."

"Resolve in favor of free common schools in New Sweden."

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 86 of the revised statutes, relative to trustee process," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. CORNISH of Lewiston.

"Resolve in favor of Jeanne M. Strickland," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. THOMAS of Gardiner.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to repeal section 36, chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to offences against morality and decency," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Remonstrance of T. B. Reed and others; and

Remonstrance of P. K. Millay and others, against placing a duty on ice cut on the tide waters of the State;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Means.

"Resolve in favor of Penobscot tribe of Indians, providing for election of Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Representatives to the Legislature, in case of vacancy," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation is necessary to protect the rights of married women.

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary, in order to render certain the rights and liabilities of parties, touching the question of damages, costs and interest in actions of review, under the provisions of chapter 89 of the revised statutes.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on recommitted bill "an act relating to the taking of testimony in equity cases;" also

Reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act relating to divorces;" also

Reporting, on order respecting the fees of jurors for holding inquests in case of suspicious fires, bill "an act to amend section 8, chapter 142 of the laws of 1873, relating to fires."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Savings Bank;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Savings Bank."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on order, bill "an act for the better protection of lobsters in the waters of Maine."

These report 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.

"Resolve providing for a statue of General Knox to be placed in the National Statuary Hall at Washington," passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," as follows: "Provided the cost thereof shall not exceed five thousand dollars," and passed to be engrossed.

The amendment was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Land Agent, was received and read.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting a communication from the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, requesting such additional legislation as may be considered necessary, for the cessation to the general government of jurisdiction over the sites of light-houses, beacons and other aids to navigation within the limits of this State.

The communication was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Augustine Ingalls and others, against incorporation of the Moose Brook Sluice Way, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "an act for the better protection of wild ducks," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

"Resolve in favor of building a bridge across Sebois Stream," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of H. Hammond and others, for change of the limits of Kennebec Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

"Resolve authorizing the sale of State lands and timber," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. SWASEY of Canton, presented bill "an act for the better management of the Insane Hospital, protection of its inmates, and regulation of the commitments thereto," which was referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital, and ordered to be printed.

Petition of inhabitants of Deering; and


Petition of Eunice D. Sewall and others, for the right of suffrage to women;

Bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 44 of the public laws of 1872;"

Remonstrance of John L. Barstow and others of No. Yarmouth;
Remonstrance of David F. Peters and others of Warren;
Remonstrance of Almira H. Hooper and others of W. Ellsworth;
Remonstrance of J. B. Nutt and others of Perry;
Remonstrance of H. B. Sinclair and others of Bradley;
Remonstrance of James E. Haseltine and others of Portland;
Remonstrance of G. W. Budd and 31 others of W. Gardiner;
Remonstrance of J. D. Taylor and others of South Waterboro';
Remonstrance of Jacob Leighton and others of S. Waterboro';
Remonstrance of B. C. Jordan and others of Buxton and Hollis;
Remonstrance of S. C. Prince and others of Harpswell;
Remonstrance of L. L. Kennedy and others of Waldoboro';
Remonstrance of John C. Cleaveland and others of Rockland;
Remonstrance of H. G. O. McDonald and others of Glenburn;
Remonstrance of N. LeBaron and 54 others of Locke's Mills, and vicinity;

Remonstrance of Sidney Perham and others of Paris;
Remonstrance of Mrs. Lizzie Gould and 54 others of Dixmont;
Remonstrance of Theodore A. Bush and others of Clinton;
Remonstrance of Thomas Adams and 113 others of Winslow and Benton;

Remonstrance of Carrie Pitts and 100 others of Skowhegan ;
Remonstrance of C. A. Tilton and others of Cape Elizabeth ;
Remonstrance of M. H. Scott and others of Greenbush ;
Remonstrance of B. F. Henley and others of Cape Elizabeth ;
Remonstrance of F. W. Dyer and 64 others of Cape Elizabeth ;
Remonstrance of Charles W. Coburn and 83 others of Skowhegan ;
Remonstrance of John B. Neeley and others of South Berwick ;
Remonstrance of H. H. Milliken and others of Parker's Head ;
Remonstrance of Asa Gowen and others of Elliot ;
Remonstrance of Mrs. V. M. Richardson and others of Jay ;
Remonstrance of Stillman Noyes and others of Jay ;
Remonstrance of J. J. A. Hoffses and 79 others of Jefferson ;
Remonstrance of E. Robinson and 64 others of Readfield ;
Remonstrance of B. F. Matthews and others of Hope ;
Remonstrance of Marcus G. Taylor and others of South Hope ;
Remonstrance of William J. Allen and others of Hope ;
Remonstrance of G. V. Mills and 66 others of Readfield ;
Remonstrance of H. F. Clement and others of Alton ;
Remonstrance of Simon F. Walker and 65 others of Bangor ;
Remonstrance of E. T. Spear and others of Anson ;
Remonstrance of G. H. Graves and 47 others of Vassalboro' ;
Remonstrance of E. Dunton and others of Madison ;
Remonstrance of W. G. Besse and 76 others of Lewiston ;
Remonstrance of G. H. Ames and others of Fort Fairfield ;
Remonstrance of Silas B. Warren and others of Bucksport ;
Remonstrance of Henry Hill and others of Bangor ;
Remonstrance of Benjamin Robinson and others of Carmel ;
Remonstrance of Edward S. Williams and others of Portland ;
Remonstrance of E. T. Nutter and others of Cape Elizabeth ;
Remonstrance of L. H. Dole and others of Cape Elizabeth ;
Remonstrance of David F. Brown and others of Bethel ;
Remonstrance of John E. Conway and 73 others of Portland ;
Remonstrance of M. S. Jordan and others of Portland ;
Remonstrance of A. Sampson and others of West Camden ;
Remonstrance of W. W. Knight and 54 others of Westport ;
Remonstrance of Thomas Boyd and others of Boothbay ;
Remonstrance of Benjamin P. Giles and others of Boothbay ;
Remonstrance of Cyrus Pierce and others of Southport ;
Remonstrance of Thomas Lowell and 99 others of Westbrook ;
Remonstrance of Frank O. Mower and others of Westbrook ;



Remonstrance of Jesse Craig and others of Island Falls ;
Remonstrance of J. W. Caldwell and others of Sherman ;
Remonstrance of A. T. Robinson and 141 others of Sherman ;
Remonstrance of S. B. Kenrick and others of Fairfield ;
Remonstrance of A. N. Greenwood and others of Fairfield ;
Remonstrance of Amos Stevens and others of Fairfield ;
Remonstrance of T. B. Cushing and others of Skowhegan ;
Remonstrance of W. A. Snow and others of Atkinson ;
Remonstrance of R. Talman and others of Milo ;
Remonstrance of D. T. Wright and 100 others of Lewiston ;
Remonstrance of J. D. Lamson and others of Freedom ;
Remonstrance of C. D. Hamblin and others of Deering ;
Remonstrance of Charles L. Fling and others of Deering ;
Remonstrance of Nellie A. Crosby and others of Topsfield ;
Remonstrance of John D. Cook and others of North Shapleigh ;
Remonstrance L. R. Sturtevant and others of Wayne ;
Remonstrance of E. W. Brownell and others of Vanceboro' ;
Remonstrance of E. Flint and 115 others of Dover and Foxcroft ;
Remonstrance of C. N. Rand and others of Parkman ;
Remonstrance of Mrs. Laura M. Flint and others of Dover ;
Remonstrance of Lewis S. Reed and 30 others of Harmony ;
Remonstrance of Jacob Joy and 75 others of Kittery ;
Remonstrance of Charles W. Brooks and others of Kittery ;
Remonstrance of A. E. Varnum and others of Penobscot ;
Remonstrance of L. Waldron and others of Augusta ;
Remonstrance of Peter Cummings and others of Guilford ;
Remonstrance of Granville Chase and others of Baring ;
Remonstrance of B. C. Pennell and others of Lewiston ;
Remonstrance of Edward H. Treat and 68 others of Enfield ;
Remonstrance of A. McKay and others of Argyle ;
Remonstrance of S. Powers and 95 others of Litchfield ;
Remonstrance of W. A. Friend and others of Brooklin ;
Remonstrance of I. L. Lake and 75 others of Richmond ;
Remonstrance of James W. Partridge and 50 others of Bristol ;
Remonstrance of S. B. Wing and others of Turner ;
Remonstrance of M. Stone and others of Jay and E. Livermore ;
Remonstrance of L. S. Nevens and others of Lisbon ;
Remonstrance of O. H. Leavitt and others of Turner ;
Remonstrance of Joshua Rivers and others of Cushing ;
Remonstrance of G. H. Rich and others of Thorndike ; and

Remonstrance of Roswell Briggs and 53 others of Sumner, severally against the petition of Harrison Baker and others, for the repeal of the law requiring innholders and victuallers to give a bond not to violate any of the provisions of the prohibitory liquor law;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Gilbert Ames and others;

Remonstrance of R. D. Tallman and others of Perkins;

Remonstrance of J. W. Spaulding and others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of S. W. Jack and others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of A. W. Smith and others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of R. G. Brown and others;

Remonstrance of D. C. Shepard and others;

Remonstrance of T. Hildreth and others;

Remonstrance of Joshua Gray and others;

Remonstrance of H. M. Wentworth and others;

Remonstrance of William F. Richards and others;

Remonstrance of D. W. Hunt and others;

Remonstrance of John H. Lowell and others; and

Remonstrance of Jefferson Hathorn and others, against imposing a duty on ice cut on the tide waters of the State; also

Remonstrance of C. B. Foster and others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of W. T. Hall and others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of A. W. Jellerson and others;

Remonstrance of Edward P. Burnham and others;

Remonstrance of C. F. Young and others; and

Remonstrance of S. W. Lawton, against taxation of insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law as to provide a remedy in case of the death of a mortgagee, on whose estate no administration is granted, so that the mortgageor may pay or tender the amount due to redeem his mortgage.

On motion of Mr. PRESSEY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending the laws relating to injuries received on

the public highways, in relation to the time of giving notice of claims for damages to the city or town from which damage is claimed.

On motion of Mr. POWERS of Houlton,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire what arrangements should be made with proprietors to release to settlers claiming lands under the Treaty of Washington of August 9, 1842, all interest in their respective lots, in accordance with the stipulations of said treaty and the conditions of the act of Congress and the obligations of the State.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Library inquire whether the office of Clerk in the Library may not be abolished without prejudice to the public interest or convenience.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias,

Ordered, That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Joint Special Committee on Affairs of the State Prison, on Friday afternoon and evening, and each succeeding afternoon and evening, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 188 of the public laws of 1871, relating to ways."

Mr. PULLEN, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to game."

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

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of George W. Smith and others, for change in school and pauper laws; also

Reported same, on petition of J. P. Chapman and others, and E. E. Brown and others, for change of the law relating to the settlement of paupers.

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

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of S. N. Wadsworth and others, for change of valuation of the town of Manchester.

Mr. KELLOCH, from the Knox County Delegation, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 395 of the special laws of 1864, entitled an act to amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Rockland;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to establish the compensation of the County Commissioners of Knox county."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Benjamin F. Higgins."

Mr. PORTER, from the same Committee, reported "resolve providing for keeping in repair the road from the forks to Canada line;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of the town of Mayfield."

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.

Bill "an act to amend section 18, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads."

Bill "an act to amend the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Bill "an act to amend section 108, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court in cases where an account in set off is filed."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital."

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to auditors of accounts."

Bill "an act to make the thirtieth day of May a legal holiday."

Bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association."

"Resolve relative to the duties of the Land Agent."

The foregoing 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.

Mr. PIERCE of Embden, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which bill "an act to better protect sheep husbandry from

destruction by dogs," was indefinitely postponed, and the House refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER of Newry, the vote by which bill "an act to amend chapter 99 of the laws of 1873, entitled an act to regulate the close-time for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river," passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act repealing chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers," was taken from the table, and recommitted.

Bill "an act authorizing Mathew Lincoln and Charles Woodman to build a wharf in tide waters of Brewer."

Bill "an act authorizing Samuel H. Talbot to extend a wharf into the tide waters of East Machias river."

Bill "an act to repeal an act to regulate the taking of fish in the Narraguagus river."

Bill "an act in relation to the salmon, shad and alewife fishery in the Medomak river in Waldoboro'."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Bodwell Granite Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lincolnville Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the East Livermore Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Farmington Slate Company."

Bill "an act to establish the compensation of the County Commissioners of Cumberland county."

Bill "an act exempting farm products from taxation."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to establish the measure of milk."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways in unincorporated places."

Bill "an act relating to costs in log lien cases."

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds."

Bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to taking certain fish unlawfully."

Bill "an act to amend section 5 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relative to the equity powers of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators."

Bill "an act to regulate the compensation of the Examiner of Banks."

Bill "an act to provide for the security of life on board vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam, on the inland waters of the State."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to innholders."

"Resolve in favor of Commissioners of Claims of Settlers on Proprietor's Lands in the county of Aroostook."

"Resolve in favor of Peter Dana's widow."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Pittston."

"Resolve in favor of John Smith of Maysville."

"Resolve in favor of James Phair of Limestone plantation."

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 provide further protection to inmates of the Insane Hospital, and guard against error in making commitments thereto," being on its passage to be enacted, Mr. BRADBURY of Oldtown, moved that it be recommitted.

Mr. PINKHAM of Palermo, moved, and the House ordered, that the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being so taken, was recommitted, by yeas 76, nays 54.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Bradbury of Kingfield,	Crockett,
Babbidge,	Bryant,	Croswell,
Bailey,	Bursley,	Crowell,
Baker,	Caldwell,	Cushman,
Barker,	Carvill,	Davis,
Bartlett,	Coffin,	Denison,
Boardman,	Connor,	Drake,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Corthell,	Estes,

Fessenden,	Lord,	Scammon,
Files,	McCarty,	Scribner,
Frost,	Milliken,	Small of Lisbon,
Hamilton,	Morse,	Small of Temple,
Haskell,	Moulton of Porter,	Snow,
Hatch,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Stuart,
Hawks,	Morrow,	Sturgis,
Houghton,	Mullin,	Swasey,
Hunter,	Nickerson,	Tabbut,
Hutchins,	North,	Vittum,
Hurd,	Phinney,	Walden,
Johnson,	Pilsbury,	Warren,
Keen of Bremen,	Powers,	Wentworth, Kittery,
Keene of Palmyra,	Reed,	Williams,
Keith,	Richards,	Wilson,
Knowlton,	Rowell,	Winslow,
Lawler,	Sanborn of Wales,	Work—76.
Libby,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Goodwin,	Pinkham,
Blaisdell,	Gove,	Pressey,
Blodgett,	Grant,	Pullen,
Bowker,	Guptill,	Robbins,
Campbell,	Hathorn,	Rogers,
Carll,	Kelloch,	Sanborn of Etna,
Clark,	Kimball,	Sherman,
Cobb,	Lamson,	Silsby,
Cornish,	Lane,	Smith,
Dowst,	Lewis,	Talbot,
Eaton,	Longfellow,	Thurston,
Edes,	Loring,	Treat,
Farrington,	Meserve,	Wasson,
Fernald,	Mitchell,	Wentworth, Buckspt.,
Fletcher,	Moore,	Whitmore,
Foster,	Ouilette,	Wilder,
Gibbs,	Parker,	Woodman,
Gile,	Pierce,	Yates—54.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company," came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Commerce, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing that assignees of choses in action be authorized to bring actions in their own names.

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire what further legislation is necessary, if any, in order to make certain the rights and liabilities of parties in suits upon poor debtors' bonds, under section 40, chapter 113 of the revised statutes.

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the necessity of amending chapter 153 of the resolves of 1870.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the propriety of taking the inventory and making assessments on taxable property on the first day of January, instead of the first day of April; also

Reporting same, on order relating to the expediency of a law for a more effective way of making roads passable when blocked with snow.

Report of the same Committee, reporting, on order, bill "an act relating to trustee process."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Vinalhaven."

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to establish the lines of Portland harbor in Fore river."

Report of the same Committee, reporting bill "an act authorizing George Dyer of North Haven, to establish a ferry."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting, on petition of James Dingley, bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to make valid the doings of the Raymond Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill an act to amend chapter 79 of the public laws of 1872, relating to recording devises of real estate in the registry of deeds, reporting bill "an act relating to recording devises of real estate in the registry of deeds."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting, on petition, "resolve to complete the bridge across Molunkus stream."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve passed to be engrossed, the last bill being amended as per sheet "A."

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading of the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the resolve.

Bill "an act to encourage and protect the breeding of trout and landlocked salmon in Letter B pond in the town of Upton," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act confirming the articles of agreement of the European and North American Railway Companies," passed to be enacted by House, came back from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Railroads.

The House receded and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of David Wasson and others, for authority to surrender the charter of toll bridge in Brooksville, came back from the Senate recommitted.

The House receded and concurred.

Remonstrance of Flavel Butters and others, against granting a new charter to the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of H. S. Whitney and others of Norridgewock;

Remonstrance of David Stewart and others of Newport;

Remonstrance of J. T. McKellar and others of S. Thomaston;

Remonstrance of Joseph E. Strong and others;

Remonstrance of W. H. Rand and others of Gouldsboro' ;

Remonstrance of S. G. Webster and others of Vinalhaven ;

Remonstrance of S. H. Talbot and others of East Machias ;

Remonstrance of Grand Lodge of Good Templars ;

Remonstrance of Mary J. Crossman and others of Vassalboro' ;

and

Remonstrance of Edward Adams and others of Vassalboro', against the petition of Harrison Baker ;

Bill "an act to amend chapter 150, laws of 1868, relative to the Superior Court of Cumberland county ;"

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Fishing Insurance Company ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of B. W. Tyler and others of Alexander, for amendment of pauper and school laws, was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of F. W. Smith and others of Rockland ;

Remonstrance of Henry Farrington and others ; and

Remonstrance of John R. Andrews and others, against taxation of insurance companies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of George Cutler," was read twice under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROBBINS of Norridgewock,

Ordered, That the Committee on Insane Hospital inquire what change, if any, should be made in paragraph 8, section 4, chapter 1 of the revised statutes.

On motion of Mr. BOWKER of Phippsburg,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law in relation to taxation, so that

all persons leaving a town where he had a residence after February 20, 1872, shall be taxed in the town where such person resided the first day of January of said year.

On motion of Mr. GOODWIN of Berwick,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 6 of the revised statutes, so that taxes may be collected by an action of the case in the name of the inhabitants of the town against the tax payer, as an additional remedy.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire what measures may be necessary to be adopted in order to properly preserve for use and reference the public documents, plans and records recently received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

On motion of Mr. LIBBY of Limestone,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of granting an appropriation in aid of opening the road through Letter F, Range 1, W. E. L. S., in Aroostook county.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CORNISH of Lewiston,

Ordered, That on and after Monday, February 23, the House hold two sessions each day, the afternoon session to commence at 2½ o'clock, until otherwise ordered.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

The report was read and accepted, and on his motion the resolve was ordered to be printed.

Mr. BOARDMAN, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 55, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies; also

Reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to returns of foreign insurance companies."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 49, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs, officers and constables."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act for the better security of voluntary trusts."

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on order, bill "an act to extend the close-time for landlocked salmon, togue and trout, in the St. Croix river and its tributaries."

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

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to repeal of section 66, chapter 49 of the revised statutes.

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order relating to Cumberland and Oxford canal.

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported same, on order relating to the propriety of requiring the several counties to build all roads laid out by county commissioners.

Mr. POWERS, from the same Committee, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors."

Mr. KIMBALL, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act relating to attachment of real estate;" also

Reported same, on bill "an act relating to filing declarations."

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to promote the efficiency of police in the city of Portland."

Mr. ROGERS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same, on petition of Barak Maxwell for authority to build a bridge across Ogunquit river in Wells.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Counties, reported same, on petitions for incorporation of the new county of Appleton.

Mr. SILSBY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Moses Giddings, for incorporation of the Sebois and Godfrey Falls Log Driving Company.

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

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend and additional to an act entitled an act to establish a municipal court for the town of Brunswick;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Slate Company."

Mr. PULLEN, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Slate Company."

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 251, special laws of 1873, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Dennysville and Edmunds."

Mr. KELLOCH, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of South Thomaston."

Mr. KIMBALL, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 2, in the town of Linneus "

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for the county of Androscoggin."

Mr. BAILEY, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition, bill "an act to prevent the destruction of smelts in the Piscataquis river and its tributaries."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend chapter 95, section 1 of the special laws of 1872, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Columbia and Columbia Falls;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield and Waterville Horse Railroad Company;" also

Reported, on petition, bill "an act to supply the people of the towns of Brunswick and Topsham and the city of Bath with pure water."

Printed bill "an act relating to unfinished records of deeds made by the late Register of Deeds for Cumberland county."

Printed "resolve in favor of the Reform School."

These reports were 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.

Bill "an act concerning evidence in equity cases," was read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias.

Bill "an act relating to divorces."

Bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 142 of the public laws of 1873, relating to fires."

Bill "an act for the better preservation of lobsters in the waters of Maine."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Savings Bank."

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 establish the compensation of the County Commissioners of Knox county."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 395 of the private laws of 1864, entitled an act to amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Rockland."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Magalloway river."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Brooks."

"Resolve in favor of Elmira E. Cobb."

"Resolve for the repair of the Shin Pond road leading from Patten to the lumbering regions."

"Resolve in favor of J. W. Ambrose."

"Resolve in favor of Christian F. Churchill of Washburn."

"Resolve in favor of inhabitants of Silver Ridge plantation."

"Resolve in favor of Cyrus T. Daniels of Presque Isle."

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.

Bill "an act repealing sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, chapter 30, revised statutes, relating to bounty on bears and wolves"

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 83 of the revised statutes, concerning writs issued by trial justices and police and municipal courts."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to lime and lime casks."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 4 in the town of Burnham."

Bill "act to incorporate the Williston Church in Portland."

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.

Mr. BAILEY of Newcastle, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which bill "an act exempting farm products from taxation" was passed to be enacted.

The motion was laid on the table, and to-morrow at 11 o'clock assigned.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FRENCH of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the House concurring, the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill relative to a marginal railway in Portland, be authorized to visit the city of Portland to examine the locality of the proposed railway.

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

Final report of the Committee on the Reform School, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of Charles G. Stevens, for incorporation of the Spaulding Pond Dam Company.

Report of the same Committee, reporting same, on petition of William Bean and others, for incorporation of the Moose Brook Sluice Way.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting same, on petition of R. B. Clark and others, for repeal of the law changing the time and place of holding court in Washington county.

Report of the same Committee, with ought not to pass, on bill "an act giving three-fourths of the jury power to render a verdict in civil suits after two disagreements;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to facilitate the decisions of issues of fact in civil causes."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting same, on bill "an act to amend chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to allowances;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to the settlement of paupers."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order inquiring into the expediency of amending section 7, chapter 94 of the revised statutes, relating to forcible entry and detainer; also

Reporting same, on order, relating to abolishing imprisonment for debt; also

Reporting same, on order relating to the expediency of assessing taxes on all personal property where the owner resided on the first day January, 1874.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting same, on order relating to the rights and liabilities of owners making excavations on private lands.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting, on order, bill "an act relative to the course of study in normal schools."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the New England Slate Company."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act amendatory of and in addition to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned for the bills, and Wednesday of next week for the resolve.

Bill "an act to better protect sheep husbandry from depredations by dogs," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House adhered to its vote of indefinite postponement.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of John B. Trafton, accepted by the House, came back from the Senate recommitted.

The House recessed and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to aid to the town of Grafton, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and recommitted, and sent to the Senate.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Attorney General, was received and read.

Mr. PULLEN of Portland, laid on the table bill "an act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company." which was ordered to be printed.

Bill "an act granting a charter to the Alumni Association of Bates College," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of R. D. Cummings and others, for the protection of trout in certain streams in Prospect and Stockton; also

Petition of Thomas Ball and others, for deed of a lot of land in Sherman; also

Petition of Ole Hanson and others, for deed of lot of land to Bant Hanson in Sherman; and

Petition of E. R. Perry and others, for an act to set off part of Crystal plantation to Sherman;

Were referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to equalize the State tax;"

Remonstrance of citizens of Thomaston;

Remonstrance of James Milliken and others of Cherryfield; and

Remonstrance of Samuel W. Luques, against taxing insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 22, chapter 24 of the revised statutes, in relation to the support of paupers in unincorporated places.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company."

Mr. DENISON, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend chapter 115, sections 1 and 2, public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 2 of the revised statutes, relating to lands ceded to the United States."

Mr. TALBOT, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act relating to ways crossed by railroads."

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Commerce, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act in relation to the use and protection of bottles used by the manufacturers of mineral waters, ginger ale, small beer, &c.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to amend sections 52, 53 and 54 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay," reported ought to pass in a new draft.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported ought to pass, on "resolve authorizing the sale of State lands and timber."

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

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of David Wasson and others of Brooksville, for authority to surrender charter of toll bridge in said town.

Pending acceptance, the report was laid on the table by Mr. WASSON of Surry.

Mr. YATES of Bristol, presented the final report of the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported ought not to pass, on "resolve in favor of State aid for building a bridge across Sebois stream."

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on bill "an act additional to chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to probate courts."

Mr. MOULTON, from the Committee on Education, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the duties of district committees in districts maintaining graded schools; also

Reported same, on order, relating to the propriety of allowing towns a longer time to make assessments, when such towns have voted to abolish school districts.

Mr. LORD, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to propriety of providing for semi-annual payments of money from the State for the support of free high schools.

Mr. CORNISH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order relating to the settlement of paupers.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported same, on order relating to the rights of married women.

Mr. MORROW, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of W. B. Hayford, for authority to build a bridge across Penobscot river at Medway; also

Reported reference to the next Legislature, on order relating to the propriety of providing that all bridges costing two thousand dollars or more, shall hereafter be constructed at the expense of the several counties.

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same, on petition for aid to repair road leading from Patten to Golden Ridge.

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported same, on order relating to the standard of weights and measures.

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Commerce, reported same, on petition of T. S. Roberts, for authority to build a wharf in Eden.

Mr. MOULTON, from the Committee on Education, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Sewell Goff and others, for change of school and pauper laws.

Mr. FILES, from the Committee on Claims, reported same, on petition of William Percival and others, for aid to B. C. Mathews.

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of A. J. Robinson, for repeal of the charter of the Portland and Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company; also

Reported same, on petition of D. W. Kincaid and others, for an act to incorporate a steam ferry between Cape Elizabeth and Portland.

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the same Committee, reported same, on petition of B. F. Walton and others, for an act to provide for set over on single sleighs; also

Reported same, on petition of J. P. Snow, for aid to build a bridge across the Piscataquis river in Medway.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the York County Delegation, on petition of J. H. McMullen and others, for a superior court in said county.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act providing for a duty on ice."

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. MITCHELL, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Oakland Ice Company."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MOORE, from the Committee on Commerce, reported, on petition for the establishment of a steamboat line between Eastport and Digby, bill "an act to incorporate the Air Line Steamship Company."

Mr. HOUGHTON, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Harmony Dairying Association."

Mr. FERNALD, from the same Committee, reported same, on bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Slate Company."

Mr. WALDEN, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the St. Albans Cheese Association."

Mr. WASSON, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act confirming the articles of agreement of the European and North American Railway Companies."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill "an act authorizing Jared C. Nash and Henry Nash to build a wharf in tide waters in the town of Addison."

Mr. CROWELL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Mill Owners' Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to game."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 188 of the public laws of 1871, relating to ways."

Printed bill "an act for the better security of voluntary trusts."

Printed bill "an act to extend the close-time for landlocked salmon, togue and trout, in the St. Croix river and its tributaries."

Mr. ESTES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of the town of Fort Fairfield."

Mr. HALL, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Daniel Fling of Easton;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in aid of Mattawamkeag bridge in Bancroft plantation."

Mr. POWERS, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of road in Castle Hill township, Aroostook county."

Mr. YATES, from the Committee on Pensions, reported, on petition of James A. Russell, "resolve in favor of Daniel W. Brooks."

Mr. JUDD, from the Aroostook County Delegation, reported "resolve in favor of Ellsworth F. and Lydia R. Hayden."

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, "resolve providing for a State Board of Centennial Managers."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned for the bills and latter resolve, and Wednesday of next week for the second reading of the other resolves.

Bill "an act authorizing George Dyer of North Haven to establish a ferry."

Bill "an act to establish the lines of Portland harbor in Fore river."

Bill "an act relating to trustee process."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Vinalhaven."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the Raymond Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act relating to recording devises of real estate in the registry of deeds."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, Senate amendments "A" and "B" to latter bill adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend and additional to an act to establish a municipal court for the town of Brunswick."

Bill "an act relating to the unfinished record of deeds made by the late Register of Deeds for the county of Cumberland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Central Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield and Waterville Horse Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 95, section 1, private laws of 1872, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Columbia and Columbia Falls."

Bill "an act to supply the towns of Brunswick and Topsham and the city of Bath with pure water."

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for the county of Androscoggin."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of South Thomaston."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of school district No. 2 in the town of Burnham."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 250 of the private laws of 1873, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Dennysville and Edmunds."

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of smelts in the Piscataqua river and its tributaries."

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 Sidney Cheese Factory Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldo County Dairymen's Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Exeter Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Dairymen's Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bethel Cheese Factory Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Dexter Cheese Factory Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 388, private laws of 1873, relating to the rights of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Croix and Mattawamkeag Railroad Company."

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset Railroad Company to build a branch to Dodlin Granite Quarry."

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Kittery to build a free bridge over tide waters of Spruce creek in said town."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor Bridge."

Bill "an act authorizing the Dix Island Granite Company to erect a bridge or causeway across a bar from Dix Island to Birch Island."

Bill "an act authorizing the Dix Island Granite Company to erect and maintain wharves in tide waters of Dix Island."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Granite Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Round Pond Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of North Haven."

Bill "an act relating to the reports of the Agents of the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Humane Society."

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Belfast Foundry Company."

Bill "an act to confer certain powers upon the city of Portland."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oakland Park Association."

Bill "an act to amend section 5 of chapter 111 of the revised statutes, relating to recording conditional notes."

Bill "an act to amend section 16 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the power of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court."

"Resolve to furnish certain books to the library of Colby University."

"Resolve in favor of free common schools in New Sweden."

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the town of Kingman."

"Resolve authorizing the county of Kennebec to assist in rebuilding the Learned bridge across the Sebasticook river."

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. WASSON of Surry, moved to reconsider the vote by which bill "an act for the better protection of lobsters in the waters of Maine," was passed to be engrossed, and the House refused to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which bill, "an act exempting farm products from taxation," was taken from the table, and the question decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. PINKHAM of Palermo,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Attorney General was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of L. R. King and others, for grant of land in aid of Aroostook Railroad, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and was referred in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs inquire into the necessity of reducing the salaries of the officers, and the compensation of the employees of the Maine State Prison.

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

Report of the Kennebec and Waldo County Delegations, reporting reference to the Kennebec Delegation, on petition of H. Bacon and others, for an act to authorize the county of Kennebec to refund certain money to Clinton Gore.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of W. W. Miller and others, for an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 1, in Hartland.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting same, on petition of inhabitants of Cyr plantation for survey of State land into lots in said plantation.

Report of the Committee on Towns, with leave to withdraw, on petition of James Strout and others, for change of the lines between Cherryfield and Milbridge.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition of William Emery and others, to be set off from the town of Berwick to North Berwick.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the rights of parties touching the question of damage, &c., in actions of review; also

Reporting same, on order relating to the propriety of imposing a fine upon persons changing their names without due course of law.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Pond Slate Company;" also

Reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting same, on recommitted bill "an act to authorize the Bucksport and Bangor Railroad Company to extend their wharves into tide waters at Bucksport village;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to authorize S. P. Hall and others to extend their wharves into the tide waters at Bucksport village."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act authorizing the reduction of capital stock of the Union Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting, on order, bill "an act relating to the appointment of Trustees in the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Stock Breeders' Association."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to prevent fishing in Pennesseewassee pond, North pond, and Hobb's pond, in the town of Norway."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

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

Remonstrance of A. J. Hanson and others of East Machias ;
Remonstrance of E. F. Brown and others of Brunswick ; and
Remonstrance of David Cargill and others of Augusta, against
petition of Harrison Baker and others ;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George B. Leavitt and others, for incorporation of
the Newport Driving Park, was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Remonstrance of A. Perry and others ;

Remonstrance of H. M. Bodwell ;

Remonstrance of C. E. Gibbs ;

Remonstrance of J. B. Chase and others ; and

Remonstrance of E. W. Bragdon and others, against taxation of
insurance companies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill " an act to authorize the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal
Society in Yarmouth to sell their house of worship in said town ;"
and

Bill " an act to incorporate the Warren Cheese Factory Com-
pany ;"

Were read twice, rules being suspended, and to-morrow assigned
for their third reading.

Mr. PRESSY, presented, by leave, bill " an act relating to rail-
road connections," which was ordered to be printed, and Tuesday
next assigned.

On motion of Mr. POWERS of Houlton,

Ordered, That Daniel J. Barker of Weston, be excused from
further attendance after Saturday next, and the Clerk make up his
pay to the end of the session.

Mr. ROWELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on
petition, bill " an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden
Village Corporation."

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on
order, bill " an act to amend section 65 of chapter 18 of the revised
statutes, relating to notice for damage on ways."

Mr. FESSENDEN, from the Committee on Railroads, reported,
on recommendation of Railroad Commissioners, bill " an act to
amend chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

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

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition, for an act to dissolve the connection of School Districts Nos. 12 and 13, in Deering, with the town of Westbrook, reported, bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 628, special laws of 1871, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Deering," with statement of facts, and that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The same gentleman reported, on petition, bill "an act respecting School District No. 7 in the town of Deering," and that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The reports were read and accepted, and the bills and statement of facts were ordered to be printed.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act imposing a duty on collateral inheritances."

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on Change of Names, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Albion Blither and Edwin Smith, for change of names.

The reports were read and accepted.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of T. F. Houghton and others, for amendment of the pauper and school laws.

Mr. PARKER, from the Committee on State Prison, reported same, on petition of Joseph D. Sparrow and others, in relation to the salary of the Warden of the State Prison.

Mr. MESERVE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same, on petition of Stephen P. Howes, for aid on road leading from Dalton to Seven islands.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Oxford County Delegation, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition of inhabitants of Newry for reduction of valuation.

Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported same, on petition of Mellen Gilmore, for authority to build wharves in Brewer.

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to prevent the wanton destruction of birds."

Mr. CARLL, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported legislation inexpedient, on order providing that presidents of savings banks be paid a compensation.

Mr. EATON, from the same Committee, reported same, on order relating to taxation of national bank stock held by savings banks ; also

Reported same, on order relating to the propriety of limiting the amount loaned by savings banks on names alone ; also

Reported ought not to pass, on " resolve requiring returns of savings banks."

Mr. LEWIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the adoption of children.

Mr. ROWELL, from the Committee on Education, reported same, on order relating to the propriety of amending section 1, chapter 112, public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Counties, reported finally.

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

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for an act to legalize the doings of the town of Woolwich.

The report was read and recommitted, on motion of Mr. KELLOCH of Thomaston.

Mr. SILSBY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, on petition, bill " an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Steamboat Company."

Mr. CORNISH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on recommitted bill " an act repealing chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, bill " an act to authorize the town of Litchfield to raise money for agricultural purposes."

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill " an act to incorporate the Kennebec Coal, Hay and Ice Company."

Mr. ROGERS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported ought to pass, on bill " an act to increase the tolls of the Nahmakanta Dam Company."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 49, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs, officers and constables."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to returns of foreign insurance companies."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies."

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of Michael Farrel;" also

Reported same, on "resolve in favor of Daniel W. Libby;" also

Reported same, on "resolve in favor of settlers on Township F, Range 1, Aroostook county; also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Thomas Lovely;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in aid of building bridge over Little Madawaska river, in township Letter K, Range 2."

Mr. ESTES, from the same Committee, reported "resolve in aid of township Letter F, Range 1, Aroostook county."

Mr. MESERVE, from the same Committee, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of George Ladner and Jacob Ladner;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Francis Penett."

Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported, on petition, "resolve in aid of opening a road in Andover North Surplus and Grafton."

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on order, "resolve in aid of building bridge over Wheelock brook in St. John plantation."

Mr. LAWLER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported "resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians."

The reports were read and accepted, resolves read twice, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Printed "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," was read twice, under suspension of the rules, and Tuesday next assigned.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society ;"

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to game ;" and

"Resolve providing for a State Board of Centennial Managers;"

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bills read the third, resolve the second time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to confirm the articles of agreement by and between the European and North American Railway Companies," was read the third time, and laid on the table, and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell.

Bill "an act to incorporate the New England Slate Company."

Bill "an act relating to the course of study in normal schools."

Bill "an act amendatory of and in addition to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Harmony Dairying Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Slate Company of Farmington."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Albans Cheese Association."

Bill "an act to authorize Jared C. Nash and Henry Nash to build a wharf in tide waters in the town of Addison."

Bill "an act to extend the close-time for landlocked salmon, togue and trout, in the St. Croix river and its tributaries."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Air Line Steamship Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 18, laws of 1871, relating to ways."

Bill "an act for the better security of voluntary trusts."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mill Owners' 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.

"Resolve providing for a statue of General Knox to be placed in the National Statuary Hall at Washington," being on its final passage, was recommitted, on motion of Mr. WENTWORTH of Kittery.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads," was taken from the table amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. SWASEY of Canton, and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of Benjamin F. Higgins," was taken from the table, read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act relative to taking testimony in equity cases," was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Order relating to the publishing of the names and salaries of State officers, was taken from the table, Senate amendment "C" adopted, and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 99 of the laws of 1873, entitled an act to regulate the close-time for taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river."

Bill "an act to encourage and protect the breeding of trout and landlocked salmon in Letter B pond, in the town of Upton "

Bill "an act to authorize D. Knowlton & Co., to extend wharves in Camden."

Bill "an act to authorize Joseph Stetson and others to extend a wharf into tide waters of Muscongus harbor in Bremen."

Bill "an act relating to clerks of judicial courts."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Water Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Milo Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ragged Lake Dam Company."

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act to incorporate the city of Bath."

Bill "an act respecting the Edward Little Institute."

Bill "an act relating to divorces."

Bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 142 of the public laws of 1873, relating to fires."

Bill "an act relating to unclaimed goods held by common carriers."

"Resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, providing for election of governor, lieutenant governor and representative, in case of vacancy."

"Resolve in favor of Jeanne M. Strickland."

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. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

That gentleman was charged with a message to the Senate, requesting the return of bill "an act for the better protection of sheep husbandry."

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, in relation to the discharge of mortgages," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the Reform School," came from the Senate read twice and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be requested to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to property of debtors retained by other parties.

This order was passed in concurrence.

Final report of the Committee on Manufactures.

Final report of the Committee on Interior Waters.

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

Report of the Committee on State Prison, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relative to separating the business of the State Prison into that of manufacturing and that of sales.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting same, on order relating to the compensation of county and municipal officers.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to set off certain territory from the North Kennebec Agricultural Society and annex the same to the Kennebec Agricultural Society."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Cheese Company;" also

Reporting same, on bill "an act to incorporate the West New Portland Dairy Association;" also

Reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the Lyndon Cheese Company."

Report of the Committee on Commerce, reporting ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad."

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the town of Isle au Haut."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, concerning proceedings in court."

Report of the same Committee, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to repeal section 36 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 14, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to costs of parties in civil suits;" also

Reporting, bill "an act to abolish the death penalty."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting, on order, "resolve in favor of bridge across Aroostook river at Caribou."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting, on order, "resolve authorizing the purchase of the right to cut pine and spruce timber on a township of land."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, reporting, on order, "resolve relating to Centennial Exhibition."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills and resolves passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read twice, resolves once, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds."

Bill "an act in relation to costs in log lien cases."

Bill "an act to amend section 9, chapter 83 of the revised statutes, concerning writs issued by trial justices and police and municipal courts."

Bill "an act to establish the measure of milk."

These bills were passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate amended, by striking out the section in each bill, "providing the same shall take effect on approval," and passed to be engrossed.

The House concurred.

Bill "an act to incorporate the People's Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. TREAT of Frankfort, presented bill "an act to incorporate the Central Cheese and Butter Factory Company of Winterport," which was read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Remonstrance of R. E. Paine and others;

Remonstrance of J. N. Caldwell and others;

Remonstrance of L. L. Lowell and others; and

Remonstrance of E. H. C. Hooper and others, against taxation of insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Abolition of Land Office inquire into the expediency of so changing the law, that all moneys received by the Land Agent be paid direct and immediately into the State Treasury.

On motion of Mr. MULLIN of North Haven,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of chartering a hotel company at North Haven.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of providing for the further protection of landlocked salmon, togue and trout.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CARLL of Kennebunkport,

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday next, the morning session of this House shall be adjourned by the Speaker at 12 o'clock and 30 minutes, without motion.

On motion of Mr. KELLOCK of Thomaston, Mr. Babbidge of Deer Isle, was excused from further attendance after Wednesday of next week.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on the Insane Hospital, reported ought to pass, in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the insane hospital, for the better management of said hospital, the protection of its inmates, and the regulation of commitments thereto;" also

Reported, on order, bill "an act to restrict the operation of clause 8, section 4, chapter 1 of the revised statutes, relating to the words 'insane persons.'"

Mr. STURGIS, from the same Committee, reported "resolve for additional accommodations for the insane."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported, on order, bill "an act relating to savings banks."

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

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition for adjustment of the valuation of West Waterville; also

Reported same, on "resolve abating a part of State tax of Perkin's plantation, and assessing the same upon the town of Carthage."

Mr. CROWELL, from the Committee on Claims, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Henry Poor and others, for reimbursement of money paid the State for taxes.

Mr. WILDER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported finally.

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

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act providing for a duty on private acts of the Legislature."

This report was read and accepted.

Mr. GORE, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported, on petition, bill "an act to regulate fishing in Bunganut pond in the towns of Lyman and Alfred in York county."

Printed bill "an act to incorporate the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company."

Mr. NORTH, from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported ought to pass, "resolves relating to the United States Arsenal at Augusta, Maine."

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same, on "resolve authorizing the location of certain land certificates."

Mr. TABBUT, from the Committee on Claims, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of John B. Trafton;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Aroostook county."

Mr. EDES, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on "resolve in favor of Cyr plantation;" also

Reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of Benjamin Bussey, junior."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and Monday assigned.

Bill "an act repealing chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers," was reported, read the third time, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Pond Slate Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Bucksport and Bangor Railroad Company to extend their wharves into tide waters at Bucksport village."

Bill "an act to authorize S. P. Hall and others to extend their wharves into tide waters at Bucksport village."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Stock Breeders' Association."

Bill "an act relating to the appointment of Trustees in the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

Bill "an act authorizing reduction of capital stock of the Union Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to prevent fishing in Pennesseewassee pond in the town of Norway."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Coal, Hay and Ice Company."

Bill "an act to increase the tolls of the Nahmakanta Dam Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies."

Bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to returns of foreign insurance companies."

Bill "an act to amend section 49, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs, officers and constables."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Litchfield to raise money for agricultural purposes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Society in Yarmouth to sell their house of worship."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Cheese Factory Company."

"Resolve in aid of opening a road in Andover North Surplus and Grafton."

"Resolve in favor of settlers on Township F, Range 1, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Thomas Lovely."

"Resolve in aid of building bridge over Little Madawaska river in township Letter K, Range 2."

"Resolve in aid of township Letter F, Range 1, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Michael Farrel."

“Resolve in favor of George Ladner and Jacob Ladner.”

“Resolve in favor of Daniel M. Libby.”

“Resolve in favor of Francis Pennett.”

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.

Bill “an act to establish the lines of Portland harbor in Fore river.”

Bill “an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company.”

Bill “an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company.”

Bill “an act to make valid the doings of the Raymond Mutual Fire Insurance Company.”

Bill “an act to legalize the doings of the town of Vinalhaven.”

Bill “an act authorizing the Maine Central Railroad Company to change its location, and construct a new bridge across the Kennebec river.”

Bill “an act authorizing George Dyer of North Haven to establish a ferry.”

Bill “an act relating to recording devises of real estate in the registry of deeds.”

Bill “an act relating to trustee process.”

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. LEWIS of Ripley, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, with legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the adoption of children, was reconsidered and recommitted.

On motion of Mr. STONE of Bridgton,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. RICKER of Augusta.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison," came from the Senate read twice, and passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on claim of Treasurer of East Machias, for payment of bounty on wild animals, reporting the same ought not to be allowed.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, with reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of Cyrus H. Phipps, and others, for repeal of chapter 379 of the laws of 1846, relating to migratory fish.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Union River Boom Company."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, with ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Savings Bank."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and this afternoon assigned.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting, bill "an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company," came from the Senate read and accepted, and bill passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill laid on the table, on motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor.

Report of the Committee on Towns, with leave to withdraw, on petition of Henry Marshall and others of Friendship and Cushing,

to be set off from said towns with their lands and incorporated into a plantation, accepted by the House, came from the Senate recommitted.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate amended by striking out section 2, which provides that "this act shall take effect when approved," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred.

On motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn, Mr. Wasson of Surry, was excused from further attendance after Wednesday next, and the Clerk directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Remonstrance of J. P. Cilley, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Houlton Dairying Company," was presented by Mr. BRYANT of Rockland, read three times under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WASSON of Surry, presented bill "an act to protect sheep husbandry," which was read twice under suspension of the rules, and amended as per sheet "A," and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to establish the Cumberland and Oxford Canal Corporation."

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

Mr. SWASEY, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on recommitted order, bill "an act additional to chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the adoption of children."

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

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported bill "an act to amend acts relating to a municipal court for the city of Lewiston."

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported, on order, "resolve relating to ventilation of the halls and committee rooms of the State House."

Printed bill "an act amendatory of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay."

Printed bill "an act to restrict the operation of clause 8th, section 4, chapter 1 of the revised statutes, relating to insane persons."

Printed bill "an act in relation to the protection of bottles used by manufacturers of mineral waters, ginger ale, &c."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 115, sections 1 and 2 of the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 2 of the revised statutes, relating to lands ceded to the United States."

Printed bill "an act relating to ways across railroads."

Printed bill "an act amendatory and additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 65 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to notice for damages on ways."

Printed bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation."

Printed "resolve for additional accommodation for the insane."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolves once, and this afternoon assigned.

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment;" and
"Resolve in favor of Cyr plantation;"

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 set off certain territory from the North Kennebec Agricultural Society and annex the same to the Kennebec Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lyndon Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the South Sebec Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West New Portland Dairy Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Isle au Haut."

Bill "an act to extend the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, concerning proceedings in court."

Bill "an act to repeal section 36 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to offences against morality and decency."

Bill "an act to amend section 14, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to costs."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company."

"Resolve in favor of bridge across Aroostook river at Caribou."

"Resolve relating to Centennial Exhibition."

"Resolve authorizing the purchase of the right to cut pine and spruce timber on a township of land."

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 regulate fishing in Bunganut pond in the towns of Lyman and Alfred in York county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company."

"Resolve authorizing the location of certain land certificates."

"Resolve in favor of John B. Trafton."

"Resolve in favor of Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Benjamin Bussey, junior."

"Resolves relating to the United States Arsenal at Augusta, Maine."

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 to incorporate the New England Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Dam Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 395 of the private laws of 1864, entitled an act to amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Rockland."

Bill "an act to amend an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association."

Bill "an act to establish the compensation of the County Commissioners of Knox county."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to Insane Hospital."

Bill "an act to amend section 18, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads."

Bill "an act relative to the course of study in normal schools."

Bill "an act to amend section 108, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in cases where an account in set off is filed."

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to auditors of accounts."

"Resolve relating to the duties of Land Agent."

"Resolve for the repair of the Shin Pond road, leading from Patten to the lumbering regions."

"Resolve in favor of Christian F. Churchill of Washburn."

"Resolve in favor of George Cutler."

"Resolve in favor of Cyrus T. Daniels."

"Resolve in favor of Elmira E. Cobb."

"Resolve in favor of building a bridge on Magalloway river."

"Resolve in favor of J. W. Ambrose."

"Resolve in favor of inhabitants of Silver Ridge plantation."

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.

Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Remonstrance of Stillman S. Sprague and others of Grand Lake Stream, against the petition of Harrison Baker, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of George S. Silsby and others, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor,

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, February 24, this House hold one session each day, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M.; and the use of this Hall, afternoon and evening, be granted to the Special Committee on State Prison Investigation.

Mr. ROBBINS of Norridgewock, presented bill "an act to incorporate the North Anson Cheese and Butter Factory Association," which was read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on petition, bill "an act to amend section 51, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing lands in unincorporated places."

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

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to authorize the assessment and collection of taxes upon the polls and estates of Hamlin's Grant."

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

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Union River Boom Company;" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Savings Bank;"

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 amendatory of and additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads."

Bill "an act relating to ways across railroads."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay."

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 2 of the revised statutes, relating to lands ceded to the United States."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation."

Bill "an act in relation to the protection of bottles used by the manufacturers of mineral waters, ginger ale, &c."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 115, sections 1 and 2 of the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Bill "an act to amend acts relating to a municipal court for the city of Lewiston."

Bill "an act to amend section 65, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to notice for damage on ways."

Bill "an act to restrict the operations of clause 8, section 4, chapter 1 of the revised statutes, relating to the words 'insane persons.'"

"Resolve relating to ventilation of the Halls and Committee Rooms of the State House."

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

"Resolve for additional accommodations for the insane," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, and laid on the table, and Wednesday next assigned, on motion of Mr. LAMSON of Richmond.

Bill "an act to amend the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools," being on its passage to be enacted, was amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. FOSTER of Newry, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act for the better protection of lobsters in the waters of Maine," being on its passage to be enacted, was recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries, on motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of David Wasson, was taken from the table, and accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BAKER of Orrington,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Bill "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy clerks of courts," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting ought not to pass, on bill "an act relating to railroad connections," came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Slate Company;" and

Bill "an act making valid the doings of the Commissioners appointed to establish the location of public lots in Lyndon;"

Were read three times, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve providing for military purposes," was read twice, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting "resolve providing for the payment of bounties on wild animals."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting, on order, "resolve in aid of repairing the road in the town of Grafton, Oxford county."

These reports were read and accepted in concurrence, resolves read once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to discipline in the State Prison;" also

Bill "an act to authorize selectmen of towns to establish public watering places;" and

Bill "an act to incorporate the Leeds Manufacturing Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Paine to extend a wharf into tide waters in Eastport;" and

Petition of D. Wellington and others, for incorporation of the Maine Mineral and Stone Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Commerce.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Education," was read twice, under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Remonstrance of Nathan Dane and others; also

Remonstrance of Woodman, True & Co.; and

Remonstrance of J. B. Nealley and others of Berwick, against taxing insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Messrs. Cushman of Hebron, Foster of Newry, and Fowler of Medway, were excused from further attendance after Friday next.

Mr. Houghton was excused after Thursday next.

Mr. McCarty was excused after Wednesday next.

The Clerk was directed to make up the pay of each member to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Embden,

Ordered, That the vote to adjourn finally on the 25th, be rescinded, the Senate concurring in the same.

This order was sent to the Senate.

The resignation of Josiah Nickerson of Swanville, member of this House, to take effect on the day of final adjournment, was received and accepted.

The Clerk was directed to notify the municipal officers of the town of Swanville of the resignation of Mr. Nickerson.

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers and duties of supervisors and superintending school committees."

Mr. KEEGAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 167 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes."

Mr. NORTH, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers in unincorporated places."

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

Printed bill "an act to provide further protection to inmates of the Insane Hospital, and guard against error in making commitments thereto."

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported, on order, "resolve relating to settlers' lots under the Treaty of Washington;" also

Reported, on order, "resolve relating to the plans and records in the State Land Office."

These reports were read and accepted, and the bill read twice, resolves once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the special laws of 1840, entitled an act to prevent obstructions in the Machias river;" and

Bill "an act to authorize the assessment of taxes upon the polls and estates of Hamlin's Grant;"

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 supply the people of the towns of Brunswick and Topsham and the city of Bath with pure water."

Bill "an act to amend and additional to an act to establish a municipal court for the town of Brunswick."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Slate Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Pond Slate and Marbleizing Company."

Bill "an act authorizing reduction of capital stock of the Union Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 95, section 1, private laws of 1872, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Columbia and Columbia Falls."

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of South Thomaston."

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for the county of Androscoggin."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of School District No. 2 in the town of Linneus."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Stock Breeders' Association."

Bill "an act to authorize the Bucksport and Bangor Railroad Company to extend wharves into tide waters at Bucksport village."

Bill "an act relating to the appointment of Trustees in the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

Bill "an act to amend section 17, chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to birds."

Bill "an act in relation to costs in log lien cases."

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 establish the measure of milk," being on its passage to be enacted, was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. SMALL of Lisbon, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to abolish the death penalty," was taken from the table.

Mr. WILSON of Bangor, moved the previous question, the House seconded the call, and ordered the main question to be put now.

The question then being on passing the bill to be engrossed in concurrence, it was taken by yeas and nays, and the House refused it a passage, by yeas 59, nays 73.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Dowst,	Hawes,
Bartlett,	Drake,	Houghton,
Brawn,	Eaton,	Hutchins,
Bryant,	Estes,	Judd,
Bursley,	Farrington,	Keegan,
Carvill,	Fletcher,	Keene of Palmyra,
Cobb,	Foster,	Lewis,
Connor,	Fowler,	Loring,
Corthell,	Gibbs,	McCarty,
Crockett,	Grant,	Mitchell,
Croswell,	Guptill,	Morrow,
Crowell,	Hamilton,	Mullin,
Denison,	Hawks,	Ouilette,

Pierce,	Sanborn of Etna,	Vittum,
Porter,	Scribner,	Walden,
Pressey,	Small of Lisbon,	Williams,
Pullen,	Small of Temple,	Wilson,
Richards,	Sturgis,	Woodman,
Rogers,	Swasey,	Work—59.
Rowell,	Thurston,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Hatch,	North,
Bailey,	Hathorn,	Parker,
Baker,	Hunter,	Phinney,
Blodgett,	Johnson,	Pilsbury,
Bowker,	Keen of Bremen,	Reed,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Keith,	Robbins,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Kellock,	Sanborn of Wales,
Burbank,	Kimball,	Scammon,
Caldwell,	Knowlton,	Sherman,
Campbell,	Lamson,	Silsby,
Carll,	Lane,	Smith,
Clark,	Lawler,	Snow,
Coffin,	Leavitt,	Stone,
Cornish,	Longfellow,	Tabbut,
Cushman,	Lord,	Talbot,
Davis,	Macartney,	Warren,
Edes,	McGilvery,	Wasson,
Fessenden,	McKinney,	Wentworth, Bucks'pt,
Frothingham,	Meserve,	Wentworth, Kittery,
Gile,	Moore,	Whitmore,
Goodwin,	Morse,	Wilder,
Gove,	Moulton of Porter,	Woodbury,
Hall,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Yates,
Harding,	Nickerson,	Young—73.
Haskell,		

Mr. CORNISH of Lewiston, moved a reconsideration of the foregoing vote, and the House refused.

“Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts,” was taken from the table, and the question of passing the same to be engrossed, was taken by yeas and nays,

on motion of Mr. KELLOCH of Thomaston, and decided in the affirmative, by yeas 94, nays 38.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Goodwin,	Parker,
Babbidge,	Gove,	Phinney,
Bailey,	Guptill,	Pierce,
Baker,	Hall,	Pilsbury,
Blaisdell,	Hamilton,	Pressy,
Bowker,	Haskell,	Pullen,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Hawks,	Reed,
Burbank,	Hawes,	Rogers,
Bursley,	Houghton,	Rowell,
Caldwell,	Hunter,	Scammon,
Campbell,	Hutchins,	Scribner,
Carvill,	Hurd,	Silsby,
Clark,	Johnson,	Small of Lisbon,
Cobb,	Judd,	Small of Temple,
Coffin,	Keegan,	Smith,
Connor,	Keen of Bremen,	Snow,
Cornish,	Knowlton,	Stone,
Corthell,	Lewis,	Sturgis,
Crockett,	Lord,	Swasey,
Crowell,	Macartney,	Talbot,
Croswell,	McCarty,	Walden,
Cushman,	McGilvery,	Warren,
Davis,	Milliken,	Wasson,
Denison,	Mitchell,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Dowst,	Moore,	Wentworth, Kittery,
Drake,	Morse,	Whitmore,
Eaton,	Moulton of Porter,	Wilder,
Fernald,	Morrow,	Williams,
Fletcher,	Mullin,	Wilson,
Foster,	North,	Woodman,
Fowler,	Ouilette,	Yates—94.
Gibbs,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Bartlett,	Carll,	Fessenden,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Edes,	Files,
Brawn,	Estes,	Frothingham,
Bryant,	Farrington,	Grant,

Harding,	Longfellow,	Sherman,
Hatch,	Loring,	Stuart,
Hathorn,	McKinney,	Tabbut,
Keene of Palmyra,	Meserve,	Tibbets,
Kelloch,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Vittum,
Kimball,	Nickerson,	Woodbury,
Lamson,	Porter,	Work,
Lane,	Richards,	Young—38.
Lawler,	Sanborn of Etna,	

Bill "an act relating to railroad connections," was read twice, and to-morrow assigned for the third reading.

"Resolve in favor of Cyr plantation," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JACKSON of Augusta.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Claims, Insane Hospital, State Prison, and Ways and Bridges, were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 53, chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to damage on bonds;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 21, chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to appointment, powers and duties of executors;" also

Reporting ought to pass, on recommitted bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 13 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to protect the rights of owners of islands;" also

Reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend section 97 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collectors of taxes."

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to annex the town of Barnard to the town of Sebec."

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting, on petition, "resolve making appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills and resolve passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Bill "an act to establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls;" and

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls," refused a passage by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Emery of Hancock, Holbrook of Cumberland, and Webster of Knox, appointed conferees on its part.

The House insisted and concurred in the proposition for a conference, and the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Campbell of Cherryfield, Cornish of Lewiston, and Drake of Springfield, conferees on its part.

Remonstrance of G. G. Hillman and others, against the petition of Harrison Baker, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WASSON of Surry,

Ordered, That the Senate concurring, a sub-Committee of one on the part of the Senate, and two on the part of the House, of the Committee on Agriculture, be appointed to visit the State College once during the summer months to inspect the farm operations, suggest improvements, and submit a report of their doings to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. ROBBINS of Norridgewock,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads be directed to report

forthwith to the House, the action of said Committee on the matter of extension of the Somerset Railroad from West Waterville to the city of Augusta.

These orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GILE of Alfred,

Mr. Woodbury of Cornish, was excused from further attendance after Friday.

Mr. Keegan of Madawaska, was excused after Friday, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the Trustees and Committee of the Old North Church in Palermo."

Mr. CORTHELL of Calais, presented bill "an act entitled an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company."

The same gentleman presented bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company."

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

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy clerks of courts;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868, relating to the Superior Court of Cumberland county."

Mr. CORNISH, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act additional to chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, relating to the jail system of the State."

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act explanatory of and additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors."

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the revised statutes, relating to cemeteries."

Mr. KELLOCH, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to authorize Clerks of Supreme Judicial Courts to appoint deputies."

Mr. DAVIS, from the same Committee, reported, on order relating to books of index in the registry of deeds, bill "an act to define certain duties of County Commissioners."

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59, chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fishing."

Mr. KEEN, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to further protect fish in the interior waters of the State."

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported, on order, bill "an act to further extend the power of school districts."

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

Mr. HAMILTON, from the York County Delegation, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to establish a Superior Court in and for the county of York."

The report was read and accepted, and the bill ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported legislation inexpedient, on order inquiring into the expediency of repealing the law creating a sinking fund, with statement of facts in relation thereto.

The report was read and accepted, and the conclusions of the Committee ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta.

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported reference to the next Legislature, on petition for abatement of taxes of Macwahoc plantation.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. CORNISH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient, on order in relation to taxation, so that persons leaving a town where they had residence after February, 1874, shall be taxed where such person resided on the first day of January of said year.

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

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported, on petition, "resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;" also

Reported, "resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath."

Mr. FERNALD, from the same Committee, reported "resolve for the better protection of State property at Eastport."

These reports were read and accepted, resolves read twice, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Mutual Fishing Insurance Company."

Mr. CORNISH, from the same Committee, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act granting a charter to the Alumni Association of Bates College."

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on petition, bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Woolwich, and authorize said town to aid Sagadahoc Ferry Company."

Mr. LEWIS, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to incorporate the North Haven Hotel Company."

Printed bill "an act relating to savings banks."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers and duties of Supervisors and Superintending School Committees."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 51, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing certain lands in unincorporated places."

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

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to equalize State tax;" also

Reported leave to withdraw, on petition for abatement of State tax of the town of Alton.

These reports were read and accepted.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital, for the better management of said hospital, the protection of its inmates, and the regulation of commitments thereto."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Fairfield."

"Resolve authorizing the location of certain land certificates."

"Resolve in favor of John Batchelder."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to purchase proprietors' interest in lot numbered 27, Township No. 18, Range 7."

"Resolve in aid of road in Chapman plantation."

"Resolve in favor of Obediah Skidgel."

"Resolve in favor of Charles E. Murphy."

"Resolve in favor of Daniel Fling of Easton."

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of Josiah Coolidge and Nicholas J. Thomas."

"Resolve in favor of Ellsworth F. and Lydia R. Hayden of Presque Isle."

"Resolve providing for keeping in repair the road from the Forks to Canada line."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Mayfield."

"Resolve in aid of Mattawamkeag bridge in Bancroft plantation."

"Resolve in favor of road in Castle Hill township, Aroostook county."

"Resolve relating to the plans and records in the State Land Office."

"Resolve relating to settlers' lots under the Treaty of Washington."

"Resolve in favor of Daniel W. Brooks of Temple."

"Resolve in favor of State Reform School."

The foregoing 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.

"Resolve in aid of repairing the road in the town of Grafton, Oxford county."

"Resolve to complete the bridge across Molunkus stream."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury."

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

"Resolve providing for the payment of bounty on wild animals," was reported, read the second time, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to railroad connections," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and

the question of passing the same to be engrossed was taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. SMALL of Lisbon, and refused a passage, by yeas 58, nays 70.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Gibbs,	Pierce,
Bailey,	Gove,	Pilsbury,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Grant,	Porter,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Hawks,	Pressy,
Brawn,	Houghton,	Pullen,
Carvill,	Hunter,	Reed,
Cobb,	Judd,	Small of Lisbon,
Connor,	Keene of Palmyra,	Smith,
Cornish,	Lamson,	Stone,
Corthell,	Lawler,	Sturgis,
Croswell,	Longfellow,	Swasey,
Crowell,	Loring,	Talbot,
Cushman,	McGilvery,	Treat,
Davis,	Meserve,	Vittum,
Dowst,	Milliken,	Walden,
Edes,	Mitchell,	Warren,
Files,	Morse,	Whitemore,
Fletcher,	Morrow,	Woodbury,
Foster,	Nickerson,	Woodman—58.
Fowler,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Babbidge,	Denison,	Hurd,
Bartlett,	Eaton,	Johnson,
Black,	Estes,	Keegan,
Blaisdell,	Fernald,	Keen of Bremen,
Blodgett,	Fessenden,	Keith,
Boardman,	Gile,	Kelloch,
Bowker,	Goodwin,	Knowlton,
Bryant,	Guptill,	Lane,
Burbank,	Hall,	Leavitt,
Bursley,	Hamilton,	Lewis,
Caldwell,	Harding,	Lord,
Campbell,	Hatch,	Macartney,
Carll,	Hathorn,	McCarty,
Clark,	Hawes,	McKinney,
Coffin,	Hutchins,	Moore,

Moulton of Porter,	Sanborn of Etna,	Tibbets,
Moulton of Scarboro',	Scammon,	Wasson,
Mullin,	Scribner,	Wentworth, Kittery,
North,	Sherman,	Wilder,
Ouilette,	Silsby,	Williams,
Parker,	Small of Temple,	Wilson,
Pinkham,	Snow,	Winslow,
Richards,	Stuart,	Work,
Robbins,	Tabbut,	Yates,
Rogers,	Thurston,	Young—76.
Rowell,		

Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, moved a reconsideration of the foregoing vote, and the House refused to reconsider.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society," was taken from the table, on motion of Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to prevent fishing in Pennessewassee pond, North pond and Hobbs' pond, in the town of Norway."

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of smelts in the Piscataqua river and its tributaries."

Bill "an act to extend the close-time for landlocked salmon, togue and trout, in the St. Croix river and its tributaries."

Bill "an act to set off certain territory from the North Kennebec Agricultural Society and annex the same to the Kennebec Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the West New Portland Dairy Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Harmony Dairying Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the South Sebec Cheese Manufacturing Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 251, private and special laws of 1873, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Dennysville and Edmunds."

Bill "an act to authorize S. P. Hall and others to extend their wharves into the tide waters at Bucksport."

Bill "an act to authorize Jared C. Nash and others to build a wharf in tide waters in the town of Addison."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Air Line Steamship Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Slate Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Isle au Haut."

Bill "an act authorizing George Dyer of North Haven to establish a ferry."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oakland Ice Company."

Bill, "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 188, public laws of 1871, relating to ways."

Bill "an act relating to judicial courts."

Bill "an act amendatory of, and in addition to, chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, concerning proceedings in court."

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 83 of the revised statutes, concerning writs issued by trial justices and police and municipal courts."

Bill "an act relating to the unfinished record of deeds made by the late Register of Deeds for Cumberland county."

Bill "an act for the better security of voluntary trusts."

Bill "an act to repeal section 36 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency."

Bill "an act to amend section 14, chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to costs of parties."

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.

"Resolve for additional accommodations for the insane," was taken from the table.

Mr. LAMSON of Richmond, offered amendment "A," which was pending when the House

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. PECKHAM of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Petition of E. G. Millard, for an act to abolish the officer of Inspector General of Fish, came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Bill "an act to amend section 6 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes;" and

Bill "an act establishing the salary of the Attorney General;"

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were referred in concurrence.

Final report of the Committee on Railroads was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to adoption of children; also

Reporting same, on order relating to the propriety of making railroads responsible for loss of lives of employees.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting reference to the Special Committee on the State Prison, on order relating to reduction of salaries of the officers of the State Prison.

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

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition for a charter for a railroad from West Waterville to Augusta, known as the Messalonskee and Kennebec Railroad Company.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and amended, by striking out the words "be referred to the next Legislature" in the report, and inserting the words "ought to pass."

The report was then accepted, bill read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition of William Atwood of Cape Elizabeth, to set off part of said town to the city of Portland.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted.

Mr. PULLEN of Portland, moved the same be referred to the next Legislature, and the question being taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. HASKELL of Cape Elizabeth, was decided in the negative, by yeas 16, nays 119.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Milliken,	Stone,
Black,	Pullen,	Thomas,
Fessenden,	Rogers,	Walden,
Files,	Scribner,	Warren,
Foster,	Snow,	Wilson—16.
Leavitt,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Cornish,	Grant,
Bailey,	Corthell,	Guptill,
Baker,	Crockett,	Hall,
Bartlett,	Croswell,	Harding,
Blaisdell,	Crowell,	Haskell,
Blodgett,	Cushman,	Hatch,
Boardman,	Davis,	Hathorn,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Denison,	Hawks,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Dowst,	Hawes,
Brawn,	Drake,	Hunter,
Bryant,	Eaton,	Hutchins,
Burbank,	Edes,	Hurd,
Bursley,	Estes,	Johnson,
Caldwell,	Farrington,	Judd,
Campbell,	Fernald,	Keegan,
Carll,	Fletcher,	Keen of Bremen,
Carvill,	Fowler,	Keene of Palmyra,
Clark,	Frost,	Keith,
Cobb,	Frothingham,	Kelloch,
Coffin,	Goodwin,	Kimball,
Connor,	Gove,	Knowlton,

Lamson,	Nickerson,	Stuart,
Lane,	North,	Sturgis,
Lawler,	Ouilette,	Swasey,
Lewis,	Phinney,	Tabbut,
Libby,	Pierce,	Talbot,
Longfellow,	Pinkham,	Thurston,
Lord,	Pilsbury,	Tibbets,
Loring,	Porter,	Treat,
Macartney,	Pressey,	Vittum,
McGilvery,	Richards,	Wentworth, Bucks'pt,
McKinney,	Robbins,	Whitemore,
Meserve,	Rowell,	Wilder,
Mitchell,	Sanborn of Wales,	Winslow,
Moore,	Sanborn of Etna,	Woodbury,
Morse,	Scammon,	Woodman,
Moulton of Porter,	Sherman,	Work,
Moulton of Scarboro',	Silsby,	Yates,
Morrow,	Small of Lisbon,	Young—119.
Mullin,	Smith,	

The report was read and accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs," came from the Senate read twice, passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend section 14, chapter 134, relating to compensation of counsel in capital cases."

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting, on petition, bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceboro'."

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reporting, on petition, "resolve appropriating money to be expended in building a bridge across the Mattawamkeag River in Kingman."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills and resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, resolve once, and to-morrow assigned.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act for the better protection of lobsters in the waters of Maine."

This report was read and accepted in concurrence, bill read three times under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding, reporting, on order, a contract made and concluded with Messrs. Hartford & Smith, for doing the State binding for the current year; also

Reporting, on order, a contract made 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 contracts approved.

The reports were read and accepted, and the contracts approved in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 65, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to notice for damage on ways," 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 receded, adopted amendments "A," "B" and "C," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the bill in concurrence.

Bill "an act to abolish the death penalty," refused a passage in the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Emery of Hancock, Boyle of Waldo, and Kent of Lincoln, as Conferees.

The House concurred in the proposition for a Conference, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. McGilvery of Searsport, Talbot of East Machias, and Cornish of Lewiston, Conferees on its part.

Petition of D. Wellington and others, for incorporation of the State of Maine Mineral and Stone Company.

Bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Paine to extend a wharf into tide waters in Eastport."

The foregoing were referred by the House to the Committee on Commerce, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Leeds Manufacturing Company," referred by the House to the Committee on the Judiciary, came back from the Senate referred to the next Legislature.

The House receded and concurred.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the first annual report of the Wealth and Industry of the State.

Remonstrance of William B. Creamer and others, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill "an act to amend section 4, chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce proceedings," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BARTLETT, by leave, laid on the table "resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith."

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 49, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, so as to leave it discretionary with the magistrate to fine or imprison persons convicted of any of the offences named in said section.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Messrs. Stone of Bridgton, and Robbins of Norridgewock, were excused from further attendance after Friday next.

Mr. Moulton of Porter, was excused from further attendance after Saturday.

Mr. SNOW presented bill "an act concerning the militia," which was read twice, and to-morrow assigned.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported, on order, bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages;" also

Reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act to amend section 2, chapter 44 of the public laws of 1872, relating to lands in unincorporated places."

Mr. CORNISH, from the same Committee, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeal from decision of municipal officers."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act relating to taxation of insurance companies;" also

Reported ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act relating to taxation of railroad companies."

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

Mr. CORTHELL, from the Committee on Education, reported reference to the next Legislature, on order relating to the propriety of distributing school money upon the basis of average attendance.

Mr. ESTES, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported same, on petition of Ole Hanson, for deed of a lot of land to Bant Hanson.

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

Mr. HALL, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the exemption of the property of literary institutions from taxation.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. HAMILTON, from the Committee on County Estimates, reported a "resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State."

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

Printed bill "an act explanatory of, and additional to, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors."

Printed bill "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy clerks of courts."

Printed bill "an act to define certain duties of county commissioners."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers in unincorporated places."

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 133 of the laws of 1872, relating to the jail system of the State."

Printed bill "an act to further extend the powers of school districts."

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

Bill "an act relating to savings banks."

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 13, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland.

Bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to damage on bonds."

Bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment, powers and duties of executors."

Bill "an act to protect the rights of owners of islands."

Bill "an act to amend section 97 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes."

Bill "an act to annex the town of Barnard to the town of Sebec."

"Resolve making appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

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 in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 167, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes."

Bill "an act granting a charter to the Alumni Association of Bates College."

Bill "an act to amend section 51 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing lands in unincorporated places."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Woolwich and to authorize said town to aid Sagadahoc Ferry Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Haven Hotel Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers and duties of supervisors and superintending school committees."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Mutual Fishing 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.

Under suspension of the rules, the House, on motion of Mr. SWASEY of Canton, reconsidered the vote by which it accepted report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 628, private laws of 1871, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Deering, relating to union school district in said town and Westbrook," and the report was amended by inserting the words, "ought to pass, in a new draft," and then accepted.

The new bill, entitled "an act relating to the union school district property in the towns of Westbrook and Deering," was read three times, rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to confirm the articles of agreement by and between the European and North American Railway Companies," was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, with ought not to pass, on bill "an act relating to railroad connections," was taken from the table, and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

Bill "an act to extend the time for the location and completion of the Calais Shore Line Railroad."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Norridgewock Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend section 54, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to returns of foreign insurance companies."

Bill "an act to amend section 55 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies."

Bill "an act to amend section 49 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs, officers and constables."

Bill "an act to continue in force chapter 98 of the public laws of 1873, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen."

Bill "an act to make the thirtieth day of May a legal holiday."

Bill "an act to authorize the town of Litchfield to raise money for agricultural purposes."

Bill "an act making valid the doings of the Commissioners appointed to establish the location of public lots in Lyndon."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Coal, Hay and Ice Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Lyndon Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to authorize the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Society in Yarmouth to sell their house of worship."

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Albans Cheese Association."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Central Cheese and Butter Factory of Winterport."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Cheese Factory Company."

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Union River Boom Company."

Bill "an act to increase the tolls of the Nabamakanta Dam Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Steamboat Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Slate Company at Farmington."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Slate Company."

"Resolve in favor of Benjamin F. Higgins."

"Resolve in favor of George Ladner and Jacob L. Ladner."

"Resolve in favor of Thomas Lovely."

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Wheelock brook in St. John plantation."

"Resolve in aid of township Letter F, Range 1, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Daniel M. Libby."

"Resolve in favor of Francis Pennett."

"Resolve in aid of building bridge over Little Madawaska river in township Letter K, Range 2, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of opening a road in Andover North Surplus and Grafton."

"Resolve in favor of bridge across Aroostook river at Caribou."

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the Reform School."

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison.”

“Resolve relating to the Centennial Exhibition.”

“Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.”

“Resolve in favor of settlers on Township F, Range 1, Aroostook county.”

“Resolve in favor of Michael Farrel.”

“Resolve authorizing the purchase of the right to cut pine and spruce timber on a township of land.”

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 additional accommodations for the insane,” was taken up, amendment “A” rejected.

Mr. GIBBS of Glenburn, offered amendment “B,” which was pending when the hour for adjournment having arrived, the House

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CRANE of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Public Buildings, State Lands and State Roads, Pensions, Education, Counties, and Agriculture.

These reports were accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to the purchase of Maine Reports," was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

"Resolve in favor of E. F. Webb," came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, and was read twice under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Towns, with leave to withdraw, on petition of Henry Marshall and others, to be set off from Friendship and Cushing, and incorporated into a plantation; also

Reporting reference to the next Legislature, with order of notice, on petition of Alpheus Packard and others, to be set off from Peru to the town of Canton.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on order inquiring into the manner in which appropriations for the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts have been expended, reporting a statement of facts in relation thereto.

Report of the York County Delegation, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for the county of York."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting, on order, bill "an act to amend sections 63 and 64 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, bills read twice, the latter amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted, bills read three times, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, respecting liability of railroads for paupers," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read twice, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, and the bill, as amended, ordered to be printed.

Remonstrance of A. W. Hall and others; and

Remonstrance of E. B. Neal and others, against taxing insurance companies;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary, to enable the assessors and clerks of cities and towns to obtain compensation for their services in making out the late enrolment of the militia.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Mr. Hunter of Strong, was excused from further attendance after Saturday.

Bill "an act relating to taxation of insurance companies."

Bill "an act to authorize clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court to appoint deputies."

These printed bills were read twice, and laid on the table.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee of Conference, on bill "an act to abolish the death penalty," reported the Committee could not agree, and that the House adhere to its vote.

The report was read and accepted.

Mr. DENISON, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of S. D. Carleton and others of Camden, for change of the law relating to savings banks.

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

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages."

Bill "an act relating to taxation of railroad companies."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868, relating to the Superior Court of Cumberland county."

Bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59, chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fishing."

Bill "an act to further protect fish in the interior waters of the State."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the revised statutes, relating to cemeteries."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the adoption of children."

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

Bill "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy clerks of courts," was read the third time, and laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 134 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of counsel in capital cases," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and read the third time.

Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast, offered amendment "A," pending which, it was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceborough;" and
"Resolve appropriating money to be expended in building a bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman;"

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third, resolve the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to extend the powers of school districts."

Bill "an act concerning the militia."

Bill "an act to amend section 22, chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers in unincorporated places."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, relating to the jail system of the State."

Bill "an act explanatory of, and additional to, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors."

Bill "an act to define certain duties of county commissioners."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Messalonskee and Kennebec Railroad 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 in relation to the protection of bottles used by the manufacturers of mineral waters, ginger ale and small beer."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 115, sections 1 and 2 of the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Bill "an act to amend the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Bill "an act relating to ways across railroads."

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to chapter 51 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads."

Bill "an act to amend section 5, chapter 2 of the revised statutes, relating to lands ceded to the United States."

Bill "an act to supply the people of the towns of Brunswick and Topsham and the city of Bath with pure water."

Bill "an act to restrict the operation of clause 8, section 4 of chapter 1 of the revised statutes, relating to the words 'insane persons.'"

Bill "an act to regulate fishing in Bunganut pond in the towns of Lyman and Alfred in York county."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Houlton Dairying Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Anson Cheese and Butter Factory Association."

"Resolve in favor of Joint Standing Committee on Education."

"Resolve relating to ventilation of the Halls and Committee Rooms of the State House."

"Resolves relating to the United States Arsenal at Augusta, Maine."

"Resolve in favor of Benjamin Bussey, junior."

"Resolve in favor of John B. Trafton."

"Resolve authorizing the location of certain land certificates."

"Resolve in favor of Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury."

"Resolve in aid of repairing the roads in the town of Grafton, Oxford county."

"Resolve to complete the bridge across Molunkus stream."

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, passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on petition of the Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for authority to build a bridge over Penobscot river at Bucksport, was taken from the table and accepted, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to protect sheep husbandry," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed.

"Resolve for additional accommodations for the insane," was taken up, and amendment "B" rejected.

The resolve was amended as per sheet "C," on motion of Mr. DAVIS of Corinth, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 13, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend section 47 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to illegal fishing;" and

Bill "an act to amend section 39 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to close-time on trout, salmon and togue;"

Were taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to game," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland, further amended as per sheets "B" and "C," on motion of Mr. NORTH of Augusta, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it be to half past 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Towns, Library, and Banks and Banking, came from the Senate read and accepted, and were read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, with ought not to pass, on bill "an act for the formation of railroad companies," came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act authorizing assignees of choses in actions to bring actions in their own names."

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and this afternoon assigned.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting "resolves additional to chapter 153, resolves of 1870."

This report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolves read twice, under suspension of the rules, and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Prison, reporting "resolve in favor of State Prison."

This report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read twice, and laid on the table by Mr. TALBOT of East Machias.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill "an act to establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls;" and

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls," reporting the bill ought not to pass, and that the resolve ought to pass in a new draft.

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, and Tuesday next assigned.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting, on petition, "resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital."

This report was read and accepted in concurrence, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and indefinitely postponed.

The bill was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. FESSENDEN of Portland.

This bill was subsequently taken up, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SMALL of Lisbon,

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Means inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 169 of the resolves of 1873, relating to industrial statistics.

Mr. Guptill was excused from further attendance, and the Clerk directed to make up his pay.

Remonstrance of citizens of Hallowell, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, on report of the Tax Commissioner, reported "resolve relating to an Inter-State Tax Association."

The report was read and accepted, and the resolve ordered to be printed.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means,, to which was referred bill "an act providing for taxation of railroad and insurance companies," reported ought not to pass, on so much of the same as relates to insurance companies.

The report was accepted, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported reference to the next Legislature, on bill "an act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company."

Mr. KEEGAN, from the same Committee, reported ought not to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 4, chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce proceedings."

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Abolition of the Land Office, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to the expediency of requiring all money received by the Land Agent to be paid immediately into the State Treasury.

Mr. MULLIN, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported leave to withdraw, on petition for act to abolish the office of Inspector General of Fish.

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

Mr. KIMBALL, from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act to amend section 55, chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in reference to the support of debtors in jail."

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to authorize selectmen of towns to establish public watering places."

Printed bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeal from the decisions of municipal officers."

Printed bill "an act to amend chapter 44 of the general laws of 1872, relating to lands in unincorporated places."

These reports were read and accepted, bills read twice, and this afternoon assigned for their third reading.

Mr. KNOWLTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported ought to pass, on "resolve relating to the purchase of Maine Reports;" also

Reported ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to discipline in the State Prison."

Mr. WILSON presented bill "an act to amend section 132 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to court stenographers."

Mr. KNOWLTON presented bill "an act authorizing the Governor and Council to take testimony in certain cases."

These reports was read and accepted, bills read three times, resolve twice, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Printed bill "an act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, respecting liability of railroads for paupers," was read twice, and indefinitely postponed.

Printed "resolve authorizing the sale of State lands and timber," was read twice, under suspension of the rules, amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. WILSON of Bangor, and sheet "B," on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. WILSON, from the Special Committee on Abolition of the Land Office, reported "resolve concerning abolition of the Land Office."

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

Bill "an act relating to taxation of railroad companies," was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868, relating to the Superior Court of Cumberland county."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the revised statutes, relating to cemeteries."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to the adoption of children."

Bill "an act to further protect fish in the interior waters of the State."

Bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fishing."

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages."

These bills were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, the latter amended as per sheet "A," on motion of Mr. TALBOT, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to the union school district property in the towns of Westbrook and Deering."

Bill "an act for the protection of lobsters in the waters of Maine."

Bill "an act to authorize the assessment and collection of taxes upon the polls and estates of Hamlin's Grant."

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay."

Bill "an act to protect the right of owners' of islands."

Bill "an act to amend section 21, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment, powers and duties of executors."

Bill "an act to amend section 65, of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damage on ways."

Bill "an act to amend section 53, chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to damage on bonds."

Bill "an act to amend section 97, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collectors of taxes."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the special laws of 1840, entitled an act to prevent obstructions in the East Machias river."

Bill "an act to annex the town of Barnard to the town of Sebec."

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 amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation," being on its passage to be enacted, was amended, by changing the title as follows: bill "an act relating to the election of Directors of the Megunticook School District in the

town of Camden," and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to amend section 14, chapter 134 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of counsel in capital cases," was taken from the table.

Mr. BOARDMAN, by consent, withdrew amendment "B," and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

Bill "an act relating to Savings Banks;" also

Bill "an act to authorize Clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court to appoint deputies;" and

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to change its location below Kendall's Mills;"

Were taken from the table, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate

"Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith of Appleton," was taken up, read twice, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to provide for the appointment of deputy clerks of court," was taken from the table, indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting, on order, bill "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes;" also

Reporting ought to pass in a new draft, bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, in relation to the discharge of mortgages."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to incorporate the People's Savings Bank."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, reporting "resolve making appropriation for the propagation of fish."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 9 of the revised statutes."

Report of the Committee on the Library, reporting, on order, "resolve to amend a resolve approved February 27, 1872, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments."

"Resolve in relation to payment of dividends to members of the Penobscot Indians."

These reports came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bills and resolves passed to be engrossed.

The reports were read and accepted in concurrence, bills read three times, resolves twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill an act for the better protection of human life, reporting bill "an act to more particularly define the offence of murder."

This report came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read three times, and indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read twice, and Tuesday next assigned.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act establishing the salary of the Attorney General," came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, and indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. CARVILL of Brunswick.

On motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell, the vote by which the House voted to hold a session this afternoon, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. CORTHELL of Calais, the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading was directed to report immediately all bills assigned this afternoon for their third reading.

Bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeal from decision of municipal officers."

Bill "an act to authorize selectmen of towns to establish public watering places."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 44 of the general laws of 1872, relating to lands in unincorporated places."

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 act authorizing assignees of choses in actions to bring actions in their own name," was reported from 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 55, chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in reference to the support of debtors in jail," was reported, read the third time, indefinitely postponed, and sent to the Senate.

Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JAMES of Hallowell.

The Journal of Saturday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Final report of the Committee on the Judiciary, came from the Senate accepted, and was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act establishing the salary of the Attorney General," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was laid on the table, and assigned for to-morrow morning, on motion of Mr. PULLEN of Portland.

Bill "an act authorizing the Governor and Council to take testimony in certain cases," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House recessed and concurred.

"Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, and to-morrow morning assigned.

Bill "an act to amend section 132, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to court stenographers," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House, on motion of Mr. MORROW of Bangor, insisted on its vote.

Bill "an act to authorize selectmen of towns to establish public watering places," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted on its former vote.

"Resolve in favor of the Reform School," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. SNOW of Hallowell.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, respecting liability of railroads for paupers," indefinitely postponed by the House, came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former vote passing the same amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Burgess of Cumberland, Foster of Oxford, and Kent of Lincoln, conferees on its part.

The House concurred in the proposition for a conference, and joined Messrs. Wilson of Bangor, Boardman of Belfast, and North of Augusta, as conferees.

Petition of H. D. Coombs and others of Gouldsboro', for repeal of the act allowing cattle to run at large in said town, was referred to the next Legislature, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act concerning proceedings in capital cases," came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

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

Remonstrance of W. F. Hallett and others of Augusta, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. NORTH presented bill "an act to continue in force chapter 199 of the public laws of 1871, amending chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fish and fisheries," which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported a "resolve making additional provision for the care of the State Sinking Fund."

Printed "resolve relating to an Inter-State Tax Association."

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

Mr. BRYANT of Rockland, moved, and the House ordered that a message be sent to the Senate, requesting that branch to return to the House bill "an act relating to savings banks."

Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which "resolve providing for additional accommodations for the insane," passed to be engrossed, and that this motion be laid on the table, and to-morrow morning assigned, and the House so ordered.

Bill "an act to amend the public laws of 1873, relating to free high schools."

Bill "an act to amend sections 63 and 64 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies."

Bill "an act to amend section 20, chapter 9 of the revised statutes."

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 134 of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of counsel in capital cases."

Bill "an act to amend section 22 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers in unincorporated places."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mill Owners' Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for the county of York."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to incorporate the North Haven Hotel Company."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes."

Bill "an act in addition to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to the discharge of mortgages."

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act entitled an act to amend section 13, chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the Supreme Judicial Court."

Bill "an act further to extend the powers of school districts."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the Trustees and Committee of the Old North Church in Palermo."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 6 of the revised statutes, concerning taxes."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society."

Bill "an act to incorporate the People's Savings Bank."

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company, approved March 11, 1858."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company."

Bill "an act explanatory of and additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors."

Bill "an act to define certain duties of county commissioners."

Bill "an act authorizing assignees of choses in actions to bring actions in their own names."

Bill "an act to confirm the articles of agreement by and between the European and North American Railway Companies."

"Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home."

"Resolve for the protection of State property at Eastport."

"Resolve to furnish certain books to the town of Brooks."

"Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

"Resolve relating to settlers' lots under the Treaty of Washington."

"Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath."

"Resolve authorizing the location of certain land certificates."

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

"Resolve in favor of Obediah Skidgel."

"Resolve relating to the plans and records in the State Land Office."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Mayfield."

"Resolve in favor of Charles E. Murphy."

"Resolve in favor of road in Chapman plantation."

"Resolve in favor of E. F. Webb."

"Resolve in favor of Daniel Fling of Easton."

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to purchase proprietors' interest in Lot No. 27, Township No. 18, Range 7.

"Resolve providing for keeping in repair road from the Forks to the Canada line."

"Resolve in favor of Daniel W. Brooks of Temple."

"Resolve in favor of road in Castle Hill township, Aroostook county."

"Resolve in favor of Cyr plantation."

"Resolve providing for the payment of bounties on wild animals."

"Resolve in favor of Josiah Coolidge and Nicholas J. Thomas."

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs."

"Resolve in aid of Mattawamkeag bridge in Bancroft plantation."

"Resolve appropriating money to be expended in building a bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman."

"Resolve in favor of John Bachelder."

"Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Fairfield."

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. TALBOT of East Machias, it was ordered that when the House adjourns, it be till this evening at 7 o'clock.

Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act relating to savings banks," was received from the Senate in accordance with request of the House.

Mr. BRYANT of Rockland, moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the foregoing was passed to be engrossed, and the House refused to reconsider.

"Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith," was taken from the table, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. PULLEN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "an act to amend section 49, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to the punishment of intoxication."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act concerning proceedings in capital cases," assigned for to-morrow, was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and amended as per sheets "A" and "B."

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, was taken by yeas and nays; and refused a passage, by yeas 45, nays 51.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Frothingham,	Meserve,
Bailey,	Gile,	Moore,
Black,	Gove,	Morse,
Blodgett,	Hall,	Moulton of Scarboro',
Boardman,	Hatch,	Nickerson,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Hathorn,	Pinkham,
Burbank,	Hurd,	Robbins,
Caldwell,	Johnson,	Sherman,
Campbell,	Keegan,	Silsby,
Carll,	Kellock,	Snow,
Clark,	Knowlton,	Tabbut,
Coffin,	Lane,	Talbot,
Cornish,	Leavitt,	Warren,
Davis,	Macartney,	Wentworth, Bucks'pt,
Fernald,	McGilvery,	Wilson—45.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Croswell,	Gibbs,
Bartlett,	Crowell,	Hamilton,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Drake,	Harding,
Brawn,	Eaton,	Hawes,
Bryant,	Edes,	Houghton,
Carvill,	Estes,	Hutchins,
Connor,	Farrington,	Judd,
Corthell,	Fletcher,	Keene of Palmyra,
Crockett,	Frost,	Lamson,

Lewis,	Mullin,	Small of Lisbon,
Libby,	North,	Stuart,
Longfellow,	Ouilette,	Sturgis,
Loring,	Pierce,	Swasey,
Milliken,	Porter,	Tibbets,
Mitchell,	Pullen,	Treat,
Moulton of Porter,	Richards,	Walden,
Morrow,	Rowell,	Wilder—51.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Newport Park Association." was presented by Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, read three times, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act establishing the salary of the Attorney General," was taken from the table, and the question being on receding and concurring with the Senate in passing the same to be engrossed, it was taken by yeas and nays, and the House refused, by yeas 35, nays 64.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Hall,	Morse,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Hamilton,	Morrow,
Brawn,	Hawes,	Mullin,
Bryant,	Hutchins,	North,
Caldwell,	Hurd,	Pullen,
Campbell,	Johnson,	Snow,
Coffin,	Keegan,	Swasey,
Cornish,	Keen of Bremen,	Talbot,
Corthell,	Knowlton,	Walden,
Davis,	Leavitt,	Warren,
Drake,	McGilvery,	Wilson—35.
Gove,	Mitchell,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Aldrich,	Burbank,	Eaton,
Bailey,	Carll,	Edes,
Barker,	Carvill,	Estes,
Bartlett,	Clark,	Farrington,
Black,	Connor,	Fernald,
Blodgett,	Crockett,	Fletcher,
Boardman,	Croswell,	Frost,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Crowell,	Frothingham,

Gibbs,	Longfellow,	Robbins,•
Harding,	Loring,	Rowell,
Hatch,	Macartney,	Sanborn of Wales,
Hathorn,	Meserve,	Scammon,
Judd,	Moore,	Sherman,
Keene of Palmyra,	Moulton of Porter,	Silsby,
Kelloch,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Small of Lisbon,
Kimball,	Nickerson,	Stuart,
Lamson,	Ouilette,	Tabbut,
Lane,	Pierce,	Tibbets,
Lawler,	Pinkham,	Treat,
Lewis,	Porter,	Wentworth, Bucks'pt,
Libby,	Richards,	Wilder—63.

The House then adhered to its vote of indefinite postponement.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Messalonskee and Kennebec Railroad Company," passed to be enacted by the House, came from the Senate amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded and concurred in amendments "A" and "B," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to protect the rights of owners of islands."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to lime and lime casks."

These bills were passed to be enacted by the House, came back from the Senate amended, by striking out the section in each bill "providing that this act shall take effect when approved."

Bill "an act to amend section 132, chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to court stenographers," came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House insisted, proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Wilson of Bangor, Talbot of East Machias, and Cornish of Lewiston, Conferees.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield and Waterville Horse Railroad Corporation," 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, adopted Senate amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to the Committee on the Reform School," came from the Senate indefinitely postponed, and was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 49, chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to the punishment for intoxication," came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "A," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital, for the better management of the said hospital, the protection of its inmates, and the regulation of commitments thereto," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D," "F," and "G," and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was laid on the table.

At the hour of 10 o'clock, P. M.,
Adjourned.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the insane hospital, better management of the said hospital, the protection of its inmates, and the regulation of commitments thereto," was taken from the table, amendments "A," "B," "C," "D," "F" and "G" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported, on order, bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1874, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-four thousand two hundred eighty-six dollars fourteen cents."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Special Committee on Investigation of the Affairs of the State Prison, reported as follows:

On the 30th day of January said Committee met for the purpose of organization, all the members being present, and made choice of Mr. Shaw of Penobscot as chairman, and Mr. Talbot of East Machias as Secretary.

R. S. Prescott of Bangor, Ara Cushman of Auburn, and Hiram Wyman of New Sharon, were selected as experts under the order of the Legislature of January 29th, to take an inventory and appraisal of all the property and stock belonging to the State at said prison. On receiving notice of the acceptance of their offices by said appraisers, the Committee voted to employ Mr. Elder of Bangor, and Wormell of Dexter, as clerks for said appraisers; and on the sixth day of February said appraisers and clerks, together with the committee, repaired to the State Prison at Thomaston to enter upon the discharge of their duties. The Committee remained at Thomaston until the tenth of February, and during their visit made a thorough examination of the Prison in all its

departments; its accommodations for the comfort and care of the prisoners, their mode of living, the character and order of their cells, both for confinement and for punishment, the manner in which they are employed in labor in the different departments, and the present sanitary condition of the inmates; saw every prisoner, and among the number but two who were unable to do some labor on account of sickness, and these seemed to be well cared for. The condition of the cells and apartments of the prison was neat and tidy and well adapted to secure the comfort and safety of the inmates. Your Committee also made a personal examination of all the property, both real and personal, belonging to the State at said institution, and left the appraisers at work in taking account of the same:

At a meeting of the Committee held at the office of the Warden within the Prison, on the ninth day of February, on the suggestion by the Warden that the books of the State Prison required by the Committee were not so posted and closed up as would be necessary for the required information, it was voted that all the accounts be made up to the 15th inst., and the books completed up to that date, and that the sessions of the Committee for investigation, commence at the State House on Tuesday, the 17th of February.

The chairman was authorized to employ an accountant to examine the accounts of the Warden as annually settled before the Governor and Council. Mr. Cushman being sick and unable to attend to his duties, Mr. O. B. Chadbourne of Saco, and William F. Garcelon of Lewiston were employed as appraisers. At the request of Warden Rice the examination of witnesses was further postponed until Tuesday, the 24th. George K. Hatch of Pembroke was employed as accountant, and Mr. Reuel Smith of Bangor was employed as stenographer. The examination of witnesses commenced before the Committee in the Representatives' Hall. The testimony of witnesses examined will be found in the report of the stenographer, hereafter to be annexed to, and made a part of this Report.

After examination of several witnesses in relation to charges or reports of ill-treatment of prisoners, and excess of punishment in cases of discipline, (as will appear from the testimony) and also in relation to the cause or origin of the fire of December 4, 1873, and the means employed to extinguish said fire and save the prop-

erty of the State, the Committee unanimously agreed, "that so far as any irregularities exist in the treatment of prisoners or their mode of punishment, or in the management at the time of the fire, they are not of such a nature as to *implicate the Warden*, or to cast any suspicion upon him as to want of efficiency, neglect of official duty, or unkind or harsh treatment, but that the Inspectors have for several years failed to conform fully to the requirements of the law, in regard to furnishing to the officers of the prison, rules and regulations for their government. The Committee, therefore, decide that no further examination, *so far as the Warden is concerned*, in relation to the treatment of prisoners, be had; and that the further examination of witnesses be in relation to the financial concerns of the Prison."

Having been required by the orders designating the duties of the Committee, "to ascertain the number and names of all persons "for each year since January, 1864, connected with the management of said institution, or in any way employed and paid as "officers or employees thereof; also in what capacity employed "and the amount of compensation or salary paid annually to each "of them," the Committee would refer to the tabular statement contained in the communication from the Governor, dated February 10, 1874, to the Legislature, in response to a joint order, which communication is printed document of the Senate No. 35, and which, so far as information in relation to the State Prison is concerned, is to be appended to, and made part of, this report. The Committee would further say, that in addition to the information above, it appears in testimony that Henry C. Marden and Cyrus Maxcy have been employed in said institution for the number of years and at the salaries or compensation mentioned in their testimony.

As to "whether any officers or persons have been employed without authority of law," section 4, chapter 140 of the revised statutes, provides "that the supervision of the State Prison shall "be vested in the Governor and Council, but its government in "two (now three) Inspectors, one Warden, one Deputy Warden, "one person to perform the duties of clerk and commissary, and "such number of overseers, not exceeding ten, as the Inspectors "determine to be necessary." The office of guards, and the compensation to be allowed the same, are mentioned in the same chapter of the statutes, but your Committee are not aware of any law

directly authorizing the employment of guards, however necessary they may seem to be for the carrying on of the prison. By reference to the tabular statement above referred to, and testimony of Marden and Maxcy, it will be seen what officers other than those authorized by law, have been employed. The testimony of the Warden and Inspectors tends to show that no more than were necessary have been employed.

The Inspectors are required by law to establish rules and regulations consistent with the laws of the State, as they deem necessary and expedient for the direction of the officers, agents and servants of the prison, in the discharge of their duties, or for their compensation, *not established by law*, and *may*, with the approval of the Governor and Council, fix anew or regulate from time to time the compensation of the various officers of the prison when they deem it for the interest of the State; *shall* establish rules for the government, instruction and discipline of the convicts, and for their clothing and subsistence, for the custody, preservation and management of the public property; all such rules and regulations are to be laid before the Governor and Council, and are subject to be approved, annulled, modified or added to by the Governor and Council.

From the testimony before your Committee, it appears that no such rules and regulations in relation to the compensation of subordinate officers have been made since 1865. By the laws of the State which were in force up to 1865, the compensation of the subordinate officers hereinafter named was established, and not to exceed the following rates by the year, viz: the

Deputy Warden	\$450 00
Overseer of wheelwright department.....	500 00
Clerk and Commissary, including his services as overseer	
and teacher of the school.....	500 00
Overseer of the shoe department.....	500 00
Overseer of the coopering department.....	300 00
Overseer of the blacksmith department.....	500 00
Each of the guards	350 00
and if boarded by the Warden, not more than at the rate of \$2.50 per week to be deducted from their salaries.	

By reference to the tabular statements before referred to, and to the testimony in relation to Marden and Maxcy, it will be seen what compensation has been paid. The law of 1865 authorizes

the Inspectors to fix the compensation of the various officers of the prison. No regulations to fix anew the compensation appear to have been made since 1865. By reference to the above tabular statements it will be seen that the salary of the Warden has been increased from \$1,200 per annum in 1864 to \$4,000 in 1872 and 1873; in addition to which he is allowed the use, without charge, of the keeper's house, and buildings of the State appurtenant to the prison and yard, together with fuel for his use, which fuel the testimony shows the Warden has hitherto provided at his own expense.

The principle of leaving the salary of the Warden thus undetermined is an exceptional one, and highly objectionable, because it is against the policy of our government and dangerous in its tendencies, when left in the first instance to the determination of those whose interests may become identified, and in practice exemplifying a well known trait of human nature, which can always seem to find a sufficiently good reason for an increase of compensation for services, while it fails to see the necessity of *any curtailment*, or can even be content with a *permanent sufficiency*. But it is said this is subject to the decision of the Executive. Here is one of the greatest objections. It is exceedingly embarrassing to the appointing power. The Warden is appointed by the Governor with advice of Council, and to hold his office during the pleasure of the Executive, but not more than four years under one appointment. When an appointment is to be made, the Executive, having due regard to the interests of the State, is supposed to appoint the man best qualified for the place, and exercising that power would hardly be convinced that in each successive appointment he had selected a man whose services would not be entitled to as much compensation as those of his predecessor. No amount has been paid into the State treasury from said prison.

The amounts annually appropriated and paid in favor of said prison during said last ten years are as follows, not including salaries of officers paid from the treasury :

1864	\$19,028 44
1865.....	5,275 00
1866.....	3,500 00
1867.....	25,000 00
1868.....	25,000 00
1869.....	30,000 00

1870	\$32,400 00
1871.....	10,000 00
1872.....	15,000 00
1873.....	8,000 00
Total.....	<u>\$173,203 44</u>

The following is a schedule of the buildings and other property connected with the prison, which have been built, repaired, or purchased, during the past ten years, viz: The central portion and west wing of the prison built, and the old wing thoroughly repaired; the Warden's house repaired, wood shed built, and grounds graded; a large blacksmith shop built; a building for chapel, shoe shop and store-room built; a three story building for a carpenter and trimmers' shop and repository built; a four story building used for a harness shop, wash house and store-rooms built; the carriage shop enlarged to twice its former capacity; a wood shed built; a stable built; a building for a shed and slaughter-house erected; a large piggery built; a building purchased and reconstructed into a carriage repository and four tenements for officers of the prison; two double tenement houses purchased and repaired, and wood houses for the same built; two houses purchased and repaired; a large carriage repository outside the prison walls purchased; a lot of land adjacent the prison grounds purchased; a steam fire engine purchased, and engine house repaired; six reservoirs constructed, and five hundred and one feet of iron fence, with granite base, built; the wall on the west side of the prison yard constructed, thereby enlarging the yard, and three guard houses built; and line fences built around the land connected with the prison, and various other improvements made.

As to the fire of December 4th, 1873: Your Committee have been unable to procure any testimony as to the cause or origin of said fire sufficient to form an opinion whether it was accidental or the work of an incendiary. The testimony shows that it occurred during the night of December 4, 1873, while two of the Inspectors were at the prison, and in the daytime attending to their official duty in taking account of the stock; and the testimony shows what means were employed to extinguish the fire and save property. It also appears that the building burned, and was destroyed with its contents, before an account of the stock in it was taken by the Inspectors; and that the means used by them to obtain as

near as possible an estimate of the property in said building, appear in said testimony.

The Committee find the appraisal made by the Inspectors to amount in the whole to the sum of \$82,422.97; and that recently made by the appraisers to amount to the sum of \$55,788.27, to which, if there is added the sum of \$16,778.28, the amount estimated by the Inspectors to have been lost by the fire, the whole amount will be \$72,566.55, showing a difference of \$9,856.72. The Committee regard this difference no more than might reasonably be expected, having regard to the time and manner in which the appraisals were made, and the amount and kind of property appraised.

The Committee having been required to report at a day as early as possible, have labored assiduously in forwarding the work; yet such is the manner in which the many accounts of the prison have been kept, and those of its different departments, that they have not had time fully to examine and reduce to a system these several accounts for the last ten years. Mr. Hatch, the accountant who has been engaged in this examination, reports to us that the accounts are very complicated, that no cash book has been kept, but that he has found the accounts correct and vouchers for the same. Enough has been developed to satisfy your Committee that it is their duty to recommend a more systematic method of keeping the accounts of the prison and its different departments, of the amounts paid, and for what purposes, of the articles manufactured and the disposition of the same, and of all amounts received; and that the Inspectors, in the establishment of rules and regulations for the prison, incorporate into them such provisions as shall carry out these recommendations, by requiring the overseers of the different departments to make frequent returns to the clerk of the business under their charge.

Your Committee would also earnestly recommend that the salaries of the Warden and other officers of the State Prison be fixed and established by law.

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES SHAW, *Chairman*.
EDMUND RUSSELL,
J. C. TALBOT,
HIRAM KNOWLTON,
JAMES MORROW.

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

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Investigation of the Affairs of State Prison."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Unity Cheese Manufacturing Company."

The bill was read three times, resolve twice, under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act relating to taxation of railroad companies," was taken from the table amended as per sheets "A" and "B," on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS, and sheet "C," on motion of Mr. SWASEY of Canton, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls," was taken from the table, read the second time, and the question of passing the same to be engrossed, was taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast, and decided in the affirmative, by yeas 64, nays 58.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Eaton,	Milliken,
Aldrich,	Fernald,	Mitchell,
Baker,	Files,	Morse,
Bowker,	Gile,	Mullin,
Burbank,	Hall,	North,
Bursley,	Hamilton,	Ouilette,
Caldwell,	Hawks,	Pierce,
Campbell,	Hawes,	Pilsbury,
Carvill,	Hurd,	Pressey,
Clark,	Johnson,	Pullen,
Cobb,	Keegan,	Reed,
Coffin,	Keen of Bremen,	Rowell,
Cornish,	Knowlton,	Scribner,
Corthell,	Leavitt,	Small of Lisbon,
Croswell,	Longfellow,	Smith,
Davis,	Lord,	Snow,
Denison,	Loring,	Sturgis,
Dowst,	Macartney,	Thurston,
Drake,	McGilvery,	Treat,

Walden,	Whitemore,	Williams,
Warren,	Wilder,	Wilson—64.
Wentworth, Bucksp't,		

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Bailey,	Gove,	Morrow,
Bartlett,	Grant,	Nickerson,
Black,	Harding,	Phinney,
Blodgett,	Hatch,	Pinkham,
Boardman,	Hathorn,	Porter,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Hutchins,	Robbins,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Judd,	Sanborn of Wales,
Brawn,	Keene of Palmyra,	Sanborn of Etna,
Bryant,	Kelloch,	Scammon,
Carll,	Kimball,	Sherman,
Connor,	Lamson,	Silsby,
Crockett,	Lane,	Stuart,
Crowell,	Lawler,	Swasey,
Edes,	Lewis,	Tabbut,
Estes,	Libby,	Talbot,
Farrington,	Meserve,	Tibbets,
Fletcher,	Moore,	Vittum,
Frost,	Moulton of Porter,	Work,
Frothingham,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Young—58.
Gibbs,		

Mr. Silsby of Aurora, was excused from further attendance.

Mr. WILLIAMS presented "resolve authorizing a temporary loan," which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill "an act relating to the taxation of insurance companies," was taken from the table amended as per sheets "A" and "B," passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported ought to pass, a "resolve authorizing a temporary loan."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash," was read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMALL, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported leave to withdraw, on petition of S. P. Hutchinson, for change of the pension law.

The report was read and accepted.

A communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Inspector General of Fish, was received and read.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital," being on its final passage, the question was taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. BOARDMAN of Belfast, and decided in the affirmative, by yeas 72, nays 43.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Hall,	Morrow,
Aldrich,	Hamilton,	Mullin,
Black,	Hatch,	North,
Bowker,	Hathorn,	Phinney,
Bryant,	Hawks,	Pilsbury,
Burbank,	Hurd,	Pullen,
Bursley,	Johnson,	Richards,
Caldwell,	Keegan,	Robbins,
Campbell,	Keen of Bremen,	Rogers,
Carll,	Kimball,	Scammon,
Carvill,	Knowlton,	Scribner,
Cornish,	Lamson,	Small of Lisbon,
Corthell,	Leavitt,	Smith,
Croswell,	Longfellow,	Snow,
Davis,	Lord,	Stuart,
Denison,	Loring,	Sturgis,
Farrington,	Macartney,	Talbot,
Fernald,	McGilvery,	Thurston,
Fessenden,	Milliken,	Tibbets,
Files,	Mitchell,	Walden,
Fletcher,	Moore,	Warren,
Frothingham,	Morse,	Whitemore,
Gile,	Moulton of Porter,	Williams,
Goodwin,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Wilson—72.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Bailey,	Edes,	Ouilette,
Baker,	Estes,	Pierce,
Bartlett,	Frost,	Pinkham,
Blodgett,	Gibbs,	Porter,
Boardman,	Grant,	Sanborn of Wales,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Harding,	Sanborn of Etna,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Hawes,	Sherman,
Brawn,	Hutchins,	Swasey,
Clark,	Keene of Palmyra,	Tabbut,
Cobb,	Kelloch,	Treat,
Connor,	Lane,	Vittum,
Crockett,	Lewis,	Wilder,
Crowell,	Meserve,	Work,
Dowst,	Nickerson,	Young—43.
Eaton,		

“Resolve for additional accommodations for the insane,” being on its final passage, Mr. MORROW offered amendment “A,” and the question of its adoption was taken by yeas and nays, and decided in the negative, by yeas 30, nays 81.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Bailey,	Hawes,	Pierce,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Keene of Palmyra,	Pilsbury,
Bradbury of Kingfield,	Lamson,	Rowell,
Bryant,	Lord,	Smith,
Carvill,	Loring,	Snow,
Crowell,	Milliken,	Sturgis,
Denison,	Moore,	Swasey,
Drake,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Thurston,
Fessenden,	Morrow,	Walden,
Hamilton,	North,	Williams—30.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Abbot,	Brawn,	Connor,
Aldrich,	Bursley,	Cornish,
Baker,	Caldwell,	Corthell,
Bartlett,	Campbell,	Crockett,
Black,	Carll,	Davis,
Blodgett,	Clark,	Eaton,
Bowker,	Cobb,	Edes,

Estes,	Keen of Bremen,	Richards,
Farrington,	Kelloch,	Robbins,
Fernald,	Kimball,	Rogers,
Files,	Lane,	Sanborn of Wales,
Fletcher,	Lawler,	Sanborn of Etna,
Frost,	Leavitt,	Scammon,
Frothingham,	Lewis,	Scribner,
Gibbs,	Longfellow,	Sherman,
Gile,	Macartney,	Stuart,
Goodwin,	McGilvery,	Tabbut,
Gove,	Mitchell,	Talbot,
Grant,	Morse,	Tibbets,
Hall,	Moulton of Porter,	Treat,
Harding,	Mullin,	Vittum,
Hatch,	Nickerson,	Warren,
Hathorn,	Ouilette,	Wentworth, Bucks'pt,
Hawks,	Phinney,	Whitemore,
Hutchins,	Pinkham,	Wilson,
Judd,	Porter,	Work,
Keegan,	Pressey,	Young—81.

The resolve was then finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to further protect fish in the interior waters of the State."

Bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1874, amounting to \$1,124,286.14."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 15 of the revised statutes, relating to cemeteries."

Bill "an act in relation to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 133 of the laws of 1873, relating to the jail system of the State."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868, relating to the Superior Court of Cumberland county."

Bill "an act to amend section 51, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing lands in unincorporated places."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 44 of the general laws of 1872, relating to lands in unincorporated places."

Bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fishing."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to game."

Bill "an act to amend section 167 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes."

Bill "an act to amend section 53 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to appeal from the decision of municipal officers."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 67 of the revised statutes, relating to adoption of children."

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties."

"Resolve additional to chapter 153 of the resolves of 1870."

"Resolve relating to the purchase by the State of Maine Reports."

"Resolve in favor of Ellsworth F. and Lydia R. Hayden of Presque Isle."

"Resolve making appropriation for the propagation of fish."

"Resolve in relation to payment of dividends to members of the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

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 to amend a resolve approved February 27, 1872, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments," being on its final passage, was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. TALBOT presented "resolve providing for a representation from the State in the Third National Prison Reform Congress, to be holden in St. Louis, Missouri, on the 13th day of May, 1874."

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

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Warden of the State Prison," was presented by Mr. KELLOCH of Thomaston, and indefinitely postponed.

Bill "an act concerning sentence and execution of sentence in capital cases," was presented by Mr. WILSON of Bangor, who moved a suspension of the rules, and that the same be read.

The House refused to suspend the rules.

Mr. NORTH moved a reconsideration of the vote by which bill "an act concerning proceedings in capital cases," was refused a passage, and the motion lie on the table, and this afternoon assigned.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, the House adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Legal Affairs, and Commerce, were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Aroostook County Delegation, reporting leave to withdraw, on petition for abatement of the State tax of Woodland plantation, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enable certain towns in the county of Knox to vote upon the proposition for a new Court House," was read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to an Inter-State Tax Association;" and

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Investigation of Affairs of State Prison;"

Came back from the Senate each amended as per sheet "A."

The House receded, adopted the Senate amendments, and passed the resolves in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting ought to pass, on bill "an act to amend section 6, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes," came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

The report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting, on order, bill "an act additional to section 86, chapter 307, public laws of 1865, relating to armories for military companies."

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Printed bill "an act to continue in force chapter 199 of the public laws of 1871, amending chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to fish and fisheries," was read three times.

Mr. CROWELL of Benton, moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and the question being taken by yeas and nays, was decided in the affirmative, by yeas 86, nays 15.

Those who voted in the affirmative were Messrs.

Bartlett,	Frothingham,	Pilsbury,
Blaisdell,	Gibbs,	Porter,
Boardman,	Goodwin,	Pressey,
Bradbury of Oldtown,	Gove,	Richards,
Brawn,	Harding,	Robbins,
Burbank,	Hatch,	Rogers,
Bursley,	Hathorn,	Sanborn of Wales,
Caldwell,	Hawes,	Sanborn of Etna,
Campbell,	Johnson,	Scammon,
Carll,	Keene of Palmyra,	Scribner,
Carvill,	Kelloch,	Sherman,
Clark,	Lamson,	Small of Lisbon,
Cobb,	Lane,	Small of Temple,
Connor,	Lawler,	Smith,
Corthell,	Lewis,	Stuart,
Croswell,	Libby,	Swasey,
Crowell,	Longfellow,	Tabbut,
Davis,	Lord,	Thurston,
Denison,	Macartney,	Tibbets,
Dowst,	McGilvery,	Treat,
Drake,	Moore,	Walden,
Eaton,	Morse,	Warren,
Edes,	Moulton of Porter,	Wentworth, Bucksp't,
Estes,	Moulton of Scarboro',	Whitemore,
Farrington,	Morrow,	Wilder,
Fernald,	Mullin,	Wilson,
Fessenden,	Nickerson,	Work,
Files,	Phinney,	Young—86.
Fletcher,	Pierce,	

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs.

Baker,	Hall,	Milliken,
Black,	Hamilton,	Mitchell,
Blodgett,	Hawks,	North,
Cornish,	Keegan,	Snow,
Grant,	Leavitt,	Williams—15.

Communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting a summary of the standing of all the Fire, Marine and Fire Marine Insurance Companies authorized to do business in Maine, was received and read.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of State :

STATE OF MAINE.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, }
Augusta, March 3, 1874. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

There is only a single copy of the Special Laws of 1820 and 1821 in the office of the Secretary of State, and not a copy thereof in the State Library. And I beg to call the attention of the Legislature to the subject, that if they deem it advisable, they may order the reprinting of said laws.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

G. G. STACY, *Secretary of State.*

“Resolve for the reprinting of the special laws of 1820 and 1821,” was read twice, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Special Committee on State Prison, reporting legislation inexpedient, on order relating to compensation of employees of the Maine State Prison, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on bill “an act respecting liabilities of railroads for paupers,” reporting the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass, came from the Senate read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, and laid on the table by Mr. FESSENDEN.

The bill was subsequently taken up and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Messrs. Treat, Rowell and Sanborn of Wales, were excused from further attendance.

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to change its location below Kendall's Mills," 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 resolve to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve concerning the abolition of the Land Office," passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The House non-concurred in amendment "B," and insisted on its former vote, on motion of Mr. CORTIHELL of Calais.

"Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate," came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Reform School," was taken from the table.

The House non-concurred in Senate amendments "A" and "B," and insisted on its former vote passing the same to be engrossed.

Bill "an act relating to the taxation of insurance companies," passed to be engrossed by the House, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," came back from the Senate further amended as per sheet "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The House receded, adopted amendment "C," and passed the bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to settlers' lots under the Treaty of Washington," finally passed by the House, came back from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The House receded and concurred.

Subsequently the foregoing vote was reconsidered, and the resolve referred to the next Legislature, on motion of Mr. KEEGAN of Madawaska.

"Resolve providing for military purposes," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. SNOW, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "resolve providing for a statue of Gen. William King to be placed in the National Statuary Hall at Washington."

The report was read and accepted, resolve read twice, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. SMALL, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported finally.

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

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported legislation inexpedient, on order relating to repeal of resolve in favor of procuring industrial statistics.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported finally.

The reports were read and accepted.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported, on order, bill "an act amendatory of an act concerning the militia."

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. COBB, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported, on order, "resolve relating to industrial statistics."

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

Mr. MORROW of Bangor, presented "resolve providing for payment of the expenses of investigating the affairs of the State Prison."

The resolve was read twice under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 54 chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers and duties of supervisors and superintending school committees," was taken from the table.

The House receded, and indefinitely postponed the bill in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enable certain towns in the county of Knox to vote upon the proposition for a court house loan."

Bill "an act to amend section 51 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing lands in unincorporated places."

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. CARVILL of Brunswick,

Ordered, That 1,000 copies of the report of the Joint Special Committee on the Affairs of the State Prison, be printed, and that the State Librarian be directed, after reserving the usual number of copies for the departments, to distribute the balance to members of the Legislature of 1874.

This order was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting ought to pass in a new draft, on bill "an act explanatory and amendatory of an act to amend section 65, chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons, approved February 18, 1874," came from the Senate read and accepted, bill read, amended as per sheet "A," and passed to engrossed.

The report was read and accepted, bill read three times, Senate amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways in unincorporated places, and to amend said chapter," came from the Senate read and passed to be engrossed, and was read three times, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The SPEAKER appointed Messrs. Wasson of Surry, and Lord of Saco, the Committee on the part of the House to visit the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, in accordance with an order passed February 25.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Machiasport, the House adjourned till half past 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1874.

Met according to adjournment.

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

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Final reports of the Committees on Abolition of the Land Office, and Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, came from the Senate accepted, and was accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the sale of State lands and timber," amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed by the House, came back from the Senate amended as per sheets "C" and "D," and referred to the next Legislature, Senate amendments "B" and "C" adopted, resolve passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting reference to the next Legislature, on the account of the Railroad Commissioners, came from the Senate read and accepted, and was read and accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act establishing the salary of the Attorney General," came back from the Senate, that branch insisting on its vote, and proposing a Committee of Conference.

The House refused a conference, and re-adhered to vote of indefinite postponement.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate," came from that branch passed to be engrossed, and was read twice, under suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House" was presented by Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, read twice, under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "an act to incorporate the First Congregational Parish Society in Belfast," was read three times, under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Commissioner on Claims of Settlers on Proprietors' Lands, in the county of Aroostook, was referred to the Governor and Council.

"Resolve to provide in part for the expenditures of government," was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the Clerk cause to be printed 1,000 additional copies of the report of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison, 500 copies for the use of the Warden and Inspectors, and the balance to the use of the members of the Legislature.

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

The report was read and accepted, bill read three three times, rules being suspended, passed to be engrossed, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That so much of the order providing dictionaries and other books for the use of the House, passed January 7, as requires the Clerk to return the same to the Secretary of State, be rescinded, and the same be presented to the officers of the House.

By order of the House, the Holy Bible was presented to Hon. John C. Talbot of East Machias, by Mr. Crowell of Benton, in an appropriate speech, to which Mr. Talbot responded in a very feeling and appreciative manner.

Bill "an act to amend section 49 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to the punishment for intoxication."

Bill "an act relating to taxation of railroad companies."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Newport Park Association."

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Woolwich, and authorize said town to aid Sagadahoc Ferry Company."

Bill "an act to authorize selectmen of towns to establish public watering places."

Bill "an act to protect the rights of owners of islands."

Bill "an act additional to section 86 of chapter 30 of the public laws of 1865, relating to armories for military companies."

Bill "an act relating to savings banks."

Bill "an act relating to taxation of insurance companies."

Bill "an act granting a charter to the Alumni Association of Bates College."

Bill "an act relating to election of Directors of Megunticook School District in the town of Camden."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to lime and lime casks."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Unity Cheese Company."

Bill "an act to amend section 10, chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to discipline in the State Prison."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Mutual Fishing Insurance Company."

Bill "an act to amend chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital, for the better management of said hospital, the protection of the inmates, and the regulation of commitments thereto."

Bill "an act to authorize Clerks of the Supreme Judicial Courts to appoint deputies."

Bill "an act to incorporate the town of Vanceboro'."

Bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield and Waterville Horse Railroad Company."

Bill "an act to amend an act relating to a municipal court for the city of Lewiston."

Bill "an act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company, to change its location below Kendall's Mills."

Bill "an act amendatory of an act concerning the militia."

Bill "an act explanatory and amendatory of an act to amend section 65, of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons, approved February 18, 1874."

Bill "an act to repeal an act to amend chapter 18 of the revised

statutes, relating to ways in unincorporated places, and to amend said chapter."

Bill "an act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, respecting liability of railroads for paupers."

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

"Resolve making additional provisions for the care of the State Sinking Funds."

"Resolve providing for a representation from this State in the Third National Prison Reform Congress, to be holden at St. Louis, Missouri, on the 13th day of May, 1874."

"Resolve providing for a statue of General William King to be placed in the National Statuary Hall at Washington."

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash."

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate."

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House."

"Resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison."

"Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate."

"Resolve concerning the abolition of the office of Land Agent."

"Resolve authorizing a temporary loan."

"Resolve providing for military purposes."

"Resolve for the reprinting of the special laws of 1820 and 1821."

"Resolve relating to an Inter-State Tax Association."

"Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of investigating the affairs of the State Prison."

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. TALBOT of East Machias, adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "an act to incorporate the First Congregational Parish Society of Belfast."

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

"Resolve authorizing the sale of State lands and timber."

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, bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, signed by the Speaker, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. RICHARDS of Camden, 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 date.

A message was received from the Senate, through Mr. Cutler of Penobscot, 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. Abbot of Kennebec, Martin of Oxford, and Morrison of Penobscot, appointed said Committee on the part of that branch.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Williams of Augusta, Carvill of Brunswick, Morrow of Bangor, Pressey of Lewiston, Boardman of Belfast, Davis of Corinth, and Leavitt of Eastport, joined on the part of the House.

Subsequently, Mr. WILLIAMS 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 342 acts, and 113 resolves, and that he had no further communication to make.

Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, addressed the House as follows :

This session of our legislative labors is now about to close, and I gladly avail myself of the opportunity of expressing in a few parting words what I have to say upon this occasion. Having been again returned to this hall after a long interval at home, I must say, that my being here this winter will in my after life be looked upon as one of the milestones in the history of that life ; and, as I look back upon the few short weeks we have spent here, and reflect upon the associations which memory shall hereafter bring to mind, I can find nothing surrounding that milestone but what is pleasant and agreeable. And, gentlemen, I cannot fail fully to appreciate the many acts of respect and of kindness which have been shown me by all the members of this House, and all the officers thereof. And I say truly, to you all, that if I failed to reciprocate those graces in my behavior toward you, I am conscious that you cannot attribute it either to a bad heart, or to an intentional neglect. I shall long cherish your memories, as I think of this occasion, with pleasure, and hope that your future lives may be so blessed, and that you may finally meet that reward which shall be given to the faithful. And, gentlemen, as I have been designated by you, and as it appears appropriate for me that I should give an expression which I know to be the unanimous wish of this House, I would say that the pleasant manner in which we have passed this session, the promptness with which we have accomplished the business before us, the lack of discord and wrangling which has characterized our proceedings, is in a great degree due to our honored Speaker who has presided over our deliberations. You, with me, will join, I know, in a unanimous expression of thanks for the courteous, able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has conducted the deliberations of this House,—for the promptness and dispatch which has marked him in the discharge of all his duties. We do nothing less (I wish we could do much more) than to give an expression to our thanks for these valuable services. I therefore ask, Mr. Clerk, to offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to Hon. W. W. Thomas, Jr., the Speaker, for the able, courteous and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of presiding officer.

Mr. MORROW of Bangor, seconded the resolution, and said :

Mr. CLERK :—I rise to second the resolution offered by the gentleman from East Machias, and I do this not as a mere matter of form, but as expressing the heartfelt sentiment of every member of this House.

For the able and impartial manner in which the Speaker has discharged his arduous duties,—for the uniform kindness and courtesy which he has extended to us all, he has our warmest thanks and our best wishes. And as the years go by, I doubt not he will revert to the hours spent with us, as one of the bright spots in the journey of life.

This session has been one of interest, and one of work. It must be evident to us all that this has been a working and not a talking House. Every member has met his duty manfully, and discharged it honestly. And now, as we are about to separate, I trust that each takes with him the best wishes of the other.

The resolution was adopted unanimously by rising.

Mr. THOMAS, the Speaker, said :

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :

You will please accept my heartfelt thanks for the courteous resolve just unanimously passed. It has been my earnest and constant endeavor to conduct the business of the House rapidly, clearly and impartially, and whatever of success I may have achieved, is due in greatest part to your active coöperation.

This has been preëminently a business House ; and all measures laid before you have received careful consideration, and prompt action. You have avoided hasty and doubtful legislation, zealously guarded the public treasury—the people's purse—encouraged enterprise, and facilitated the development of the imperial resources of our State.

Our acts are now a part of the history of Maine ; from them, I am sure, the Commonwealth will receive no detriment. Our labors are ended, our pleasant relations—whose harmony no discord of ill-feeling has ever jarred—must now be severed.

Wishing you all a safe return to happy homes, and invoking for you the choicest gifts of the Giver of all good, I bid you good-bye, since in another moment I shall perform my last official act, by declaring at an end the session of the Fifty-Third House of Representatives of Maine.

Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, offered the following resolve, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to S. J. Chadbourne, Clerk, and Oramandal Smith, Assistant Clerk, for the able and impartial manner in which they have discharged their duties.

• Mr. RICHARDS of Camden, offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this House are hereby tendered to James B. Walker, Messenger, John R. Prescott and Charles H. Gatchell, Assistant Messengers, and Carl King and Thomas Elliott, Pages, for the faithful performance of their duties during the present session.

Mr. PRESSEY of Lewiston, offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this House are due F. A. Small and George H. Blake, Reporters, for the faithful discharge of their duties during the session.

The SPEAKER declared the House adjourned *sine die*.

SUMNER J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk*.

TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1874.

PUBLIC LAWS.

An act to exempt cemetery lots from attachment.

to amend section one of chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment of guardians.

amendatory of chapter one hundred and ninety-six of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to river fisheries.

additional to chapter one hundred and five of the revised statutes, relating to gambling in railroad cars.

to amend section one of chapter seventeen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to the appointment of deputy town clerks.

to amend section fifty-seven of chapter two of the revised statutes, for the further security of the sinking funds.

to amend section eight of chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the revised statutes, relating to fines and costs in criminal cases.

in relation to the assessment of school district taxes.

to amend section forty-four of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to school district taxes.

to amend section forty-two of chapter fifty-one, revised statutes, relating to the stopping of railroad trains at crossings.

additional to chapter one hundred and twenty-four of the revised statutes, relating to morality and decency.

to amend chapter eleven, section seven, of the revised statutes, relating to the apportionment of school moneys. regulating the weight of apples.

An act to amend section sixty-five of chapter sixty-four of the revised statutes, relating to embezzlement of property of deceased persons.

to amend chapter sixty-four of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators.

to amend section fifty-three of chapter forty of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for taking certain fish unlawfully.

to amend chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, relating to ways in unincorporated places.

to provide for the security of life on board vessels propelled in whole or in part by steam, on the inland waters of this State.

establishing the compensations of the county commissioners for Cumberland county.

additional to chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to innholders

to amend section five of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relative to the equity powers of the supreme judicial court.

to regulate and establish the compensation of the examiner of banks.

repealing sections five, six, seven and eight, chapter thirty, revised statutes, relating to bounty on bears and wolves. exempting farm products from taxation.

relating to the reports of the agents of the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy tribes of Indians.

to amend section sixteen of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relating to the powers of the supreme judicial court.

to amend section five, chapter one hundred and eleven of the revised statutes, relating to recording conditional notes.

relating to unclaimed goods held by common carriers.

to amend section three of chapter one hundred and forty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to fires.

relating to divorces.

relating to trustee process.

An act relating to recording devises of real estate in the registry of deeds.

to amend chapter one hundred and forty-three of the revised statutes, relating to insane hospital.

to amend section ten of chapter three of revised statutes, relating to auditors of accounts.

to amend section eighteen of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to gates on highways crossed by railroads.

relative to the course of study in normal schools.

in relation to costs in log lien cases.

to amend section seventeen, chapter thirty of the revised statutes, relating to birds.

relating to clerks of judicial courts.

relating to the appointment of trustees in the State college of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of Androscoggin.

to amend section nine of chapter eighty-three of the revised statutes, concerning writs issued by trial justices and police and municipal courts.

additional to chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court.

amendatory of, and in addition to chapter one hundred and thirteen of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors.

relating to the unfinished records of deeds made by the late register of deeds for Cumberland county.

to amend section fourteen of chapter one hundred and sixteen of the revised statutes, relating to costs of parties.

additional to chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, concerning proceedings in court.

to make the thirtieth day of May a legal holiday.

to continue in force chapter ninety-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, providing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

additional to chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to railroads.

An act to amend section one, chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to ways.

for the better security of voluntary trusts.

to amend section fifty-five, chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies.

to amend section fifty-four, chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to returns of foreign insurance companies.

to amend section forty-nine of chapter eighty of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs, officers and constables.

for the better protection of lobsters in the waters of Maine.

to supply the people of the towns of Brunswick and Topsham and of the city of Bath with pure water.

relating to judicial courts.

to restrict the operation of clause eight, section four of chapter one of the revised statutes, relating to the words "insane persons."

relating to ways across railroads.

to amend section sixty-five of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, relating to notice for damage on ways.

to amend chapter one hundred and fifteen, sections one and two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to free high schools.

to amend section five of chapter two of the revised statutes, relating to lands ceded to the United States.

amendatory of and additional to chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, concerning railroads.

in relation to the protection of bottles used by the manufacturers of mineral waters, ginger ale and small beer.

to amend section fifty-three of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the revised statutes, relating to damages on bonds.

to amend section twenty-one of chapter sixty-four of the revised statutes, relating to the appointment, powers and duties of executors.

to amend the public laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to free high schools.

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- An act to amend section ninety-seven of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes.
- amendatory of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to pressed hay.
- to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of York.
- to amend sections sixty-three and sixty-four of chapter forty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to foreign insurance companies.
- to define certain duties of county commissioners.
- explanatory of and additional to chapter twenty-seven of revised statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors.
- further to extend the powers of school districts.
- to amend section twenty-two of chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes, relating to paupers in unincorporated places.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to amend section thirteen of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relating to decisions in the supreme judicial court."
- additional to chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to taxes.
- in addition to chapter ninety of the revised statutes, in relation to the discharge of mortgages.
- to amend chapter six of the revised statutes, concerning taxes.
- authorizing assignees of choses in action to bring actions in their own name.
- to amend section twenty, chapter nine, revised statutes.
- to amend section fourteen of chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the revised statutes, relating to compensation of council in capital cases.
- to amend section one hundred and sixty-seven of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes.
- to amend chapter thirty of the revised statutes, relating to game.
- additional to chapter one hundred and thirty-three of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to the jail system of the State.

- An act to amend chapter fifteen of the revised statutes, relating to cemeteries.
- additional to chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to the adoption of children.
- in addition to chapter ninety of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages.
- to amend chapter forty-four of the general laws of eighteen hundred seventy-two, relating to lands in unincorporated places.
- to amend chapter one hundred and fifty-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, relating to the superior court of Cumberland county.
- to amend section fifty-three of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, relating to appeal from the decision of municipal officers.
- to further protect fish in the interior waters of the State.
- to amend sections fifty-eight and fifty-nine of chapter forty of the revised statutes, relating to fishing.
- to authorize clerks of the supreme judicial courts to appoint deputies.
- to amend section ten, chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, relating to discipline in the state prison.
- relating to the taxation of insurance companies.
- to protect the rights of owners of islands.
- to amend section fifty-one of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to taxing certain lands in unincorporated places.
- to authorize selectmen of towns to establish public watering places.
- to amend section forty-nine of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to the punishment of intoxication.
- to amend chapter one hundred and forty-three of revised statutes, relating to the insane hospital, for the better management of the said hospital, the protection of its inmates, and the regulation of commitments thereto.
- additional to section eighty-six of chapter three hundred and seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-five, relating to armories for military companies.

An act relating to taxation of railroad companies.

additional to chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes,
respecting liability of railroads for paupers.

concerning the militia.

amendatory of an act concerning the militia.

explanatory and amendatory of "an act to amend
section sixty-five of chapter sixty-four of the revised
statutes, relating to embezzlement of property of de-
ceased persons," approved February eighteenth, eigh-
teen hundred and seventy-four.

to repeal "an act to amend chapter eighteen of the revised
statutes, relating to ways in unincorporated places,"
and to amend said chapter.

to repeal section thirty-six of chapter one hundred and
twenty-four of the revised statutes, relating to offences
against morality and decency.

to amend chapter thirty-nine of the revised statutes, relat-
ing to lime and lime casks.

relating to savings banks.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An act to incorporate the Stimson Granite Company.

to incorporate the Bangor Foundry and Machine Company.

to incorporate the Aroostook Valley Dairy Association.

to incorporate the Portland Cordage Company.

to incorporate the Elm Dale Cheese Manufacturing Com-
pany.

to incorporate the Waterford Cheese Factory Association.

to authorize Cyrus J. Hall to extend a wharf or wharves
into tide water in the town of Mount Desert.

to incorporate the Casco Tanning Company.

to incorporate the Hancock Stone Company.

to increase the capital stock of the Barnard Slate Quarry
Company.

granting further time to the Penobscot and Lake Megantic
Railroad Company to locate and complete its railroad.

granting further time to the Northern Aroostook Railroad
Company to locate and complete its railroad.

to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Water Company

- An act to continue in force so much of chapter four hundred sixty-two of the special laws of eighteen hundred sixty-eight, as relates to the fishing interest in Lufkin pond.
- to amend "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Railroad Company."
- to amend "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto,"
- to incorporate the Enterprise Cheese Manufacturing Company of Industry.
- authorizing John Whitmore to construct weirs in the Penobscot river.
- to protect and facilitate the taking of alewives in the Damariscotta river.
- to incorporate the Brooklin Masonic Hall Association.
- to prevent the taking of eels in Southern bay, in the towns of Brooksville and Penobscot.
- to incorporate the Newport Cheese Manufacturing Association.
- to make valid the doings of the town of Mayfield.
- to incorporate the Rockland District Camp Meeting Association.
- authorizing Joseph Church and Company to build and maintain a wharf in tide waters in the town of Bristol.
- authorizing Joseph Church and Company to lay a pipe or aqueduct in tide waters in the town of Bristol.
- authorizing Josiah Hupper to build a wharf in the tide waters of Deep cove on Georges river.
- authorizing William Keene of Bremen to maintain and repair the wharf now owned by him.
- to incorporate the Hancock County Publishing Company.
- to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias of the State of Maine.
- to incorporate the Bath Manufacturing and Commercial Company.
- to incorporate the Kineo Slate Company.
- to incorporate the Farmington Cheese Manufacturing Company.

An act to increase the capital stock of the Mechanic Falls Dairying Association.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Castine and Ellsworth Railroad Company."

to authorize the inhabitants of Kennebunkport to bridge certain tide water creeks.

to incorporate the Katahdin Slate Company.

to incorporate the Fryeburg Cheese Company.

to incorporate the West Tremont Brick Company.

to authorize Perry W. Richardson and others to extend a wharf into the tide water in East Bass harbor, in the town of Tremont.

to make valid the doings of the town of Weston.

to incorporate the Bowdoin Alumni Memorial Hall Association.

to incorporate the Central Wharf Steam Tow-Boat Company.

to increase the capital stock of the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company.

additional to an act to incorporate the Saint Croix Log Driving Company.

to incorporate the Lewiston Benevolent Association.

to confirm the lease of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad to the Consolidated European and North American Railway Company.

to incorporate the Bar Harbor Water Company.

to authorize and empower the Little Androscoggin Water Power Company to carry on the manufacture of gas.

to incorporate the Devine Water Company.

to incorporate the town of Blaine.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to incorporate the Sagadahoc and Cumberland Railroad Company.

to incorporate the Dixfield Centre Cheese Company.

to incorporate the Belfast Marine Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Portland Marine Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Androscoggin Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Dairying Association.

An act to incorporate the Lockwood Cotton Mills.

to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska.

to incorporate the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Asylum.

to incorporate the Old Orchard Beach Association.

to incorporate the Orchard Beach Camp-Meeting Association.

to protect fish in the waters of the town of Raymond.

to incorporate the Canaan Cheese Company.

to abate the State tax of Clinton Gore plantation for the year eighteen hundred seventy-three, and assess the same upon the towns of Clinton and Burnham.

abating a portion of the State tax of Waterville for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-three, and assessing the same upon the town of West Waterville.

to incorporate the Charleston Cheese Factory Association.

to make valid certain doings of the town of Franklin.

to prevent the destruction of white perch in Damariscotta pond.

to incorporate the Chebeague Island Wharf Company.

to incorporate the North Monmouth Cheese Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Kennebec Valley Butter and Cheese Company.

to incorporate the Palermo Cheese Factory Association.

to incorporate the New Gloucester Cheese Company.

to incorporate the New England Rolling Stock Company.

to incorporate the Waldo Dairy Manufacturing Association.

to authorize Benjamin F. Bucknam and Gilbert L. Bucknam to build a wharf into tide waters of Pleasant river.

to incorporate the Corinth Cheese and Canning Factory Association.

to incorporate the Winthrop Cheese Factory Association.

authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Bowdoinham.

to increase the capital stock of the Earl Slate Company.

to legalize the doings of Van Buren plantation.

An act to legalize the doings of school district number eighteen in the town of Bristol.

to incorporate the China Cheese Factory Company.

for the extension of the Somerset Railroad.

to incorporate the North Wayne Cheese Company.

to amend "an act authorizing the Bangor and Piscataquis

Railroad Company to locate and construct branch lines."

additional to the acts establishing the Auburn Aqueduct Company.

to incorporate the Imperial Slate Company.

to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of number three, range three, in Somerset county.

to extend the time for the Aroostook Steamboat Company to commence running steamboats on the Aroostook river.

to incorporate the North Auburn Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Maine Sportsmen's Association.

to make legal the doings of the Livermore Falls Bridge Company.

to repeal chapter six hundred and seventy-five of the private and special laws of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-one, entitled "an act to incorporate the trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity."

to incorporate the Maine Sabbath School Association.

to increase the capital stock of the North Bank at Rockland.

additional to the acts which constitute the charter of Colby University.

for the preservation of pickerel in Lovejoy's pond in Albion.

to incorporate the Trustees of the Eaton Family and Day School at Norridgewock.

establishing the boundaries of the plantation of Medway.

to increase the capital stock of the Saco Water Power Machine Shop.

authorizing Samuel H. Talbot to extend a wharf into the tide waters of East Machias river.

to incorporate the Farmington Slate Company.

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- An act authorizing Mathew Lincoln and Charles Woodman to build a wharf in tide waters of Brewer.
- to repeal "an act to regulate the taking of fish in the Narraguagus river."
- in relation to the salmon, shad and alewife fishery in the Medomak river in the town of Waldoborough.
- to incorporate the Lincolnville Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company.
- to increase the capital stock of the Bodwell Granite Company.
- to incorporate the East Livermore Cheese Factory Association.
- to legalize the doings of school district number four in the town of Burnham.
- to incorporate the Williston Church in Portland.
- authorizing the Dix Island Granite Company to erect and maintain wharves in tide waters on Dix Island.
- to incorporate the Maine Dairymen's Association.
- authorizing the Dix Island Granite Company to erect a bridge or causeway across a bar from Dix island to Birch island.
- to incorporate the Round Pond Telegraph Company.
- to incorporate the Waldq County Dairymen's Association.
- to incorporate the Piscataquis Humane Society.
- to increase the capital stock of the Belfast Foundry Company.
- to amend chapter three hundred and eighty-eight of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to the rights of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Company.
- to confer certain powers upon the city of Portland.
- to incorporate the Oakland Park Association.
- to incorporate the Norridgewock Granite Company.
- to incorporate the Dexter Cheese Factory Company.
- to incorporate the Bethel Cheese Factory Association.
- to incorporate the Exeter Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Corporation.
- to incorporate the Sidney Cheese Factory Company.

An act to incorporate the Saint Croix and Mattawamkeag Railroad Company.

to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

authorizing the Somerset Railroad Company to build a branch to Dodlin Granite Quarry.

to legalize the doings of the town of North Haven.

additional to "an act to incorporate the proprietors of the Bangor bridge."

to authorize the town of Kittery to build a free bridge over tide waters of Spruce creek in said town.

in addition to and amendatory of "an act to incorporate the city of Bath."

to encourage and protect the breeding of trout and landlocked salmon in Letter B pond in the town of Upton.

to incorporate the Ragged Lake Dam Company.

respecting the Edward Little Institute.

to incorporate the Milo Cheese Manufacturing Company.

to authorize D. Knowlton and Company to extend wharves in Camden harbor.

to incorporate the Sandy Stream Dam Company.

to authorize Joseph Stetson and others to extend a wharf into tide waters of Muscongus harbor in Bremen.

to incorporate the Bucksport Water Company.

to incorporate the Searsport Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company.

to amend the charter of the Piscataquis Savings Bank.

to amend chapter ninety-nine of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, entitled "an act to regulate the close-time for the taking of trout in the tributaries of the Androscoggin river."

to amend "an act to incorporate the Auburn Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

to make valid the doings of the Raymond Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to legalize the doings of the town of Vinalhaven.

to establish the lines of Portland harbor in Fore river.

An act to amend "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association."

to amend chapter three hundred and ninety-five of the private and special laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, entitled "an act to amend an act to establish a police court in the city of Rockland."

to establish the compensation of the County Commissioners of Knox county.

to incorporate the New England Slate Company.

authorizing the Maine Central Railroad Company to change its location and construct a new bridge across the Kennebec river.

authorizing reduction of capital stock of the Union Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Madison Pond Slate and Marbleizing Company.

to authorize the Bucksport and Bangor Railroad Company to extend their wharves into tide waters at Bucksport village.

to incorporate the Maine Slate Company.

to amend chapter ninety-five, section one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Columbia and Columbia Falls.

to amend and additional to "an act to establish a municipal court for the town of Brunswick."

to make valid the doings of the town of South Thomaston.

to legalize the doings of school district number two in the town of Linneus.

to incorporate the Madison Slate Company.

to incorporate the Maine Stock Breeders' Association.

authorizing George Dyer of North Haven, to establish a ferry.

to authorize S. P. Hall and others to extend their wharves into tide waters at Bucksport village.

to prevent fishing in Pennesseewassee pond, North pond and Hobbs' pond, in the town of Norway.

An act to prevent the destruction of smelts in the Piscataqua river and its tributaries.

to incorporate the Oakland Ice Company.

to amend section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three, relating to the use of narrow rimmed wheels in Dennysville or Edmunds.

to incorporate the Piscataquis Central Slate Company.

to set off certain territory from the North Kennebec Agricultural Society, and annex the same to the Kennebec Agricultural Society.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth and Deer Isle Telegraph Company."

to incorporate the South Sebec Cheese Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the West New Portland Dairy Association.

to extend the time for the location and completion of the Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad.

to incorporate the Lyndon Cheese Company.

to incorporate the town of Isle au Haut.

to incorporate the Norridgewock Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Central Cheese and Butter Factory of Winterport.

to incorporate the Warren Cheese Factory Company.

to authorize the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Society in Yarmouth to sell their house of worship.

to incorporate the Saint Albans Cheese Association.

to incorporate the Harmony Dairying Association.

to incorporate the Sandy River Slate Company of Farmington.

to authorize Jared C. Nash and others to build a wharf in tide waters in the town of Addison.

to extend the close-time for landlocked salmon, togue and trout, in the St. Croix river and its tributaries.

to incorporate the Air Line Steamship Company.

to authorize the town of Litchfield to raise money for agricultural purposes.

to incorporate the Kennebec Coal, Hay and Ice Company.

An act making valid the doings of the commissioners appointed to establish the location of public lots in Lyndon.

to incorporate the Eastern Slate Company.

to increase the tolls of the Nahmakanta Dam Company.

to incorporate the Damariscotta Steamboat Company.

relating to the Union School District property in the towns of Westbrook and Deering.

to amend chapter thirty of the special laws of eighteen hundred and forty, entitled "an act to prevent obstructions in the Machias river."

additional to "an act to incorporate the Union River Boom Company."

to incorporate the North Anson Cheese and Butter Factory Association.

to regulate fishing in Bunganut pond in the towns of Lyman and Alfred, in York county.

to incorporate the Houlton Dairying Company.

to annex the town of Barnard to the town of Sebec.

to incorporate the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company.

to authorize the assessment and collection of taxes upon the polls and estates of Hamlin's Grant.

to confirm the articles of agreement by and between the European and North American Railway Companies.

to repeal an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company."

to incorporate the Sandy River Telegraph Company.

to legalize the doings of the Trustees and Committee of the Old North Church in Palermo.

to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society.

to incorporate the Mill Owners' Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company."

to incorporate the North Haven Hotel Company.

to incorporate the People's Savings Bank.

for the assessment of a State tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-four thousand two hundred eighty-six dollars fourteen cents.

An act to incorporate the town of Vanceboro'.

to incorporate the Portland Mutual Fishing Insurance Company.

relating to the election of Directors of the Megunticook School District in the town of Camden.

to incorporate the Fairfield and Waterville Horse Railroad Company.

granting a charter to the Alumni Association of Bates College.

to incorporate the Newport Park Association.

to incorporate the Messalonskee and Kennebec Railroad Company.

to amend acts relating to a municipal court for the city of Lewiston.

to incorporate the Unity Cheese Manufacturing Company.

to enable certain towns in the county of Knox to vote upon the proposition for a court house loan.

authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to change its location below Kendall's Mills.

to legalize the doings of the town of Woolwich and to authorize said town to aid Sagadahoc Ferry Company.

to incorporate the First Congregational Parish Society in Belfast.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

TITLES OF RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1874.

Resolve relating to a tax commission.

in favor of Peter Salmore.

in favor Alice McPhail of Presque Isle.

in favor of Charles O. Brown of Moro plantation.

in favor of Silas H. Waldron of Mapleton.

in favor of Isaac W. Clark of Mapleton.

relating to the annual report of the State Treasurer.

in favor of Joseph M. Socklexis.

authorizing the land agent to execute a deed of southwest
quarter of block number nine, in township number
nine, range 6, Aroostook county, to confirm a title.

in favor of George F. Whitney of Presque Isle.

for the purchase of the Maine State year book and legis-
lative manual.

in favor of John Bell of Oakfield plantation.

resolve appropriating three hundred dollars on a road in
the Indian township.

in favor of the road through the Indian township.

in favor of the town of Atkinson.

in favor of John Smith of Maysville.

in favor of James Phair of Limestone plantation.

in favor of Peter Dana's widow.

in favor of the town of Pittston.

in favor of commissioners on claims of settlers on pro-
prietors' lands in the county of Aroostook.

in favor of free common schools in New Sweden.

to furnish certain books to the library of Colby Uni-
versity.

authorizing the county of Kennebec to assist in rebuilding
ing the Learned bridge across the Sebacicook river.

Resolve establishing the valuation of the town of Kingman.

in favor of Jeanne M. Strickland.

in favor of Penobscot tribe of Indians, providing for election of governor, lieutenant governor and representative to the legislature, in case of vacancy.

in favor of George Cutler.

relative to the duties of the land agent.

in favor of Cyrus T. Daniels of Presque Isle.

in favor of inhabitants of Silver Ridge plantation.

in favor of J. W. Ambrose.

for the repair of the Shin Pond road, leading from Patten to the lumbering regions.

in favor of Christian F. Churchill of Washburn.

in favor of Elmira E. Cobb.

in favor of the joint standing committee on the State prison. relating to centennial exhibition.

in favor of bridge across Aroostook river at Caribou.

authorizing the purchase of the right to cut pine and spruce timber on a township of land.

in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.

in favor of Benjamin F. Higgins.

in aid of building a bridge over Wheelock brook in Saint John plantation.

in aid of township letter F, range one, Aroostook county.

in favor of settlers on township F, range one, Aroostook county.

in favor of George Ladner and Jacob L. Ladner.

in favor of Daniel M. Libby.

in favor of Francis Pennett.

in aid of opening a road in Andover north surplus and Grafton.

in favor of Michael Farrell.

in favor of Thomas Lovely.

in aid of building bridge over Little Madawaska river, in township letter K, range two.

in favor of the joint standing committee on the reform school.

Resolves relating to the United States Arsenal at Augusta, Maine.

Resolve in favor of John B. Trafton.

authorizing the location of certain land certificates.

- Resolve in favor of Aroostook county.
relating to ventilation of the halls and committee rooms
of the State house.
in favor of Benjamin Bussey, junior.
to complete the bridge across Molunkus stream.
in aid of repairing the road in the town of Grafton, Oxford
county.
in favor of the joint standing committee on education.
in favor of the town of Kingsbury.
in aid of Mattawamkeag bridge in Bancroft plantation.
in favor of Charles E. Murphy.
in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the
Mechanic Arts.
to furnish certain books in the town of Brooks.
- Resolves providing for the payment of bounties on wild animals
- Resolve in favor of Cyr plantation.
making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.
providing for the payment of the expenses of the com-
mittee on military affairs.
in favor of E. F. Webb.
in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath.
authorizing the Land Agent to purchase proprietors'
interest in lot numbered twenty-seven, township num-
ber eighteen, range seven.
in favor of the town of Fort Fairfield.
in favor of John Bachelder.
in favor of the town of Mayfield.
in favor of road in Castle Hill township, Aroostook
county.
providing for keeping in repair the road from the Forks
to Canada line.
relating to the plans and records in the State Land Office.
in aid of road in Chapman plantation.
authorizing the location of certain land certificates.
in favor of Obediah Skidgel.
in favor of Daniel Fling of Easton.
in favor of the heirs of Josiah Coolidge and Nicholas J.
Thomas.
for the better protection of State property at Eastport.
in favor of Daniel W. Brooks of Temple.

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- Resolve appropriating money to be expended in building a bridge
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laying a tax on the several counties of the State.
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Isle.
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Penobscot tribe of Indians.
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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 ; make up the pay roll of the members ; 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 an 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 ways and means,
On leave of absence,
On change of names.
On bills in the third reading,
On engrossed bills,
On elections,

To consist of seven members each.

On county estimates,

To consist of one member from each county.

On business of the house,

To consist of three members.

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 unnecessarily 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,
- On military affairs,
- On interior waters,
- On state lands and state roads,
- On ways and bridges,
- On fisheries,
- 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 of his absence at such time, 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 ; and the President shall ascertain whether a quorum is present before such reading.

3. When the President speaks he shall address the senate ; when a senator speaks he shall stand in his place and address the President.

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 shall rise to put a question, and 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 reconsider, 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 any time before a decision, or any amendment be made to it.

10. No senator shall address the senate until recognized by the President, nor more than once to the exclusion of any other senator, without leave of the senate, if objection is made, unless he be the mover of the matter under debate, and not then more than three times without leave.

11. No motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment; nor shall an amendment proposing to ingraft a general provision of law upon a private bill, be in order; nor any amendment beyond the second degree.

12. An amendment proposed may be amended before it is adopted, but not afterwards, unless the vote adopting it be first reconsidered, and no senator shall be competent to move any reconsideration unless he voted with the majority and upon the same or a succeeding day; and a motion to reconsider any vote shall not be laid upon the table unless a time shall be specially assigned for its consideration.

13. A motion to reconsider shall take precedence of all other questions except a motion to adjourn; but if made while another question is pending, it shall not be put until the other question is disposed of, but simply entered.

14. 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.

15. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division, shall be divided whenever desired by any member.

16. In filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

17. 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.

18. All bills and resolves in the second reading shall be com-

mitted to the committee on bills in the second reading, to be by them examined, corrected, and so reported to the senate.

19. 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.

20. 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.

21. 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.

22. 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, etc., 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.

23. When the yeas and nays are taken, the names of the senators shall be called alphabetically.

24. 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.

25. 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.

26. No engrossed bill or resolve shall be sent to the house without notice thereof being given to the senate by the President.

27. Every member who shall present a petition, shall place his name thereon and a brief statement of its subject.

28. All confidential communications made by the governor to the senate, shall be by the members thereof kept inviolably sacred until the senate shall by their resolution take off the injunction of secrecy.

29. No rule shall be dispensed with, except by the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

30. Any member of the senate may exchange seats on consulting the President and obtaining his permission.

31. No member shall absent himself from the senate without leave, unless there be a quorum left present.

32. 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.

33. 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.

34. No member of the senate shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the legislature.

35. All messages from the senate to the house, and to the governor, or governor and council, shall be carried by the secretary, unless the senate shall direct some other mode of transmission, and all papers shall be transmitted to the governor and council and the house by the secretary or his assistant.

36. The senate may at any time, upon motion, by 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.

37. 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 :

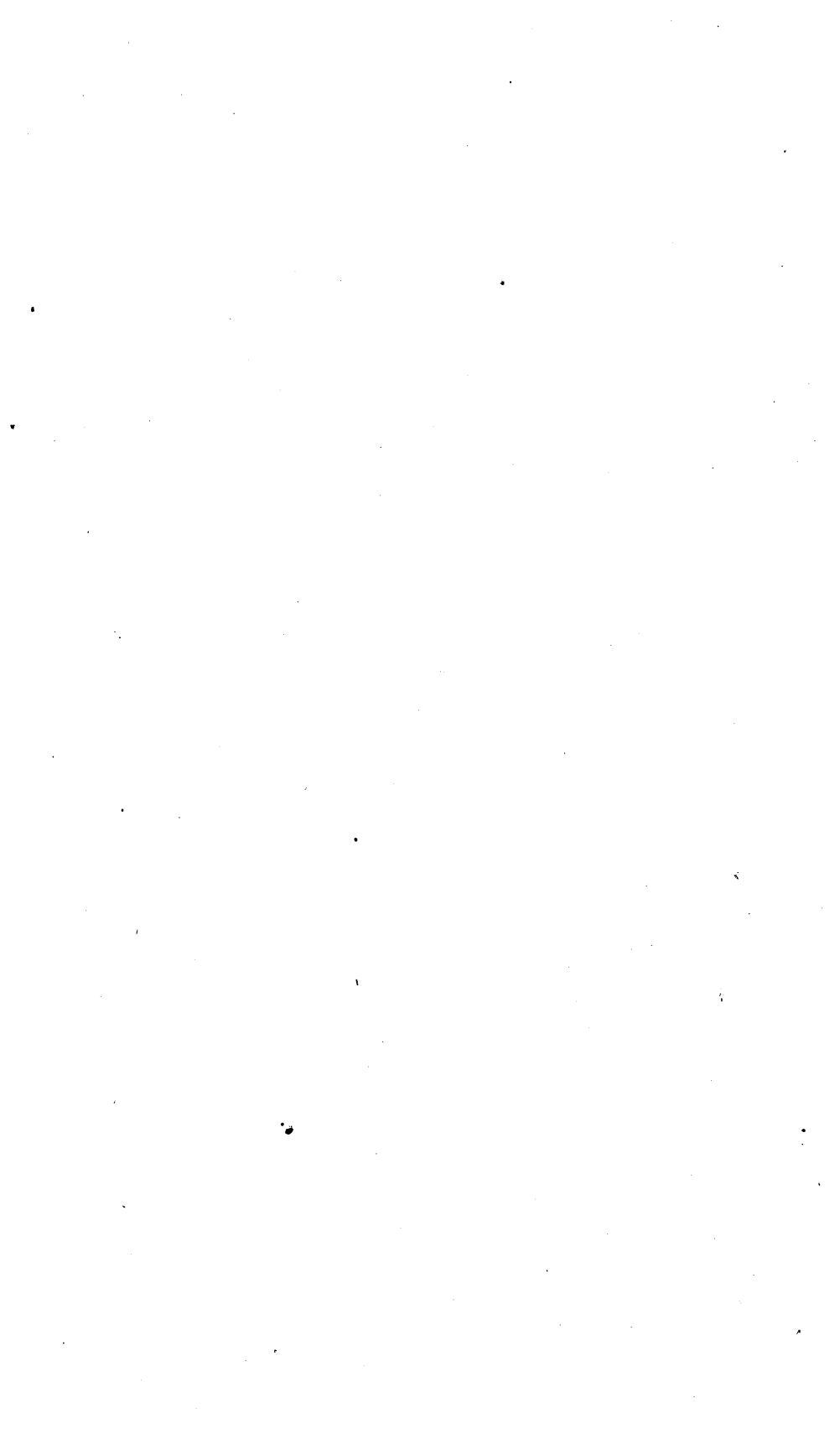
STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, ———, 187 .

[or IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ———, 187 .

Ordered, ———

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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Aroostook Co Delega'n	3	“ settlers of Woodland plantation, for abatement of taxes.
Banks and Banking ..	4	“ S. D. Carleton and others, for amendment of chapter 47 of the revised statutes.
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	6	“ William Percival and others, for relief of Bickford C Mathews.
	7	“ Henry Poor and others, for reimbursement for land overtaxed.
	8	“ Simon F. Walker, for pay for services.
	9	“ Dennis Getchell, for pay for timber.
	10	“ Pulaski McCrillis, for refundment of overcharge of interest.
	11	“ U D. Witherspoon, repayment of money.
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	17	“ E. G. Willard, for abolition of office of inspector general of fish.
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	21	“ O. B. Grant, for exclusive right to raise fish in a certain pond.
	22	“ A. H. Clark and others, for removal of obstructions from Kennebec river.
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	26	Moses Giddings and others, for incorporation of Sebois and Godfrey Falls Log Driving Company.
	27	S. D. Warren and others, for act to prohibit the throwing of edgings, etc., in Presumpscot river.
	28	Gardner and Collins, for amendment of charter of Shin Brook Dam Company.
	29	William Bean and others, for incorporation of Moose Brook Sluiceway.
Judiciary.. ..	30	Joseph Granger and others, for amendment of chapter 256 of laws of 1868
	31	A. W. Miller and others, to have doings of school district No. 1 in Hartland legalized.
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	34	J. C. Leighton and others, for change in school and pauper laws.
	35	Henry S. Staples and others, for amendment of statutes relating to allowance to widows.
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	45	T. F. Houghton and others, for change in school and pauper laws.
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	62	James Strout and others, for change of line between Cherryfield and Milbridge
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	66	A. J. Robinson and others, for repeal of charter of Portland and Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company.
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	69	B. F. Walton and others, for uniform width of sleds and "set over" draft in certain cases.
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Committee.	No	Subject.
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Committee.	No.	Subject.
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	59	“ “ uniform compensation of county and municipal officers.
	60	“ “ the protection of moose and deer.
	61	“ “ interest on accounts after six months.
	62	“ “ amending section 4, chapter 59 of the revised statutes, relating to marriage
	63	“ “ increase of compensation of jurors.
	64	“ “ duties of sheriffs and jailors.
Merc. Affairs and Ins	65	“ “ section 57, chapter 49 of the revised statutes.
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Claims.....	2	Resolve in favor of the town of Brownfield, in the county of Oxford.
Education.....	3	An act to establish the Maine Industrial School for Girls, (Senate Print Doc No 4)
Financial Affairs.....	4	Resolve concerning the Pilgrim Society at Plymouth, Massachusetts, (House Print. Doc No. 7.)
Fisheries.....	5	An act to amend section 45 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes.
	6	An act to protect the rights of the public in the Newcastle and Nobleboro' fisheries.
Judiciary.....	7	An act to facilitate the decisions of issues of fact in civil cases.
	8	An act giving three-fourths of the jury power to render a verdict in civil suits after two disagreements.
	9	An act additional to chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to probate courts.
	10	An act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations, (Senate Print Doc. No. 1)
	11	An act to amend section 4, chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce proceedings.
	12	An act to amend section 11 of chapter 363 of the special laws of 1850, entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Belfast."

OUGHT NOT TO PASS—CONCLUDED.

Committee.	No.	Subject.
Judiciary	13	An act in relation to fees of clerks of courts.
	14	An act to repeal chapter 83 of the public laws of 1872, relating to granting new trials.
	15	An act to amend section 13 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes.
	16	An act additional to chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers.
	17	An act additional to chapter 22 of the revised statutes, relating to division fences.
Legal Affairs	18	An act to amend chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to allowances.
	19	An act to prevent the wanton destruction of birds.
	20	An act relating to the filing of declarations.
	21	An act to amend chapter 81, section 56 of the revised statutes, relating to attachments of real estate.
	22	An act additional to chapter 113 of the revised statutes, relating to poor debtors.
	23	An act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to juries.
	24	An act additional to chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to liens on horses for stabling.
Military Affairs.....	25	An act to revive the provisions of section 2 of chapter 63 of the laws of 1861, relating to raising ten regiments.
Railroads	26	An act relating to railroad connections.
St. Lands & St. Roads	27	Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians.
Ways and Bridges....	28	An act additional to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of the Bangor Bridge.
	29	Resolve in favor of State aid for building bridges across Sebois stream, Sawtelle brook, and the thoroughfare between Patten and Chamberlain lake.

PACKAGE NUMBER FOUR.

INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

Agriculture	1	An act to better protect sheep husbandry from destruction by dogs, (House Print Doc. No. 52.)
	2	An act to establish the measure of milk.
Education.....	3	An act to amend section 51, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the powers and duties of Supervisors and Superintending School Committees.
	4	An act to amend section 39 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to close-time on trout, salmon and togue.
Judiciary	5	An act to amend section 47 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to illegal fishing.
	6	An act to amend chapter 86 of the revised statutes, relating to trustee process.
	7	An act relating to the taking of testimony in equity cases.
	8	An act repealing chapter 41 of the revised statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers.
	9	An act to provide for the appointment of deputy clerks of courts
Legal Affairs	10	An act concerning proceedings in capital cases.
	11	An act to amend section 6 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes.
	12	An act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to the settlement of paupers.
	13	An act to amend section 45 of chapter 113 of the revised statutes, in relation to the support of debtors in jail.

INDEFINITELY POSTPONED—CONCLUDED.

Committee.	No.	Subject.
Legal Affairs	14	An act additional to chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest.
Library	15	Resolve to amend a resolve approved February 27th, 1872, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments.
No Committee.....	16	An act relating to the commitment of certain classes to the Reform School.
	17	An act authorizing the Governor and Council to take testimony in certain cases.

PACKAGE NUMBER FIVE.

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	2	Order relating to sale of eggs by weight.
	3	Petition of W. H. Vinal and others for cattle to run at large in Vinalhaven.
	4	Petition of Thomas Herbert and others, for act to incorporate Bristol Agricultural Society.
	5	Petition of Frank Ingals and others, cattle to run at large in Passadumkeag village.
Commerce	6	Petition of T. L. Roberts, wharf in Eden.
Counties	7	Petition of citizens of Lincoln and others, incorporation of county of Appleton.
Education	8	Order relating to distribution of school money on basis of average attendance.
	9	Petition of M. Gould and others, change of Bridgton Academy to State Normal School.
Financial Affairs.....	10	Account of the Railroad Commissioners.
Fisheries	11	An act to amend an act to establish the Cumberland and Oxford Canal.
	12	Petition of Joseph Card and others, change of porgie law.
	13	Petition of Franklin Teague and others, protection of eels in Damariscotta river
	14	Petition of C. H. Phipps and others, repeal of chapter 379, laws of 1846, relating to migratory fishes.
Interior Waters.....	15	Petition of Mellen Gilmore and others, wharves and piers in Brewer and Eddington.
	16	Petition of M S Drummond and others, incorporation of the Allegash Dam Company.
	17	Petition of Barak Maxwell and others, bridge and highway in Wells.
Judiciary	18	An act to incorporate the Marginal Railway Company.
	19	An act to promote efficiency of police in the city of Portland.
	20	Memorial of George M. Weston.
Legal Affairs	21	An act respecting school district No. 7 in the town of Westbrook.
Oxford Co. Delegation	22	Petition of inhabitants of Newry, reduction of State valuation.
Railroads	23	Petition of Bangor and Calais Shore Line Railroad Company, for bridge at Verona.
St. Lands & St. Roads	24	Petition of Silas Colborn and others, aid on road from Pat-ten to Golden Ridge; also of Ole Hanson and others.
	25	Resolve relating to settlers' lots under the treaty of Wash-ington.
Temperance	26	Petition of inhabitants of Dexter, sale of domestic wines.

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Committee.	No.	Subject.
Towns	27	Petition of Alpheus Packard, set off, Peru to Canton.
	28	Petition of John A. Green and others, set off, Bluehill to Surry.
	29	Petition of Nason Ingalls and others, Woodville and Mat-tawamkeag, set off.
	30	Petition of William Emery and others, set off, Berwick to North Berwick.
Ways and Bridges....	31	Order relating to requiring counties to maintain bridges.
	32	Petition of William B. Hayford, aid for bridge at Med-way.
	33	Petition of Alphin Twitchell and others, repeal of law au-thorizing toll at Parker's ferry.
Ways and Means....	34	Order relating to taxation of houses of religious worship.
	35	Petition of municipal officers of West Waterville, adjust-ment of valuation and taxes
	36	Petition of inhabitants of Macwahoc plantation.
	37	Petition of F. Shaw and Brothers.
	38	Resolve abating part of the State tax of Perkins plantation and assessing the same upon the town of Carthage.
York Co. Delegation..	39	An act to establish a superior court in and for the county of York.
No Committee.....	40	An act to authorize Charles B. Paine to extend a wharf into tide waters in Eastport.
	41	An act to incorporate the Leeds Manufacturing Company.
	42	Petition of D. Wellington and others, incorporation of State of Maine Mineral and Stone Company
	43	Petition of inhabitants of Crystal plantation.
	44	Petition of William P. Ball and others.
	45	Petition of R. D. Cummings and others.
	46	Petition of heirs of Samuel Emery
	47	Petition of George B. Leavitt and others.
	48	Petition of D. T. Sanders and others, and remonstrance of D. S. Harrington and others.

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	3	Resolve in favor of Benjamin Smith.

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No Committee.....	4	An act relating to railroad connections.
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