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STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 23, 1897. }

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House prepare, and cause to be printed under his supervision, one thousand copies of the Journal of the House for the current session.

Passed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

A true copy. Attest:

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

Journal of the House.

STATE OF MAINE.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, January 6, 1897.

Pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the State, the members of the House of Representatives elect assembled in the Hall of the House and were called to order by W. S. Cotton, Clerk of the House of 1895.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

The following communication from the Secretary of State was read by the Clerk:

STATE OF MAINE.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

In compliance with section 25, chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes, I hereby certify that the following are the names and residences of the Representatives elect to the Sixty-Eighth Legislature, as appears by the reports of the Governor and Council under dates of October 21, 1896; December 16, 1896; January 5, 1897; January 6, 1897.

ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY—II.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Residences.</i>
Benjamin F. Briggs.....	Auburn.
James P. Hutchinson.....	Auburn.
J. A. Rowell.....	East Livermore.
Frank L. Noble.....	Lewiston.
George W. Furbush.....	Lewiston.
Charles A. Forest.....	Lewiston.
Archie L. Talbot.....	Lewiston.
Walter E. Plummer.....	Lisbon.
B. M. Fernald.....	Poland.
Almon C. Day.....	Turner.
Joseph W. Sawyer.....	Wales.

AROOSTOOK COUNTY—12.

Albert L. Chandler.....	Bridgewater.
Carl C. King.....	Caribou.
Edward L. Houghton.....	Fort Fairfield.
William Dickey.....	Fort Kent.
Maxime P. Gagnon.....	Frenchville.
George H. Gilman.....	Houlton.
Major W. Bither.....	Linneus.
Newell D. Smith.....	Masardis.
George H. Smith.....	Presque Isle.
A. P. Daggett.....	Smyrna.
Fred B. Violette.....	Van Buren.
Henry B. Pratt.....	Woodland.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY—21.

Winburn M. Staples.....	Bridgton.
Sumner L. Holbrook.....	Brunswick.
Richard Cook.....	Casco.
Nelson M. Shaw.....	Cumberland.
Myron E. Moore.....	Deering.
Winthrop C. Fogg.....	Freeport.
Elbridge M. Wilson.....	Gorham.
James T. Hancock.....	Gray.
Seth L. Larrabee.....	Portland.
William J. Knowlton.....	Portland.
Frederick D. Winslow.....	Portland.
Arthur W. Merrill.....	Portland.
John Howard Hill.....	Portland.
Wilbur C. Whelden.....	Portland.
John M. Kaler.....	Scarboro.
P. P. Larrabee.....	Sebago.
Melville B. Fuller.....	South Portland.
William S. Thompson.....	Standish.
Thurston S. Burns.....	Westbrook.
Joseph Lewis Robinson.....	Windham.
Harlan P. Prince.....	Yarmouth.

FRANKLIN COUNTY—4.

George M. Currier.....	Farmington.
Samuel B. Luce.....	New Vineyard.
J. Harvey Conant.....	Strong.
Cyrus N. Blanchard.....	Wilton.

HANCOCK COUNTY—9.

J. Herbert Patten.....	Amherst.
John M. Merrill.....	Blue Hill.
Melvin D. Chatto.....	Brooksville.
Isaac Britton.....	Bucksport.
Stephen B. Thurlow.....	Deer Isle.
Edward B. Rodick.....	Eden.
Hutson B. Saunders.....	Ellsworth.
Joseph M. Hutchins.....	Penobscot.
Henry Boynton.....	Sullivan.

KENNEBEC COUNTY—13.

W. H. Williams.....	Augusta.
George E. Macomber.....	Augusta.
Henry W. Golder.....	Belgrade.
G. F. Tarbell.....	Benton.
Thomas Searls.....	Chelsea.
Josiah S. Maxcy.....	Gardiner.
D. K. Jewell.....	Hallowell.
Herbert M. Starbird.....	Litchfield.
Charles S. Pope.....	Manchester.
Albion P. Cram.....	Mt. Vernon.
Barrett A. Cox.....	Randolph.
Henry D. B. Ayer.....	Vassalboro.
Warren C. Philbrook.....	Waterville.

KNOX COUNTY—8.

Milton Thurston.....	Appleton.
Fred R. Spear.....	Rockland.
Wm. H. Fogler.....	Rockland.
Clarence E. McIntire.....	Rockport.

Charles E. Lane.....	St. George.
James A. Levensaler.....	Thomaston.
Benjamin Burton.....	Union.
Fred E. Littlefield.....	Vinalhaven.

LINCOLN COUNTY—5.

Daniel Mason.....	Bristol.
Ephraim Burnham.....	Edgecomb.
Albert J. Ames.....	Jefferson.
Thomas J. York.....	Nobleboro.
Austin P. Greenleaf.....	Southport.

OXFORD COUNTY—6.

C. E. Cushman.....	Andover.
Harlan P. Wheeler.....	Gilead.
Edward W. Penley.....	Greenwood.
Almon Young.....	Hiram.
George E. Brown.....	Milton Pl.
Isaac Rounds.....	Paris.

PENOBSCOT COUNTY—17.

Joab W. Palmer.....	Bangor.
Isaiah K. Stetson.....	Bangor.
Charles S. Pearl.....	Bangor.
Frank A. Floyd.....	Brewer.
Alexander M. Tolman.....	Carroll.
William I. Burrill.....	Corinna.
Charles E. Edmunds.....	Corinth.
Andrew P. Andrews.....	Garland.
George W. Smith.....	Hampden.
Charles W. Fernald.....	Levant.
Nathaniel M. Jones.....	Lincoln.
James H. Hamilton.....	Mattawamkeag.
Eben S. Goodrich.....	Maxfield.
Mellen A. Austin.....	Milford.
Amos W. Knowlton.....	Newburg.
George P. Longley.....	Old Town.
A. J. Durgin.....	Orono.

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY—4.

Frank E. Guernsey.....	Dover.
Marcellus L. Hussey.....	Guilford.
David A. Hathorn.....	Medford.
Hiram V. Hatheway.....	Willimantic.

SAGADAHOC COUNTY—4.

Harold M. Sewall.....	Bath.
William T. Donnell.....	Bath.
Noble Maxwell.....	Richmond.
F. H. Purinton.....	Topsham.

SOMERSET COUNTY—7.

C. C. Kinsman.....	Cornville.
George G. Weeks.....	Fairfield.
Reuel H. Reed.....	Harmony.
Danville S. Moore.....	Moscow.
Henry S. Whiting.....	Norridgewock.
Alonzo H. Burse.....	Pittsfield.
Lyman L. Walton.....	Skowhegan.

WALDO COUNTY—6.

William L. Littlefield.....	Belfast.
Albert Peirce.....	Frankfort.
Arthur V. Martin.....	Liberty.
Phineas G. Hurd.....	Northport.
James H. Kneeland.....	Searsport.
S. A. Coffin.....	Thorndike.

WASHINGTON COUNTY—10.

Osmond A. Holmes.....	Addison.
Lewis O. Dudley.....	Brookton.
George A. Murchie.....	Calais.
Forrest S. Stevens.....	Cutler.
Lyman K. Gardner.....	Dennysville.
Everard E. Newcomb.....	Eastport.

W. R. Pattangall.....	Machias.
William H. Lincoln.....	Perry.
Benjamin B. Murray.....	Pembroke.
Robert A. Davis.....	Steuben.

YORK COUNTY—14.

Samuel H. Garvin.....	Acton.
Edward F. Gowell.....	Berwick.
Benjamin F. Hamilton.....	Biddeford.
Frederick M. O'Neil.....	Biddeford.
Samuel B. Shepard.....	Buxton.
Charles K. Littlefield.....	Kennebunk.
Frank E. Rowell.....	Kittery.
Cyrus W. Murphy.....	Lyman.
George E. Mitchell.....	Newfield.
Joseph H. Shaw.....	Saco.
Willis E. Sanborn.....	Sanford.
James E. Coffin.....	Shapleigh.
Albert Goodwin.....	South Berwick.
Joseph W. Simpson.....	York.

In testimony whereof I have caused the seal of the State to be hereunto affixed at Augusta, this sixth day of January, A. D. eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and twenty-first.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN,

Secretary of State.

The certified roll of Representatives elect was called by the Clerk and 146 members responded to the call, and a quorum found to be present.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Messrs. Murray,
Knowlton of Portland,
Talbot of Lewiston,
Currier of Farmington,
Macomber of Augusta,
Levensaler of Thomaston,
Young of Hiram,

were appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor and inform him that a quorum of the members of the House of Representatives elect 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. MURRAY subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend upon the Representatives elect for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution.

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

The Governor and suite then retired.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Messrs. Hamilton,
Hussey of Guilford,
Maxwell of Richmond,
Whiting of Norridgewock,
Shaw of Saco,
Hill of Portland,
Patten of Amherst,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Speaker.

Mr. HAMILTON subsequently reported:

Whole number of votes cast.....	138
Necessary for a choice.....	70
Seth L. Larrabee had.....	138

The report was accepted and Hon. Seth L. Larrabee, having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth Legislature for the years 1897-1898.

The Speaker elect was conducted to the chair by Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Mr. LARRABEE said:

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

I am pleased to accept the high office to which you have elected me with such unanimity. I appreciate the great responsibilities and the important duties which I assume by such acceptance. Your coöperation and assistance is earnestly solicited and will be constantly required to enable me to discharge the difficult and peculiar duties of the position which you have assigned me. I shall endeavor to be faithful to the interests of the State and to serve you fairly and impartially. I hope thereby to retain the esteem of those among you whose friendship I now enjoy, and to merit the confidence which those, with whom I have little or no acquaintance, have so generously by their votes, expressed.

We are here assembled to discharge a great trust which the people of Maine have committed to us. We have no sovereign but the people. From them we come, for them we shall act, and to them we shall be accountable for what we do. Unto our keeping they have entrusted all their laws and rules of civil government. They have made us the stewards of their educational, penal, reformatory and charitable institutions. They have appointed us to measure the burden of taxation which they shall bear and to apportion it equitably and without unjust discrimination. They have made us arbiters of all new and proposed legislation. If one good and salutary law is lost to them, or one bad or pernicious law enacted by this Legislature, we shall be responsible, for no law can be repealed or enacted save by our consent. Responsibility always induces conservatism. We should be slow to change existing laws or to enact new ones unless we are satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that such action will be wise and progressive. Our individual business experiences of the past few years of financial depression have taught us lessons of prudence and economy that we may well bring and apply to the consideration of State affairs. No appropriation of the people's money should be made save in response to the urgent demands of public necessity. The people of Maine are an industrious and prosperous people. Industry recognizes the necessity of taxation and bears it generously, but halts if it becomes excessive. Prosperity is aided and

increased universally as taxation is decreased and lightened. We should take from the savings and the property of our people for public use by way of taxation as little as we consistently can, and provide for the public welfare. But while we enter upon our duties with a determination to be reasonably prudent and economical we must not forget that the motto of our State is an ambitious motto, that our laws should reflect the best thought of the progressive times in which we live, that our institutions should be liberally supported and maintained at that standard and grade which will produce the greatest efficiency, that old ways and means are not necessarily the best because they are old, nor new ways and means essentially bad because they are new. Of the old we should be conservative; of the new considerate. I know that we shall each of us approach the consideration of the varied questions which shall be submitted to this Legislature with an honest purpose, and I trust that we shall dispose of them all with wisdom and discretion. Thanking you sincerely for the great honor you have bestowed in appointing me to direct your deliberations, I await the pleasure of the House. (Applause.)

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,

Messrs. Newcomb,
Simpson of York,
Plummer of Lisbon,
Burrill of Corinna,
Lane of St. George,
Thompson of Standish,
Daggett of Smyrna,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Clerk of the House.

Mr. NEWCOMB subsequently reported:

Whole number of votes cast.....	136
Necessary for a choice.....	69
W. S. Cotton had.....	136

The report was accepted and W. S. Cotton having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Clerk of the House for the Sixty-Eighth Legislature of Maine.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook,

Messrs. Burns,
Houghton of Fort Fairfield,
Fernald of Poland,
Britton of Bucksport,
Kaler of Scarboro,
Peirce of Frankfort,
Davis of Steuben,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Assistant Clerk of the House.

Mr. BURNS subsequently reported:

Whole number of votes cast.....	137
Necessary for a choice.....	69
E. M. Thompson had.....	137

The report was accepted and E. M. Thompson having received a majority of the votes cast was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk of the House for the Sixty-Eighth Legislature of Maine.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

That gentleman notified the Governor of the organization of the House, by the election of Hon. Seth L. Larrabee, as Speaker, W. S. Cotton as Clerk and E. M. Thompson as Assistant Clerk.

The same information was conveyed to the Senate by Mr. Knowlton of Portland.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,

That gentleman conducted 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, and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that the Clerk and Assistant Clerk had taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Thereupon W. S. Cotton, Clerk, and E. M. Thompson, Assistant Clerk, appeared and entered upon the discharge of their official duties.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk of the House of 1895.

A message was received from the Senate by Senator PARSONS of Piscataquis, notifying the House of the organization of the Senate by the election of Hon. Albert R. Day as President, Kendall M. Dunbar as Secretary and Amos K. Butler as Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mr. JEWELL of Hallowell,

Ordered, That George H. Fisher be Messenger, William J. Smith be First Assistant Messenger, Fred A. Stevens be Second Assistant Messenger, Walter I. Neal be Mail Carrier, Harry P. Hawes be Assistant Mail Carrier, J. F. Frederic be First Folder, Chapin Lydstone be Second Folder, Louis J. Brann be Third Folder, R. C. Noyes be First Door Keeper, Walter D. Bean be Second Door Keeper and that the Speaker appoint the Pages.

On motion of Mr. WINSLOW of Portland,

Ordered, That the Rules and Orders of the last House of Representatives be adopted for the government of this House until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House furnish a catalogue containing the names of members alphabetically arranged with the residences, post office address, boarding place, occupation, politics, number of seat and diagram of the House and that the usual number of copies be printed and distributed.

On motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Brunswick,

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

On motion of Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston,

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, one copy of Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer and one copy of Cushing's Manual.

On motion of Mr. JEWELL of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the sum of thirty dollars and usual mileage be allowed and paid L. H. Hammond for services rendered by him at this session as Assistant Mail Carrier.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,

Ordered, That the sum of thirty dollars and usual mileage be allowed and paid Silas S. Holbrook for services rendered by him at this session as Third Folder.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations in this State, for the political years of 1897 and 1898, be referred to a joint select committee of seven on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

Came from the Senate read and passed with committee appointed as follows:

Messrs. Clason of Kennebec,
Pike of York,
Reynolds of Cumberland,
Sharp of Aroostook,
Hinkley of Franklin,
Roberts of Oxford,
Merrill of Somerset.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and the following committee joined on the part of the House.

Messrs. Whelden of Portland,
Briggs of Auburn,
Gilman of Houlton,
Blanchard of Wilton,
Hutchins of Penobscot,
Searls of Chelsea,
McIntire of Rockport,
York of Nobleboro,
Rounds of Paris,
Floyd of Brewer,
Guernsey of Dover,
Purinton of Topsham,
Burse of Pittsfield,
Martin of Liberty,
Pattangall of Machias,
Gowell of Berwick.

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting the official returns of votes for Governor cast at the September

election, 1896, was referred to the Committee on Gubernatorial votes in concurrence.

Communication from same, transmitting the official returns of votes for Representatives to the Sixty-eighth Legislature, was received and tabled, on motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering, pending appointment of House Committee on Elections.

The Speaker appointed as pages of the House for this session, Edward W. Delano of Abbot and Henry J. Mitchell of Springvale.

On motion of Mr. WINSLOW of Portland, adjourned to tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, January 7, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cummings of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the joint Rules and orders of 1895 and 1896 be adopted as the Rules and Orders of this legislature, until otherwise ordered.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be instructed to invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to officiate at the opening services of the House during the present session.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That every bill or resolve reported in the House of Representatives by a Committee or laid upon the table by leave, shall be printed and distributed in the House 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.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish each member and officer of the House with postage stamps to the amount of ten dollars.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be authorized to procure the services of a typewriter during the present session of the Legislature.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, presented the following resolutions:

Voicing the sentiment of the people and press of Maine, the House of Representatives desires to place on record its recognition of the distinguished services rendered by the retiring Governor. Therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to Hon. Henry B. Cleaves, who has guided the ship of State for four years, our recognition of his honorable services, faithful to every trust, diligent in the performance of all public duties, devoted to the interests of the whole State, he has met every emergency and given to the people of Maine an upright, honest and dignified administration. He has been the Governor of all. The doors of the Executive chamber have always been open to every citizen of the State, and the humblest has never been turned away without a patient and respectful hearing. He retires from the high office he has so ably and faithfully filled with the confidence, respect and affection of the whole people.

Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston said:

It gives me great pleasure to second the passage of the resolution just read. I can add nothing to the high encomium pronounced by the language of the resolution. The administration of the retiring Governor is safe and secure from all assaults. The archives of the State are in the hearts of the people, in the prosperity and contentment everywhere. And as he leaves his high office he carries with him the love, confidence and trust of the entire people of this State, the highest tribute which it is the good fortune of any citizen of this State to obtain. It gives me pleasure to second the passage of this resolution.

Mr. FOGLER of Rockland said:

I desire to add a brief tribute showing my appreciation of the distinguished gentleman who for four years past has so ably, so faithfully and so impartially administered the affairs of the State. I shall attempt to add nothing to the language of the resolution which very fully expresses my own opinion of the man, my admiration of his character and of his ability. In behalf of my own city and my own county and my section of the State, I most heartily and earnestly and sincerely second the resolution offered by the gentleman from Waterville.

The resolution received a unanimous passage by a rising vote.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial votes, came from the Senate, amended as per sheet "A" and as amended accepted.

Whole number of votes returned for Governor.....	123,804
Llewellyn Powers had.....	82,742
Melvin P. Frank had.....	34,419
Ammi S. Ladd had.....	2,696
Luther C. Bateman had.....	3,306
William H. Clifford had.....	610
Scattering	31

and Llewellyn Powers having received a plurality of all the votes returned, is duly elected Governor for the current political years 1897 and 1898.

[Signed]

OLIVER B. CLASON,

WILBUR C. WHELDEN,

Chairmen.

Your Committee further report that the above totals do not include the vote of the town of Littleton which is returned as follows:

For Governor, Powers had 134; Frank had 34; Ladd had 18.

Your committee beg to leave the disposal of this vote to the decision of the Legislature.

[Signed]

OLIVER B. CLASON,

WILBUR C. WHELDEN,

Chairmen.

Senate amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the report as amended was accepted in concurrence.

Ordered, That a committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon the Honorable Llewellyn Powers, and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political years of 1897 and 1898.

Came from the Senate read and passed with

Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook,
Parsons of Piscataquis,
Drummond of Cumberland,

appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and

Messrs. Palmer of Bangor,
Forest of Lewiston,
Macomber of Augusta,
Thompson of Standish,
Murchie of Calais,
Luce of New Vineyard,
Cram of Mt. Vernon,

were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Palmer subsequently reported that the committee had discharged its duty and that the Governor-elect was pleased to say that he accepted the office to which he had been elected, and would meet the Legislature at such time as it 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 by Mr. Dunbar, Secretary of that body, proposing a joint convention to be held in the Hall of the House of Representatives this day, forthwith, for the purpose of administering to the Honorable Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and asking the concurrence of the House.

On motion of Mr. FLOYD of Brewer, the House concurred and the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that body of the concurrence of the

House in the proposition for a joint convention for the purpose of administering to the Honorable Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of his office.

The hour for administering the necessary oaths to the Honorable Governor-elect, having arrived the Senate came in and a convention was formed. Hon. Albert R. Day, President of the Senate, presiding.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. CLASON of Kennebec,

Messrs. Clason,

Ferguson of Sagadahoc,

Floyd of Brewer,

Philbrook of Waterville,

Moore of Deering,

Gilman of Houlton,

Starbird of Litchfield,

were appointed a committee to wait upon the Honorable Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, to inform him that the two branches of the Legislature were in convention assembled in the Representatives' Hall, and ready to administer to him the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties and to receive from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

Mr. Clason subsequently reported that the committee had delivered the message with which it was charged, and that the Governor-elect had been pleased to say that he would forthwith, attend upon the convention.

Whereupon Honorable Llewellyn Powers, Governor-elect, attended by the Executive Council and heads of departments, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature, in convention assembled, before the President of the Senate, Hon. Albert R. Day, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Hon. Nicholas Fessenden, Secretary of State, then made the following proclamation:

PROCLAMATION.

The votes given in on the fourteenth day of September last in the cities, towns and plantations of the State, for Governor, the returns of which have been made to the office of Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the Legislature, which has declared that a plurality thereof were given to Llewellyn Powers, 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 Llewellyn Powers is Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the State of Maine, and that due obedience should be rendered to all his lawful acts and commands as such.

GOD SAVE THE STATE OF MAINE.

The Governor then communicated to the convention by address, information upon the condition of the State, as follows:

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

Called and chosen by the voters of the State of Maine to legislate in and for their interests and welfare, during the years 1897 and 1898, we have, one and all of us I sincerely believe, accepted this trust and duty, with a proper appreciation of its importance and many responsibilities; and also with a special determination that whatever has been committed to us to do shall be performed with strict fidelity and unselfish devotion.

At the commencement of this new year we have very much for which to be truly thankful. Our people have been and are to-day signally blest with peace, plenty, and general health and happiness. During the past year the products of our farms have been the most fruitful ever known. The skies are already brightening in our State and Nation with the promise of greater coming industrial prosperity. The clouds of depression and

distrust, that have to a great extent injured and paralyzed our industries, are, we hope, fast melting away, and we even now perceive evidences of the dawning of the day when we shall reap and enjoy the beneficial effects, resulting from the recent verdict of the American people in favor of sound currency, protection and good government. Certainly we have escaped all immediate danger of partial repudiation of our public and private indebtedness and practical confiscation of the assets of the industrious and saving. I have an abiding faith that with confidence restored, prosperity and enterprise will ere long once more return to rule and bless our land.

Maine during the past four years has had a steady, though not rapid growth, and has been moving onward in the right direction, building railroads, and developing some of our vast resources, and I believe that I may confidently predict that the immediate future has in store for us much better and greater progress than we have ever before realized or enjoyed.

Our young men have, very generally, ceased to emigrate to the far West as soon as they are old enough to commence life for themselves. They are beginning to learn and realize the important truth, that at home are to be found more certain inducements and advantages, with much less of hardship, suffering and privation.

Our people have learned, in the stern school of experience, to their sorrow and cost, that a large part of the many millions of money that have been sent westward to enrich and build up that section, and to be invested in all sorts of wild and visionary schemes, will never be returned to them again; and they will no longer permit themselves to be deluded and deceived by specious pretences and false promises rarely ever to be realized. We may therefore reasonably hope that their savings, hereafter, will be largely employed in more fully developing the resources of our own State.

It is sad to contemplate what vast strides we might have made in material prosperity, wealth, and population, if the large sums that have been sent abroad and lost, had been kept at home and

carefully invested in legitimate enterprises here. For there were, and are, ample opportunities to use this money in Maine. Factories and mills might now be using our magnificent water powers which are running to waste.

To check this tendency, and to induce our savings banks to invest more largely in Maine, the Legislature of 1893 enacted a law,—which action I cheerfully and gladly supported,—providing for a lighter tax on home investments thereafter made. At the time of its passage I believed the discrimination to be good policy—but too small. I am more firmly convinced of it now than I was then.

The promise of large interests or profits is easily and often made by those who can only repay either principal or interest in case some deal or utopian scheme shall succeed, and yet these flattering assurances have too often found confiding individuals and institutions who have been induced to place faith in them.

We can with confidence call the attention of capital everywhere to the bright prospects and many undeveloped resources of our State, and to the certainty that all investors and investments will not suffer from unfriendly legislation, and will be fairly and equitably treated and protected by equal, just, and wise laws.

We point with just pride and gratification to our State, to its position, past and present, in the councils of the Nation. We have a good soil, a healthy and invigorating climate, an unrivaled seacoast, excellent harbors, splendid scenery, beautiful lakes and rivers, extensive and magnificent forests, and a general diffusion of education and knowledge free to all. In none is the standard of excellence and intelligence higher.

Every person within our borders enjoys fully the blessings of personal liberty and individual security.

Our many miles of seacoast, with its cool bracing air in mid-summer, dotted o'er with comfortable and often elegant summer cottages and hotels, indented with numerous harbors, bays, and inlets, present to the summer tourist or resident unrivaled advantages and attractions.

Our vast forests abound with moose, deer, caribou, and other game. Our streams, lakes, rivers, and bays, well stocked with many varieties of fish, offer to sportsmen unequaled attractions, and bring, with each recurring year, large and steadily increasing numbers of people, whose sojourn here is pleasant, healthful, and beneficial to themselves and profitable to many of our own citizens.

Certainly it would seem that we have ample inducements to retain our own people, and to draw those to us from other lands who are desirable and worthy to enjoy these advantages with us.

The burdens of taxation in most of our towns are comparatively light, but must necessarily be somewhat commensurate with the privileges enjoyed. We cannot reasonably expect to have good schools, good roads, good municipal government, and all the comforts and blessings of a highly civilized community, without paying for them, and I believe that the tax payers, generally, are willing to do so. They do, however, rightly insist that the assessment, as far as possible, be made to bear equally and equitably upon all property and residents. People do not complain of taxation which is burdensome, if they are convinced of its necessity and equality. We had ample evidence of this during, and for a time after, the close of the late Civil War.

It is sometimes said that if certain species of property is taxed the possessors or owners will leave the State. It is not worth while to bribe such men to stay here by omitting to tax them or their assets. The man who will not willingly bear his fair share, but desires to load it upon his neighbors, we can well spare.

All farms, timber lands, mills, factories, railroads, and the like are certain to be included in the tax gatherer's list, and should not be compelled to pay unreasonably high taxes by reason of other assessable property escaping taxation.

In this connection I would urgently impress upon this Legislature the advisability of going slow and using great care in exempting property from taxation. The tendency in this direc-

tion should be checked. It was one of the greatest evils of the middle ages.

To exempt or to fail to tax is simply to add so much more to the amount placed upon property which is included in the lists; and often this additional burden is placed upon property that can ill afford to bear it.

The biennial State Valuation of the State Board of Assessors will contain very important information for your consideration. It will show a steady though not very large increase in wealth, and, judging by the increase in the number of polls, there must have been an additional increase in population of 15,000 in the last two years.

The wisdom of the Legislature in creating this Board has been fully justified by experience and the faithful work it has done.

Under the old system once in ten years only were values equalized and changed. Under the new this takes place every two years and keeps the amount of tax assessed more equitable and proportionate to the value of property in the various cities and towns.

Now our valuations, upon which State and county taxes are assessed, readily respond to and are based upon any changes in value very soon after they occur.

I am glad to know that the Board of Assessors have not so much endeavored to be able to show a large increase in wealth as to more thoroughly equalize the values placed upon property, and it is gratifying to learn that, acting under this rule, notwithstanding a large deduction of \$3,814,535.00 from vessel property, which they were compelled to make under the shipping act of 1895, they are still able to report an increase in these times of depression of \$4,022,628.00.

In the end there can be no doubt that it is the part of wisdom not to create imaginary values on paper, but to act under the rule, which has guided the assessors in making their valuation, that no property should be valued beyond what it is reasonably worth.

We should not, for the sake of showing prosperity or increased wealth, raise values beyond what the facts will warrant.

This Board of State Assessors, ever since its creation, has, as all well know who have had personal intercourse with and business before them, endeavored to do their duty with great fidelity and fairness to all the various property interests of the State.

They found grave inequalities which they have, as far as they reasonably could, corrected, so as to promote equal and just taxation.

The task before them, to obtain an equitable and just valuation, which should do injustice to no interests and no class of property, has been one difficult to perform; but they have been equal to it, and the people are very generally well satisfied with their conclusions.

I think the State owes to them very much for the impartial, patient, and intelligent investigation which they have given to the many important questions that have come before them, and the eminently fair and just conclusions at which they have arrived.

This Board is of so much importance—it being very desirable that all should have confidence in it—that I know you will see to it that none but men of ability, sound judgment, strict integrity, and business experience shall be selected to act as members of it.

The people should have as implicit reliance in this Board of State Assessors, and should feel as much confidence in the correctness and justice of their conclusions, as they do in the Judiciary of our State, and its standard of integrity should be as high.

FINANCES.

The financial condition of our State, its available resources under existing laws, and its probable annual expenditures, is a subject in which one and all of our people have a deep interest and one to which I would urgently invite your careful attention and consideration.

The credit of our State is now, and always has been, upon a very high plane. Its three per cent. bonds always command a premium. The large indebtedness, which was a legacy to us from the war of 1861, has been gradually reduced and paid off until at the present time our bonded debt is, in round numbers, \$2,303,000.00. For several years past it has been extinguished at the rate of \$50,000.00 per annum. Good policy, and a proper regard for future contingencies, demand that we continue during this and next year to pay at least as large an amount.

I shall not at this time, attempt to present to you any extended detailed or itemized exhibit of past or probable future receipts or expenditures.

The reports of the State treasurer, which will be furnished you, and which I trust each of you will carefully examine, will acquaint you with all the necessary data of the past two years, and enable you to form correct conclusions as to the future. They are my sole authority.

But there are certain deductions and conclusions with which I am impressed by an examination of those reports, to which I would invite your best thought and judgment.

The balance in the State treasury at the beginning of the year 1895 was \$458,195.85. The balance there at the present time is, in round numbers, about \$200,000.00. It is very desirable that there should be at all times at least \$100,000.00 to properly carry on its business. The expenditures have exceeded the receipts during the past two years by the large sum of more than \$250,000.00. This has resulted solely from the largely increased appropriations which the last Legislature deemed advisable to make, and from reduced rates of taxation.

The same ratio of receipts and expenditures for the years 1897 and 1898 would create a deficit of more than \$100,000.00. But there is one other important fact to be considered. The receipts for the year 1897 from direct taxation will probably be some \$80,000.00 less than they were in 1895 or 1896, as the tax levied and assessed for 1896 is two and one-fourth mills instead of two and one-half mills which was the rate in 1894 and 1895. The tax assessed for any year is not, to any considerable amount,

collected or paid into the treasury until the following year. Hence the decrease in the amount to be received in the year 1897.

It is my deliberate judgment that, in a time of profound peace, we cannot afford to be continually, year after year, running in debt or having our expenditures exceed our receipts and thus creating a constantly increasing deficit, to be tided over by temporary loans or funded into more permanent ones.

We have arrived at a point where it is imperative that our expenditures must be brought within our income.

It is possible that this Legislature may be able to find some sources from which to derive revenue other than those which we now have; but at present I am unable to designate or recommend any other way than by increasing the ratio of direct taxation.

In the light of present experience there can be no doubt that we must restore the one-fourth mill, which was taken off for 1896 from the rate, and assess two and one-half mills for the years 1897 and 1898. This will be returning to the rate of 1894 and 1895, and as undoubtedly every dollar of the people's money which shall be thus raised will be appropriated to their necessities and respond to a well defined and pressing public need; as it is clear that a most wise and rigid economy imperatively calls for it; I am confident that the tax payers will not seriously complain of this increase.

But should we raise the rate beyond two and one-half mills I fear it might subject us to adverse criticism, and perhaps to the charge of extravagance.

People are very sensitive to a marked increase of taxation unless there is some unusual public exigency demanding it.

It is obvious then to my mind that there must and should be a reduction in the amounts appropriated by you, as compared with two years ago, of near \$125,000.00 per annum.

It is for you to inquire and determine, how and where, this reduction or saving can be made, without crippling or doing serious injury to any State institution or worthy object of State aid.

First, you must scrutinize every measure which will open new avenues to the treasury or create additional expenses, and allow none to pass unless their usefulness and immediate necessity is plain and urgent.

Second, you must, in the exercise of a sound discretion and wise economy, grant no more than is absolutely necessary in all cases where the State is bound to provide in whole or in part.

There were many sums, most of them not very large, but amounting to considerable in the aggregate, all indeed for very worthy and deserving objects, appropriated by the Legislature of 1895, which perhaps you may deem advisable, under our changed conditions and existing circumstances, not to continue, and there were other larger sums which you may decide to cut down to somewhat nearer the amount which has formerly been expended for like purposes.

My experience in legislation leads me to believe that all or nearly all of the institutions and objects, that have heretofore received aid, will return to each succeeding legislature generally asking for increased appropriations.

To comply with all these requests, however plausible may be the reasons assigned for so doing by their advocates, would soon bankrupt the treasury.

You in your judgment will doubtless be able to decide correctly when and where to cut down and curtail or refuse altogether.

I have felt it my duty to call your attention to the actual financial condition, and to suggest generally what rules should guide you in dealing with this subject, rather than to specify or enumerate any particular institution or object where retrenchment should be made.

What I have said, however, I do not intend shall apply to any sums necessary to educate the common people, to support our school system, which we do and should foster with no grudging hand, or to provide or care for the unfortunate, insane, or dependent pensioners of the war of 1861.

It is the imperative duty of this State to see to it that no old soldier, or person immediately dependent upon him, suffers from

want in his declining years. To do this is not to bestow alms; but rather to recognize and discharge a sacred obligation which we owe to those whose valor saved the Republic, and which, from our wealth and resources, we can willingly and cheerfully pay.

You will therefore make such an appropriation for the State Pension Bureau as its necessities shall call for.

SCHOOLS.

The educational interests of our State are of paramount importance, and should be properly and liberally provided for. The perpetuity and stability of our republican form of government are inseparably connected with, and dependent upon, the general intelligence and enlightened patriotism of our citizens.

Every consideration of duty and safety imperatively demand that all shall have a reasonable opportunity, free of charge, to acquire at least a common school education.

Though the facilities for obtaining in our common schools an elementary and practical education are indeed very good, and doubtless improving each year, they do not fully satisfy or respond to the wants of a large number of students who have the time, the desire, and the ability to pursue a more thorough and extended course of study.

In response to this demand, the State has wisely created a Free High school system, and also established three Normal schools, one in Farmington, one in Gorham and one in Castine. I am confident that very excellent results have been obtained from these High and Normal schools.

We have also changed from what was known as the district to the town system. In many larger towns and cities the change was voluntary. In others the act of the Legislature in 1893 compelled the change. There have been frequent changes in the method of teaching, text books, and manner of supervising our common schools, some of which, it seems to me, have been largely experimental, but on the whole they may have produced some beneficial results, yet the State Superintendent,

and many other gentlemen, who are deeply interested in education, and who have carefully examined into the present condition and workings of our common school system, believe that some radical changes are now necessary in order to be, in our school management and instruction, equal to the demands of the time and the best standards of other states. Certainly the educational system of Maine should be of the very best. The State is expending each year over \$600,000.00 for the purposes of education, and the several towns and cities over \$1,200,000.00 more.

This large sum of money should be used upon business principles and with a view of obtaining the greatest possible good. The purpose and object, however praiseworthy it may be, will not excuse the improper use or needless waste of one dollar, and evidently it is worse than wasted when schools are under the control of incompetent and unsuitable supervisors and teachers, for in such cases it undoubtedly dissipates not only the money, but the time and opportunities of the pupils are lost never to be recalled.

In most instances I am confident that the teachers and supervisors take a commendable interest in looking after the schools. In some cases, especially in our small towns, I am led to believe it may not be so. It is not possible, in the remote and sparsely settled towns and plantations, to have schools of the same high grade, or to keep up to the standards of cities and larger and more wealthy towns. It is claimed, by the friends of education, that the employment of incompetent teachers through favoritism or for some other reason can only be obviated by having all teachers pass an examination before some State board.

For further and more extensive information in reference to the management, condition, and wants of our schools I would refer you to the reports of the present State Superintendent, in which the whole subject is exhaustively treated.

The evils that beset our present system and the advisability of attempting to correct them, or to make any important changes at the present time, will undoubtedly be hereafter presented to your Committee on Education by gentlemen much more familiar with the subject than myself.

THE INSANE.

Every humane consideration demands that the insane shall receive the greatest possible care, and the best known treatment. These unfortunate people are peculiarly the wards of the State.

I am confident that in the Insane Hospital at Augusta everything is done that the crowded condition permits, that all patients cared for there, have humane and kind attendants, that the medical staff is competent, and we may well congratulate ourselves that under the wise and careful supervision of its excellent Board of Trustees, there has been no whisper of any practices, such as have been discovered in some kindred institutions in other states.

The number of patients has so largely increased of late, and the necessity of another hospital in the near future was so apparent, that several years ago a tract of land was purchased in the city of Bangor for that purpose. Before doing this additions had been made to the hospital in Augusta, from time to time, until it was deemed unwise to continue this policy further, or have any more patients aggregated in one place.

The over-crowded condition of the hospital at Augusta compelled the Legislature of 1895 to take further action and appropriate \$150,000 towards erecting the Eastern Maine Hospital on the lot which had been purchased for that purpose. This hospital is intended, in its construction and equipment, to embody all the best modern thought and improvements. A committee authorized by the Legislature was appointed by Gov. Cleaves to superintend the work. Gentlemen of business experience and integrity, they have, I think, faithfully and wisely expended the sum appropriated. It was not supposed that the sum of \$150,000.00 would complete this undertaking.

It was well understood that the grant would have to be supplemented with other appropriations. The report of this committee will give you in detail full particulars of what has been done, and what they will require to properly continue the work during the years 1897 and 1898. This work must go forward. An appropriation should be made. It is for you to

decide what sum you will give them to expend this year and also what sum for the next.

INSURANCE.

The reports of the Insurance Commissioner and his recommendations deserve special attention. This question of insurance is one in which very many are deeply interested. Any legislation which can reduce the annual loss must undoubtedly bring lower rates of insurance in time. We are dependent almost wholly on foreign companies for insurance, and the present rates, especially on farm buildings, are so high as to almost prohibit placing policies upon them, in most cases.

There has been considerable legislation on the subject of insurance and yet I doubt if very much has resulted therefrom to insurers or insured.

It would seem that the only way we can hope to obtain the much desired lower rates is to reduce the average loss so as to satisfy the companies that they can give it to us and yet make a reasonable profit.

All then have a personal interest not only in preventing fires, but in ferreting out and punishing any persons who shall willfully burn property to obtain the amounts insured thereon.

STATE PRISON AND REFORM SCHOOL.

Your joint committees will visit the State Prison and the Reform School, and thoroughly examine everything connected with the workings of these institutions. The reports of the officers who have charge of them will give you a full insight into their condition, the number of persons therein, and the terms for which they have been committed. The general methods of conducting and governing both should be carefully inquired into. Not that I doubt the excellence and correctness of the management in all the departments but I do believe in prisons, reform schools, and insane hospitals, nothing should be taken for granted.

In this connection I would call your attention to the fact that under existing laws, as I understand them, R. S. Chapter 142, a boy of only eight years of age may be, for no very grave offence, sent to the Reform School until he is twenty-one. I believe that no boy eight, ten or twelve years of age should be ever irrevocably sentenced to that institution for so long a term; and I submit that it might be wise to try, at least in case of youthful offenders, the indefinite period.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, ETC.

The Industrial School for Girls will doubtless receive your favorable consideration, and such assistance as shall enable it to effectually carry on the excellent work it is now doing. Nothing can be more meritorious than to help young persons in starting rightly in the race of life.

The State of Maine should continue to liberally provide for and educate the unfortunate deaf, dumb, and blind, and also willingly aid in caring for the children in the military and naval hospital.

There are other institutions, hospitals, and infirmaries which are doing philanthropic and humanitarian work, alleviating suffering, and caring for those who cannot properly care for themselves, that are deserving of judicious and discriminating assistance. I doubt very much if it is best to encourage an increase in their number. It would seem that less expensive and better results might be obtained from smaller numbers, centrally located, easy of access, where the best professional skill could always be relied upon.

MAINE STATE COLLEGE.

The Maine State College has been established little more than thirty years. Those who rocked the cradle of its struggling infancy amid doubts, hopes, and fears, must feel gratified at its remarkable and unprecedented growth.

Its trustees and faculty have been unsparing in their efforts and have succeeded beyond their fondest hope.

In 1893 there were 169 students pursuing the several courses of instruction. At present there are 316, with a certain prospect of still further increase in numbers, notwithstanding the requirements for admission have been raised to some extent. This institution of learning was founded for the express purpose of promoting knowledge of agriculture and the mechanic arts, and to enable the industrial classes, so called, to procure a practical education by reducing the expense so that it would be within their reach. It is in fact, a school "of science and technology," where students who desire sound and useful instruction that shall fit them to enter successfully upon the practical duties of life, rather than to sit under the shadow of a great name like that of Harvard or Yale, can obtain it at a very reasonable cost. It is emphatically a college of and for the common people. It deserves and will receive just treatment from your hands.

The State of Maine when it accepted the land grant from the general government entered into certain obligations which we should faithfully discharge.

This college has a permanent endowment fund of \$231,000. The annual interest of which sum I suppose amounts to some \$10,000. It also receives annually from the U. S. about \$22,000.00 for the purpose of instruction and \$15,000 for investigation in agriculture and the sciences.

Its necessities in excess of these sums must be provided for by the State. What further assistance shall be granted it, and for how long a period that grant shall extend, are questions to be settled by you, so as to promote as far as possible the best interests of the college, and, at the same time, not place too heavy a burden on the tax payers.

Its pressing wants and needs and the financial condition of the treasury for the next two years are factors to be considered in determining what you can and will do for this institution.

NATIONAL GUARD.

There are at present in the State two infantry regiments of National Guard composed of twenty-four companies with the usual staff and line officers; also an ambulance and signal corps containing in all some 1,400 officers, non commissioned officers, and privates. These troops go into camp once each year in Augusta.

The number in camp in 1895 was 1,172. I am informed that the number in 1896 was about the same. In 1891 the number in camp was 771. You will see there has been a marked increase in numbers. I also think there has been equal advancement in discipline and soldierly qualities. The guard has not only increased in numbers but in efficiency, and it is a credit to the State.

All who have visited these annual encampments bear witness that the personnel and soldierly bearing of both regiments are, considering their opportunities, of a very high order. They are composed of intelligent, patriotic young men, largely dependent upon their own efforts for success in life, nearly every one of whom is engaged in some useful vocation. All of them are unswervingly loyal to our State and Nation, and have a deep personal interest in preserving the public peace and maintaining our present enviable position as a State. To attain their present excellent condition in drill and marksmanship they have been obliged to devote, without any expectation of remuneration, much time which they could hardly afford to give.

I think you will concur with me that it is wise and prudent to retain the present numbers and efficiency of the State Guard, and that such sums should be appropriated as are necessary and required for that purpose.

The millennium when swords shall be beaten into ploughshares seems as yet some way off.

I see no special reason that should lead to any increase in our present military establishment, yet as Maine is a border State, it seems to me a prudent foresight would determine that we should have a small but effective military organization to form a nucleus

to rally around in case any emergency should arise, and certainly the present commendable activity of the national government in building a navy and strengthening our coast defences—the possible complications that may at any time arise from the struggle now going on in Cuba for freedom and independence, are indications, and perhaps the coming shadows of future events, which we should not wholly disregard.

The reports of the Adjutant General, and other information which he will furnish you from his office, will advise you more fully as to what the necessities of the service demand; and I have no doubt you will cheerfully grant them.

AGRICULTURE, LUMBER AND MANUFACTURES.

Maine is vitally interested in agriculture, lumber and manufactures. Agriculture is the basis of the world's prosperity and wealth. Without it other vocations would cease. It is emphatically the leading and most important industry in our State to-day. A very large part of our people are directly or indirectly interested in it. But I am confident that our agricultural possibilities for improving, by better and more judicious farming, are not as yet fully understood and appreciated even by our own citizens.

Our soil yields larger returns per acre than most of the land in the great farming states of the West. In some sections of Maine cultivation is more difficult and expensive, but this is largely compensated by our nearness to good markets and there are but few sections of other states where the great majority of the farmers possess as good and substantial buildings, are as free from debt, are so prosperous and enjoy so many of the comforts of life as in our own. Yet much more can be accomplished by better and more intelligent methods of cultivation and diversification and proper selection of crops.

Our farmers' institutes are doing excellent work in this direction. They are furnishing much valuable information, and awakening an interest which must produce beneficial results that will more than compensate for all their cost.

Impurity in seeds, especially grass seeds, brought into the State, have done at times great damage by producing crops of noxious weeds instead of grass or grain.

I am inclined to think that something should be done to prevent the sale in our markets of any but reasonably clean seeds. It is not so easy for the average farmer to discover the impurities until it is too late.

It might be well to provide, by appropriate legislation, that there should be some proper inspection and branding of the various grass seeds, mill feeds, etc., imported here, and that they should be marked distinctly what they really are so that no one can be deceived as to what he is purchasing.

In recommending that our farmers and dairy men be protected from fraud along these lines, I think I give expression to the very general wish and desire of a class of men that are certainly entitled to consideration.

Farmers are especially interested in good roads and reasonable freight rates. Our highways in some localities certainly are not what they should be. There are some towns that are not able to make them as desired without aid from the county or State. In some others the money is often injudiciously and improperly expended.

Under existing laws the burden of maintaining roads and building bridges often bears very unequally upon towns and townships, and is anything but proportionate to the benefits conferred.

Correct these inequalities and provide that all road money shall be raised and wisely expended as a prudent man would conduct his own business affairs and you have taken the first, and a very important step towards getting better roads, and responding to a demand which is quite general at present throughout our State.

A careful study of our laws for building and repairing roads, will, I think, convince anyone that they need revision and some radical changes.

It is, however, for you, gentlemen, to determine, after patient investigation, what, if anything, shall be done.

Our railroad service is excellent so far as safety, comfort, and convenience of the travelling public is concerned. Few states, if any, located and settled as ours, can boast better accommodations than we have, and we should indeed be grateful to the men who have the management of our railroads, for their fidelity and constant care and devotion to the public good. Yet I am inclined to the opinion that some of the freight rates are high, compared with what is paid by our competitors in New York and the West, where they have several trunk lines. The greater cost of building and operating here doubtless accounts for a part of this.

This difference in freight often drives our farmers out of our immediate markets by flooding them with the products brought from distant states at much lower cost than we have been able to obtain—a condition alike injurious to the railroads and our citizens, and which I have no doubt the railroads will effectually remedy in the immediate future. They fully realize that it would be a wise, and, in the end the best paying policy, to obviate this as far as possible so that our manufactures by their increased output, and our farmers, by raising larger crops, can compensate for the lower traffic rates with the additional business which would result, and at the same time have the means to travel and more largely patronize the roads.

Certainly the prosperity of the industries and the people of our State, and our railroads are very largely and inseparably connected.

Our lumbering and manufacturing interests are not in as prosperous condition as could be desired. The unprecedentedly low prices since we have been compelled to meet a large foreign competition in our own markets have pressed heavily upon them.

I am not aware that any new cotton or woolen mills have been erected during the past three years, while many of those already built have been compelled to suspend operation or run at a loss.

Under changed tariff conditions we hope, in the not far distant future, to once more see their former prosperous business return. There have been built, however, within a few years several large

pulp and paper mills, and more are in contemplation. These mills have created a new and quite a large demand for spruce and other woods suitable for pulp, and opened a new market for certain kinds of lumber and wood with which our forests abound. This industry, I am confident, is destined to give to Maine very largely the control of the paper production of this country.

Our forests furnish employment for laborers and a home market for a large amount of the products of our farms. They are a source of Maine's wealth, second only to agriculture. Fire is their greatest scourge. All are interested in their preservation.

Any request or recommendation of the Land Agent or Forestry Commissioners, which shall more effectually protect them from destruction by fire, set through carelessness or by design, is of vital importance to all the people of the State as well as to the land owners themselves.

LABOR.

The report of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Industrial and Labor Statistics contains much valuable information. Everything that pertains to the interests and welfare of what is termed the labor class is of special importance to us all.

When the wage earners and industrial classes of any country are constantly and remuneratively employed, that Nation is prosperous and its people contented and happy. I have always believed in and advocated the rights and dignity of labor. I have ever favored all labor organizations designed to promote—by legitimate means,—the welfare of its members. To aid men in securing proper compensation for their services, and a more just division of the product or capital created by them, is praiseworthy and deserves encouragement.

As a rule in the State of Maine there have been no very serious conflicts between employer and employed. We are not cursed with extremes of poverty and wealth; with classes having an almost impassable gulf between them, that look upon each other with mutterings and bitter distrust. All our citizens are, substantially, on the same plane in life. Capital and labor have generally complemented and assisted each other, and we may

reasonably hope that this state of things is to continue in the future. Yet there are some labor problems to be solved even in our State.

Many wage earners are engaged in very hazardous vocations on railroads, steamships, and in some factories and mills. Often they cannot and do not know what dangers and perils surround them.

Every humane consideration demands that the best possible safeguards should be thrown about them; and that employers should exercise the highest degree of care in the selection of everything to be used in and about their work.

Questions of this kind involving the liability of employers, and also questions relating to the number of hours of labor under certain conditions and ages, are still being agitated.

You should not grant legislation in any case because it is demanded by the wage earners on the one side, or refuse it because it is opposed by the employers on the other, but rather in the exercise of a sound discretion, and your unbiased judgment, do what you believe to be just and for the best interests of all concerned.

PROHIBITION.

A large majority of the people of our State are thoroughly and conscientiously devoted to the principles and practice of temperance, integrity, morality and virtue as a fundamental policy essential to our best development and growth. They believe that the restraining influence of our prohibitory legislation has had a marked effect in eradicating the evils resulting from the liquor traffic.

Doubtless there has not been a full realization of what the most ardent and enthusiastic advocates of prohibition prophesied and hoped, but certainly great good has been accomplished.

In most of our rural country towns the groggery is a thing of the past; and we are moving in the right direction throughout the State.

It is my conviction that what we need to-day is a more active public sentiment in our larger towns and cities, which will

enforce the laws we now have, rather than additional penalties that will make the enforcement more uncertain and difficult.

We should never forget that it is the certainty and not the severity of punishment that prevents crime. All efforts to increase this healthy public sentiment until it shall utterly root out and banish this blighting curse from our land should receive the cheerful support of all good citizens. We should take no steps backward. Maine, which boasts the proud honor of having been the pioneer in prohibitory legislation, should and will continue to be a prohibition State.

SHIPPING.

Not many years ago the building and sailing of ships was one of the most important industries of our State. We still have the timber and the ship yards, but they are largely silent. Then we could boast a splendid merchant marine,—the finest in the world,—owned by American citizens, sailing under the stars and stripes, officered and manned very largely by American seamen and sailors, the sails of which whitened every sea and contested successfully for the carrying trade of the world.

To-day the United States are paying more than \$100,000,000.00 per annum to foreign vessels and steamships for carrying their merchandise.

I have not time to present the various causes, which, in my judgment, have produced this lamentable condition. But it does seem to me that patriotism, and the best interests of our country, urgently demand that, by proper discrimination and encouragement, this important enterprise should be revived, and work once more resumed in our shipyards along the coast.

A merchant marine would furnish a nursery from which to draw American seamen with which to man our constantly increasing navy.

The Republican National platform and most of the Republican platforms in the various states are pledged to action in this behalf. It is important that something be done and that quickly. The Legislature of 1895 relieved this class of property of very much of the burdens of taxation that it was at that time subject to.

I think we have good reasons to expect that, through our able delegation in Congress, which will gladly do all in its power, effective measures will soon be taken to secure this much needed encouragement and legislation.

FISHERIES AND GAME.

During the past two years the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game have used every reasonable effort, and adopted the best known methods of fish culture, to more fully stock our lakes, streams, and rivers with fish suitable for food. They have good reason to hope and believe that success will ultimately crown these endeavors.

Already there has been a marked increase in many rivers and lakes of the several varieties which they are propagating. This work, so plainly beneficial to our State, is deserving reasonable pecuniary aid and support which you will doubtless be pleased to grant.

Under the most prudent and economical management it must necessarily cost considerable sums of money to overcome the many obstacles and replenish our inland waters with fish which shall be attractive to the sportsmen, and also produce excellent food for all.

These commissioners have also for the past two years taken extraordinary care to protect and preserve, especially during close time, the game with which our forests abound, and they have, to a great extent, prevented the indiscriminate and illegal killing of moose, deer, and caribou, which was so common not a very long time ago.

The slaughter by men lumbering in the woods has nearly ceased, and at present most of the guides, woodsmen and settlers upon the outskirts of the forests recognize the wisdom of our game laws and quite generally obey them.

But there are some persons that nothing but the rigid enforcement of these laws will restrain. Hence the evident necessity of having a reasonable number of energetic and efficient game wardens, whom I think should also act as fire wardens, as it is necessary to protect the forests from fire if we would have game at all.

The commissioners' report will be presented to you and explain what has been done, and what they desire to do, and what further legislation, in their opinion, is needed to prevent the destruction and extermination of moose and caribou, and to enable them to properly care for the game in our woods, and replenish our waters with fish.

Many of our best citizens have a deep and abiding interest in this subject. They claim that hunting and fishing in our forest and streams affords a healthy and invigorating pastime free to all our own people; that it also brings many desirable visitors and sportsmen to our State; and is a source of no small revenue and profit. I have great confidence in the correctness of their conclusions.

The sea shore fisheries of our State furnish employment to many thousands of people and should be carefully guarded and protected against any improper methods of fishing so as not to impair their productiveness.

Not only should there be adequate laws and regulations to accomplish this end, but they should be impartially and thoroughly enforced, and the necessary means must be appropriated for so doing.

ELECTION LAWS.

The Republican party demands a free and fair ballot and an honest count. There are no more dangerous and reprehensible crimes than those committed against the purity and honesty of elections. This may be accomplished by fraud, intimidation, or virtual disfranchisement of men who have a constitutional right to vote and have their ballots counted.

Substantially the same results may follow if a large number of voters fail, under existing laws and regulations, to cast votes so marked that they can and will be as the law requires. Our system of voting should be such that the average citizen will be able to select and designate his ballot so that it will count for the candidate of his choice.

From some cause there is an alarmingly large number of defective ballots under our present election laws.

From the best attainable information I am convinced that nearly five thousand persons failed to vote correctly at the last September election, and were consequently disfranchised.

This question came before the Legislature of 1895, through a bill drawn by Hon. James W. Bradbury of Augusta. But it was deemed best to give the existing voting laws a further trial and the bill and accompanying papers were therefore referred to this Legislature.

The whole subject will be before you. I have no definite recommendation to make other than earnestly request that you carefully inquire if there cannot be some changes made, that shall afford the people an opportunity to vote with less difficulties, more certainty of having their ballots counted, and at the same time provide the desired secrecy and also safety from intimidation.

In what I have said I do not wish to be understood as in the least opposing the principles upon which the so-called Australian system is based, as they have my sincere approval, but rather to endeavor to find some more satisfactory method of arranging the details.

BANKS, ETC.

Our savings banks, trust companies, and loan and building associations are subject to inspection and examination by the State bank examiner. His reports, which you have before you, demonstrate that they are generally in a sound and healthy condition. There are thirty-four State loan and building associations. Confidence in them was perhaps somewhat shaken by the failure of the Granite State Provident Association of New Hampshire, which had many members in all sections of the State. Yet they are doing, I think, a legitimate business, improving in their management, have had a fairly successful year, and are deserving encouragement and patronage.

There has been one additional trust company, but no new savings banks organized, and there has been no failure or suspension of any of our savings banks during the past two years. This speaks well for their faithful and conservative business

management. Yet you should not hesitate to place additional restrictions and safe guards around them, for the further protection of depositors and investors in any of these institutions, if you think their patrons' interest and safety demand it.

I am not prepared to endorse the recommendation of the bank examiner for a reduction of the State tax on savings banks. I am not yet confident of its wisdom or necessity, especially upon investments made outside the State.

I do, however, recognize the fact that a large share of the deposits and assets of these institutions are trust funds, and the hard earned savings of small wage earners, and that any request of these banks should receive from you proper consideration, and they should certainly be relieved, as asked, if the present rates are inequitable or excessive.

CORPORATIONS.

Charters conferring special and exclusive privileges, or giving away valuable public franchises, especially where the act of incorporation carries with it the right of eminent domain, and permits the incorporators to take private property for their so called public use, you should scrutinize with great care. They should not be granted solely for individual profit or gain. You should be satisfied, in every instance, that the public good is the principal interest to be served, and that individual or private rights will be amply compensated for any injuries received. I fear that our State has sometimes given away very valuable franchises too readily.

You will have before you, doubtless, many applications for charters which could and should be organized under the general law.

There has been an effort for many years to call a halt. To this end the Constitution was amended so as to require the organization of most corporations under general laws, and ample statutes were provided for so doing. Yet an examination of the acts of the several sessions of the Legislature since that time will show that the volume of private or special legislation is constantly increasing. You should ever keep in view

the Constitutional inhibition against creating corporations by legislative enactment when they can be organized under the general provision for so doing.

Laws which tend to create monopolies or prevent a healthy competition are not wise.

In this connection I would invite your attention to Section 1, Chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1895. This section seems to me to prevent any necessary improvement being made where some prior persons or corporation has merely organized unless you buy it or them off, or get legislative action. I was a member of the Legislature that enacted it.

For some reason it escaped my observation, as I presume it did most of those who were responsible for its passage. As I view it, it contains a novel and sweeping prohibition of almost every public enterprise, until a session of the Legislature shall grant relief,—no matter how much the public convenience may be injured,—in case some rival has located in the same town or city or in some instances in an adjoining one and refuses consent.

I think that you in your judgment will decide that it should be repealed.

The question of the right of the citizen to other or better services,—or to any services at all,—should not be determined by some interested person or corporation that has first attempted to occupy the ground. It should be decided by some impartial tribunal, where the demands of the people shall be heard and respected. The public should not be compelled to wait, perhaps for the space of two years, before they can have an opportunity for a hearing in many cases, no matter how urgent.

I would not, however, advocate interfering with or impairing vested rights where the general public are receiving such services as they have a right to expect.

No corporation should be organized or charter granted merely as a menace to some enterprise already established.

I think that the Legislature acted wisely in providing that, in all cases where it is sought to parallel existing lines of railroad by organizing an electric railroad system under the general

law, that it should not be done, unless the railroad commissioners determine that public convenience and necessity require it.

We should encourage investments in our State, by assurance of protection in the use and enjoyment of all franchises against unnecessary competition, so long as the public are well and faithfully served. But the right of the people to good services at a reasonable price should be more sacred than the claims of any monopoly or corporation.

There is also, I apprehend, a tendency toward too much public legislation. Not every proposed change in our statutes is necessarily an improvement; and the burden should be upon those who ask for them to show their necessity and wisdom.

It is better to be conservative rather than to try doubtful experiments. A people is not always governed best that is legislated for most. In very many instances it is not of so much importance what the law is, as that it be and remain settled so that the people can govern themselves accordingly with a fixed knowledge of its requirements and of their rights and duties.

STATE AUDITOR.

I have received several communications from men who have had large experience in our State's affairs, setting forth the necessity of creating the office of State auditor, and also declaring that the State would make a large saving by so doing. I believe that most states have established the office and have a state auditor, whose special duty is to audit all accounts and claims, and draw his warrants upon the state treasury for the amounts found due.

Section 4 of Article 5 of the Constitution provides that the Governor and Council shall draw all warrants of this kind. It would seem to me that if it is desirable to create this office, and establish another bureau, that it might be necessary to submit to the people an amendment to the Constitution in which case we should be able to get an expression of their views upon the subject.

I know full well, that when an office or department is once fastened upon the State, it is almost impossible to get rid of it; though it may have outlived its usefulness and every purpose for which it was originally created. The incumbents, present or prospective, never fail to devise some plausible pretext for its continuance, yet this should not deter us from doing what is absolutely essential to better protect the treasury of the State. But I must express here and now my sincere belief that both good policy, good politics, and strict economy, unmistakably declare that in this time of general depression,—this Legislature so largely Republican, should not,—except for urgent reasons—create a new State office or commission, or increase the salary of any now in existence.

The Constitution of our State declares that the Governor “shall from time to time give the Legislature information of the condition of the State, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he may judge expedient.” In this my endeavor to perform that duty I have briefly called your attention to a few of the many subjects upon which it will be your province to deliberate and act. There are many other important, varied, and sometimes conflicting interests of the people which will necessarily demand your impartial consideration.

I may, in the course of this session, should I deem it advisable, communicate to you further suggestions.

A spirit of fairness and impartiality and an earnest purpose to accomplish the greatest attainable good for all, rather than to especially benefit any one section, locality, or class of persons, should guide and control your deliberations, dominate and determine your votes.

Gentlemen, in conclusion let me indulge in the hope and belief, that your assembling here will be pleasant to yourselves, profitable to the State, and that the associations and friendships here formed will be lasting, and among the bright memories of our lives never to be forgotten or regretted.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

At the conclusion of the address the Governor and Suite retired and the convention dissolved. The purposes of the

convention having been accomplished, the Senate retired, and the House was called to order by the Speaker.

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Dunbar, its Secretary, proposing a joint convention, to be held this day, forthwith, in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, two State Assessors, State Printer, State Binder and seven Executive Councillors, and asking the concurrence of the House.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that body of the concurrence of the House in the proposition of the Secretary for a joint convention to be held forthwith in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, two State Assessors, State Printer, State Binder and seven Executive Councillors.

The hour for the joint convention for the election of a Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, two State Assessors, State Printer, State Binder, and seven Executive Councillors, having arrived, the Senate came in and a convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. PARSONS of Piscataquis,

Messrs. Parsons,

Hinkley of Franklin,

Hutchinson of Auburn,

Smith of Masardis,

Maxcy of Gardiner,

Rounds of Paris,

Austin of Milford,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Secretary of State.

Mr. PARSONS from the committee subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast.....	134
Necessary for a choice.....	68
Byron Boyd had.....	134

The report was accepted and Hon. Byron Boyd, having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political years 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Penobscot,

Messrs. Weeks,
 Pike of York,
 Jones of Lincoln,
 Day of Turner,
 Moore of Deering,
 Ayer of Vassalboro,
 Edmunds of Corinth,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State Treasurer.

Mr. WEEKS from the committee subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast.....	120
Necessary for a choice.....	61
F. M. Simpson had	120

The report was accepted and Hon. F. M. Simpson having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected State Treasurer for the current political years 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. REYNOLDS of Cumberland,

Messrs. Reynolds,
 Stearns of Aroostook,
 Rodick of Eden,
 Jewell of Hallowell,
 Burton of Union,
 Smith of Hampden,
 Dudley of Brookton,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Attorney General.

Mr. REYNOLDS from the committee subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast.....	120
Necessary for a choice.....	61
William T. Haines had.....	120

The report was accepted and Hon. William T. Haines having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly

elected Attorney General for the current political years 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. WYMAN of Washington,

Messrs. Wyman,
 Salley of Somerset,
 Young of Hiram,
 Sawyer of Wales,
 Chatto of Brooksville,
 Gagnon of Frenchville,
 Fernald of Levant,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for two State Assessors.

Mr. WYMAN from the committee subsequently reported.

Whole number of votes cast.....	114
Necessary for a choice.....	58
Otis Hayford had.....	114
William C. Marshall had.....	114

The report was accepted and Hons. Otis Hayford and William C. Marshall having received a majority of all the votes cast were declared duly elected State Assessors for the terms of six and four years respectively.

On motion of Mr. SHARP of Aroostook,

Messrs. Sharp,
 Chamberlain of Lincoln,
 Cox of Randolph,
 Tolman of Carroll,
 Dickey of Fort Kent,
 Kneeland of Searsport,
 Gardner of Dennysville,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State Printer.

Mr. SHARP from the committee subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast.....	105
Necessary for a choice.....	53
Clarence B. Burleigh had.....	105

The report was accepted and Hon. Clarence B. Burleigh having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected State Printer for the current political years 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Somerset,

Messrs. Merrill,
Hurd of York,
Winslow of Portland,
Hancock of Gray,
Lincoln of Perry,
Shepard of Buxton,
Andrews of Garland,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State Binder.

Mr. MERRILL from the committee subsequently reported,
Whole number of votes cast..... 104
Necessary for a choice..... 53
H. E. Smith had..... 104

The report was accepted and Hon. H. E. Smith having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected State Binder for the current political years 1897 and 1898.

On motion of Mr. McCullough of Washington,

Messrs. McCullough,
Poor of Oxford,
Rowell of Kittery,
Donnell of Bath,
Goodrich of Maxfield,
Fuller of South Portland,
Pope of Manchester,

were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for seven Executive Councillors.

Mr. McCULLOUGH from the committee subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast..... 107
Necessary for a choice..... 54
1st District Edward S. Marshall had..... 107
2d " E. Dudley Freeman had..... 107
3d " R. C. Boothby had..... 107
4th " Fritz H. Twitchell had..... 107
5th " Elmer P. Spofford had..... 107
6th " Henry W. Mayo had..... 107
7th " V. L. Coffin had..... 107

The report was accepted and Honorables Edward S. Marshall, E. Dudley Freeman, R. C. Boothby, Fritz H. Twitchell, Elmer P. Spofford, Henry W. Mayo and V. L. Coffin, having received a majority of all the votes cast, were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political years 1897 and 1898.

The Secretary of the convention was directed to notify Hon. Byron Boyd of his election as Secretary of State, Hon. F. M. Simpson of his election as State Treasurer, Hon. William T. Haines of his election as Attorney General, Hon. Clarence B. Burleigh of his election as State Printer, Hon. H. E. Smith of his election as State Binder and Hons. Edward S. Marshall, E. Dudley Freeman, R. C. Boothby, Fritz H. Twitchell, Elmer P. Spofford, Henry W. Mayo and V. L. Coffin of their election as Executive Councillors for the current political years 1897 and 1898, also to notify Hon. Otis Hayford of his election as State Assessor for the term of six years and Hon. William C. Marshall of his election as State Assessor for the term of four years.

Communications were subsequently received from Hon. Byron Boyd, signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State, from Hon. F. M. Simpson signifying his acceptance of the office of State Treasurer, from Hon. William T. Haines signifying his acceptance of the office of Attorney General, from Hon. Clarence B. Burleigh signifying his acceptance of the office of State Printer, from Hon. H. E. Smith signifying his acceptance of the office of State Binder, from Hons. Edward S. Marshall, E. Dudley Freeman, R. C. Boothby, Fritz H. Twitchell, Elmer P. Spofford, Henry W. Mayo and V. L. Coffin signifying their acceptance of the office of Executive Councillors for the current political years 1897 and 1898, also from Hon. Otis Hayford signifying his acceptance of the office of State Assessor for the term of six years and from Hon. William C. Marshall signifying his acceptance of the office of State Assessor for the term of four years.

On motion of Mr. SAVAGE of Androscoggin, and by unanimous consent, rules were suspended and a message sent to the councillors elect, informing them that the two branches of the legislature were in convention assembled and ready to adminis-

ter to them the oaths of office necessary to qualify them to discharge their official duties.

Thereupon the Executive Councillors, Edward S. Marshall, E. Dudley Freeman, R. C. Boothby, Fritz H. Twitchell, Elmer P. Spofford, Henry W. Mayo and V. L. Coffin, came in, and in the presence of the convention, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the necessary oaths of office.

On motion of Mr. WALLS of Knox,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor informing him of the election of Hon. Byron Boyd as Secretary of State, Hon. F. M. Simpson as State Treasurer, Hon. William T. Haines as Attorney General, Hon. Clarence B. Burleigh as State Printer, Hon. H. E. Smith as State Binder, Hons. Edward S. Marshall, E. Dudley Freeman, R. C. Boothby, Fritz H. Twitchell, Elmer P. Spofford, Henry W. Mayo and V. L. Coffin as Executive Councillors, for the current political years 1897 and 1898, also of the election of Hon. Otis Hayford as State Assessor for the term of six years and of the election of Hon. William C. Marshall as State Assessor for the term of four years.

The Secretary of the Senate reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him of conveying such message to his Excellency the Governor, and the purposes for which the convention was formed having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday afternoon next at 4.30 o'clock.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the business of the last session of the Legislature referred to this, be taken from the files and referred to appropriate committees.

Pending passage in concurrence the order was tabled, on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

The Speaker announced the following list of Monitors.

1st	Division	Mr. Greenleaf of Southport.
2d	"	Mr. Talbot of Lewiston.
3d	"	Mr. Newcomb of Eastport.
4th	"	Mr. Golder of Belgrade.
5th	"	Mr. Burns of Westbrook.
6th	"	Mr. Moore of Deering.
7th	"	Mr. Fogler of Rockland.
8th	"	Mr. Walton of Skowhegan.

Mr. WINSLOW of Portland, informed the House that Messrs. W. R. Pattangall of Machias, Forrest S. Stevens of Cutler and Thomas Searls of Chelsea, members elect, had appeared and were ready for qualification.

Mr. Winslow was charged with the duty of conducting Messrs. Pattangall, Stevens and Searls to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, January 12, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wyman of Augusta.

Journal of Thursday read and approved.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of State:

AUGUSTA,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

To the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

In compliance with section 25, chapter 2, of the Revised Statutes, I hereby certify that Harold M. Sewall of Bath, has been duly elected a Representative to the sixty-eighth legislature, as appears by the report of the Governor and Council, under date of January 12, 1897.

In testimony whereof I have caused the seal of the State to be hereunto affixed, at Augusta this twelfth day of January, A. D., eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-first.

BYRON BOYD,
Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond, that gentleman was charged with the duty of conducting Mr. Sewall to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath, and subsequently informed the House that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and Mr. Sewall appeared and took his seat in the House.

Mr. WINSLOW of Portland, who was charged with the duty of conducting Messrs. Pattangall, Stevens and Searls to the Governor for the purpose of taking the oath necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties, informed the House that he had discharged the duty assigned him and Messrs. Pattangall, Stevens and Searls appeared and took seats in the House.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Joint Rules and Orders be amended by adding to the list of Joint Standing Committees a committee to be called the Committee on Taxation.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

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

On Judiciary.

Messrs. Savage of Androscoggin,
Stearns of Aroostook,
Drummond of Cumberland. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Noble of Lewiston,
Knowlton of Portland,
Fogler of Rockland,
Hamilton of Biddeford,
Weeks of Fairfield,
Smith of Presque Isle,
Philbrook of Waterville. —of the House.

On Legal Affairs.

Messrs. Clason of Kennebec,
Parsons of Piscataquis,
Reynolds of Cumberland. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Hill of Portland,
Floyd of Brewer,
Whelden of Portland,
Walton of Skowhegan,
Guernsey of Dover,
Rowell of Kittery,
Boynton of Sullivan. —of the House.

On Financial Affairs.

Messrs. Hargraves of York,
Weeks of Penobscot,
Merrill of Somerset. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Furbush of Lewiston,
Williams of Augusta,
Houghton of Fort Fairfield,
Stetson of Bangor,
Burns of Westbrook,
Simpson of York,
McIntire of Rockport. —of the House.

On Federal Relations.

- Messrs. Simpson of Hancock,
Hurd of York,
Savage of Androscoggin. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Sewall of Bath,
Murray of Pembroke,
Palmer of Bangor,
Fuller of South Portland,
Fernald of Poland,
Goodrich of Maxfield,
Prince of Yarmouth. —of the House.

On Education.

- Messrs. Walls of Knox,
Clason of Kennebec,
Roberts of Oxford. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Burns of Westbrook,
Blanchard of Wilton,
Sewall of Bath,
Pattangall of Machias,
Gowell of Berwick,
Gilman of Houlton,
Levensaler of Thomaston. —of the House.

On Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

- Messrs. Engel of Penobscot,
Heald of Kennebec,
McCullough of Washington. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Williams of Augusta,
Littlefield of Belfast,
Spear of Rockland,
Saunders of Ellsworth,
Murchie of Calais,
Macomber of Augusta,
Kaler of Scarboro. —of the House.

On Commerce.

- Messrs. Heald of Kennebec,
Hargraves of York,
Sharp of Aroostook. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Donnell of Bath,
Winslow of Portland,
Shaw of Cumberland,
Smith of Hampden,
Coffin of Thorndike,
Durgin of Orono,
York of Nobleboro. —of the House.

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

- Messrs. Parsons of Piscataquis,
Reynolds of Cumberland,
Reynolds of Kennebec. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Hutchinson of Auburn,
Merrill of Portland,
Pearl of Bangor,
Talbot of Lewiston,
Hussey of Guilford,
Burrill of Corinna,
Sanborn of Sanford. —of the House.

On Banks and Banking.

- Messrs. Hurd of York,
Drummond of Cumberland,
Walls of Knox. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Merrill of Portland,
Maxcy of Gardiner,
Currier of Farmington,
Stetson of Bangor,
Hutchinson of Auburn,
Peirce of Frankfort,
Knowlton of Newburg. —of the House.

On Manufactures.

- Messrs. Simpson of Hancock,
Wyman of Washington,
Maxwell of Androscoggin. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Britton of Bucksport,
Maxwell of Richmond,
Shepard of Buxton,
Robinson of Windham,
Rowell of Livermore,
Jones of Lincoln,
Pope of Manchester. —of the House.

On Agriculture.

- Messrs. Merrill of Somerset,
Reynolds of Kennebec,
Roberts of Oxford. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Briggs of Auburn,
Holbrook of Brunswick,
Thurston of Appleton,
Mitchell of Newfield,
Conant of Strong,
Brown of Milton Pl.,
Bither of Linneus. —of the House.

On Military Affairs.

- Messrs. Reynolds of Cumberland,
Walls of Knox,
Hargraves of York. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Murray of Pembroke,
Daggett of Smyrna,
Starbird of Litchfield,
Fogg of Freeport,
Hathorn of Medford,
Penley of Greenwood,
Littlefield of Kennebunk. —of the House.

On Interior Waters.

- Messrs. Maxwell of Androscoggin,
Hinkley of Franklin,
Weeks of Penobscot. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Jones of Lincoln,
Longley of Old Town,
Jewell of Hallowell,
Moore of Deering,
King of Caribou,
Young of Hiram,
Plummer of Lisbon. —of the House.

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Simpson of Hancock,
Stearns of Aroostook,
Engel of Penobscot. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Dudley of Brookton,
Daggett of Smyrna,
Moore of Moscow,
Cook of Casco,
Sawyer of Wales,
Goodrich of Maxfield,
Davis of Steuben. —of the House.

On Ways and Bridges.

- Messrs. Salley of Somerset,
Poor of Oxford,
Sharp of Aroostook. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Tolman of Carroll,
Cox of Randolph,
Fuller of South Portland,
Dickey of Fort Kent,
Hurd of Northport,
Whiting of Norridgewock,
Holbrook of Brunswick. —of the House.

On Inland Fisheries and Game.

- Messrs. Hinkley of Franklin,
Heald of Kennebec,
Parsons of Piscataquis. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Durgin of Orono,
Patten of Amherst,
Sewall of Bath,
Davis of Steuben,
Cushman of Andover,
Smith of Masardis,
Staples of Bridgton. —of the House.

On Shore Fisheries.

- Messrs. Wyman of Washington,
Chamberlain of Lincoln,
Morrill of Cumberland. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Rodick of Eden,
Mason of Bristol,
Stevens of Cutler,
Kneeland of Searsport,
Thurlow of Deer Isle,
Littlefield of Vinalhaven,
Greenleaf of Southport. —of the House.

On Counties.

- Messrs. McCullough of Washington,
Engel of Penobscot,
Savage of Androscoggin. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Hutchins of Penobscot,
Dudley of Brookton,
Edmunds of Corinth,
Donnell of Bath,
Golder of Belgrade,
Sawyer of Wales,
Cook of Casco. —of the House.

On Towns.

- Messrs. Chamberlain of Lincoln,
Pike of York,
Poor of Oxford. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Murray of Pembroke,
Fernald of Poland,
Britton of Bucksport,
Austin of Milford,
Hathaway of Willimantic,
Hancock of Gray,
Goodwin of South Berwick. —of the House.

On Indian Affairs.

Messrs. Weeks of Penobscot,
Wyman of Washington,
Sharp of Aroostook. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Pattangall of Machias,
Tolman of Carroll,
Larrabee of Sebago,
King of Caribou,
Golder of Belgrade,
Coffin of Shapleigh,
Violette of Van Buren. —of the House.

On Claims.

Messrs. Drummond of Cumberland,
McCullough of Washington,
Pike of York. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Gowell of Berwick,
Day of Turner,
Luce of New Vineyard,
Gagnon of Frenchville,
Smith of Hampden,
Lincoln of Perry,
Cram of Mount Vernon. —of the House.

On Pensions.

Messrs. Morrill of Cumberland,
Billings of Waldo,
Grindle of Hancock. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Winslow of Portland,
Wheeler of Gilead,
Shaw of Saco,
Hathorn of Medford,
Garvin of Acton,
Tarbell of Benton,
Andrews of Garland. —of the House.

On Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Ferguson of Sagadahoc,
Reynolds of Kennebec,
Grindle of Hancock. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Thompson of Standish,
Currier of Farmington,
Furbush of Lewiston,
Wilson of Gorham,
Palmer of Bangor,
Newcomb of Eastport,
Lane of St. George. —of the House.

On Reform School.

- Messrs. Ferguson of Sagadahoc,
Hurd of York,
Merrill of Somerset. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Blanchard of Wilton,
Chandler of Bridgewater,
Robinson of Windham,
Ayer of Vassalboro,
Whiting of Norridgewock,
Shaw of Saco,
Fernald of Levant. —of the House.

On State Prison.

- Messrs. Billings of Waldo,
Maxwell of Androscoggin,
Ferguson of Sagadahoc. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Longley of Old Town,
Burton of Union,
Chatto of Brooksville,
Briggs of Auburn,
Wheeler of Gilead,
Gardner of Dennysville,
Kinsman of Cornville. —of the House.

On Public Buildings and Grounds.

- Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook,
Chamberlain of Lincoln,
Hinkley of Franklin. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Moore of Deering,
Maxcy of Gardiner,
Pearl of Bangor,
Reed of Harmony,
Garvin of Acton,
Larrabee of Sebago,
Pratt of Woodland. —of the House.

On Library.

- Messrs. Roberts of Oxford,
Reynolds of Cumberland,
Clason of Kennebec. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Floyd of Brewer,
Knowlton of Portland,
Patten of Amherst,
Newcomb of Eastport,
Gilman of Houlton,
Guernsey of Dover,
Whelden of Portland. —of the House.

On State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

- Messrs. Parsons of Piscataquis,
 Billings of Waldo,
 Salley of Somerset. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Talbot of Lewiston,
 Searls of Chelsea,
 Hutchins of Penobscot,
 Houghton of Fort Fairfield,
 Reed of Harmony,
 Martin of Liberty,
 Day of Turner. —of the House.

On Mines and Mining.

- Messrs. Grindle of Hancock,
 Witham of Cumberland,
 Salley of Somerset. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Fernald of Levant,
 Purinton of Topsham,
 Prince of Yarmouth,
 Littlefield of Kennebunk,
 Merrill of Bluehill,
 Holmes of Addison,
 Penley of Greenwood. —of the House.

On Labor.

- Messrs. Sharp of Aroostook,
 Witham of Cumberland,
 Poor of Oxford. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. O'Neil of Biddeford,
 Forest of Lewiston,
 Burse of Pittsfield,
 Ames of Jefferson,
 Pratt of Woodland,
 Edmunds of Corinth,
 Purinton of Topsham. —of the House.

On Temperance.

- Messrs. Witham of Cumberland,
 Hargraves of York,
 Morrill of Cumberland. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Rounds of Paris,
 Burnham of Edgecomb,
 Hamilton of Mattawamkeag,
 Luce of New Vineyard,
 Smith of Masardis,
 Forest of Lewiston,
 Murphy of Lyman. —of the House.

On Taxation.

- Messrs. Pike of York,
 Morrill of Cumberland,
 Maxwell of Androscoggin. —of the Senate.
- Messrs. Whelden of Portland,
 Pearl of Bangor,
 Pope of Manchester,
 Spear of Rockland,
 Austin of Milford,
 Talbot of Lewiston,
 Young of Hiram. —of the House.

The Speaker announced the following Standing Committees of the House:

On Ways and Means.

- Messrs. Houghton of Fort Fairfield,
 Talbot of Lewiston,
 Rodick of Eden,
 Jewell of Hallowell,
 Shepard of Buxton,
 Pearl of Bangor,
 Young of Hiram.

On Leave of Absence.

- Messrs. Jones of Lincoln,
 Penley of Greenwood,
 Tarbell of Benton,
 Moore of Moscow,
 Shaw of Cumberland,
 York of Nobleboro,
 Coffin of Shapleigh.

On Bills in the Third Reading.

- Messrs. Pattangall of Machias,
 Fogg of Freeport,
 Littlefield of Vinalhaven,
 Penley of Greenwood,
 Maxwell of Richmond,
 Shepard of Buxton,
 Cram of Mt. Vernon.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Gilman of Houlton,
Searls of Chelsea,
Lane of St. George,
Burrill of Corinna,
Guernsey of Dover,
Gowell of Berwick,
Martin of Liberty.

On Elections.

Messrs. Fernald of Poland,
Chandler of Bridgewater,
Merrill of Bluehill,
Pope of Manchester,
York of Nobleboro,
Hamilton of Mattawamkeag,
Holmes of Addison.

On Business of the House.

Messrs. Noble of Lewiston,
Knowlton of Portland,
Murray of Pembroke.

On County Estimates.

Messrs. Briggs of Auburn,
Pratt of Woodland,
Fuller of South Portland,
Luce of New Vineyard,
Saunders of Ellsworth,
Philbrook of Waterville,
Fogler of Rockland,
Greenleaf of Southport,
Rounds of Paris,
Pearl of Bangor,
Hussey of Guilford,
Maxwell of Richmond,
Burse of Pittsfield,
Peirce of Frankfort,
Stevens of Cutler,
Hamilton of Biddeford.

Joint Select Committees:

On Gubernatorial Vote.

Messrs. Clason of Kennebec,
 Pike of York,
 Reynolds of Cumberland,
 Sharp of Aroostook,
 Hinkley of Franklin,
 Roberts of Oxford,
 Merrill of Somerset. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Whelden of Portland,
 Briggs of Auburn,
 Gilman of Houlton,
 Blanchard of Wilton,
 Hutchins of Penobscot,
 Searls of Chelsea,
 McIntire of Rockport,
 York of Nobleboro,
 Rounds of Paris,
 Floyd of Brewer,
 Guernsey of Dover,
 Purinton of Topsham,
 Burse of Pittsfield,
 Martin of Liberty,
 Pattangall of Machias,
 Gowell of Berwick. —of the House.

To Inform the Governor of His Election.

Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook,
 Parsons of Piscataquis,
 Drummond of Cumberland. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Palmer of Bangor,
 Forest of Lewiston,
 Macomber of Augusta,
 Thompson of Standish,
 Murchie of Calais,
 Luce of New Vineyard,
 Cram of Mt. Vernon. —of the House.

On Governor's Message.

Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook,
 Engel of Bangor,
 Reynolds of Cumberland. —of the Senate.

Messrs. Murray of Pembroke,
 Winslow of Portland,
 Saunders of Ellsworth,
 Starbird of Litchfield,
 Rounds of Paris,
 Golder of Belgrade,
 Goodrich of Maxfield. —of the House.

On Maine State Year Book.

Messrs. Chamberlain of Lincoln, Parsons of Piscataquis, Ferguson of Sagadahoc.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Floyd of Brewer, Maxcy of Gardiner, Durgin of Orono, Davis of Steuben, Ayer of Vassalboro, Currier of Farmington, Day of Turner.	—of the House.

Joint Special Committees:

On Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Weeks of Penobscot, Billings of Waldo, Maxwell of Androscoggin.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Palmer of Bangor, Rodick of Eden, Macomber of Augusta, Murchie of Calais, Austin of Milford, Shepard of Buxton, Fernald of Poland.	—of the House.

On Salaries.

Messrs. Engel of Penobscot, Clason of Kennebec, Hinkley of Franklin.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Hutchins of Penobscot, Young of Hiram, Plummer of Lisbon, Wilson of Gorham, Burton of Union, Chatto of Brooksville, Ames of Jefferson.	—of the House.

Petition of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company for increase of capital stock with bill accompanying;

Petition of the Laconia Company for increase of capital stock with bill accompanying;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Albion Gates and 25 others in favor of bankers giving bonds;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the time for the reception of Petitions and Bills for private and special legislation be limited to Monday, February 1, 1897, and that all petitions and bills presented after that date be referred to the next legislature, and that the Clerk of the House cause this order to be published in all the daily and weekly papers printed in the State.

These petitions, bills and order were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the following order was taken from the table and passed in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the business of the last legislature referred to this be taken from the files and referred to appropriate committees.

Communication from the Executive Department:

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER.

AUGUSTA, ME., January 12, 1897.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

It is with deep feelings of unfeigned sorrow that I announce to you the sudden and unexpected decease of Hon. Daniel F. Davis of Bangor, who has ably, honorably and faithfully served the State in the House of Representatives, in the Senate and as Governor. He died in Bangor Saturday morning, January 9, 1897.

He was a man of spotless integrity and marked ability; a genial, warm-hearted gentleman whose name and public services are an honor to our State and will be remembered and cherished by the people.

In every relation of life, in all his large business career, in all the public offices of trust and importance which he has held, strict fidelity and a sincere devotion to duty and right have dominated and determined his acts.

I would suggest that it is indeed fitting and proper that this legislature take such action as shall be necessary to pay a deserved tribute of respect to his memory.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

Paper from the Senate:

Ordered, That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, to which shall be added the President and Secretary, with such as the House may join, be appointed to attend the funeral services of the late ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis at Bangor, on Wednesday, January 13; and as a further mark of respect, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Thursday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

Came from the Senate, read and passed, with

Messrs. Savage of Androscoggin,
Reynolds of Kennebec,
McCullough of Washington,

appointed on the part of that branch.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and on motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor, the Speaker, and

Messrs. Stetson of Bangor,
Murray of Pembroke,
Fogler of Rockland,
Saunders of Ellsworth,
Talbot of Lewiston,
Edmunds of Corinth,
Jewell of Hallowell,

were appointed on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, January 14, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Williamson of Augusta.

Journal of Tuesday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Education.

Communication from same transmitting the thirty-eighth annual report of the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture for the year 1895,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act providing for elections with the Secret Ballot; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on order to inquire into the expediency of establishing the office of State Auditor; (taken from the files;)

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition of Abel Davis and others of Pittsfield for the establishment of a Municipal Court to be known as the Pittsfield Municipal Court; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act in reference to patients in Bangor General Hospital being allowed to designate their physician;" (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to preserve the purity of Public Water Supplies;" (taken from the files;)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs on petition of T. N. Drake, M. D., and 14 others of Pittsfield that all general hospitals receiving aid from the State include on the medical staff of each hospital at least one physician and surgeon of the homeopathic school of medicine; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on petition of Elliott Walker and 30 others that the medical staff of all hospitals shall include one homeopathic physician and surgeon; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to place the Maine Relief Corps Home at Newport under the control of the State;" (taken from the files;)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Education on bill "An Act to establish an additional normal school;" (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to establish a State normal school at Houlton;" (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school in Newport; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on order to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law making the maintenance of a free high school compulsory in all towns of more than one thousand population; (taken from the files;)

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Penobscot Central Railroad Company;" (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 378 of the Public Laws of 1885 relating to connection between telephone lines;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on order to inquire into the expediency of passing a general law in relation to Trust and Banking Companies; (taken from the files,)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on bill "An Act establishing a sorting boom on Mattawamkeag river;" (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on petition of proprietors of Machias Boom for a revision and alteration of the fees and tolls and to establish them fixed and definite; (taken from the files;)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on petition of county commissioners of Somerset county and others that aid be given by the State in building a bridge over the Sandy river in the town of Starks; (taken from the files,)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of F. H. Miller and 13 others of Durham for a law to prohibit the taking of trout from Branch brook and its tributaries in the towns of Durham and Pownal; (taken from the files;)

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition of E. Witham and 15 others of Madison for an amendment to the law relating to the killing of bears and wolves; (taken from the files;)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries on petition of J. M. Powers and others of Deer Isle for the enactment of a law to prohibit the digging of clams within the limits of the towns of Deer Isle, Sedgwick and Brooksville between the 20th day of December and the 20th day of February of each year; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on petition of W. A. Cochran and others of Edgecomb for a law granting owners of mill privilege at outlet of Lilly's pond in Edgecomb a right to construct and

maintain a fish way over and around the dam at said outlet and to clear said stream from all obstructions; also for protection of alewives in said pond and Parson's Creek, so called, near Oven's Mouth; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on petition of F. B. Gross and 80 others of Orland for the repeal of an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Eastern Penobscot river, Orland; (taken from the files;)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of W. B. Thurlow and 119 others of Deer Isle that the southern part of Deer Isle be set off as a new town; (taken from the files;)

Report of the Committee on Towns on petition of Ernest Etnand and 183 others for the division of the town of Frenchville; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on petition of Thomas S. Golder and others that a part of the town of Rome be set off and annexed to the town of Belgrade; (taken from the files;)

Report of same committee on petition of N. Moore and 50 others of Orneville that said town be annexed to and made a part of the town of Milo; (taken from the files;)

Reports "A" and "B" of same committee on petition of C. D. Morrill and others that a part of the town of Madison may be incorporated into a new town reporting respectively "ought to pass" and "ought not to pass" bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Old Point;" (taken from the files;)

Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital on petitions in reference to the chronic insane that any person resident of the State regularly committed to any insane hospital of the State whose case is considered chronic or incurable after three years residence at said hospital shall be considered a ward of the State, and all expenses incurred by such person shall be borne by the State; (taken from the files;)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Report of the Committee on Mines and Mining on bill "An Act to provide for the geological and mineralogical survey of the State;" (taken from the files.)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation and control of gas and electric companies for lighting, heating, manufacturing and mechanical purposes;'"

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act establishing a municipal court in the town of Waterville;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 relating to the Augusta Municipal Court;"

Bill "An Act to regulate steam engineering," with petition;

Bill "An Act to provide for the waiver of jury trials in civil cases in the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts;"

Resolve by the city council of Deering favoring the repeal of certain laws of 1895 whereby individual and corporation rights are abridged;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of W. F. Wight and others for water charter in the town of Warren;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Dexter Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889 relating to hawkers and peddlers;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvency;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of the Maine Woman's Christian Temperance Union for an appropriation with statement annexed;

Petition of Eastern Maine General Hospital of Bangor in aid of appropriation;

Petition of Eastern Maine General Hospital of Bangor for amendment to charter;

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December 16, 1892, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter 55, as the Bangor General Hospital and now named Eastern Maine General Hospital;"

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary;

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy;

Resolve in favor of the training and normal school at Fort Kent;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company to amend certain acts so as to permit said company to build tracks through the towns of Newburg and Dixmont in the county of Penobscot and towns of Monroe and Searsport in Waldo county also to build through towns of Glenburn, Hermon, Levant, Corinth, Charlestown, Garland, Stetson and Exeter in Penobscot county;

Petition of Hampden and Winterport Railway to make legal a meeting of stockholders in regard to change of name to Bangor, Hampden and Winterport Railway;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Electric Railroad Company to make a loan;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of E. B. Nealy and others of Bangor for amendment to law relating to investment of assets of insurance companies;

Bill "An Act providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State;"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Col. Elijah Walker for an appropriation for marking a position held by his regiment on the battlefield of Gettysburg;

Petition of Col. Moses B. Lakeman for an appropriation for marking a position held by his regiment on the battlefield of Gettysburg;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of B. F. White and others for the repeal of chapter 246 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to width of wheel tires on Greenfield road in town of Greenbush,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of A. W. Plummer and 70 others of Oakland for an appropriation sufficient to operate Monmouth Fish Hatchery and Feeding Station and to pay for two wardens for Kennebec county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of M. L. Rollins and 13 others of Chelsea;

Petition of Rolan C. McIlroy and 32 others of Winthrop;

Petition of Chas. H. Austin and 34 others of Belgrade;

Petition of A. A. Sampson and 26 others of Chelsea;

Petition of Nathaniel W. Cole and 31 others of Augusta;

Petition of James E. Kingsley and 32 others of Augusta;

Petition of Herbert M. Heath and 35 others of Augusta;

Petition of W. P. Whitehouse and 33 others of Augusta;

Petition of Algenon S. Bangs and 32 others of Augusta;

Petition of Chas. H. White and 32 others of Augusta;

Petition of E. W. Whitehouse and 31 others of Augusta;

Petition of W. S. Choate and 29 others of Augusta;

Petition of M. S. Gordon and 29 others of Vienna;

Petition of E. O. Bean and 42 others of Readfield;

Petition of H. F. Woodward and 35 others of Litchfield;

Petition of G. H. Lord and 4 others of Wayne;

Petition of J. S. Ballard and 13 others of Monmouth and Dixfield;

Petition of Howard E. Lindsay and 32 others of Monmouth;

Petition of W. W. Washburn and 24 others of China;

Petition of H. M. Blake and 92 others of Monmouth for same;

Were referred to the Kennebec County Delegation.

Resolve for the purchase of certain photographic views,

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of F. A. Follett and others for exempting soldiers, having lost a limb from payment of poll tax,

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Petition of R. F. Crie and 21 others and H. W. Young and 33 others to set off Ragged Island from Matinicus Plantation and to incorporate the same as a plantation;

Resolution passed by the city council of Deering asking that no legislation be enacted favoring the annexation of the whole or any part of the city of Deering to the city of Portland;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Ordered, The Senate concurring that a joint special committee consisting of seven members on the part of the House, and three on the part of the Senate, to whom shall be referred all petitions, bills, orders and other papers specially relating to salaries.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to procure and deliver to each member and officer of both branches of the legislature one copy of Freeman's Supplement of the Revised Statutes.

These petitions, bills and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, That the Clerk be instructed to provide a suitable box for the reception of petitions, memorials and other papers

addressed to the House, to be designated as the "Speaker's Box," and to be under his direction and control.

On motion of Mr. GILMAN of Houlton,

Ordered, That twenty-four hundred copies of the Governor's Message be printed for the use of this House.

On motion of Mr. HOUGHTON of Fort Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House prepare a card of the order of business of the House and that the usual number be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering,

Ordered, That the Messenger of the House be and hereby is directed to have the Speaker's chair so reformed, remodeled or replaced as to make the same comfortable for occupancy and to the entire satisfaction of the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering, the communication from Secretary of State transmitting the official returns of votes cast for Representatives to the sixty-eighth legislature, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Adjourned to to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, January 15, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Newbert of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the Executive Department:

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

AUGUSTA, January 6, 1897.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In compliance with the Constitution of the State, I herewith communicate to the legislature each case of reprieve, remission of penalty, commutation or pardon granted in 1895 and 1896, giving the name of the convict, the crime of which he was convicted, the sentence, the date of reprieve, remission, commutation or pardon, and the conditions, if any, upon which the same was granted.

HENRY B. CLEAVES.

Was read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the report of the Commission upon the establishment of a new normal school,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Communication from same, transmitting the twenty-eighth annual report of the Insurance Commissioner,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of the city of Auburn for the enactment of a law fixing terms of police officers with accompanying bill;

Petition of George M. Coombs for compensation for services in preparing plans and specifications for the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital;

Petition of Fred E. Richards and others of Portland for legislation relating to the Portland Elevator Company;

Bill "An Act to legalize the lease of the Oldtown Street Railway Company;"

Bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies in the board of directors of the Maine General Hospital;"

Bill "An Act to amend Private and Special Laws of 1893 relating to Glidden Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to ratify and make valid the doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester, and to authorize the sale of its meeting house and lot;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the bonds of trustees and guardians;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to fix the term of office of the police officers of the City of Auburn;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to provide for the better protection of public records;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Vinalhaven Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Guilford and Sangerville Water Company;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of James Aug. Healy for aid for St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland;

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of V. R. Tuttle, president, and 35 others for extension of charter of Waldo and Somerset Railway Company;

Bill "An Act relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and Sheridan Plantation;"

Bill "An Act to amend Chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company;'"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Remonstrance of E. T. Bicknell and others of the town of Norway against any change in the law relating to close time for moose, caribou and deer.

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of William Thompson and others in favor of setting off certain islands from the town of Jonesport and annexing same to the town of Roque Bluff,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of E. E. Bedell and others of Andover in favor of granting pensions to soldiers of the Aroostook War;

Resolve providing for State Pensions for invalid soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphans and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors eligible thereto under existing law;

Were referred to Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to make a loan and issue bonds therefor,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Androscoggin County Delegation.

Resolve in favor of the committee of the Senate appointed to attend the funeral of Ex-Gov. Daniel F. Davis.

Came from the Senate, read twice under suspension of rules, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland, rules were suspended, the resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ordered, That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider the Governor's message and report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate committees.

Came from the Senate, read and passed with the following committee appointed on its part:

Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook,
Engel of Penobscot,
Reynolds of Cumberland.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Murray of Pembroke,
Winslow of Portland,
Saunders of Ellsworth,
Starbird of Litchfield,
Rounds of Paris,
Golder of Belgrade,
Goodrich of Maxfield,

was joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a joint special committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to receive proposals from the publishers of the Maine State Year Book, for furnishing the State with a sufficient number of copies for the years 1897 and 1898.

Came from the Senate, read and passed with

Messrs. Chamberlain of Lincoln,
Parsons of Piscataquis,
Ferguson of Sagadahoc,

appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and

Messrs. Floyd of Brewer,
Maxcy of Gardiner,
Durgin of Orono,
Davis of Steuben,
Ayer of Vassalboro,
Currier of Farmington,
Day of Turner,

was joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, That a joint special committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to which shall be referred all matters relating to the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital at Bangor.

Came from the Senate, read and passed with
Messrs. Weeks of Penobscot,
Billings of Waldo,
Maxwell of Androscoggin,
appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and
Messrs. Palmer of Bangor,
Rodick of Eden,
Macomber of Augusta,
Murchie of Calais,
Austin of Milford,
Shepard of Buxton,
Fernald of Poland,
was joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred the petition of George M. Coombs, inquire into the subject matter of said petition and determine whether said Coombs is legally or equitably entitled to any compensation for services, disbursements and expenses alleged by him to have been performed, made and incurred by him in behalf of the State and report by bill, resolve or otherwise.

Ordered, The House concurring that the Committees on Reform School, State Prison, Insane Hospital, Education, Agriculture, Military Affairs and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts be authorized to visit the various institutions which they represent.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Monday afternoon next at 4.30 o'clock.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act for the promotion of medical education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in dead human bodies;"

Bill "An Act to secure the Secret Ballot;"

Bill "An Act to extend the powers of the International North and South American Transportation and Express Company;"

Bill "An Act to abolish days of grace, and fix the date of maturity on notes, drafts and other evidences of indebtedness;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company of New Hampshire to hold property and do business in Maine;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary;

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of John Lovejoy, Mayor of city of Rockland, for payment of a portion of school fund retained by State on account of imperfect schools returns;

Petition of R. H. Aldrich and others in favor of appropriation for Westbrook Seminary;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act relating to expenditures of the Railroad Commissioners,"

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Resolve relating to a settling lot in Drew Plantation,

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

Petition of Robert A. Storg and others of Lincoln Plantation for an appropriation in aid of building a bridge across the Magalloway river on the road location as laid out by the County Commissioners.

Petition of H. J. Brown and 7 others of Springfield for State aid in re-building bridge at Kingman;

Petition of Eben Averell and 61 others of Prentiss;

Petition of Wilbur Grant and 49 others of Kingman;

Petition of S. A. Oliver and 72 others of Carroll in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Z. J. Snow and others for a change in the law relating to the taking of salmon upon the waters of the Penobscot river;

Petition of George W. Massure for repeal of the law relating to smelts in Swan Lake;

Petition of Henry S. Harriman and 61 others;

Petition of J. A. Clement and 52 others;

Petition of C. E. Adams and 52 others in favor of same;

Petition of Roscoe B. Leavitt and 25 others of Lime-stone for sufficient appropriation to operate the Caribou Hatchery and Feeding Station and sufficient warden service for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of George H. Donham and 13 others of Island Falls;

Petition of M. S. Smith and 33 others of Easton;

Petition of P. K. Holman and 51 others of Mars Hill;

Petition of Seth T. Campbell and 16 others of Island Falls;

Petition of C. L. Stoddard and 22 others of Perham;

Petition of Jonathan Hersom and 23 others of Blaine;

Petition of Jonas Petterson and 24 others of Jemtland, New Sweden;

Petition of J. M. Brown and 15 others of Eagle Lake;

Petition of R. W. Shaw and 111 others of Houlton, in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further protection of inland fish and game, and for the registration of guides;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of George M. Warren and 72 others relative to the fishing industry on Bagaduce river,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of M. W. Morgan and 56 others of Orneville against the annexation of Orneville to the town of Milo,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Library inquire into the expediency of establishing a system of traveling libraries and report by bill, resolve or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. KALER of Scarboro,

Ordered, The Senate concurring that the Secretary of State is requested and hereby authorized to furnish at the expense of the State such postage stamps and stationery to the Clerks of all the joint standing committees and the Clerk of the House as may be necessary to the proper discharge of their official duties.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

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

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
MONDAY, January 18, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the Executive Department transmitting report of commissioners appointed under the provisions of Chapter 138, of the laws of 1895, relating to the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States with accompanying drafts of bills,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Communication from Hon. Nicholas Fessenden, Secretary of State, relating to election laws,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 38, chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relative to notice in probate proceedings,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee of Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of County Commissioners of Somerset county for aid in repairing the Forks bridge in said county,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of J. A. Clark and 66 others of Caribou for sufficient appropriation for operation of Caribou Hatchery and Feeding Station, and sufficient warden service for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of William Atkins and 39 others of Ox Bow;

Petition of J. Manchester Haynes and 30 others of Augusta for an appropriation sufficient to operate Monmouth fish hatchery and feeding station and to pay for two wardens in Kennebec county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Edwin C. Burleigh and 31 others of Augusta;

Petition of P. O. Vickery and 35 others of Augusta;

Petition of Lendall Titcomb and 27 others of Augusta;

Petition of J. F. Hill and 34 others of Augusta;

Petition of J. H. Manley and 34 others of Augusta;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of W. W. Washburn and 24 others of China for an appropriation sufficient to operate Monmouth Fish Hatchery and Feeding Station, and to pay for two wardens in Kennebec county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Howard E. Lindsay and 32 others of Monmouth;

Petition of G. H. Lord and 4 others of Wayne;

Petition of H. F. Woodward and 35 others of Litchfield;

Petition of E. O. Bean and 42 others of Readfield;
Petition of M. S. Gordon and 29 others of Vienna;
Petition of W. S. Choate and 29 others of Augusta;
Petition of E. W. Whitehouse and 31 others of Augusta;
Petition of Charles H. White and 32 others of Augusta;
Petition of Algenon S. Bangs and 32 others of Augusta;
Petition of W. P. Whitehouse and 33 others of Augusta;
Petition of Herbert M. Heath and 35 others of Augusta;
Petition of James E. Kingsley and 32 others of Augusta;
Petition of Nathaniel W. Cole and 31 others of Augusta;
Petition of A. A. Sampson and 26 others of Chelsea;
Petition of Charles H. Austin and 34 others of Belgrade;
Petition of Roland C. McIlroy and 32 others of Winthrop;
Petition of M. L. Rollins and 13 others of Chelsea;
Petition of A. W. Plummer and 70 others of Oakland;
Petition of J. S. Ballard and 13 others of Monmouth and Litchfield;

Petition of H. M. Blake and 92 others of Monmouth, in favor of same;

Referred in the House January 14, to the Kennebec County Delegation,

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891 relating to migratory fish,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act to establish a sinking fund for the county of Kennebec,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Kennebec County Delegation.

Ordered, The House concurring that the State Library be kept open from eight o'clock A. M. to six o'clock P. M., and

from seven o'clock P. M. to ten o'clock P. M. on each day when the Legislature is in session, and that the State Librarian may employ one person in addition to his regular assistant to enable him to carry out this order, whose compensation shall be one hundred and fifty dollars.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Burns of Westbrook, informed the House that Daniel Mason of Bristol, a member elect, had appeared and was ready for qualification.

Mr. Burns was charged with the duty of conducting Mr. Mason to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath, and subsequently informed the House that the Governor and Council were not in session and that Mr. Mason could not be qualified.

Petition of George H. Collins and 144 others of Presque Isle, in favor of legislation granting women the right to vote in municipal elections;

Petition of Charles F. Parsons and 40 others of Hallowell;

Petition of Mrs. A. C. Rogers and 113 others of Pembroke;

Petition of Maria L. Smith and 140 others of Milbridge, in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Union Gas and Electric Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Henry B. Cleaves and 10 others in aid of Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland;

Petition of Mary S. Snow and 60 others of Bangor;

Petition of Nicholas Fessenden and 10 others of Augusta;

Petition of Randall D. Bibber, Mayor, and 7 aldermen of the city of Bath;

Petition of Nelson Dingley and 50 others of Auburn;

Petition of Selden Connor and 70 others of Portland, in favor of same;

Resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine;

Petition for an appropriation in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering;

Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering;

Resolve in favor of the Augusta City Hospital;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of James Pennell and 84 others of Westbrook in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad Company and to authorize municipalities in Cumberland and Oxford Counties to aid in the construction of its railway;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute;

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893 relating to public schools;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Resolve in favor of the town of Maxfield,

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company, its successors and assigns to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Lake Maranocook in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Moluncus stream in Macwahoc Plantation, county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across Macwahoc stream in Macwahoc Plantation, county of Aroostook;

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

Petition of J. E. Lee and 79 others for an appropriation sufficient to procure a suitable number of wardens to protect fish and game in Kennebec county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of P. R. Strout and 9 others of Durham for an appropriation sufficient to operate Auburn Hatchery and feeding station and suitable warden service for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of J. D. Kimball and 26 others of Gilead relating to the killing of moose, deer and caribou in Oxford county;

Petition of F. A. Greenwood and 65 others of Mattawamkeag for a change in the law governing the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river;

Petition of O. D. Lombard and 110 others in favor of close time on Stetson pond in the town of Stetson;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of John Cassidy and 11 others for increase of pension of Robert Johnson of Brewer;

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Bill "An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of Franklin county to abate the county tax on Perkins Platation,"

Was referred to the Franklin County Delegation.

Resolve in favor of the committee appointed by the House to attend the funeral of Ex-Gov. Daniel F. Davis, at Bangor.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor, rules were suspended, the resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Mattawamkeag,

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be directed to inquire into the necessity of re-imbursing citizens of the State who may have their crops injured by deer and report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills, resolves and order were sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Committee of the Senate appointed to attend the funeral of Ex-Gov. Daniel F. Davis,

Was reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,
Adjourned to to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, January 19, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Snyder of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from State Treasurer-elect, transmitting official bond as Treasurer of the State of Maine for the years 1897 and 1898, for approval by the Legislature,

Was read and with bond referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of E. O. Thayer and 130 others of Gardiner in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of Albert W. Paine of Bangor in favor of an amendment to chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes;

Bill "An Act authorizing the Draper Company to issue preferred stock and hold stock and bonds of other corporations;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to secure the Secret Ballot;"

Referred in the House January 15, to the Committee on the Judiciary,

Came from the Senate referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The House receded and concurred.

Resolve of Somerset County Pomona Grange in favor of a more nearly equal adjustment of the school tax; also to promote the efficiency of our public schools,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Resolve of Somerset County Pomona Grange in favor of the cash, versus the labor system for repairing highways;

Resolve of Somerset County Pomona Grange in favor of the enactment of a law to prevent adulteration of seed;

Resolve of Somerset County Pomona Grange in favor of the prevention of fraud in the manufacture and sale of cloth;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to railroads,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Henry W. Oakes and 28 others of Auburn for sufficient appropriation to operate Auburn Hatchery and feeding station and suitable warden service for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Frank H. Lyford and 21 others of Auburn;

Petition of Nathan W. Harris and 38 others of Auburn in favor of same;

Petition of W. P. Giddings and 149 others of Gardiner for sufficient appropriation for operation of Monmouth hatchery and feeding station and for sufficient warden service in Kennebec county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws and to aid in the propagation of inland fish and game;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of F. L. Odlin and 276 others of Lewiston and Auburn in favor of a reformatory prison for women;

Petition of Benjamin Burton and 280 others of Union;

Petition of Pauline Pierpont and 22 others of Washington;

Petition of Mrs. Sylvester Aran and 49 others of Camden;

Petition of Mrs. C. S. Coakley and 19 others of Spruce Head;

Petition of Eva A. Bond and 72 others of Warren in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act providing for elections with the secret ballot," reporting that same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs;

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act giving notaries public jurisdiction throughout the State;"

Bill "An Act to regulate steam engineering and to provide for the examination and licensing of engineers;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to create a lien on spool lumber and bars;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes relating to unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices;"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory to the act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Orono Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Joshua L. Chamberlain and 52 others of Brunswick in favor of an appropriation for Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland;

Petition of William W. Mitchell and 30 others of Deering in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of trustees of Lee Normal Academy for an appropriation for three years;

Bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State Normal School on penalty of forfeiting such aid;"

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust & Banking Company,

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of H. J. Leach and 88 others of Bangor and Brewer for the passage of a law to regulate the length of rafts of logs which may be run or towed on the Penobscot river so as not to interfere with the regular passage of ferry boats between said cities;

Bill "An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of C. M. Hill and others of Moscow in favor of an appropriation for the repair of Babbitt Ridge road in said town;

Bill "An Act additional to the act of 1868 chapter 453 to establish a ferry across Penobscot river, between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips, as amended by the act of 1880, chapter 221;"

Resolve in favor of the town of Moscow to aid in the support of the Babbitt Ridge road;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of A. E. Herrick and 80 others of Bethel for an appropriation for warden service for Oxford county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Jonathan Bartlett and 25 others of Stoneham;

Petition of D. E. Mills and 19 others of Auburn;

Petition of J. H. Jewett and 38 others of Waterford;

Petition of Daniel Clark and 6 others of Albany;

Petition of Edward I. Faunce and 15 others of Oxford;

Petition of A. L. Hersey and 30 others of Oxford;

Petition of Nathan Reynolds and 38 others of Canton;

Petition of John Reed and 14 others of Roxbury;

Petition of A. A. Robinson and 5 others of Sumner;

Petition of Fred A. Hull and 41 others of Paris;

Petition of F. H. Packard and 55 others of West Paris;

Petition of Myron Maxim and 25 others of Paris;

Petition of E. R. Batchelder and 34 others of Porter for same;

Petition of Henry L. Irish and 7 others of Turner for sufficient appropriation to operate Auburn hatchery and feeding station and suitable warden service for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Lute Johnson and 158 others of Orono for a change in the law relating to the taking of salmon in Penobscot river;

Petition of V. E. Libby and 187 others of Lincoln in favor of same;

Petition of Jesse Prentiss and 52 others of Milford for an appropriation sufficient to operate a fish hatchery in Penobscot county;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game;

Petition of Edward P. Casey and others of Boothbay for the enactment of a law allowing the people of Boothbay, Bristol and Edgecomb the right to fish for smelts with drag seines in the Damariscotta river between Farnham's Head and Damariscotta Bridge;

Petition of James E. Beath and 87 others of Boothbay;

Petition of Henry H. Gonley and 46 others of Bristol;

Petition of Parker Burnham and 68 others of Boothbay;

Petition of Nathan Lamson and 23 others of Edgecomb;

Petition of John A. Geyer and 57 others of Bristol;

Petition of James R. Brown and 51 others of Edgecomb;

Petition of William Burnham and 83 others of Bristol for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of J. H. Holden and others of Oakfield Plantation in favor of incorporating said plantation into a town, with bill accompanying;

Petition of George S. Stone and 5 others of Berwick in favor of being set off from the town of Berwick and annexed to the town of South Berwick;

Petition of S. B. Chick and 16 others of Berwick in favor of petition of George S. Stone and others;

Petition of C. Hodgdon and 200 others of South Berwick in favor of petition of George S. Stone and others in favor of same;

Petition of S. R. Allen and others of Oakfield Plantation in favor of incorporating said plantation into a town to be called Oakfield, with bill accompanying;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Claim of A. J. Cameron for payment of certain services rendered the State,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to ascertain the amount of out-standing bills incurred by reason of the slaughter of animals infected with tuberculosis exceeding the appropriations that have been made for that purpose, and report a resolve in favor of same.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns it be to meet at 10 o'clock on the following morning unless otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn,

Ordered, That the Board of Agriculture be allowed the use of this hall on Thursday evening, January 21st, for a public lecture by Gen. Roy Stone of Washington, D. C. on Practical Road Improvement for the State of Maine.

On motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, January 20, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Frost of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the twenty-second annual report of the Board of Managers and Officers of the Maine Industrial School for Girls at Hallowell,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Communication from same transmitting the sixth annual report of the Board of State Assessors,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise and other purposes;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to contributions by husbands and fathers to the support of wives and children;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lincoln County Historical Society;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891 as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to the Australian Ballot,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Charles Bisbee and 31 others of Peru for an appropriation for warden service in Oxford county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of J. W. Clark and 28 others of Wilson's Mills;

Petition of C. T. Poor and 84 others of Andover;

Petition of C. H. Gilbert and 50 others of Gilbertville;

Petition of S. S. Stearns and 35 others of Norway;

Petition of M. M. Sampson and 14 others of Norway;

Petition of F. Cushman and 44 others of Woodstock;

Petition of Edward E. Hastings and 36 others of Fryeburg in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Report of the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition of W. S. Miller and others of Durham for "An Act to prohibit the taking of trout from Branch brook and its tributaries in the towns of Durham and Pownal reporting that the petition be referred to the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game,"

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Agreeably to the order providing for same, passed January 14, the Speaker announced the members of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries and joined by those of the Senate are as follows:

Messrs. Engel of Penobscot,
Clason of Kennebec,
Hinkley of Franklin.

—of the Senate.

Messrs. Hutchins of Penobscot,
Young of Hiram,
Plummer of Lisbon,
Wilson of Gorham,

Messrs. Burton of Union,
Chatto of Brooksville,
Ames of Jefferson. —of the House.

Petition of the Oxford Village Corporation for an amendment to section 2, chapter 169 of act of incorporation;

Petition of P. C. Keegan and 68 others of Van Buren for an additional term of court at Caribou;

Petition of Fred Violette and 18 others of Van Buren;

Petition of Israel Ouillette and 11 others of Frenchville;

Petition of Arthur B. Daigle and 11 others of Frenchville;

Petition of A. H. Tornquist and 21 others of New Sweden;

Petition of Joseph W. Carey and others of Caribou;

Petition of Peter C. Keegan and 24 other members of Aroostook bar;

Petition of E. A. Smith and 100 others of Presque Isle, in favor of same;

Petition of Mrs. F. Field of Danforth for such legislation as will enable women to vote in municipal elections;

Petition of E. M. Hamor and 91 others of Bar Harbor for same;

Petition of the trustees of Alonzo Wing Library Association of Wayne for change of name;

Petition of R. L. Proctor and 108 others of Waterville that a charter be granted Union Gas and Electric Company;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of D. A. Daggett and 62 others of Brookton for a lien on leather;

Petition of W. H. Pulk and 64 others of Princeton;

Petition of H. W. Seavey of Crawford and 10 others;

Petition of H. W. Flinn and 29 others of Forest City;

Petition of F. B. Trott and 34 others of Baring;

Petition of L. S. Crosby and 19 others;

Petition of C. A. Rolfe and 36 others of Princeton;

Petition of J. M. Heath and 26 others;

Petition of F. E. Bates and 21 others;

Petition of H. H. Miller and 68 others of Grand Lake Stream;

Petition of Smith E. Munson and 57 others of Calais for same;

Petition of Llewellyn Sanborn and 98 others in favor of a law creating a lien on spool lumber and bars;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869 relating to the organization of parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve Ex-Gov. King monument;

Resolve to pay deficiency to James W. Wakefield, State Liquor Commissioner;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy;

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy;

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Howard W. Dodge in favor of extension of charter of Waldo and Somerset Railroad,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Resolve for preserving the block house of Fort Kent,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Hinch and Kelley and 16 other lumbermen for an amendment to the charter of the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company;

Petition of A. Craig and 20 other lumbermen for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Joseph Martin and 99 others of Van Buren for aid in building a bridge in said town;

Petition of Byron Lambert and 98 others for aid in building bridge across Sandy river in the town of Starks;

Petition of B. F. Baker and 135 others;

Petition of Somerset County Grange for same;

Bill "An Act relating to the repairs of highways and bridges in towns;"

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Martin Baker and 73 others of Orrington, for the repeal of the Special Laws relating to taking fish in Swett's pond, Field's pond and Brewer's pond, in Orrington and Bucksport;

Petition of Joseph B. Cunningham and 128 others relating to taking salmon in Penobscot river;

Petition of Fred L. Pratt and 29 others of Veazie relating to same;

Petition of J. F. Sprague and 40 others of Monson in favor of an appropriation for better warden service in enforcing the game laws in Piscataquis county;

Petition of Lewis McLellan and 46 others of Gorham in favor of an appropriation for warden service in Cumberland county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of E. C. Mallony and 22 others of Jackman for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Somerset county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of L. I. Kinne and 8 others of Holeb;

Petition of F. W. Bunker and 28 others of Anson;

Petition of W. H. Wildes and 63 others of Skowhegan in for same;

Petition of C. M. Hazeltine and 63 others of Belfast for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Waldo county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of F. O. Smith and 24 others of Belfast;

Petition of H. P. Thompson and 29 others of Belfast for same;

Petition of Augustus Pease and 29 others of Fayette for an appropriation for sufficient warden service in Kennebec county and for operation of Monmouth hatchery and feeding station for the years 1897 and 1898;

Remonstrance of W. H. Tucker and 88 others of Buckfield against any change of the game laws relating to close time on deer, moose and caribou;

Remonstrance of J. F. Plummer and 116 others of Paris against same;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 503 of the Private and Special Laws of 1828 to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus river;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 54, chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 271 of the Public Laws of 1885 as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the number of pounds of white perch and pickerel to be taken;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of John W. Noble and 103 others for repeal of law relating to weir fishing below the breakwater on St. Croix river;

Petition of James C. Rairben and 58 others of Edgecomb for fish-way to Lilly pond in said town;

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing, marking and sale of domestic sardines;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 144 of the Public Laws of 1887 relating to the better protection of the lobster fisheries;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Arthur F. Beverley and 18 others in favor of setting off part of the town of Whiting, known as the village of Gardner lake, to town of East Machias,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Isaac Moore and 80 others of Somerville relating to the refunding of commutation money,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Matthias A. Cullnan of Belfast for increase of pension,

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of A. S. Ladd and 49 others of Calais in favor of the establishment of a reformatory prison for women;

Petition of George S. Beckett and 97 others of Belfast;

Petition of Joseph M. Long and 94 others of East Winthrop in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of George E. Johnson and others in favor of increasing the salary of Treasurer of Waldo county,

Was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. HOUGHTON of Fort Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the insolvent law so that no discharge shall be granted except in cases where a dividend is paid.

These petitions, bills, resolves and order were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the use of Representative's hall be granted to Mr. E. C. Swett of Portland on Tuesday evening, January 26th, 1897, for his new lecture entitled "Picturesque Maine."

On motion of Mr. DURGIN of Orono,

Ordered, That the use of Representative's hall be granted the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game for a public hearing Tuesday afternoon, February 2nd.

On motion of Mr. AUSTIN of Milford,

Ordered, That the State librarian be and hereby is authorized to furnish each member of the House with one copy of Reed's rules.

Mr. Durgin from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on order relating to reimbursement of citizens of the State who may have their crops injured by deer reported that "legislation thereon is inexpedient."

Same gentlemen from same committee on petition of O. D. Lombard and others for a close time on Stetson pond from December first to May first reported that the petitioners "have leave to withdraw" for the reason that the matter contained in the petition can properly be acted on by the commissioners of inland fisheries and game.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROWELL of Kittery,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, January 21, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Crosby of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the first annual report of the board of registration of medicine.

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Communication from same transmitting report of the commissioners of inland fisheries and game.

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of E. W. Webber and 38 others of Rumford Falls in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of Mrs. J. D. Graham and 35 others of Rumford Falls;

Petition of Ellen L. Pierce and 9 others of Hiram;

Petition of Mrs. George H. Jones and 15 others of Oxford;

Petition of Mrs. S. E. W. Curtis and 46 others of West Paris in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to divide the town of Mechanic Falls into two voting precincts;"

Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional to section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to create a state board of examiners of teachers and to define its duties,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Alvin P. Ricker and 86 others of Harrison for a charter for railroad from Westbrook to Waterford;

Petition of W. H. Danielson and 57 others of Harrison in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of T. S. Damon and 9 others of Auburn for sufficient appropriation for operation of Auburn hatchery and for sufficient warden service in the county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of F. C. Mower and 49 others of Auburn for same;

Petition of William T. Haynes and 215 others of Waterville and vicinity that sufficient money be appropriated to operate the fish hatcheries in Maine and for suitable warden service;

Petition of Samuel Vose and 40 others of Madison for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Somerset county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Frank L. Clark and 4 others in favor of granting a pension to John B. Sawyer of Gray;

Petition of E. A. Barker and 708 others in favor of pensioning the Aroostook soldiers and their widows;

Were referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of Eugene A. Holmes and 110 others of Caribou in favor of establishing a reformatory for women,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 207 of the Public Laws of 1889 relating to clerk of judicial courts in Piscataquis county,"

Was referred in concurrence to the joint special Committee on Salaries.

Ordered, The House concurring that the Committee on Eastern Insane Hospital with such members of the Senate and House as wish to join be authorized to visit that institution.

Ordered, The House concurring, that a list of the joint standing committees be printed in the Daily Kennebec Journal until January 31st, for the information of the Legislature and others interested.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of George Fisher, president of Dexter and Newport Railroad Company in relation to issuing bonds to be guaranteed by Maine Central Railroad Company with bill accompanying;

Petition of Mary E. Bagley and others of Troy in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of Sarah E. Clark and others of Stetson;

Petition of Edna E. Lamb and others of Lincolnville;

Petition of G. B. Michael and others of Stillwater;

Petition of Mrs. Cora Ferguson and 30 others of South Berwick;

Petition of Mrs. Laura E. Turner and 20 others of Bremen;

Petition of Mrs. Eva Bond and 63 others of Jefferson, in favor of same;

Petition of Mary E. Skillings and 66 others of Peaks Island in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from fourteen to eighteen years;

Petition of Mrs. B. S. Goodwin and 35 others of Berwick in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to repeal section 42 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to resentencing convicts sentenced to the State prison;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of highways;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Eastport to issue bonds;"

Bill "An Act to relieve towns of the unjust burden of supporting non-resident paupers;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 5 and 20 of chapter 95 of the Revised Statutes in relation to waste and trespass on real estate;"

Bill "An Act additional to section 21 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the removal of executors and administrators;"

Bill "An Act to amend rule 4 of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes as amended by section 1 of chapter 155 of the Public Laws 1895 relating to descent of real estate;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 28, chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes relating to assault and battery;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Alwilda S. Martin and 130 others for an amendment to chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes relating to hawkers and peddlers;

Bill "An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company, with accompanying petition;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 73 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to the fees of referees;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. T. Hartwell and 54 others of Oldtown in favor of an appropriation for Girl's Home at Belfast;

Petition of Horatio D. Crie and 12 others of Crie Haven;

Petition of Samuel L. Lord and 28 others of Saco;

Petition of Jesse Prentiss and 19 others of Milford;

Petition of George W. Field and 25 others of Bangor;

Petition of Frank M. Beckett and 20 others of Calais;

Petition of Cyrus S. Tucker and 19 others of Norway;

Petition of Charles H. Hooper and 23 others of Castine;

Petition of James Pulsifer and 15 others of Auburn;

Petition of W. H. Wildes and 23 others of Skowhegan;

Petition of William Dobson and 12 others of Pittsfield;

Petition of George Carey and 26 others of Houlton;
Petition of A. E. Nickerson and 26 others of Swanville;
Petition of A. W. King and 64 others of Ellsworth;
Petition of Mrs. J. A. Clark and 25 others of Caribou;
Petition of James G. Pendelton and 27 others of Searsport;
Petition of Matilda Burleigh and 55 others of South Berwick;
Petition of John G. Brooks and 25 others of Belfast;
Petition of H. Davidson and 19 others of York;
Petition of A. S. McPheters and 54 others of Oldtown;
Petition of A. J. Billings and 21 others of Freedom;
Petition of W. B. Arnold and 24 others of Waterville;
Petition of John Lovejoy and 32 others of Rockland in favor of same;

Petition of Samuel L. Lord and 28 others of Saco in aid of Little Samaritan Society of Portland;

Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine;
Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of C. M. Waterhouse and 38 others of Westbrook in favor of an appropriation for Westbrook Seminary;

Petition of H. A. Philbrook and 20 others of Orono in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. B. Winslow and 106 others of Westbrook in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of A. D. DeCelles and 112 others of Westbrook in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Penobscot Central Railway to maintain a street railroad in the city of Bangor;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of the selectmen of Forest City for an appropriation to aid in building one-half the bridge between Maine and New Brunswick,

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

Petition of Albert Leavitt and others of Lexington Plantation for aid in building a bridge across Sandy stream in said plantation;

Petition of B. F. Dennison and 280 others of Freeport for the enactment of a law providing for the cutting and removal of all trees and shrubbery, except properly cared for ornamental trees, growing within the limits of the streets and highways;

Petition of Charles W. Hume, Mayor of Eastport, that the repair and maintenance of the Eastport toll bridge be assumed by the State;

Resolve in aid of re-building the bridge over Carrivean stream in Aroostook county;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of J. C. Mead and 23 others of Bridgton for sufficient appropriation for operation of Sebago hatchery and for sufficient warden service in Cumberland county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of C. T. Parker and 64 others of Windham for same;

Petition of W. J. Creamer and 21 others of Penobscot for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Hancock county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of W. B. Thurlow and 21 others of Deer Isle;

Petition of O. F. Fellows and 29 others of Bucksport and vicinity;

Petition of Edwin F. Bartlett and 43 others of Eastbrook;

Petition of E. R. Sopher and 34 others of Orland;

Petition of W. R. Bunker and others of Winter Harbor;

Petition of C. E. Speerling and 15 others of Cranberry Isles;

Petition of J. K. Richardson and 32 others of Deer Isle for same;

Petition of Samuel Bryant and 163 others of Rockland for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Knox county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of J. S. Foster and 94 others of Rockport;

Petition of Benjamin P. Batchelder, Jr., and 32 others of Union for same;

Petition of Charles F. Choate and 31 others of North Whitefield for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Lincoln county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Thomas B. Moody and 36 others of Jefferson;

Petition of George O. Bailey and 29 others of Whitefield for same;

Petition of Charles M. Simmons and 30 others of Smithfield for an appropriation for sufficient warden service in Somerset county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of G. J. Shaw and 24 others of Hartland for same;

Petition of Hiram Davis and others for a change in the laws relating to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river;

Petition of B. H. Malloney and others of Orrington for repeal of the law governing the taking of fish in Swett's and Field's ponds in Orrington and Bucksport;

Petition of E. R. Anderson and 35 others of Hallowell relative to the taking of smelts in Kennebec river;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 101 of the Private and Special Laws of 1857;"

Bill "An Act relating to the taking of fish in Sunebec pond, Knox county;"

Bill "An Act to protect trout in the Allen brook, so called in the eastern part of Appleton, Knox county, and its tributaries for a term of three years;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of Silas G. Moore and 92 others against any change in the law relating to the taking of alewives in Cross river,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of D. J. Sawyer and 138 others of Jonesport against setting off a part of the islands,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Mrs. Belle S. Goodwin and 35 others of South Berwick in favor of the establishment of a reformatory prison for women,

Was referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes as amended by the various subsequent acts, relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Somerset,

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing the second and third sentences of section 7 of chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes relating to the return of fines to the municipal officers by judges of municipal courts.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the necessity of moving the register of deeds from the town of Madawaska to Fort Kent in the Northern register of deed's office in the county of Aroostook.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Ordered, That the members of the Legislature from Hancock county be hereby constituted a committee and instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the January term of the court of county commissioners so as to conform in time with the January term of the supreme judicial court and report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Ordered, That Representative Stephen B. Thurlow of Deer Isle be granted leave of absence of two weeks on account of his severe illness.

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Towns reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of C. D. Morrill and others that the town of Madison be divided and a certain part incorporated under the name of Old Point.

Mr. SEWALL from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland

fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further protection of inland fish and game, and for the registration of guides, reported that same be printed and re-referred."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WILLIAMS from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company."

Mr. MERRILL of Portland, from the Committee on Banks and Banking reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under House rules.

Resolve in favor of the committee appointed by the House to attend the funeral of Ex-Gov. Daniel F. Davis,

Was reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the speaker and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, informed the House that Daniel Mason of Bristol, a member-elect had taken the necessary oath and was therefore entitled to a seat in the House.

The speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Stetson of Bangor as monitor of the 4th division in place of Mr. Golder of Belgrade, excused.

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

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, January 22, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Father Doherty of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of Mrs. O. M. Mason and others of Bethel to raise the age of protection of girls from fourteen to eighteen years;

Petition of Ann F. Greeley and 182 others of Ellsworth in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes relating to forgery;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to title by descent;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to liens on buildings;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company and the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay and bridges over tide water, in the town of Harpswell;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the St. Lawrence Street Congregational parish of Portland;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act concerning the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway and the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of E. W. Rounds and 34 others of Naples for sufficient appropriation for operation of Sebago lake hatchery and for sufficient warden service in Cumberland county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Morrill Glidden and 39 others of Somerville for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Lincoln county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Resolve in favor of the town of Monson,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be directed to place on exhibition for the benefit of the Legislature, in suitable tanks in the State House, a sample of the product of the fish hatcheries of the State.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, and the Committee on Agriculture, Committee on Education, and the Committee on Military Affairs, with such members of the Senate and House as wish to join, be authorized to visit the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet Monday, January 25, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of E. W. Webb and 101 others of Waterville that a charter be granted the Union Gas and Electric Company;

Petition of the mayor and aldermen and other citizens of Hallowell for an act to authorize said city to supply itself and the citizens thereof with electricity;

Bill "An Act relating to the waiving of the petition of a will by a widow and the interest she shall have in the estate of the testator after such waiver;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company,"
Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. B. Jillson and 49 others of Otisfield in favor of
a charter for a railroad from Westbrook to Waterford;

Petition of G. B. Mayberry and 59 others of Casco in favor of
same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs
and Expresses.

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across
the Mattawamkeag river in Kingman,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of H. P. Sargent, president of Bangor Boom Com-
pany for extension of charter for said company with bill accom-
panying,

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve authorizing the land agent to deed certain lots in
Wallagrass Plantation,

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

Petition of G. B. Glover and 47 others of Eddington for
change in the law relating to taking salmon in the Penobscot
river;

Petition of Charles A. Lang and 31 others of Harrison for
sufficient appropriation to operate Sebago hatchery and for
sufficient warden service in Cumberland county for the years
1897 and 1898;

Petition of the Harrison Fish and Game Protective Associa-
tion;

Petition of C. H. Chadbourne and 7 others of Baldwin;

Petition of James P. Baxter, Jr., and 13 others of Brunswick
for same;

Petition of Henry E. Davis and 40 others of Ellsworth for
sufficient appropriation for warden service in Hancock county
for the years 1897 and 1898;

Bill "An Act relating to the creation of private fish ponds;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Frank W. Robinson and others for a reformatory prison for women,

Was referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox,"

Was referred to the Knox County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. LITTLEFIELD of Belfast,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that a list of the committees of this Legislature together with the order of proceedings and rules of each branch and the joint rules be printed in pamphlet form, three hundred copies for the use of the Senate and six hundred copies for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. FLOYD of Brewer,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the State Librarian be authorized to purchase fifteen copies of the Revised Statutes of Maine for the use of this Legislature, the same to be returned to the State library at the close of the session.

On motion of Mr. AUSTIN of Milford,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Secretary of State be authorized to purchase and deliver to each member of the Legislature one copy of Reed's Rules.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, That the clerk of the House be directed to prepare and furnish each member of the House at the opening of the session every Wednesday morning the following lists of measures appropriating money, with amounts specified and sum total of each, arranged in parallel columns, as follows:

First. Those which have been given passage.

Second. Those in addition favorably reported by the various committees.

Third. Those additional introduced.

Fourth. The appropriations made by the last Legislature.

This order shall take effect February 3, 1897.

On motion of Mr. KALER of Scarboro,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses be granted the use of the House, Wednesday afternoon January 27, at 2.30 P. M. for a hearing on "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to Railroads."

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 relating to the Augusta municipal court."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under House rules.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend 'An Act establishing a municipal court in the town of Waterville.' "

Mr. LITTLEFIELD from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in addition to and to amend chapter 634, Private and Special Laws of 1893 as amended by chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company."

Mr. DAVIS from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to repeal chapter 503 of the Private and Special Laws of 1828 to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus river."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company. House Document No. 1;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company. House Document No. 2;"

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

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

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
MONDAY, January 25, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cummings of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of Adelbert Millett and 57 others of Searsmont for the enactment of a law giving women the right to the ballot in municipal elections;

Petition of G. A. Beckett and 20 others of Belfast;

Petition of Mrs. L. G. Clark and 13 others of Belfast;

Petition of Sarah J. Parker and 19 others of Waldo;

Petition of Russ A. Snow and others of Atkinson, for same;

Petition of Gilman Roberts and 16 others of Waldo for the enactment of a law raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of Mrs. L. G. Clark and 162 others of Belfast;

Petition of E. H. Doane and others of Sebec for same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 17, chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to change of name in divorce proceedings;"

Bill "An Act relating to service of process on foreign corporations acting as trustees under mortgages;"

Bill "An Act in relation to voluntary trusts;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to regulate the election of directors or managers of corporations,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act relating to common schools;"

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. F. Dunton and 82 others of Seasmont in favor of establishing a reformatory prison for women;

Petition of E. H. Brice and 32 others of Northport in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of Charles W. Hume, Mayor of Eastport, that the repair and maintenance of the Eastport toll bridge be assumed by the State,

Referred in the House January 21 to the Committee on Ways and Bridges, came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to the bonds of trustees and guardians,"

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

Report of the Committee on Pensions reporting "ought to pass" on resolve providing for State pensions for invalid soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors eligible thereto under existing law,

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, rules suspended and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Petition of A. Baker and 25 others of Bingham for the use of the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals;

Petition of the Hallowell Water Company to confirm its rights under its charter;

Petition of Charles A. Towne and 48 others of Auburn in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of Mrs. Mary Mitchell and 37 others of Turner;

Petition of Horace Fogg and 31 others of Greene in favor of same;

Petition of Mrs. L. W. Weston and 186 others of Skowhegan in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of Mrs. L. C. Lamb and 49 others of Livermore Falls in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Hallowell Water Commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the city of Hallowell to maintain an electric plant;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to amend an act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag Hospital;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate Newfield Academy;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the City of Westbrook;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Winterport to purchase the franchise of the Winterport Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of John Lovejoy and 40 others of Rockland for an appropriation for the Home of the Good Shepherd, a home for orphans and poor and neglected children situated in the city of Rockland,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Staples Academy;"

Resolve in favor of the Gorham State Normal School;

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School;

Resolve in favor of Newfield Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of John D. Spiller and 75 others in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of W. S. Mann and 89 others in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4, chapter 256 of Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;"

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of G. W. Rollins and 107 others of the southern portion of Aroostook county for aid in building a bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Hainesville;

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across Mattawamkeag river in the town of Hainesville, county of Aroostook;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of George A. Safford and 300 others of Hallowell relating to the taking of smelts in Kennebec river;

Petition of A. C. Clark and 31 others of Randolph for appropriation for warden service in Kennebec county;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of N. B. Eastman and 56 others for an amendment to section 7 of chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to the taking of smelts in Georges river,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of F. Winslow and 38 others for annexation of territory of Deering to Portland;

Petition of Mary A. Dunham and others that a certain parcel of land, with buildings thereon, situated in the town of Bethel, be set off from said Bethel and annexed to the town of Mason;

Remonstrance of J. H. Stillings and 100 others of Berwick against the proposed division of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Joseph Tomer and 8 others for an appropriation for the purpose of repairing the church at Peter Dana's Point,

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the town of Linneus,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Resolve authorizing the county of York to procure a loan,

Was referred to the York County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire what, if any, further amendments are necessary to render more effective the provisions of chapter 379 of the Public Laws of 1893 entitled "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries."

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company. House Document No. 3;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 503 of the Private and Special Laws of 1828 to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus river." House Document No. 4;

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 relating to the Augusta Municipal Court." House Document No. 5;

Bill "An Act in addition to and to amend chapter 634, Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company." House Document No. 6;

Bill "An Act to amend an act establishing a Municipal Court in the town of Waterville." House Document No. 7;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company,"

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 amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading Mr. FOLGER of Rockland offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WINSLOW of Portland,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, January 26, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Chase of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of Governor and Executive Council relative to repairing the State bridge across the Mattawamkeag river,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Communication from same transmitting the 38th annual report of the Railroad Commissioners,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 485 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 and as amended by chapter 52 of the

Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Pemaquid, Damariscotta and Newcastle Railroad Company;"

Resolve to amend section 5, article 4, part 2, of the Constitution of Maine in relation to election of senators;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 63 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes relating to fish weirs,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Farmington, Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company; "

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Leonard F. McLain and 119 others of Bristol for the enactment of a law to prevent hauling lobster traps in John's bay before sunrise or after sunset;

Remonstrance of Charles F. Gray and 31 others of Bristol against the enactment of any law to prevent hauling lobster traps before sunrise and after sunset in John's bay;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of C. S. Hayden and 35 others that the taking of any fish from Little Rattlesnake pond, in Raymond, Cumberland county, or its tributaries at certain seasons, be prohibited,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of A. C. Leighton and 49 others of Milbridge for aid in repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river at Milbridge;

Petition of J. W. Sawyer and 84 others of Milbridge;

Petition of V. L. Coffin and 64 others of Harrington;

Petition of G. R. Campbell and 64 others of Cherryfield for same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Henry S. Webster and others of Gardiner in favor of having copies of old Lincoln county record made and filed in Kennebec county;

Petition of Lewis A. Burleigh and others of Augusta in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Kennebec County Delegation.

Ordered, The House concurring, that Joint Rule No. 10, be amended so as to read as follows:

"10. Every bill or resolve 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,"

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. Frances J. Libby and 87 others of Sanford for the enactment of such a law as will raise the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of M. E. Tilton and 69 others of Kittery;

Petition of C. E. Weston and 25 others of Bolster's Mills;

Petition of Amelia H. Whitcomb and 36 others of Thomaston for same;

Petition of Hannah T. Jenkins and 46 others of China in favor of allowing women the right to the ballot in municipal elections;

Petition of Henry Woodward and 10 others of Kennebec county;

Petition of Ara Getchell and 45 others of Litchfield;

Petition of H. A. Jenkins and 47 others of China;

Petition of Mrs. O. M. Mason and 45 others of Bethel;

Petition of G. R. W. Wentworth and 33 others of West Gardiner;

Petition of Mrs. J. H. Brown and 40 others of Haynesville;

Petition of Mrs. W. McIlroy and 86 others of Houlton;

Petition of Stephen E. Ames and 48 others of Fort Fairfield;

Petition of F. H. Dow and 44 others of Mapleton;

Petition of Adoniram Curtis and 32 others of West Paris, in favor of same;

Petition of H. M. Otis and 10 others, employes of the Somerset Railroad; for the use of the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals;

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Company, and to incorporate the Richmond Water Commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes in relation to forgery and counterfeiting;"

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization and change of name to that of the Hathorn Manufacturing Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes in relation to election of town officers;"

Bill "An Act to extend and additional to the charter of the Oakland Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes in relation to sentence to the Reform School;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds of other corporations," with petition;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 195 of the Private and Special Laws of the year of our Lord 1887, establishing the charter of the city of Waterville," with petition;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act in relation to division fences;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 8 of chapter 86, and section 17 of chapter 81, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of trustee writs;"

Bill "An Act amendatory to chapter 454, Special Laws of 1889, to transfer additional powers to the town of Gorham; also additional to chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893 to abolish school district No. 1 in the town of Gorham;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. H. Banks and 20 others of Biddeford in aid of Westbrook Seminary;

Petition of Arthur H. Totman and 50 others of Fairfield in aid of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of George T. Pratt and others in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of Lewis P. Knight and others of Naples in favor of same;

Petition of Freeman Gowen and 35 others of Deering for repeal of law restricting competition in supply of electrical power to towns and cities, and legislative authority for the generation and transmission of such power by United Indurated Fibre Company;

Petition of L. M. Keyes and 167 others of Gorham for same;

Bill "An Act authorizing United Indurated Fibre Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 550 of the Private Laws of 1889, entitled an act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Edwin York and 14 others of Albion for the enactment of a law for the better protection of fish in all brooks flowing through said town;

Petition of H. B. Rowe and 68 others for repeal of chapter 109 of the law of 1853 prohibiting taking pickerel from Long Mousam, Square Mousam, Goose, Upper Goose, Hanson and Loon ponds in the towns of Shapleigh and Acton;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of Thomas K. Cunningham against the construction of a fish-way at the foot of Lilly pond in the town of Edgecomb;

Remonstrance of William M. Patterson against same;
Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias river in the county of Aroostook;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook river and its tributaries, above the mouth of Beaver brook;"

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook river;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of G. M. Hicks and others for the establishment of a reformatory prison for women;

Petition of Joel P. Huston and 60 others;

Petition of W. J. Hartford and 47 others;

Petition of Mrs. O. M. Mason and 70 others of Bethel;

Petition of F. W. Metcalf and 65 others of China;

Petition of Sarah L. Cram and 60 others of Biddeford, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,"

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Petition in favor of an amendment to chapter 42 of the Private and Special Laws of 1878 relating to Merrymeeting bridge with bill accompanying,

Was referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 503 of the Private and Special Laws of 1828 to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus river;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, relating to the Augusta Municipal Court;"

Bill "An Act in addition to and to amend chapter 634, Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act establishing a Municipal Court in the town of Waterville;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to the bonds of trustees and guardians,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Bath,

Bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further protection of inland fish and game, and for the registration of guides." House Document No. 8,

Was taken from the table, recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent to the Senate.

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

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Parsons of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of J. A. Richardson and 13 others of Popham Beach in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of Mrs. Susan Spinney and 30 others of Georgetown in favor of same;

Petition of Sophia S. Howard and 109 others of Aroostook county in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Resolve in favor of Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Addie D. Downing;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to lower the waters of Noyes pond in the town of Bluehill;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Old Town municipal court;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Daniel O. Blazo and 13 others of Parsonsfield in favor of an appropriation for Parsonsfield Seminary;

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary of Parsonsfield, Maine;

Resolve in favor of Bluehill Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act authorizing the Governor and Council to execute a contract for water for the Maine State Prison,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long Island,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox,"

Referred in the House January 22, to the Knox County Delegation, came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, to which was referred the official bond of F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer-elect, reporting that they find the bond in due and legal form, the sureties good and sufficient and recommend that the same be approved and the bond deposited with the Secretary of State,

The report was accepted in concurrence and bond approved in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to fix the term of office of the police officers of the city of Auburn;"

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise and other purposes;"

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company;"

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to contributions by husbands and fathers to the support of wives and children;"

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States,

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

Credentials of Althean Lewy, Representative-elect from Pas-samaquoddy tribe of Indians,

Were received and ordered placed on file.

Petition of M. C. Foster and others of Waterville for change in charter of the city of Waterville;

Petition of Swan and Sibley Company and others for an act to amend the charter of the city of Belfast;

Petition of L. G. Baker and 15 others of Moscow in favor of the use of the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals;

Petition of A. H. Ricker and 99 others for the establishment of a steam ferry across Sullivan river between Hancock and Sullivan;

Petition of Jonathan Estes and 17 others of Easton in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of F. S. Smith and 45 others of Caribou;

Petition of Camilla M. Whitney and others of Winthrop;

Petition of B. A. W. Boyd and 35 others of Limestone;

Petition of J. C. Hedman and 103 others of New Sweden, in favor of same;

Petition of Louise R. Sprague and 47 others of Easton that the age of protection for girls be raised from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of Jennie Sawyer and 19 others of Easton;

Petition of John A. Weston and 46 others of New Sweden;

Petition of Mrs. P. A. Juhlin and 40 others of New Sweden;

Petition of Edith L. Fletcher and 50 others of Limestone;

Petition of William C. Baker and 67 others of Searsmont;

Petition of George H. Tabor and 23 others of Haynesville, for same;

Bill "An Act relating to the use of compressed air for power;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property;"

Bill "An Act additional relating to the Bath Municipal Court;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light, and power;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of E. T. Grimes and 28 others of Caribou for change in the insolvency law so that no discharge can be granted unless a dividend is paid;

Petition of L. N. Richards and 46 others of Fort Fairfield, for same;

Petition of the Brewer Light and Power Company for authority to make, generate, sell, distribute and supply electricity for lighting, heating, manufacturing and mechanical purposes in the city of Brewer;

Petition of Allan G. Ray and 91 others of Brewer;

Petition of Amos H. King and 52 others of Brewer for same;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Brewer Light and Power Company of Brewer, Maine, to transact business within the city of Brewer;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Company;"

Bill "An Act granting Susan S. B. Spring the right to maintain a dam at its present height, at or near the lower narrows, so called, at West Harpswell, in the town of Harpswell, for the purpose of retaining so much of the tide water as is necessary for the culture of fish;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of H. H. Fogg and 60 others for aid for Eastern Maine General Hospital,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Charles H. Clark and others of Kennebunk for the repeal of so much of chapter 461, Public Laws of 1885 as relates to the maintenance of schools and school houses in school district No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk;

Petition of S. W. Carr and 24 others of Bowdoinham for an appropriation in favor of Westbrook Seminary;

Petition of P. O. Vickery and 32 others for same;

Bill "An Act to establish an additional Normal School;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 87, paragraph 4, of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the purchase of school text books;"

Bill "An Act to repeal so much of an act of the Legislature of 1885, entitled an act granting additional powers to the inhabitants of school district No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof as relates to the maintenance of schools and school houses;"

Resolve in favor of the Castine State Normal School;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Joseph W. Reed and others of Windham in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company, and to amend its charter and certain additions thereto;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of White Brothers and 15 others of Danforth for an amendment to the charter of the Baskahegan Dam Company,

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell land in Moro Plantation;

Resolve in favor of roads in Indian Township, Washington county;

Resolve in favor of the town of Forest City to aid in the building of a bridge between Maine and New Brunswick in Forest City;

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

Petition of P. J. Phinney and 43 others for aid in building roads in the town of Starks;

Petition of George W. Johnson and 185 others;

Petition of H. S. Doyen and 26 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Eugene W. Abbott and 54 others of Shapleigh for a bounty on foxes;

Petition of H. F. Harris and 36 others of Greenbush for a change in the law in relation to the taking of salmon from Penobscot river;

Petition of C. W. Dunham and 40 others of Ellsworth for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Hancock county and for protection of fish and game for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of S. J. Walton and 34 others of Skowhegan for an appropriation for sufficient warden service in Somerset county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of N. W. Murphy and 4 others of Parlin Pond;

Petition of William Brackett and 20 others of Norridgewock, for same;

Petition of F. E. Smith and 65 others of Standish for appropriation for sufficient warden service for Cumberland county and for the operation of Sebago Lake Fish Hatchery for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of R. B. Swift and 17 others of Portland;

Petition of J. P. Burnell and 32 others of Westbrook;

Petition of F. L. Day and 29 others of Camden for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Knox county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of A. F. Beverage and 29 others of Camden;

Petition of Ruel Robinson and 29 others of Camden for same;

Petition of F. E. Webber and 36 others of Richmond for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Sagadahoc county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of A. S. Goud and 33 others of Topsham;

Petition of A. S. Alexander and 39 others of Richmond;

Petition of Charles A. Packard and 36 others of Bath;

Petition of J. M. Kimball and 32 others of Bath, for same;

Petition of Frank Brett and 3 others of Kingsbury, for sufficient appropriation for operation of fish hatchery and warden service in Piscataquis county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of A. Braden and 2 others of Lilly Bay;
Petition of E. P. Blanchard and 14 others of Blanchard;
Petition of W. Heughen of Katahdin Iron Works;
Petition of S. O. Dinsmore and 10 others of Medford;
Petition of Willard Metcalf and 31 others of Guilford, for same;

Petition of J. S. Houghton and 33 others of Weld for sufficient appropriation for operation of Rangeley hatchery and for sufficient warden service in Franklin county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of D. W. Berry and N. W. Goodwin of Carthage;
Petition of E. E. Richards and 36 others of Farmington;
Petition of W. B. Small and 21 others of Kingfield;
Petition of John B. Marble and 30 others of Rangeley;
Petition of John Spinney and 12 others of Allen's Mills;
Petition of J. W. Brackett and 9 others of Phillips;
Petition of C. N. Soule and 16 others of Weld;
Petition of E. F. Conant and 26 others of Temple;
Petition of W. S. Heath of Salem;
Petition of E. B. Lambert and 27 others of Eustis, for same;
Resolve in favor of Franklin county for the propagation of fish and more efficient warden service;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of C. H. S. Webb and 47 others of Oceanville for an appropriation sufficient to establish two or more lobster hatcheries on the coast for the propagation of the lobster;

Petition of E. V. Lyman and 259 others of Hancock county, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the plantation of Elliottsville in Piscataquis county;"

Bill "An Act to divide the town of Deer Isle and incorporate the town of Stonington;"

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows,

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of C. H. S. Webb and 45 others of Oceanville in favor of providing at the new Insane Hospital now being erected at Bangor, suitable homeopathic medical treatment for the insane in all cases where such treatment is desired,

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Petition of J. W. Hodgkins and 200 others of Dexter for the reduction of fees for travel of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county;

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county in making temporary loans and to authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds;"

Were referred to the Penobscot County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,

Ordered, That he Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of legislation to provide for the conduct of political caucuses and primaries and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. KINSMAN of Cornville,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of legislation to provide for the support of all paupers by the State and report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

Resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at Kittery Navy Yard,

Mr. ROWELL of Kittery moved that rules be suspended, the resolve take its two several readings and pass to be engrossed.

Pending action on this motion, on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, the resolve was tabled.

Resolutions in favor of E. C. Swett of Portland,

Were read and unanimously adopted.

Mr. FERNALD, from the Committee on Elections, to which was referred the returns of votes for representatives to the 68th Legislature reported "that the official list of Representatives prepared by the Honorable Secretary of State and duly submitted, is the true list of persons elected to said House of Representatives of the 68th Legislature. Also that the return of votes for Harold M. Sewall of Bath, show him to have been duly elected to the House of Representatives of the 68th Legislature."

The report was accepted.

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petitions of B. F. Baker and others, Albert Leavitt and others, G. E. Snow and others, Byron Lambert and others, L. F. Butler and others, and J. N. Snell and others that aid be given by the State in building a bridge across Sandy river in the town of Starks reported "that the petitions be referred to the next Legislature."

Mr. NOBLE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 28, chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes relating to assault and battery."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. NOBLE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition reported bill "An Act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association."

Mr. FOGLER, from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal section 42 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes relating to re-sentencing convicts sentenced to the State Prison."

Mr. FURBUSH, from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick.

Mr. TOLMAN, from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act additional to the act of 1868, chapter 453, to establish a ferry across Penobscot river, between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips as amended by the act of 1880, chapter 221."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman.

Mr. BRIGGS, from the Committee on Agriculture on order reported resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis for the year 1896.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Resolve providing for State pensions for invalid soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors eligible thereto under existing law.

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, January 28, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cochrane of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the report of the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of W. H. Stevens and 14 others of New Portland in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of Mrs. H. F. Evans and 11 others;

Petition of J. M. Wyman and 227 others of Augusta in favor of same;

Petition of M. K. Senter and 30 others in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of D. B. Randall and 135 others;

Petition of Mrs. Fred Libby and 37 others;

Petition of George H. Douglass and 45 others;

Petition of Mrs. Sarah C. Page and 29 others of Hartland;

Petition of W. H. Stevens and 19 others of New Portland;

Petition of Charles T. Neal and 37 others;

Petition of Silas F. Brown and 63 others of Durham;

Petition of Helen Thomas and 40 others of Greene;

Petition of Juliette H. Oakes and 50 others of Livermore Falls, in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 30 of the Public Laws approved February 21, 1895, and to revive sections 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 37 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to authorize towns to appoint special committees for special purposes;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Safe Deposit Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the York Sewer Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 47 of chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 277 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the time of holding the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court, Piscataquis county;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1897;

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1898;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Brunswick Savings Institution and Topsham and Brunswick Twenty-Five Cent Savings Bank for reduction of tax on Savings Banks;

Petition of Sidney W. Thaxter and others of Portland Savings Bank, Portland;

Petition of Samuel Rolfe and others, trustees of Maine Savings Bank, Portland, for same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of John P. Swasey and 8 others of Canton for an amendment to section 2, chapter 298, Public Laws of 1880,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition in favor of remitting a part of the State tax of Peru for the years 1895 and 1896,

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, of chapter 150 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act in relation to the municipal court of the city of Portland;'"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 274 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to fix the salary of the recorder of the municipal court for the city of Portland;'"

Were referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of N. J. Lamb and others to prohibit the throwing of mill refuse into Wilson river;

Petition of C. D. Luce and others;

Petition of J. S. Runnells and others;

Petition of F. H. Wyman and others for same;

Petition of William H. Stevens and 7 others of Portland for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Cumberland county for the years 1897 and 1898, and for operation of the Sebago lake fish hatchery;

Petition of E. I. Herrick and 75 others of Rangeley for sufficient appropriation for operation of Rangeley hatchery and sufficient warden service in Franklin county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of J. P. Dudley and 10 others of Eustis for same;

Petition of Grant Fuller and 40 others of Eustis for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Franklin county and for distribution of fish for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Fred A. Porter and 50 others of Rumford Falls, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Oxford county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of George H. Jones and 13 others of Oxford for same;

Petition of J. D. Brown and 100 others of Dover and Foxcroft for sufficient appropriation for operation of fish hatchery and for sufficient warden service in Piscataquis county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to authorize and empower Erastus Cunningham, his heirs and assigns to construct and maintain a fish way in the town of Edgecomb, in the county of Lincoln,' "

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of members of the Penobscot tribe of Indians in favor of granting the agent authority to retain ten per cent of the shore rent for expenses of keeping in repair the public streets;

Petition of the Penobscot tribe of Indians for an appropriation for the benefit of their tribe for the years 1897 and 1898;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of William Hoyt and others of Ripley in favor of a reformatory prison for women;

Petition of G. H. Goodwin and 52 others of Solon in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Resolve in favor of continuing the publication of York deeds,
Was referred to the Committee on Library in concurrence.

Petition of M. L. Keyes and 167 others for repeal of the law restricting competition in supply of electrical power to towns and cities and for legislative authority for the generation and transmission of such power by United Indurated Fibre Company;

Petition of Freeman Gowen and 35 others of Deering for same;

Bill "An Act authorizing the United Indurated Fibre Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power;"

Referred in the House January 26, to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses,

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The House receded and concurred.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn it be until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 485 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, and as amended by chapter 52 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Pemaquid, Damariscotta and New Castle Railroad Company," reporting that same be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Petition of E. M. Smart and 26 others of Bancroft for the enactment of a law allowing women the right to vote in municipal elections;

Petition of Mary E. Ball and 42 others of Corinth;

Petition of L. E. Carter and 22 others of Washburn;

Petition of John E. Wallace and 68 others of Hampden, for same;

Petition of Sarah A. Clark and 33 others of Stetson in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of Mrs. C. S. Coakley and 19 others of Spruce Head;

Petition of Z. J. Wheeler and 55 others of West Paris;

Petition of E. C. Burnell and 24 others of Hiram;

Petition of Mrs. E. A. G. Stickney and 26 others of Brownfield;

Petition of Warren Hills and 167 others of Union;

Petition of Mrs. D. F. Wardsworth and 56 others of Camden;

Petition of Mrs. A. S. Daniels and 41 others of Liberty in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the county commissioners of York county to locate and establish a highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannet river in Wells;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sunny Side Cemetery Association;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 59, paragraph sixth of said section of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes in relation to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 159 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sullivan and Hancock Steam Ferry Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Josiah Crosby and 54 others of Dexter that authority be granted said town to establish a system of water works and sewerage;

Petition of W. T. Barton and others of Perham in favor of amendment to insolvency law;

Bill "An Act to amend section 29 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1887,

relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated plantations;”

Bill “An Act to incorporate the Portland Female Provident Association;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes relating to the recording of attachments of personal property;”

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of calling public attention to the advantages of Maine as a place of summer resort and to its agricultural and other advantages,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of J. S. Clark and 71 others of Naples in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of Gibeon T. Davis and others in favor of same;

Petition of A. C. Wall and 34 others in aid of petition of V. R. Tuttle and others for extension of charter of Waldo and Somerset Railroad Company;

Bill “An Act relating to chapter 320 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled ‘An Act to incorporate the Kennebago Railroad Company;’ ”

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill “An Act to amend chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1895 entitled ‘An Act in relation to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as wild lands,’ ”

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill “An Act providing for a typographic survey and map of Maine;”

Was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill “An Act to incorporate the Eastport Agricultural Society;”

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lake Onawa Dam Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of T. P. Austin and others of Hancock county in the interest of good roads;

Bill "An Act to provide for the improvement of highways,"

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of D. W. Bennett and 51 others of Montville for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Waldo county and for operation of hatchery for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of D. S. Tasker and 118 others of Randolph for the preservation of smelts in the Kennebec river;

Petition of F. G. Sherman and 30 others of Randolph;

Petition of A. M. Spear and 185 others of Gardiner for same,

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of M. N. McKusick and 44 others for repeal of law precluding all fishing for salmon with nets in St. Croix river above Ferry Point Bridge,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of B. R. Blackstone and 29 others of Perham plantation for incorporation as a town,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Joseph L. Dana and others, members of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, for an appropriation to be used in the purchase of land for addition to burial grounds,

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of selectmen of Friendship for re-imbursement for money expended for support and burial of Henry Simmons, a State pauper,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Resolves in favor of the Maine Relief Corps Home,

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of W. S. Carver and 39 others of Vinal Haven, in favor of establishment of a reformatory prison for women;

Petition of Etta M. Fernald and 13 others of Lincolnville Centre in favor of same,

Were referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Bill "An Act to regulate the purchase and sale of intoxicating liquors by cities and towns,"

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the time for the reception of petitions and bills for private and special legislation be extended to Monday, February 15, A. D. 1897, and that all petitions and bills presented after that date be referred to the next legislature.

These petitions, bills, resolves and order were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes relating to unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices."

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson.

Mr. SPEAR from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to expenditures of the railroad commissioners."

Mr. HUTCHINS from the Hancock county delegation on order reported bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes relating to the January term of the county commissioners court of Hancock county."

Mr. FLOYD from the Penobscot county delegation reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the county commissioners of Penobscot county, in making temporary loans, and to authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to repeal section 42 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to re-sentencing convicts sentenced to the State Prison." House Document No. 9;

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association." House Document No. 10;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis for the year 1896. House Document No. 11;

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick. House Document No. 12;

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman. House Document No. 13;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to fix the term of office of the police officers of the city of Auburn;"

Bill "An Act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise and other purposes;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to contributions by husbands and fathers to the support of wives and children;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in relation to the bonds of trustees and guardians,"

Was reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, January 29, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the report of the Maine State Prison,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Report of Special Committee of Executive Council on State College,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Petition of Mrs. R. P. Grindle and 50 others of Bluehill, in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of M. E. Mayo and 50 others of Bluehill, in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Bill "An Act to provide that all general hospitals, receiving aid from the State of Maine, shall be obliged to have, at least one homeopathic physician on its medical staff; one homeopathic surgeon on its surgical staff; and one homeopathic physician and surgeon on its staff of consulting physicians and surgeons;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 253 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to intoxicating liquors;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 124, Revised Statutes, relating to polygamy;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. F. Corliss and 69 others of Yarmouth, for an appropriation for warden service in the county of Cumberland,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act relating to the salary of the County Commissioners of Cumberland county,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of J. W. Hodgkins and 200 others of Dexter, for the reduction of fees for travel of the county commissioners of Penobscot county,

Referred in the House, January 27, to the Penobscot county delegation,

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

The House recessed and concurred.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Committee on Agriculture shall take under consideration the matter of bovine tuberculosis in this State; the causes and conditions which develop it; to what extent it is brought into the State from other states and countries; whether it is on the increase or decrease in this State; also whether any changes are desirable in the law for the suppression of the disease; and report by bill, resolve or otherwise,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Financial Affairs be authorized to secure such assistance as may be deemed necessary for the collection of facts relating to appropriations in the possession of other committees,

Was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education to which was referred the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools reporting that "same be accepted."

Report of same committee to which was referred the report of the Industrial School for Girls, reporting "that same be accepted and adopted."

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to create a State Board of examiners of teachers and to define its duties" reporting that "same be printed and recommitted."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroads," reporting "that same be printed and recommitted."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Petition of H. R. Brackett and 202 others of Detroit, Pittsfield, Newport and Palmyra that the chronic insane of the State be supported by the State after five years residence at the Insane Hospital;

Remonstrance of Mrs. J. P. Baxter and 182 others of Portland and vicinity against municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of N. B. Dyer and 51 others of Washington county, for the establishment of a municipal court in the western part of said county;

Petition of J. R. Libby and 184 others of Portland for repeal of law restricting competition in supply of electrical power to towns and cities and for legislation favorable for the generation and transmission of such power in Cumberland county;

Petition of John E. Sawyer and 217 others of Deering for repeal of law restricting competition in supply of electrical power to towns and cities and for legislative authority for the generation and transmission of such power by United Indurated Fibre Company;

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt;"

Bill "An Act to amend the first two lines of section 1 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the city of Eastport;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. D. McFaul and 8 others of Machias, for a change in the law relating to Trial Justices;

Petition of John C. Dearborn and 18 others for an act to incorporate the Flanders Cemetery Association, with bill accompanying;

Bill "An Act to amend section 16 of chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1893;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Monson Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mars Hill and Blaine Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. A. Hobson and others for aid for the town of Hollis;

Petition of F. L. Noble and 70 others of Lewiston, in favor of an appropriation for the Healy Asylum of Lewiston, Me.;

Resolve in favor of the Healy Asylum of Lewiston, Me.;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of S. S. Vose and 8 others of Waterville, for an appropriation in favor of Westbrook Seminary;

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893, relating to common schools;"

Resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school in the city of Calais;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to make certain the continuing validity of the provisions of sections 19, 20 and 21 of chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to insurance,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of J. B. Dascomb and others, trustees of Skowhegan Savings Bank, for reduction of tax on savings banks;

Petition of Benjamin F. Sturgiss and others of Auburn, trustees of Mechanics' Savings Bank;

Petition of John M. Goodwin and others, trustees of York County Savings Bank of Biddeford;

Petition of J. W. Fairbanks and others, trustees of Franklin County Savings Bank of Farmington;

Petition of John Ayer and others, trustees of Cascade Savings Bank of Oakland;

Petition of C. O. Farrington and others, trustees of Brewer Savings Bank;

Petition of J. F. Davis and others, trustees of Hancock County Savings Bank of Ellsworth;

Petition of Bath Savings Institution and People's Safe Deposit and Savings Bank;

Petition of trustees of Camden Savings Bank;

Petition of A. H. Walker and others, trustees of Bridgton Savings Bank;

Petition of R. W. Lord and others, trustees of Kennebunk Savings Bank;

Petition of S. B. Twitchell and others, trustees of Bethel Savings Bank of Bethel;

Petition of A. M. Robinson and others, trustees of Piscataquis Savings Bank of Dover;

Petition of Rockland Savings Bank of Rockland;

Petition of Thomas Tarbox and others, trustees of Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank of Buxton;

Petition of Samuel F. Humphrey and others, trustees of Bangor Savings Bank of Bangor;

Petition of trustees of Penobscot Savings Bank of Bangor;

Petition of Cyrus Greeley and others, trustees of Androscoggin County Savings Bank of Lewiston;

Petition of C. I. Barker and others, trustees of People's Savings Bank of Lewiston;

Petition of George S. Woodman and others of Auburn, trustees of Auburn Savings Bank for same;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act authorizing abatement of poll taxes to certain soldiers of the late war,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act to establish a bounty on wild cats," with petition,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of George S. Burrill and others for an amendment to the law incorporating the Lawry Dam Company;

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 594 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of A. R. Page and 16 others against the sale of public lots in Drew plantation,

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

Petition of G. S. Chadbourne and 50 others of Mattawamkeag, for an appropriation for breakwater to protect the State bridge in said town;

Petition of L. R. Cook and 33 others for permission to build a bridge between the islands of Cousins and Littlejohns in the town of Yarmouth;

Petition of E. R. Michaud and 58 others of Frenchville, for aid in blasting a ledge in said town, with bill accompanying;

Petition of E. R. Michaud and 48 others of Frenchville, for aid to build a bridge in said town, with bill accompanying;

Bill "An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across tide waters between the islands of Cousins and Littlejohns in said town of Yarmouth;"

Resolve relating to the building of a bridge across the St. John river at Fort Kent;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of James E. Kelley and 75 others of Lubec for a bounty on wild cats;

Petition of Lewis M. Haines and 60 others for the protection of fish in Little River and its tributaries in the towns of Bowdoin, Lisbon and Webster, with bill accompanying;

Petition of W. H. Lawrence and others of Hancock county for repeal of Private and Special Laws relating to Flanders, Great Tunk and Little Tunk ponds in said county;

Petition of D. W. Bennett and 19 others for a close time on trout for three years on all the brooks that flow through the town of Montville, and that the number of trout caught thereafter shall be limited to 25 for each person per days fishing, except residents of the town;

Petition of Hunt, Walker and Company and 26 others for sufficient appropriation to operate the fish hatchery at St. George lake and for sufficient warden service for 1897 and 1898;

Petition of L. C. Morse and 21 others for same;

Petition of Zenas Thompson and 153 others of Portland, for an appropriation in aid of the inland fish and game interests;

Petition of F. C. Boody and 21 others of Windham and vicinity, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Cumberland county and for operation of Sebago fish hatchery for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of S. L. Pond and 21 others of Dedham, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Hancock county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of C. A. Thompson and 31 others of Dedham, for same;

Petition of A. Simmons and 34 others of Anson, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Somerset county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of H. W. Kenniston and 24 others of New Portland;

Petition of N. A. Erskine and 35 others of Pittsfield, for same;

Petition of John C. Weston and 39 others of Waldoboro, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Lincoln county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of G. W. Simmons and 37 others of Waldoboro;

Petition of George Bliss and 36 others of Waldoboro, for same;

Petition of J. E. Estes and 37 others of Winn, for appropriation for sufficient warden service and operation of fish hatchery and feeding station in Penobscot county;

- Petition of W. I. Wood and 49 others of Corinna;
Petition of Hiram Davis and 31 others of Winn;
Petition of E. R. Leach and 31 others of East Newport;
Petition of A. G. Shorey and 57 others of Newport;
Petition of S. J. Ridlon and 64 others of Stetson;
Petition of W. E. Murdock and 25 others of Springfield;
Petition of George W. Curtis and 47 others of Carmel;
Petition of F. L. Parlin and 30 others of Bradley;
Petition of W. A. Richardson and 29 others of Bradley;
Petition of S. W. Peabody and 21 others of Etna;
Petition of A. M. Read and 27 others of Charleston;
Petition of F. D. Bowley and 29 others of Alton;
Petition of F. J. Whiting and 7 others of Old Town;
Petition of Silas M. Hodgkins and others of Enfield;
Petition of O. S. Townsend and 23 others of Montague;
Petition of Earl S. Page and 22 others of Burlington;
Petition of W. Appleton and 21 others of Enfield;
Petition of A. F. Cushman and 46 others of Lincoln;
Petition of George H. Hamlin and 25 others of Orono;
Petition of D. H. Robinson and 26 others of Garland for same;
Petition of Frank J. Dickey and 25 others of Northport, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Waldo county and for operation of fish hatchery for the years 1897 and 1898;
Petition of J. H. Sullivan and 59 others of Searsport;
Petition of E. M. Bramhall and 37 others of Belfast;
Petition of A. A. Small and 34 others of Belfast;
Petition of N. F. Patterson and 29 others of Belfast;
Petition of H. E. McDonald and 19 others of Belfast;
Petition of Joseph Tyler and 36 others of Belfast, for same;
Petition of H. B. Corthell and 38 others of Eastport, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Washington county for the years 1897 and 1898;
Petition of M. Gardner and 81 others of Machias;

Petition of J. Wilbur Day and 3 others of Wesley;

Petition of I. P. Longfellow and 33 others of Machias;

Petition of W. E. Dunn and 43 others of Danforth;

Petition of Charles E. Rolfe and 33 others of Princeton;

Petition of H. S. Kelley and 37 others of Lubec;

Petition of C. A. Newton and 28 others of Calais;

Petition of Charles R. Hill and 32 others of Calais;

Petition of D. Merton Gardner and 31 others of Calais;

Petition of A. Towers and 28 others of Calais;

Petition of H. B. Eaton and 24 others of Calais, for same;

Petition of Henry C. Lord and 15 others of Alfred, for sufficient appropriation for warden service in York county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Nathaniel Hobbs and 34 others of North Berwick;

Petition of Hartley Lord and 37 others of Kennebunk;

Petition of C. A. Bodwell and 79 others of Sanford, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of H. Blanchard and Son and others for repeal of chapter 172, Public Laws of 1895, relating to the packing of fish in hermetically sealed cans;

Bill "An Act repealing chapter 463 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to the taking of bass in Winnegance creek;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of L. B. Dolloff and 60 others in favor of setting off a portion of the town of Rome and annexing the same to the town of Belgrade;

Remonstrance of Richard C. Davis and others against setting off a part of Elliottsville plantation;

Remonstrance of Remi A. Daigle and 46 others of Madawaska, against the division of said town;

Remonstrance of Richard L. Goodwin and 73 others of Berwick, against the proposed division of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolve for payment of back salary of a guard at the State Prison;

Resolve in favor of the town of Patten;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital,

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Insane Hospital.

Petition of Fred Carron and 22 others of Brunswick and Topsham for a shorter work day for women and minors;

Petition of Henry Simpson and 12 others of Brunswick and Topsham;

Petition of Harold Hammond and 20 others of Brunswick;

Petition of Milton Strout and 24 others of Brunswick;

Petition of John Berch and 40 others of Augusta;

Petition of D. W. Ward and 26 others of Augusta;

Petition of Weston Lewis and 52 others of Augusta;

Petition of Charles H. Nason and 27 others of Augusta;

Petition of E. B. Richards and 30 others of Augusta;

Petition of Daniel W. Hanson and 16 others of Biddeford;

Petition of F. A. Small and 30 others of Biddeford;

Petition of John F. Maxwell and 14 others of Biddeford;

Petition of John F. Ellis and 82 others of Biddeford.

Petition of James Farley and 17 others of Biddeford;

Petition of William J. Conwell and 20 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of R. D. Bibber and 31 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of O. N. Briggs and 28 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of W. F. Conway and 20 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Joseph Davenport and 22 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of George Byron and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Robert Jones and 23 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Frank Rose and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Mrs. Nellie Lamson and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of J. H. Merrill and 23 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of N. T. Sanborn and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Edmund Butler and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Henry E. Frost and 22 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Timothy Murphy and 22 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of J. T. McGillicuddy and 23 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Henderson Bros. and 19 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of James Tracy and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Fred Bradley and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of C. S. Goss and 20 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of O. L. Smith and 22 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Edward Higgins and 25 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of Charles Berry and 20 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of John Stone and 22 others of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of J. A. Fortier and 23 others of Lewiston and Auburn for same;

Bill "An Act relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments;"

Were referred to the Committee on Labor.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Labor be empowered to visit three different textile manufacturing establishments in this State, that they may inform themselves in regard to the conditions of the employment of women and minors.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Staples Academy," reported that "same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs;"

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes in relation to forgery and counterfeiting;"

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Henry S. Harriman and 61 others for an amendment to the law relating to close time on trout and salmon in Swan lake;

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of J. A. Clement and 52 others for repeal of the law relating to the taking of smelts in Swan lake;

Mr. SMITH from same committee, on petition of Edwin York and 13 others of Albion, that a close time of three years be put upon all brooks that flow through the town of Albion, reported "leave to withdraw" for the reason that the matter comes within the jurisdiction of the Fish and Game Commissioners.

Mr. DAVIS from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 101 of the Private and Special Laws of 1857."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

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."

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, on petition reported resolve providing for the payment to the city of Rockland of the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year 1896 on account of an imperfect school return.

Mr. MAXCY from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act additional to the act of 1868, chapter 453, to establish a ferry across Penobscot river, between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips, as amended by the act of 1880, chapter 221." House Document No. 14;

Bill "An Act relating to expenditures of the railroad commissioners." House Document No. 15;

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes, relating to unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices." House Document No. 16;

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the January term of the county commissioners' court of Hancock county." House Document No. 17;

Were severally read twice and tomorrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson. House Document No. 18,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company;"

Resolve providing for State pensions for invalid soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors, eligible thereto under existing law;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn it be until Monday next at 4.30 o'clock P. M.,
Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. AYER of Vassalboro,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
MONDAY, February 1, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Leach of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to provide for an investigation of the causes of fires, and the publication of statistics relating to the same,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of members of Penobscot tribe of Indians to be allowed the right to kill moose, deer, caribou and other game at any season of the year;

Petition of G. G. Weld of Old Town, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Penobscot county and for operation of hatchery for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Owen Bussell and 29 others of Old Town;

Petition of E. T. Thompson and 54 others of Bangor;

Petition of Edward M. Blanding and 32 others of Bangor;

Petition of A. B. Farnham and 318 others of Bangor, for same;

Petition of J. Wesley Gilman and 42 others of Oakland, for appropriation for sufficient warden service in Kennebec county, and for operation of Monmouth fish hatchery and feeding station for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of Samuel N. Campbell and 39 others of Cherryfield for appropriation for sufficient warden service for Washington county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of L. C. Bailey and 33 others of Calais;

Petition of Henry S. Murchie and 34 others of Calais;

Petition of S. S. Pineo and 32 others of Calais;

Petition of R. C. McGarrigle and 31 others of Calais;

Petition of Percy L. Lord and 31 others of Calais, for same;

Petition of Levi S. Cook and 27 others of Cornish for sufficient appropriation for warden service in York county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Remonstrance of Grant Fuller and 77 others against licensing guides;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island,"

Was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 315 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the assistant librarian of the Maine State Library,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of members of Penobscot tribe of Indians for an amendment to chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the adoption of members into said tribe;

Petition of members of Penobscot tribe of Indians for an appropriation for building a new steeple for the church of said tribe;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be directed to inquire into the necessity of giving the Commis-

sioners of Inland Fisheries and Game authority to take or to authorize the taking of inland game and birds for park purposes for the State,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of A. M. Spear and 185 others of Gardiner, for preservation of smelts in Kennebec river;

Petition of D. S. Tasker and 118 others of Randolph;

Petition of F. G. Sherman and 30 others of Randolph, for same;

Referred in the House, January 28, to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game,

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

On motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner, the petitions were tabled pending reference in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of passing a general law in relation to trust and banking companies.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long Island."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies in the board of directors of the Maine General Hospital."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 17, chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to change of name in divorce proceedings."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes, relating to forgery."

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries on bill "An Act to amend chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to migratory fish," reporting "ought to pass" in a new draft bill "An

Act to correct a clerical error in Chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to migratory fish."

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

Report of the Androscoggin County Delegation reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to make a loan and issue bonds therefor."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Petition of C. O. Small and 24 others in favor of an act to incorporate Madison Village Corporation Water Commissioners.

Petition of King S. Raymond and 38 others of Westbrook for repeal of law restricting competition in supply of electrical power to towns and cities and for legislation favorable for the generation and transmission of such power in Cumberland county;

Petition of the Committee of the Board of Trade of Augusta, in favor of amendment of the charter of said city and that the act be submitted to the legal voters of said city for their approval;

Petition of V. C. Plummer and 10 others of Addison for the establishment of a municipal court for the western part of Washington county;

Petition of Remi Pluord and 30 others of Grand Isle for an additional term of Supreme Judicial Court at Caribou;

Petition of Arthur W. Pierce and 30 others of Deering for the repeal of certain laws of 1895, relating to the distribution of electricity;

Petition of J. N. Bates and 213 others of Oakland and vicinity, in favor of using the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals;

Petition of Alonzo Walker and 45 others;

Petition of Charles M. Downes and 49 others;

Petition of Delia Williams and other women of Oakland;

Petition of J. C. Hartung and 217 others of Oakland and Belgrade, in favor of same;

Petition of Charles F. Johnson and 50 others for an amendment to the law relating to the inspection of milk;

Petition of G. A. Kennison and 40 others, for same;

Bill "An Act relating to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Maine Polyclinic;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of land for non-payment of taxes as amended by chapter 70 of Public Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Augusta;"

Bill "An Act to authorize Madison Village Corporation to purchase the property and franchises of the Madison Water Company and to incorporate the Madison Village Corporation Water Commissioners;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of T. P. Mathews and 25 others of Liberty, for the passage of a law that will rid the country of pack peddlers;

Bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco;"

Bill "An Act regulating the costs in municipal, police and trial justice courts;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of S. G. Shurtleff and 41 others of Livermore, in favor of Leavitt Institute;

Petition of L. O. Shaw and 30 others of Newfield, in favor of change in school tax law;

Petition of E. H. Gerald and 50 others of Clinton;

Petition of George E. Wilkins and 115 others of Presque Isle;

Petition of L. W. Jose and 32 others of Dexter, in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to empower towns to elect a superintendent of schools and pay superintending school committee for services;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls;"

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. W. Simpson and 48 others in aid of petition of V. R. Tuttle and others relative to Waldo and Somerset Railroad Company,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes relating to mutual fire insurance companies,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of F. G. Coffin and 54 others of Harrington, for additional aid for public schools, also to reduce the sum to be raised by towns for same;

Petition of J. E. White and 46 others of Columbia;

Petition of Levi Leighton and 41 others of Columbia Falls, for same;

Bill "An Act relating to the taxation of real estate mortgaged;"

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Misery Stream Dam Company;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the navigation of the Kennebec river between Shawmut dam and the south line of Skowhegan;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of John Tinkham and 89 others for aid in building a highway in towns of Starks and Anson,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Andrew Keene and 7 others of East Madrid, for an appropriation for sufficient warden service in Franklin county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of J. B. Packard and 40 others of Camden, for a liberal appropriation for protection of fish and game for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of W. A. Jackson and 29 others of Jefferson, for an appropriation for sufficient warden service in Lincoln county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of John H. Mayers and 11 others of Dresden, relating to taking shad and alewives from the Eastern river in said town;

Petition of Charles E. Patten and 38 others of Bath, for the enactment of a law abolishing all weirs, hedges, pounds, nets, set or otherwise, and all devices of every description for the taking of smelts except by hook and line;

Remonstrance of Charles P. Small and 34 others against transferring to the Winnegance Mill Dam Company the right to catch bass in Winnegance creek;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of W. I. Cram and 21 others of Whiting, against the division of said town;

Remonstrance of John Gowell and 183 others of Berwick, against the proposed division of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MURRAY from the Committee on Military Affairs, on petition reported resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Third Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battle-field of Gettysburg.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition reported resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Fourth Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battle-field of Gettysburg.

Mr. MACOMBER from the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

The reports were accepted and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County in making temporary loans and to

authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds." House Document No. 19;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company." House Document No. 21;

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government." House Document No. 22;

Were severally read twice, and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Rockland of the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year 1896, on account of an imperfect school return. House Document No. 20,

Was read once, and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to repeal section 42 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to re-sentencing convicts sentenced to the State Prison;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association;"

Bill "An Act relating to expenditures of the railroad commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes, relating to unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the January term of the County Commissioners' Court of Hancock county;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional to the act of 1868, chapter 453, to establish a ferry across Penobscot river, between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips, as amended by the act of 1880, chapter 221,"

Was reported from the same committee, and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to contributions by husbands and fathers to the support of wives and children;"

Bill "An Act in addition to and to amend chapter 634, Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, relating to the Augusta Municipal Court;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 503 of the Private and Special Laws of 1828, to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus river;"

Bill "An Act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise, and other purposes;"

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act establishing a Municipal Court in the town of Waterville;'"

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, February 2, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Gibson of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from secretary of State transmitting lists of titles of public acts approved by the governor, viz:

"An Act in relation to the bonds of trustees and guardians,"

Was read in concurrence.

Petition of T. C. Kennedy and 210 others of Newcastle and Damariscotta for a law to compel a two-thirds vote in towns to appropriate money for other than the usual purposes;

Petition of D. D. Perkins and 28 others of Newcastle and Bristol;

Petition of George Cunningham and 11 others of Newcastle and Damariscotta for same.

Petition of C. A. Amback and 3 others of Sabattus for an amendment to chapter 136 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895;

Remonstrance of A. D. Thayer and 104 others of Oxford against enlarging corporate powers of Oxford Village Corporation;

Remonstrance of F. B. Andrews and 14 others of Oxford against same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the organization of manufacturing corporations;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the sales of land for non-payment of taxes;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 160 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the State liquor commissioner;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of E. M. Steadman and 54 others for restrictive legislation in regard to granting discharges in insolvency,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of C. E. Emery and 54 others of Athens in favor of equalization of school tax;

Petition of D. W. Waugh and 25 others of Starks in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 119 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes relating to the manner of assessment of common school fund;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of F. F. Caswell and 12 others relating to the dumping of saw dust and other refuse in Gilman pond stream and its tributaries;

Bill "An Act to amend section 47 of chapter 48 of Revised Statutes as amended by section 2 of chapter 255 of Public Laws of 1893 relating to the sale of milk;"

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the charter of the Godfrey Falls Dam Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate Shin Pond Stream Dam and Improvement Company;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of S. McDougall and 40 others of Boothbay for an appropriation for the repair and preservation of Wiscasset bridge;

Petition of John A. Peters of Bangor and 39 others;

Petition of C. A. Hutchins and 34 others of Edgecomb;

Petition of George B. Kenniston and 86 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Petition of C. A. Peaslee and 83 others of Wiscasset for same;

Resolve in aid of the Wiscasset bridge;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Nathaniel Hobbs and 16 others of North Berwick for a close time on Bonny Beg pond in the towns of North Berwick and Sanford,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend Private and Special Laws of 1893 relating to Glidden Water Company."

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act authorizing the Draper Company to issue preferred stock and hold stock and bonds of other corporations."

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company of New Hampshire to hold property and do business in Maine."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 38 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relative to notice in probate proceedings."

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

Petition of Horace M. Leighton and 25 others of Columbia Falls for the establishment of a municipal court in the western part of Washington county;

Petition of Mrs. J. A. Hodgkins and 42 others of Gardiner in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of Estelle M. Brainard and 62 others of China;

Petition of Frederick Robie and 23 others of Gorham in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 33, chapter 24, Revised Statutes, relating to paupers;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 45, chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Prison;"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Turner Willey and 25 others of Washburn for change in insolvency law;

Petition of David A. Hone and 81 others of Presque Isle, for same;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to ways;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 506 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889 entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Deering as amended by chapter 439 of Private and Special Laws of 1893 and by chapter 633 of Private and Special Laws of 1893 and by chapter 238 of Private and Special Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to establish a commission of public works in the city of Deering;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 51, Revised Statutes for the transportation of bicycles;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 65 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, relative to poor debtors;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of George W. Stevens and 550 others of Bangor and vicinity for a change of by-laws of the Eastern Maine General Hospital,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of C. L. Whidden and others of Burnham in favor of school tax bill;

Petition of L. A. Packard and 28 others of Jay in favor of same;

Petition of John E. Sawyer and 40 others of Deering in aid of Westbrook Seminary;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of G. T. Cook and 60 others of Casco in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of R. G. Hodgdon and others, trustees of Boothbay Savings Bank for reduction of tax on savings banks;

Petition of G. C. Yeaton and others, trustees of South Berwick Savings Bank;

Petition of Hallowell Savings Institution;

Petition of C. G. Totman and others, trustees of Fairfield Savings Bank;

Petition of Frederick Robie and others, trustees of Gorham Savings Bank;

Petition of W. S. Badger and others, trustees of Augusta Savings Bank;

Petition of R. Jordan and others, trustees of Saco Savings Bank for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of M. J. McRay and 33 others of Harrington in favor of school tax bill,

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889 as amended by section 1, chapter 232 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891,

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of George Gardner and 58 others for an appropriation for roads and bridges in the town of Cutler,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of H. M. Littlefield of Waterboro for the repeal of chapter 224 of the Laws of 1891 prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee pond and its tributaries;

Petition of H. D. Harvey and 17 others for a close time on Harvey's pond situated in Levant;

Petition of A. B. Harding and 21 others of Union for an appropriation for warden service in Knox county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Petition of E. S. Reed and 23 others of Harmony for sufficient appropriation for warden service in Somerset county for the years 1897 and 1898;

Remonstrance of Charles Nichols and others of Greenville against any change in the open season for the killing of moose, deer and caribou;

Remonstrance of William G. Heath and 44 others against any change in the law regulating the taking of salmon on the Penobscot river;

Remonstrance of E. A. Buker and 111 others of Searsport;

Remonstrance of C. Devereux and 44 others of Penobscot;

Remonstrance of H. J. Wood and 112 others of Penobscot and vicinity against same;

Remonstrance of W. S. Marble and others of Rangeley against the guide's license bill;

Bill "An Act to limit the amount of white perch to be taken in Meddybemps lake, in the county of Washington;"

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to J. F. Gerrity and Company of Bangor;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Francis D. Long and 24 others of Bluehill for the repeal of section 8, chapter 247, Laws of 1893 prohibiting taking smelts by purse or drag seines in the waters of Bluehill bay;

Petition of Otis M. Candage and 27 others of Bluehill for the repeal of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Henry A. Sprague and 6 others of Charlotte in favor of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. WHEELER of Gilead,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending that portion of section 38 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to poll taxes as to establish a uniform rate of poll taxes throughout the State and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending our school laws

that towns may have the power to elect the school supervisor or superintendent and invest him with the authority to employ, examine and certificate teachers, and inspect and manage schools and furnish school supplies, and, with the advice of the committee and for reasons now set forth in the Statutes, discharge teachers and suspend or expel disorderly pupils.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That Wednesday, February 10, 1897, after eleven o'clock be set apart for the delivery of eulogies upon the late ex-Gov. Daniel F. Davis.

Bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies in the board of directors of the Maine General Hospital;"

Bill "An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter sixty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one relating to migratory fish;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 17, chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes relating to change of name in divorce proceedings;"

Bill "An Act to amend section one of chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to forgery;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to make a loan and issue bonds therefor,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed as amended, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the county commissioners of Penobscot county in making temporary loans and to authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act to fix the term of office of the police officers of the city of Auburn,"

Was reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted was signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, February 3, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Coons of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of S. A. Cram and 60 others of Biddeford in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Petition of Mrs. G. E. Merrill and others of Cumberland Mills;

Petition of J. W. Price and others of Dresden;

Petition of Jennie A. Packard and others of Winthrop;

Petition of Charles Haines and others of Winthrop;

Petition of Mrs. L. E. Hacker and others of Fort Fairfield;

Petition of Hannah J. Bailey and others of Winthrop;

Petition of Etta G. Spear and others of West Gardiner;

Petition of Alberta Thorne and others of Plymouth;

Petition of H. R. C. Avery and others of Jefferson;

Petition of Miss Isabel James, president of W. C. T. U., and others of New Limerick in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of police officers of the city of Portland upon half pay;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Charles C. Jordan and 18 others in favor of school tax bill,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Horatio Hall and 64 others of Naples in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of John McLellan and 30 others of Raymond in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Daniel L. Warren of Thomaston, Maine,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of Caroline S. Wilson and others of Bangor in favor of a reformatory prison for women,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of Charles F. Johnson and 50 others for an amendment of the law relating to inspection of milk;

Petition of G. A. Kennison and 40 others for same;

Referred in the House February 1, to the Committee on the Judiciary;

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Agriculture;

The House receded and concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be required to examine into the expediency of having bells attached to horses drawing teams with wheels after dark,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of Committee appointed to take into consideration chapter 121 of the Resolves of the legislature of 1895,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on resolve of the Somerset County Pomona Grange in favor of the cash versus the labor system for repairing highways reporting that "same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and Sheridan plantation."

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

Petition of O. H. Drake and 45 others of Pittsfield in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years;

Bill "An Act entitled an act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation;"

Resolve by the board of trade of the city of Deering relating to certain laws of 1895 concerning the transmission and distribution of electricity;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. W. Meservey and 16 others for a law prohibiting the use of fire arms by boys under eighteen years of age;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kingfield Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to increase the efficiency of the local board of health of the town of Eden;"

Bill "An Act regulating the use of bicycles by the municipale officers of towns;"

Bill "An Act to authorize Frederick A. Staples to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Piscataqua river in the town of Eliot, county of York;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine as found in chapter 229 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 and as amended by chapter 311 of the Private and Special Laws of 1864 and further amended by chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1880;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Communication relative to the independence of Cuba;

Communication relative to arbitration treaty now before the United States Senate;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of George H. Haynes and 19 others of Chester for an appropriation to aid in erecting a high school building in said town;

Petition of Asa Jones and 54 others in favor of Springfield Normal School and to renew chapter 68 of the Resolves of 1891;

Petition of R. D. Leavitt and 45 others of Turner in favor of Leavitt Institute;

Petition of George A. Friend and 32 others of Etna for equalization of school tax;

Petition of D. A. Sylvester and 22 others of Etna;

Petition of B. F. Neal and 36 others of New Sharon for same;

Bill "An Act to increase the efficiency of free high schools and equalize the amount of State aid for preparatory schools;

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of R. Y. Swift and 34 others in favor of charter for Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railroad;

Petition of H. B. Prescott and others of Franklin county in favor of same;

Petition of the municipal officers of the city of Westbrook in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of Elbridge Lord and 92 others of Westbrook, in favor of same;

Petition of A. E. Mayberry and 67 others of Otisfield for a charter for railroad from Westbrook to Waterford, the motive power of which shall be electric or animal power or compressed air;

Petition of E. B. Jackson and 18 others of Bridgton for same;

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate Southport and Boothbay Harbor Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to revive the charter of the Portland Loan Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of D. O. Bowen and 20 others of Morrill for equalization of school tax;

Petition of Joseph K. Dickey and 29 others of Morrill;

Petition of V. C. Plummer and 32 others of Addison for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act instructing assessors to enumerate poultry,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of the Third Army Corps Union for the erection of a monument to the memory of Major General Hiram G. Berry;

Petition of the Seventeenth Maine Regiment Association for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Remonstrance of T. G. Davis and 157 others of Winthrop and Readfield against authorizing the Maine Central Railroad Company to erect and maintain a wharf and boat house on lake Maranocook in said towns;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Steamboat Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Communication relative to road improvements;

Resolve relating to the publication of a map of the State of Maine;

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

Remonstrance of A. M. Robinson against an act relating to saw dust from mills on Wilson's stream;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 268 of Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the taking of fish in Little Tunk pond in plantation No. 7, in Hancock county;"

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in Duck pond, Cumberland county;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 260 of Public Laws of 1885 and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of C. N. Soule and 10 others in favor of establishing a salary for the sheriff of Franklin county;

Petition of A. W. Pottle and 43 others in favor of same;

Were referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Remonstrance of G. M. Croker and 40 others of Edgecomb against any change in the law relating to the taking of smelts on Damariscotta river;

Remonstrance of W. H. Miller of Waldoboro and 58 others;

Remonstrance of Augustus Hitchcock and 85 others of Damariscotta;

Remonstrance of A. A. Hall and 225 others of Newcastle;

Remonstrance of W. S. Peasley and 4 others of Wiscasset;

Remonstrance of A. H. Dodge and 80 others of North Newcastle;

Remonstrance of J. W. Haggett and 217 others of Damariscotta Mills against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Resolve in favor of Atienne Lewi, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of Horace Nicola, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, rules were suspended, the resolves severally read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the secretaries of the different committees be directed to furnish to the Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate forthwith, a list of all measures now pending before their various committees calling for appropriations of money, with amount specified, to enable the Clerk to comply with the order passed January 22, 1897, and the Secretary of the Senate to comply with the order passed January 26, 1897.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate;

Credentials of Horace Nicola, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Were received and ordered placed on file.

Papers from the Senate:

Remonstrance of F. S. Brown and 53 others of Readfield against the Maine Central Railroad Company erecting and maintaining a wharf and boat house on lake Maranocook;

Remonstrance of H. E. Foster and 32 others of Winthrop against same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Ordered, The House concurring that when the Senate and House adjourn it be until to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Mr. MASON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of James C. Rairden and others of Edgecomb that Erastus Cunningham be empowered to build a fish way to Lilly pond in said town.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook."

Mr. WALTON from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

Mr. STETSON from the Committee on Financial Affairs reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

Mr. FURBUSH from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital.

Mr. BURNS from same committee reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Mr. PEARL from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on bill "An Act providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State."

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought to pass" on resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws, and to aid in the propagation of inland fish and game.

Mr. KING from the Committee on Indian Affairs on petition reported resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Mr. PLUMMER from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox."

The reports were accepted, and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Majority report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and

game killed and taken in the State and for the further protection of inland fish and game and for the registration of guides."

[Signed] Messrs. P. S. Heald,
 W. E. Parsons, of the Senate,
Messrs. A. J. Durgin,
 J. H. Patten,
 H. M. Sewall,
 R. A. Davis,
 W. M. Staples,
 C. E. Cushman,
 N. D. Smith, of the House.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Bath rules were suspended and pending first reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Subsequently on motion of same gentleman taken from the table and re-tabled on motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland.

Resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Fourth Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battle-field of Gettysburg. House Document No. 23,

Was read once when Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford moved that it be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs. The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON the resolve was tabled.

Subsequently, on motion of same gentleman, taken from the table and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, the vote assigning Wednesday of next week for second reading was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Third Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battle-field of Gettysburg. House Document No. 24,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford; subsequently, on motion of same gentleman, taken from the table, rules suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.
House Document No. 25,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to Glidden Water Company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the 'Draper Company' to issue preferred stock and hold stock and bonds of other corporations;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company of New Hampshire to hold property and do business in Maine;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 38 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relative to notice in probate proceedings;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis for the year 1896,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate,

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick,

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman.

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond, and Wednesday, February 10, assigned for its further consideration.

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and pending passage to be engrossed tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act additional to the act of 1868, chapter 453, to establish a ferry across Penobscot river between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips, as amended by the act of 1880, chapter 221,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. PEARL of Bangor, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, February 4, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to contributions by husbands and fathers to the support of wives and children,"

Was read in concurrence.

Communication from same transmitting the third annual report of the forest commissioner,

Was read and with report, referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Communication from same transmitting report of the board of trustees of the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,

Was read, and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Petition of John S. Harlow, county attorney of Oxford county, for the enactment of a law authorizing the employment of a stenographer to take evidence given before grand juries;

Petition of George W. Heselton and others for same;

Petition of W. H. Powell and 88 others of Old Town, for the repeal of section 1, chapter 102, of the Public Laws of 1895;

Bill "An Act in relation to suits by organized, unincorporated societies and associations;"

Bill "An Act authorizing towns and cities to establish sinking funds;"

Bill "An Act in addition to chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the incorporation of libraries, charitable societies and other like corporations;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 69 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the discharge of mortgages of real estate,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the Portland School for the Deaf,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of J. D. Carey and 54 others of Montville, for an appropriation for sufficient warden service and to operate the hatchery at St. George lake for the years 1897 and 1898,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Resolve in favor of State pension agent expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council,

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Remonstrance of register of deeds, Lincoln county, against removing records from Lincoln county registry of deeds;

Remonstrance of county commissioners and other county officers;

Remonstrance of William H. Hilton and 33 others, members of Lincoln county bar, against same;

Were ordered filed with bill reported by Kennebec county delegation, Senate Document No. 31.

Petition of M. J. McRay and 33 others of Harrington, in favor of school tax bill,

Referred in the House, February 2, to the Committee on Taxation,

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Education.

The House recessed and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act in reference to patients in Bangor General Hospital being allowed to designate their physician," reporting that same be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on petition of the county commissioners of Somerset county, for aid in building a bridge at the Forks in said county, reporting that same be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Maria S. Smith and many others for suffrage for women in municipal affairs as well as the remonstrance of Mrs. J. P. Baxter and many others against the same.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Kennebec County Delegation on petition, reporting bill "An Act to provide for the preservation of the deeds now in Lincoln county relating to land in Kennebec county in the Kennebec registry."

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

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act providing for the support of the chronic insane by the State after five years residence at the Insane Hospital;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 189 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Company;'"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. H. Tornquist and 41 others of New Sweden, for such amendments to the insolvency law that no discharge can be granted except in cases where a dividend of 50 per cent is to be paid;

Remonstrance of Josiah Crosby and 162 others of Dexter, against the passage of "An Act to amend charter of the Dexter Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act relating to instruction in the use of tools and in cooking in public schools,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of George L. Webb and 47 others in aid of petition of V. R. Tuttle and others for extension of charter of Waldo and Somerset Railroad Company;

Petition of John R. McLellan and 17 others of Skowhegan, in aid of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Edward P. Burnham, president of Saco and Biddeford Savings Institution and 5 others, trustees and officers of same, for a reduction of tax on savings banks,

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of clams in the towns of Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Brooksville, Brooklin, Bluehill, Castine and Swan's Island,"

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act to regulate the salaries of the county commissioners of Franklin county,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn to-morrow morning it be until Tuesday next at 10 o'clock.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. CONANT from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff."

The report was accepted.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn, the vote accepting same was reconsidered, the report recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PEIRCE from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Albion Gates and 25 others in favor of bankers giving bonds.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 59, paragraph 6, of said section of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes in relation to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag Hospital.'"

Mr. SIMPSON from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on petition reported resolve in favor of appropriation for the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Gorham State Normal School.

Mr. LEVENSALE from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of the Training and Normal School at Fort Kent.

Mr. BLANCHARD from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School.

Mr. THURSTON from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 4, chapter 256, of Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers."

Mr. HOLBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds."

Mr. KING from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox." House Document No. 29,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home House Document No. 26;

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians. House Document No. 28;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws and to aid in the propagation of inland fish and game. House Document No. 27,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield.

Bill "An Act relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and Sheridan plantation,

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston,

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. JEWELL of Hallowell, moved that when the House adjourn to-morrow morning, it be to meet Tuesday next at 10 o'clock A. M.

The CHAIR ruled that the motion provided for an adjournment for a longer period than any single branch of the Legislature could adjourn and that joint action would be required to make so long an adjournment.

The motion was withdrawn.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, February 5, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Barber of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of the Portland Clearing House Association relating to transfer of stock for collateral security, a bank half holiday and abolition of days of grace;

Bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the punishment for rape, as amended by chapter 127 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 180 of the Public Laws of 1889;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act concerning the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Israel Ouillette and 29 others of Frenchville, for aid to the Chautauqua High School in said town,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of W. H. Moody for amendment of chapter 18, section 66 of the Revised Statutes, relating to highways, with bill accompanying,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to prohibit persons not inhabitants of this State from killing and hunting fur-bearing animals,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Lincoln;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 304 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Aroostook;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of Joseph K. Dickey and 29 others of Morrill, in favor of school tax bill;

Petition of D. O. Bowen and 20 others of Morrill;

Petition of V. C. Plummer and 32 others of Addison, in favor of same;

Referred in the House, February 3, to the Committee on Taxation,

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Education.

The House receded and concurred.

Petition of Estelle M. Brainard and 62 others, in favor of municipal suffrage for women;

Petition of Mrs. J. A. Hodgkins and 42 others of Gardiner;

Petition of Frederick Robie and 23 others of Gorham, in favor of same;

Were ordered filed with report of Committee on same subject in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long Island," be taken from the files and recommitted to that committee;

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses inquire into the necessity and expediency of legislation to prevent unjust discrimination in tolls and charges between patrons by telegraph and telephone companies;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Abel Davis and others of Pittsfield,

for a municipal court to be known as the Pittsfield Municipal Court.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Biddeford;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate The Northern Development and Manufacturing Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John Watson and 80 others of Houlton, in favor of change in insolvency law;

Bill "An Act to change the northern register of deeds office in Aroostook county;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 319 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of John Kimball and 35 others of Turner, in favor of Leavitt Institute;

Petition of B. H. Sanborn and 41 others of Blaine, in favor of Normal School at Presque Isle;

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company,'"

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to loan and building associations,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of G. Z. Vaughan and 11 others of Lang plantation, for abatement of taxes on said plantation;

Bill "An Act to abate taxes on the west half of township No. 4, range 5, west of Kennebec river, in Somerset county;"

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act establishing a standard measure for cream,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Joint Special Committee on Salaries be directed to investigate as to a readjustment of the salaries of the judges and registers of probate in the various counties relative to probate proceedings and also what salaries in addition they should receive for services in insolvency matters, in case the fee system so far as it relates to those officers, should be abolished, and report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Ordered, That further leave of absence be granted for two weeks to Representative Stephen B. Thurlow of Deer Isle, by reason of his continued ill health.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the waiver of jury trials in civil cases in the supreme judicial and superior courts."

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend rule 4 of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to descent of real estate."

Mr. HOUGHTON from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering.

Mr. MOORE from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias river in the county of Aroostook."

Mr. PLUMMER from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act authorizing

and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river."

Mr. LONGLEY from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse in to the Aroostook river and its tributaries, above the mouth of Beaver brook."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook river."

Mr. JONES from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company."

Mr. DUDLEY from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition reported resolve in favor of the town of Forest City to aid in building one-half the bridge between Maine and New Brunswick in Forest City."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of roads in Indian township, Washington county.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance incorporated in this State." House Document No. 30;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook." House Document No. 32;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers." House Document No. 34;

Bill "An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river." House Document No. 35;

Bill "An Act to amend section 59, paragraph 6 of said section of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances." House Document No. 36;

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag Hospital.'" House Document No. 37;

Bill "An Act to amend section 4, chapter 256 of Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers." House Document No. 38;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary. House Document No. 31;

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital. House Document No. 33;

Resolve in favor of appropriation for the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union. House Document No. 39;

Resolve in favor of the Training and Normal School at Fort Kent. House Document No. 40;

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School. House Document No. 41;

Resolve in favor of the Gorham State Normal School. House Document No. 42;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Glidden Water Company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Draper Company to issue preferred stock and hold stock and bonds of other corporations;"

Bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies in the board of directors of the Maine General Hospital;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to make a loan and issue bonds therefor;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and Sheridan plantation;"

Bill "An Act relating to expenditures of the railroad commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the county commissioners of Penobscot county in making temporary loans and to authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the January term of the county commissioners' court of Hancock county;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes, relating to unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices;"

Bill "An Act to repeal section 42 of chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to resentencing convicts sentenced to the State Prison;"

Bill "An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to migratory fish;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 17, chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to change of name in divorce proceedings;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company of New Hampshire to hold property and do business in Maine;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 38 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relative to notice in probate proceedings;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes, relating to forgery;"

Resolve in favor of Atienne Lewi, Representative of the Pas-samaquoddy tribe of Indians;

Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves

finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner,

Petition of A. M. Spear and 185 others of Gardiner for preservation of smelts on Kennebec river;

Petition of F. G. Sherman and 30 others of Randolph, and

Petition of D. S. Tasker and 118 others of Randolph, for same;

Were taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the vote referring these petitions to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, was reconsidered and the petitions referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, February 9, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

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

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of the commissioners appointed to investigate, revise and simplify the laws relating to sea and shore fisheries, together with an act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to sea and shore fisheries and an act authorizing commissioners to make special regulations as to local fisheries,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act granting a new charter to the city of Portland;"

Remonstrance of C. L. Bray and 30 others of Oxford, against extending the corporate powers of Oxford Village Corporation;

Remonstrance of Alvin Mann and 6 others, against same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of W. A. Cochran and others for a fish way at Lilly pond, Edgecomb,

Was ordered filed with report of Committee on Shore Fisheries on same subject in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long Island," which was accepted in the House February 1, in concurrence,

Came from the Senate, vote accepting same reconsidered and report recommitted.

The vote accepting the report was reconsidered and report recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred the communication of the executive of each case of reprieve, remission of penalty, commutation or pardon granted in 1895 and 1896, reporting that "no legislation is necessary,"

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 124, Revised Statutes, relating to polygamy."

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

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition reporting resolve in favor of aid in building bridge across Sandy stream in Lexington plantation.

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

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 207 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to clerk of judicial courts in Piscataquis county."

Report of the Kennebec County Delegation reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a sinking fund for the county of Kennebec."

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

Petition of Nathan W. Harris and 300 others of Auburn, for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the State from raising money by taxation for any sectarian or religious institutions;

Petition of A. J. Merritt and 25 others of Washington county, for the establishment of a municipal court in the western part of said county;

Bill "An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry in the State of Maine;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Sanford Municipal Court;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 194 of chapter 6 of Revised Statutes as amended by section 3 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale of real estate for taxes;"

Bill "An Act relating to corporations organized under the general law;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 80 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 164 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to injuries on ways;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 413 of the Private and Special Laws of 1850, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Hallowell;'"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the officers and proprietors of the Saccarappa Aqueduct Company, in favor of legalizing the doings of said company;

Petition of Leroy O. Straw and 19 others of Newfield, for the incorporation of Newfield Academy;

Petition of Ai Q. Mitchell and 32 others of Newfield;

Petition of Albert H. Davis and 10 others of Newfield, for same;

Remonstrance of John Brawn and 52 others of Lubec, against the proposed incorporation of Staples Academy;

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 314 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of land for taxes;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the Saccarappa Aqueduct Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Albert H. Davis and 10 others in favor of aid to Newfield Academy;

Petition of Ai Q. Mitchell and 32 others, in favor of same;

Petition of G. P. Ricker and 24 others of Perry, for equalization of school tax;

Petition of C. S. Adams and 23 others of South Montville;

Petition of J. H. Sanborn and 51 others of Dover;

Petition of J. M. Gerry and 50 others of Garland;

Petition of G. F. Sibley and 15 others of Woolwich;

Petition of A. H. Thompson and 87 others of Limestone;

Petition of I. J. Thayer and 20 others of Oakland;

Petition of A. T. Mitchell and 30 others of Washington, for same;

Petition of Frank E. Bray and 19 others of Turner, in favor of aid to Leavitt Institute;

Petition of H. D. Irish and 10 others of Buckfield;

Petition of E. E. Additon and others of Leeds;

Petition of J. T. Cushing and 30 others of Turner;

Petition of Solon Chase and 35 others of Turner in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Perley B. Foster and others of Bridgton, in favor of charter for an electric railroad from Westbrook through Bridgton village to Waterford;

Petition of H. S. Melcher and Company and 87 other Portland business men in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of Kimball Eastman and 87 others of Westbrook, in favor of same;

Petition of A. J. Murray and 30 others of Shapleigh, in favor of extending the charter of the Mousam River Railroad Company, and also the amendment of same;

Petition of Charles H. Frost and 183 others of Springvale;

Petition of Sanford Mills and 179 citizens of Sanford in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of M. V. B. Chase and others, trustees of Kennebec Savings Bank, for reduction of tax on savings banks;

Petition of George W. Drisko and others, trustees of Machias Savings Bank of Machias;

Petition of W. E. Vinal and others, trustees of Thomaston Savings Bank of Thomaston;

Petition of William M. Abbott and others, trustees of Tremont Savings Bank of Tremont;

Petition of Cyrus S. Tucker and others, trustees of Norway Savings Bank of Norway;

Petition of William Woods and others, trustees of Calais Savings Bank of Calais;

Petition of Almon H. Fogg and others, trustees of Houlton Savings Bank of Houlton;

Petition of E. M. Tibbetts and others, trustees of Dexter Savings Bank of Dexter;

Petition of N. S. Houston and others, trustees of Belfast Savings Bank of Belfast;

Petition of Alvah Shurtleff and others, trustees of South Paris Savings Bank of South Paris;

Petition of James G. Pendleton and others, trustees of Searsport Savings Bank, for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 26, of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the taxation of certain plantations,

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Petition of H. T. Silsby and 31 others of Hancock county, for a bounty on wild cats,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of H. A. Batchelder and 21 others of Yarmouth, for privilege to build and maintain a bridge between the islands of Cousins and Littlejohns in said town;

Resolve in favor of the town of Jonesborough;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of W. W. Hurd and 39 others, against close time on trout in any of the streams running through the town of Montville;

Bill "An Act for the protection of deer upon the island of Isle au Haut in the county of Hancock;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of William T. Hall and 63 others of Richmond, in favor of the present law relating to the taking of smelts on the Kennebec river and its tributaries;

Petition of J. L. Brown and 132 others of Bowdoinham, in favor of same;

Petition of C. H. Dunton and 20 others of Pittston, for the better preservation of smelts in the Kennebec river;

Bill "An Act to authorize the construction of a weir in tide waters on Sheepscove Ledge in Pennamaquan river in Pembroke, county of Washington;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of H. E. Judkins and 20 others of Waterville against proposed cigarette law;

Remonstrance of B. C. Gibson and 80 others;

Remonstrance of Green Bros. and others of Bar Harbor;

Remonstrance of J. Andrews and 16 others;
Remonstrance of J. H. McFaul and 17 others of Eastport;
Remonstrance of proprietors of Ocean Bluff House, Kennebunkport against same;
Were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of Cumberland,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Mr. JONES from the Committee on Interior Waters on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lake Onawa Dam Company" reported "that same be printed and recommitted."

Mr. MURRAY from the Committee on Towns reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of N. Moore and 50 others of Orneville, Piscataquis county, for the annexation of said town to the town of Milo.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the election of town officers."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act additional to and amendatory to the act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company,'" reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company.'"

Mr. PATTANGALL from the Committee on Education reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School.

Mr. MACOMBER from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company.'"

Mr. CONANT from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff."

Mr. MURRAY from the Committee on Towns reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to divide the town of Deer Isle and incorporate the town of Stonington."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds." House Document No. 43,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland.

Bill "An Act to amend rule 4 of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to descent of real estate." House Document No. 46;

Bill "An Act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company." House Document No. 48;

Bill "An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook river and its tributaries, above the mouth of Beaver brook." House Document No. 49;

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook river." House Document No. 50;

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river." House Document No. 51;

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river." House Document No. 52;

Bill "An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias river in the county of Aroostook." House Document No. 53;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of the town of Forest City to aid in building one-half the bridge between Maine and New Brunswick in Forest City. House Document No. 44,

Was tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland.

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county. House Document No. 45,

Was tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering. House Document No. 47,

Was tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 59, paragraph 6 of said section of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances;"

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag hospital;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4, chapter 256 of Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. HOLMES of Addison.

Bill "An Act to provide for the preservation of the deeds now in Lincoln county relating to land in Kennebec county in the Kennebec registry,"

Was reported from same committee, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional to the act of 1868, chapter 453, to establish a ferry across Penobscot river, between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips, as amended by the act of 1880, chapter 221;"

Resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Third Regiment Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battlefield of Gettysburg;

Resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Fourth Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battlefield of Gettysburg;

Resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis, for the year 1896;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bill passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland,

Bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further protection of inland fish and game, and for the registration of guides,"

Was taken from the table, and on motion of same gentleman ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. AYER of Vassalboro,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, February 10, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ringold of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the executive department transmitting, for the consideration of the legislature, a communication from the executors of the will of the late Joseph H. Williams of Augusta,

Was read and referred in concurrence to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the reports of the trustees, resident officers and visiting committee of the Maine Insane Hospital, also the report of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital Commission.

Was read and with reports referred in concurrence to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Communication from same transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act to amend section 38, chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relative to notice in probate proceedings;"

"An Act relating to expenditures of the railroad commissioners;"

"An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 83 of the Revised Statutes relating to unpaid executions issued by deceased trial justices;"

"An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes relating to forgery;"

"An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes relating to the January term of the county commissioners court of Hancock county;"

"An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to migratory fish;"

"An Act to repeal section 42, chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes relating to re-sentencing convicts sentenced to the State prison;"

"An Act to amend section 17, chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes relating to change of name in divorce proceedings;"

Was read in concurrence.

Petition of Washington R. Prescott and others for the employment of a stenographer before grand juries;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 179 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to libels for divorce;"

Bill "An Act to dispense with a grand jury at the January term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Waldo, and to change the time of holding the October term of said court in said county;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the terms of the county commissioners court for the county of Lincoln;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of G. B. Haywood and 32 others of Ashland for change in the insolvency law;

Petition of Robert McLeod and 26 others of Monticello;

Petition of H. Whitehead and 115 others of Houlton for same;

Bill "An Act to punish the commission of loud and boisterous noises in dwelling houses;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 16, chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to paupers;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Parker Spofford and 51 others of Bucksport for a reasonable appropriation for alterations and repairs of Girl's

Home at Belfast; also an appropriation to aid in enlarging the work of the Home;

Petition of Stephen E. Cox and 22 others;

Petition of A. G. Fitz and 31 others of Bridgton for same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of James A. Kimball and 17 others of Albany for equalization of school tax;

Petition of Ansel Holway and 95 others of Skowhegan;

Petition of A. H. Ellis and 13 others of Fairfield;

Petition of Kate B. Ellis and 17 others of Fort Fairfield for same;

Bill "An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of George B. Sawyer and others, trustees of Wiscasset Savings Bank for reduction of tax on savings banks;

Petition of J. W. Butterfield and others, trustees of Phillips Savings Bank;

Petition of Reuben Foster and others, trustees of Waterville Savings Bank for same;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Banking and Trust Company;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to authorize the county commissioners to lay out railroads for temporary purposes in unincorporated townships,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Petition of F. L. Walker and 132 others for repeal of law relating to close time on bass in Thompson's pond,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of John O. Shaw and 18 others of Bath for a change in the law relating to fishing in Winnegance creek;

Petition of Herbert W. Cutting and 23 others;

Petition of John G. Morse and 11 others for same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act additional to chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance.'" Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the bill was referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and sent to the Senate;

Remonstrance of L. C. Bateman and 26 others of Rumford Falls against proposed cigarette law;

Remonstrance of Ernesto Ponce and 23 others of Portland against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay and bridges over tide water, in the town of Harpswell."

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to provide for the better protection of public records."

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

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on petition reporting resolve in favor of the St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland.

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same

title bill "An Act to amend chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company."

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act concerning the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway and the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company."

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

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroads."

The report was accepted in concurrence. Pending first reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. SANBORN of Sanford.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Lake Maranocook in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop."

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

Report of the Committee on Library reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine State Library, for the years 1897 and 1898.

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

Petition of F. H. Dexter and 46 others of Sanford for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the State from raising money by taxation for any religious or sectarian institution;

Petition of Adeline D. T. Moses and 29 others in favor of raising the age of protection for girls;

Petition of H. H. Hathaway and 43 others;

Petition of Mrs. B. P. Snow and 21 others;

Petition of Mrs. Nellie S. Jordan and 32 others;

Petition of Hattie J. Loring and 34 others;

Petition of Albert H. Jordan and 65 others;

Petition of Mrs. Ethelinda H. Tucker and 30 others for same;

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the amount of baggage to be carried by railroad corporations for each person purchasing a first-class unlimited ticket;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Fred P. Carleton and 34 others of Dresden and Perkins against any change in the laws relating to weir fishing and especially against any change in Revised Statutes, chapter 3, sections 60 and 63;

Remonstrance of Frank H. Segars and 33 others of Dresden against same;

Bill "An Act to authorize the correction of errors in proceedings for collection of taxes;"

Bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes relating to the disinterment of dead bodies;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the re-assessment of taxes in case of irregularity or error in the original assessment;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Memorial to Congress relating to the "Sperry Bill,"

Was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Memorial of Bath board of trade relating to establishment of a dry dock at Bath;

Pending reference Mr. ROWELL of Kittery, moved that the memorial be laid on the table.

Upon this question the House ordered the yeas and nays on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Bath, and the motion to table was lost by a vote of 78 to 61.

Those who voted yea were Messrs.

Andrews,	Hussey,	Reed,
Austin,	Jones,	Robinson,
Ayer,	King,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Blanchard,	Kinsman,	Rowell, Kittery,
Boynton,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Sanborn,
Burrill,	Lane,	Saunders,
Burse,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Burton,	Lincoln,	Shaw, Saco,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Shepard,
Dudley,	Longley,	Smith, Hampden,
Edmunds,	Luce,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Fernald, Levant,	McIntire,	Tarbell,
Fogg,	Merrill, Portland,	Thompson,
Fogler,	Mitchell,	Walton,
Fuller,	Moore, Moscow,	Weeks,
Gardner,	Murchie,	Whelden,
Garvin,	Murphy,	Whiting,
Gowell,	O'Neil,	Wilson,
Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Pattangall,	Winslow—61.
Hill,	Patten,	
Houghton,	Prince,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Bither,	Cram,	Gagnon,
Briggs,	Currier,	Gilman,
Britton,	Cushman,	Goodrich,
Brown,	Daggett,	Greenleaf,
Burnham,	Davis,	Guernsey,
Burns,	Day,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,
Chandler,	Dickey,	Hancock,
Chatto,	Durgin,	Hathaway,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Fernald, Poland,	Hathorn,
Conant,	Floyd,	Holbrook,
Cook,	Forest,	Holmes,
Cox,	Furbush,	Hurd,

Hutchins,	Murray,	Sewall,
Hutchinson,	Newcomb,	Smith, Masardis,
Jewell,	Noble,	Spear,
Kaler,	Palmer,	Staples,
Kneeland,	Pearl,	Starbird,
Knowlton, Newb'g,	Peirce,	Stetson,
Levensaler,	Philbrook,	Stevens,
Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Plummer,	Talbot,
Macomber,	Pope,	Thurston,
Mason,	Pratt,	Tolman,
Maxcy,	Purinton,	Violette,
Maxwell,	Rodick,	Williams,
Merrill, Bluehill,	Rounds,	York,
Moore, Deering,	Searls,	Young—78.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Ames,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Simpson,
Donnell,	Martin,	ThurLOW,
Golder,	Penley,	Wheeler—II.
Goodwin,	Sawyer,	

The memorial was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of J. S. Condon and 20 others, in favor of the Wiggin school tax bill;

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of School District No. 5, in the town of Falmouth, and of the trustees of the Crispus Graves fund, so called, and to enable said trustees to convey and the inhabitants of said Falmouth to purchase, the school building erected out of said fund in said district;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of L. W. Nash and 96 others of Kennebunk in favor of extending the charter of the Mousam River Railroad Company, and also the amendment of same;

Petition of W. A. Emery and 83 others of Kennebunk and Kennebunkport;

Petition of F. A. Goodall and 169 others of Sanford;

Petition of B. C. Jordan and 43 others of Alfred in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the bank examiner,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 11 and 14 in chapter 58, relating to agricultural societies,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "An Act relating to the staff of the commander-in-chief,"

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of William Metcalf and 14 others of Newcastle for aid in the repair and preservation of Wiscasset bridge;

Petition of M. H. Page and 120 others;

Petition of G. L. Witham and 32 others of Southport;

Petition of B. F. Blagdon and 52 others for same;

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation;

Resolve in favor of a road in Dallas plantation;

Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler for repairs on highways and bridges;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of A. D. Millett and 25 others of Burnham for the privilege of catching and taking eels in weirs on the Sebacook river from July 15 to November 1 of each year;

Petition of E. M. Shaw and 60 others of Pittsfield for same;

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of eels and white fish,"

Bill "An Act to repeal the bounty on bears;"

Bill "An Act to repeal the close time on mink;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of C. F. Wade and 30 others of Perkins in favor of the law as it now stands relative to the taking of smelts in Kennebec river and its tributaries;

Petition of A. H. Moore and 42 others of South Gardiner relative to the taking of smelts in Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of G. F. Lilly and 47 others of Woolwich against any change in the law relating to the taking of smelts in Kennebec river and its tributaries;

Remonstrance of C. E. Bridges and 191 others against a close time on clams for the town of Brooklin;

Remonstrance of E. E. Chase and 33 others against any change in the law relating to the taking of smelts in the waters of Bluehill bay;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of J. H. Dunlap and 59 others against setting off a part of Rome and annexing the same to Belgrade,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolve in favor of Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham,

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Resolve relating to a loan of State reports to the town of Monson,

Was referred to the Committee on Library.

Petition of C. F. Tinker and 13 others of Auburn and Webster for a shorter work day for women and minors;

Petition of H. M. Nickerson and 28 others of Portland;

Petition of I. H. Farrington and 26 others of Portland;

Petition of C. H. Roberts and 21 others of Portland;

Petition of Fred S. Saunders and 18 others of Portland;

Petition of H. E. Preston and 15 others of Bangor;

Petition of A. L. Weeks and 46 others of Bangor;

Petition of H. E. Ward and 27 others of Bangor for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Labor.

Petition of Albert H. Jones and 34 others of Denmark for the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Remonstrance of Morrill Glidden and 11 others of Somerville against the proposed cigarette law;

Remonstrance of L. E. Bowley and 6 others of Rangeley;
Remonstrance of Frank B. Libby and 8 others of Portland;
Remonstrance of F. D. Small and others of Bryant's Pond;
Remonstrance of J. C. Ralph and 17 others of Southwest Harbor;

Remonstrance of W. T. Verrill and 16 others of York;
Remonstrance of A. P. Porter and others of Dixmont;
Remonstrance of J. D. Densmore and 3 others of Richmond;
Remonstrance of Mrs. G. P. Hamilton and others of Winthrop;

Remonstrance of C. C. Tibbetts of Kennebunk;
Remonstrance of T. R. Strout and 7 others of Durham;
Remonstrance of Owen E. Blackden of Dexter;
Remonstrance of Horace B. Evans and 16 others of Biddeford Pool;

Remonstrance of Thurston and Atwood and 8 others of Bangor;

Remonstrance of Winfield S. Hasty and 6 others of Ferry Beach;

Remonstrance of M. B. Scribner and 21 others of Sullivan;

Remonstrance of W. G. Paul and 13 others of South Berwick against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. COX of Randolph,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the advisability of so amending our election laws, as to allow a person moving from one place to another in our State, to hold a voting residence in the place from which he moved until he shall acquire the right to vote in the town to which he moves, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to consider the advisability of enacting a law compelling a person moving into town with the intention of making his residence there to so notify the clerk of said town of the fact and also of

having the town clerk keep a record of all such declarations, and report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition of George A. Safford and others relative to the taking of smelts in the Kennebec river, reported that the petition be referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. COX from the Committee on Ways and Bridges reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of E. R. Michaud and others of Frenchville for aid in building a bridge in said town.

Pending acceptance, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the report was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HURD from the Committee on Ways and Bridges reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Joseph Martin and others of Van Buren for aid to build a bridge in said town.

Pending acceptance, the report was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 73 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to the fees of referees."

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Staples Academy."

Mr. HOUGHTON from the Committee on Financial Affairs reported same on resolve in favor of the Augusta City Hospital.

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of H. B. Harvey and 17 others that a close time be established for fishing on Harvey pond in the town of Levant.

Mr. PATTEN from same committee reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 268 of Private and Spec-

ial Laws of 1895, relating to the taking of fish in Little Tunk pond in Plantation No. 7 in Hancock county."

Mr. SMITH from same committee reported same on bill "An Act for the protection of fish in Duck pond, Cumberland county."

Mr. DAY from the Committee on Claims reported same on petition of Isaac Moore and 80 others that drafted men who paid commutation money during the late War of the Rebellion when they were necessarily detained at home to care for dependent relatives, should be reimbursed by the State.

Mr. LINCOLN from same committee reported "ought not to pass" on bill of A. J. Cameron for binding and stitching for government of 1878.

Mr. TARBELL from the Committee on Pensions reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of John Cassady and others that a pension be granted Robert Johnson.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of Matthias A. Cullnan of Belfast for an increase of pension.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of E. A. Barker and others that a pension be granted soldiers of the Aroostook war.

Mr. HUTCHINS from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of J. W. Hodgkins and others for a reduction of the fees for travel of the county commissioners of Penobscot county.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HUTCHINSON from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to make certain the continuing validity of the provisions of sections 19, 20 and 21 of chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to insurance."

The report was accepted. Subsequently on motion of Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn, the vote accepting same was reconsidered and report recommitted to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. NOBLE from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt."

Mr. SMITH from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years."

Mr. ROWELL from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate Newfield Academy."

Same gentleman from same committee on bill "An Act to lower the waters of Noyes pond in the town of Bluehill" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Company to lower the waters in Noyes pond in the town of Bluehill during certain months in the year."

Mr. WALTON from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company and to make legal and valid certain doings of said Company."

Mr. HOLBROOK from the Committee on Ways and Bridges reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across tide waters between the Islands of Cousins and Littlejohns in said town of Yarmouth."

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition reported bill "An Act to repeal chapter 109 of the Private and Special Laws of 1853, relating to the taking of pickerel in certain ponds."

Mr. TARBELL from the Committee on Pensions reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows.

Mr. GOWELL from the Committee on Claims reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Linneus.

Mr. LUCE from same committee reported same on resolve for payment of back salary of a guard at the State Prison.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to election of town officers." House Document No. 55,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School. House Document No. 56,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend rule 4 of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to descent of real estate;"

Bill "An Act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook river and its tributaries, above the mouth of Beaver brook;"

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machais river in the county of Aroostook;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading Mr. JONES of Lincoln, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 207 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to clerk of judicial courts in Piscataquis county;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 124, Revised Statutes, relating to polygamy;"

Bill "An Act to establish a sinking fund for the county of Kennebec;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Rockland of the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year 1896 on account of an imperfect school return,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of appropriation for the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union;

Resolve in favor of the Training and Normal School at Fort Kent;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. AYER of Vassalboro, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of the Gorham State Normal School,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary,

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading, on motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, was recommitted to the Committee on Financial Affairs and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman,

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond, the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland,

Resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at Kittery Navy Yard, was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations and sent to the Senate.

MEMORIAL EXERCISES ON THE DEATH OF EX-GOVERNOR DAVIS.

Mr. PALMER of Bangor was called to the chair.

Mr. STETSON of Bangor said:

Mr. Speaker—It is with a feeling of sadness that I rise to make a few remarks and to present the memorial of the committee appointed by the House, in regard to the loss our State has

sustained in the death of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis of Bangor, which sad event occurred on Saturday, January 9, 1897.

For some years it was my pleasure to have him and his family as near neighbors, in the city of Bangor, and I can truly say that his love for his family, his conduct as a man, and his keen sense of right and wrong, merits the approbation of every true citizen of our State.

Knowing him as I did, and realizing the great strain of personal and business matters, under which he has been struggling during the past few years, it is with deep feelings of respect and admiration that I speak of the noble fight he has carried on with persistent courage, though laboring under the additional misfortune of poor health.

It is his virtues and goodness that I desire to hold up for admiration and emulation, and there were great virtues and goodness in the life of Governor Davis; enough to make his life worthy of admiration, his memory a sweet reminiscence, and unto his children a priceless inheritance; and to justify our hope and faith that he has entered into the peace, and rest, and sleep, and reward of the just.

On behalf of the committee, it is my solemn duty to officially call your attention to the death of a governor of this State, Daniel F. Davis of Bangor. His death has profoundly moved the hearts of us all, and has deeply impressed the people of our State.

In this hall, where he took the oath of office as governor, and promised to maintain the laws of our State, and where his voice while a representative was heard in defence of our State and her rights, it is most fitting that these memorial exercises should be held. It is well for us all in the busy struggles and ambitions of life, when death takes away a leader among men, to pause and to take one's thoughts away from worldly affairs and bid the departed a farewell, before the "ranks close up and the column presses on." In this room where we may almost fancy there may still linger some echo of his familiar voice, it is most appropriate that we pay our fond, just tribute to his virtues and his memory.

Governor Davis was born at Freedom, Waldo county, in this State, on the 12th day of September, 1843, and was consequently

in the fifty-fourth year of his age, at the time of his death. His father was a minister of the Christian church and a religious leader in eastern Maine. The family were of English descent and settled in New Hampshire some time during the seventeenth century. Governor Davis was educated in the common schools of our State, and entered the academy at East Corinth in 1863; but after a few weeks at school, he answered the call of his country and joined, as a private, a company then being raised at his old home, and served with the greatest credit to himself and his country till the close of the war. It was during this continuous and arduous service that he contracted disease, which I have no doubt hastened his death. After his return from the war, he continued his studies at the East Corinth academy and at Kent's Hill seminary, where under the guidance of competent teachers, and the most valuable experience received while teaching school in the winters, he fitted himself to assume the cares and responsibilities of this life. It was in 1867 that in the office and under the guidance of the late Hon. Lewis Barker, he took up the study of the law, and absorbed that love and liking for law and politics under so able a master.

It is well known that he was a lover of learning and he had that union of acuteness, judgment and human feeling, that makes a successful lawyer, and at the time of his death, he stood as one of the foremost lawyers at the Penobscot bar.

I cannot refrain from adding here a few words which will show his simplicity, sincerity and good sense, for he was a lawyer in the best and truest meaning of the word and I am informed by many of his personal friends, that there was no lawyer in Bangor who has so happy a faculty as Governor Davis, for settling cases out of court, and thereby winning the gratitude and love of both sides in many a petty strife. It was his natural delicacy in the treatment of men, it was his nobleness of soul, it was his kindness of heart that prompted him to show the way for a settlement, honorable to both parties; and not a sordid wish for gain that endears his character to all his many friends, and will long keep his memory green.

In 1874, after making many able speeches on the stump for the Republican cause, he was elected a member of the House of Representatives and took an active and prominent part in the

pending questions of the day. In 1878 he served Penobscot county in the Senate and stood high among the many able men who were then serving their State as senators. There may be members of the Senate now who were senators at that time, and they will remember the attention that Senator Davis attracted to himself by his able, exhaustive and effective speech on the contested election case of Madigan vs. Burleigh.

In 1879 he was nominated as the Republican candidate for governor, but failed to receive the requisite majority, though falling only a few votes short, and accordingly the election was thrown into the Legislature.

The Fusionists attempted to organize the Legislature and elect one of the other candidates, but the supreme court found that their organization was illegal and sustained the legislature organized by the Republicans who had elected Daniel F. Davis as governor of the State.

These were exciting times in the political history of the State, during this attempted "countout" by the Fusion party and it at once brought Governor Davis into prominence as a man of force and marked him as one of the famous governors of Maine. The splendid ability shown by him during these trying times, with which many of you are familiar, inspired men with confidence and resulted in making his administration one of the ablest, and placing him in the foremost ranks of our long line of able governors. He showed great force and strength as a campaign orator and his services both at the time of his own election and in later campaigns were in demand all over our State and in other states. He was the candidate of the Republican party for re-election in 1880, but was defeated by the greenback movement of that year though only falling 130 votes behind his competitor, General Plaisted, who was elected. After his retirement from the office of governor, he resumed the practice of law at Bangor and formed a partnership with Charles A. Bailey, Esq., which was continued till the time of his death.

His death, in many ways, will be a great loss to our State, for he had her interest at heart, and was constantly striving to advance the material prosperity of our people.

He had been collector of the port of Bangor and had occupied many other positions of trust and responsibility with credit to

himself and the people of the State. His extensive law practice and large business interests brought him frequently to public notice, after his retirement from public life, and he has been a familiar figure at legislative hearings on matters pertaining to wild lands, in which he was not only largely interested on his own account, but also as the representative of other large interests. At the time of his death he was planning to appear before several committees on matters of great interest to the State, and I might say that there was no man in eastern Maine who realized more than Governor Davis, the great resources our State has in her wild lands and magnificent water courses; for he believed in Maine and in her great undeveloped natural resources.

Pleasing and endearing features in the life of Governor Davis were his amiable disposition, the absence of vindictiveness and jealousy; his appreciation of the talents of others, his warm sympathies with others, his manliness, gentleness and simplicity of demeanor, for he was what we might call an approachable man. Among all his cares and labors he found time to keep himself familiar with public events and in touch with the leading minds for the best interests of our State and her people. As a friend he was a kindly, courteous and genial gentleman, and all who came within the circle of his influence, rich or poor, exalted or lowly, were treated with the same rare and exquisite courtesy. In closing, I can but add that he has done his part to help the mysterious growth of the world along its inevitable lines towards its unknown end.

And now Mr. Speaker, I desire to present the memorial of the committee.

(Memorial.)

To the people of the State of Maine, through their Representatives in Legislature assembled:

Your committee desire to express the great loss our State has received in the death of its former chief executive, Daniel F. Davis. That he was held in high regard, affection and grateful memory by the people of the State, for his promotion of the public welfare, by his faithful administration of the honorable and responsible offices which he has filled in the government of

our State, for his patriotic loyalty to his country and its constitution, for his unselfish kindness as a friend, and for his modesty and charm of manners, in all his relation and associations in life.

Wherefore we pray this testimonial may be engrossed on the records of the House.

Isaiah K. Stetson,
B. B. Murray,
W. H. Fogler,
H. B. Saunders,
Archie L. Talbot,
Chas. E. Edmunds,
D. K. Jewell,

Committee.

Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke said,

Mr. Speaker—I rise for the purpose of seconding the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Stetson.

It was my good fortune to have had for quite a number of years, some acquaintance with Ex-Governor Davis, whose decease has been announced. Soon after the close of the War of the Rebellion I met him here in Augusta, and from that time until near the end of his life, was accustomed to see him with more or less frequency. He was a genial, warm-hearted gentleman, one whom it was a pleasure to meet, and one whose cordial greeting and kindly manner inspired confidence and respect in all with whom he came in contact.

Governor Davis lived in eventful years, and at a time when matters of utmost importance to the State and nation were taking place. He was young at the time of the commencement of the War of the Rebellion, but he saw before him what he believed to be the path of duty, and, at the age of 20 years, entered the Union army, enlisting as a private in Company D, of the District of Columbia Cavalry. He was afterwards transferred to Company F, of the First Regiment of Cavalry, Maine Volunteers, a regiment which was composed of brave men, of men whose deeds of valor in their country's defence will long be remembered as worthy of the highest commendation and gratitude of the people of Maine. The service of Mr. Davis there was honorable and patriotic, though much of the time he

was suffering from serious disease contracted in the line of his duty as a soldier.

As a lawyer, Mr. Davis was studious, painstaking, and thoroughly attentive to every matter entrusted to his professional care. Governor Davis, while busily engaged in the practice of his profession, was not insensible to the charms of politics, nor unmindful of the approval that follows successful control, or influence in the direction of public affairs, nor was he wanting in that quality, called ambition, which seems to be inherent in the human heart. Called to places of honor and of responsibility by the people of his immediate locality, and also by those of the State, all his public duties were performed with a purity of purpose that was worthy of emulation, and an integrity that was unchallenged and undoubted. Elected to the office of governor of Maine at a time of great excitement, his conduct in that important office was above reproach, and commanded the respect of men of all shades of political belief, and won for him the confidence of even those who were most opposed to the party to which he belonged. Standing in this hall to-day, and remembering, as I so clearly do, the unusual scenes which had taken place here just prior to the time when Governor Davis entered upon the discharge of his official duties as chief magistrate of the State, it almost seems as if the words which he so earnestly, solemnly and honestly uttered, when reading his inaugural address, were still ringing in our ears.

In all the relations of private life Governor Davis was most exemplary and just. He was generous to those who in any way needed his assistance or aid; gracious to all who approached him upon matters of business or in a social way; and he seemed to do, so far as appeared to be in his power, unto others as he would that they should do unto him.

His last days were rendered particularly unhappy by disease, from which, to a greater or less extent, he had long suffered. But the end finally came, possibly much as he would have wished, terminating suddenly what had been a useful and honorable career.

As a man, as a citizen of the State and as a friend, his pleasing presence and companionship can no longer be enjoyed; but we trust that somewhere, in the infinite realm of immortal life, his spirit has found rest and peace and joy.

Mr. FOGLER of Rockland said,

Mr. Speaker—I formed the acquaintance of Governor Davis on the day when he was first nominated as a candidate for governor. From that time until the day of his death I enjoyed his acquaintance and friendship. In the first years of our acquaintance I met him frequently; in the latter years occasionally. I met him socially, I tried cases with him, I associated with him in political and other assemblages. I knew him during all that time as a genial gentleman, a sincere friend, a loyal comrade, a capable and painstaking lawyer and a wise counsellor in affairs of State. In his life he had my most profound respect; his death caused me unaffected sorrow.

After the eloquent and touching eulogies of his friend and townsman and of his other friends and comrades who have preceded me, whose words and sentiment touch a responsive chord in my heart, it would be idle for me to make any extended remarks on this solemn occasion. I wish merely to express my appreciation of his worth and pay my sad tribute to his memory.

However highly we may admire and respect his career in civil and political life, he has a still higher claim, to my mind, to the respect and admiration of the people of his State in his service as a soldier of the Republic.

We justly and loyally give our undying affection to those brave, skillful and patriotic commanders who led our armies through that long and terrible struggle for the preservation of the Union. To their memory, with loyal and loving hands, we rear the marble column and erect the life-like statue in bronze. Their brave deeds, their heroic devotion, their grand careers will ever be remembered so long as the American Union shall survive.

But we must bear in mind—the American people will ever remember—that these great commanders did not alone achieve the victory. The battles were fought, the victories were won, the Union was saved, by the patient endurance, the unwavering courage, the heroic deeds of the boys in blue who shouldered the rifle and wielded the saber—the private soldiers of the nation's armies. Upon their shoulders there were no insignia of rank; they looked forward not to glory or renown; they did their duty for simple duty's sake.

Among their number was Daniel F. Davis, the future governor of his native State. At a most critical time in the great civil war; at a time when all knew from a sad experience that the war was no holiday affair, but that danger and suffering and perhaps death lay in the soldier's path, young Davis enlisted as a private soldier in the Union army. He enlisted in a fighting regiment—a regiment whose reputation, well earned, for bold riding, hard fighting and heroic deeds, was not excelled by that of any regiment that wore the blue—the First Regiment of Maine Cavalry Volunteers.

In that regiment he served from his enlistment until the great war closed, taking part in the brilliant achievements of the cavalry force in the campaign which ended with the surrender of the army of Northern Virginia at Appomatox.

I believe that his experience in the service, the responsibilities which he then assumed—for the private soldier was obliged to assume at times momentous responsibilities—exercised great influence upon his career in after life. It taught him self-reliance, a sounder judgment, more promptitude in action. I have no doubt that all this contributed to the calm patience, the quiet courage, the inspiring confidence which he exhibited in the turbulent scenes which attended his installation in the gubernatorial chair.

I rejoice, to-day, that the people of this good State have in one instance chosen as their chief magistrate one who served as a private soldier in the nation's army.

The administration of Governor Davis was safe, prudent, honest, and for the best interest of the people of the State.

His name stands high in the long list of eminent men who have occupied the high office which he so faithfully held.

To-day we mourn the loss of a good citizen, a brave soldier, a distinguished official.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent said,

It was my fortune to meet Governor Davis many years ago in this House, and also to meet him in the Senate, and later as governor; and in all my associations with him, which have been very close, I esteemed him as one of the most genial, the most upright, honest men that I have ever associated with.

As a man of talent there were few that excelled him. In his speeches in the House and in the Senate, I never listened to better arguments—not mere speeches, but arguments to the question upon which he was speaking. He was a man who has favored our eastern part of the State, who knew it and knew its wants, and there was nothing in his power but what he did to open up and settle our eastern territory. When the great eastern boundary of Maine was settled under the Ashburton treaty, thousands of the old Acadian French were fastened upon us under the treaty, and Governor Davis, as a member of a committee, extended all the assistance in his power to those people. He entered into their situation and their circumstances, and there was nothing that he left undone for their assistance. It has been my privilege to be intimately acquainted with Governor Davis. His house was my home in Bangor. Two years ago I was there in his house sick for two weeks and most of the time confined to my bed, and no man, I don't care where he comes from, could be more attentive or more kind. It was his make-up; the God of Nature had made him in that manner and it was his nature to do it and he loved to do it. When he was governor here I was with him perhaps as much as any man, and although I was in the opposite party, in what is called the count-out, yet we never lost our friendship, and we became more and more intimate. Such has been my feeling in regard to Governor Davis and his family that I cannot, as a member of the minority of this House, refrain from expressing my thanks for the privilege of saying what I have; and I sincerely second the motion to spread this memorial upon the records.

Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston said,

Mr. Speaker—It would be impossible for me to add anything of material value to what has already been so well and so ably said, and I will not attempt a eulogy of the life and valued services of our lamented Ex-Governor Davis, but I feel constrained at this time to say a few words relating to his early manhood and school days of 30 years ago. In 1866 and 1867 Daniel F. Davis, after his return from the army, became a student at the Maine Wesleyan Seminary at Kent's Hill under the able and widely known preceptor, Rev. Dr. Henry P. Torsey. This was before the days of the present system of high schools, normal schools

and State College, and young men in the twenties were there from all parts of Maine. The former students of Kent's Hill are to be found in every part of this great republic and many of them in high positions of honor and responsibility. No less than ten of the members of this House of Representatives received instruction there. It was when a student at Kent's Hill that I first saw and became acquainted with our departed friend, and who by his manly deportment and upright life won from me a respect and esteem that years and death have not effaced. Well I recall him to mind as he looked and appeared then; a little reserved but always pleasant and cordial even when once you became acquainted with him. He did not engage in the athletic sports as did the most of us, owing to inabilities received in the army service, but he took an interest in all that was going on and won the love and esteem of us all. I remember him especially in the "Caliopean Society," the old debating society of Kent's Hill, where he cultivated the art of public speaking and gave promise of what he later became, a good public speaker and able advocate at the bar. Oh, the precious memories of those golden days in manhood's early morning. Among the bright galaxy of stars of old Kent's Hill is the name of Daniel F. Davis. He became governor of Maine at the most critical period in the history of our State, and he acquitted himself wisely and well. His administration of the affairs of State stand of record among the best in the history of Maine.

Mr. EDMUNDS of Corinth said,

Mr. Speaker—It is with feelings of mingled pleasure and sadness that I review my acquaintanceship with Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis, pleasure that it was my privilege to know him in his early manhood, when the principles and characteristics, which in later years brought him into prominence, were in their most healthy condition; sadness that our friendship should have been brought to such an untimely end, when he at least was but little past the noon of life.

I well remember him as he first came to our village as a student in the East Corinth Academy, and later when he commenced the practice of law. He having an office in my building, I was much in his society. Our business relations were of the most pleasant nature. About this time Mr. Davis married

Miss Laura Goodwin, one of Corinth's most estimable young ladies. She has proved a devoted and loving wife, and to-day is entitled to the sincere sympathy of all who knew and loved Ex-Governor Davis. During his life in our village he was a pattern husband, a loving father, an enterprising and respected citizen, a true and loyal friend. As a business man he made friends with all, by his fair dealing and unselfish nature, and often would advise a settlement between contestants, when litigation would have advanced his own personal interests.

It was from his modest country home that he was sought to fill the office of chief magistrate of this State. He soon after this moved to Bangor, we all feeling at that time that the town, as well as individuals, had sustained a great loss.

As I call to mind the many pleasant hours of friendly intercourse exchanged between Governor Davis' family and my own, I consider them as among the brightest spots in my life.

I feel it an honor to have been one of his friends, and I join with you all, to-day, in deeply regretting his death, recollecting that it is a loss to his State, his city, his family, his friends, and all who were brought into association with him.

Mr. PEARL of Bangor said,

Mr. Speaker—On the morning of January 9th, like a flash of lightning from a clear sky came to the neighbors and fellow citizens of the late ex-Governor Davis the news that he was dead, reminding them that in the day when we think not the Angel of Death, with his stealthy step, walks in our midst and takes from our ranks to the great beyond, too often, those we love, frequently those whose friendship has been an uplifting influence in our lives. Then again he takes those who have been conspicuous by their public career.

In the death of ex-Governor Davis the State of Maine has lost one of her truest friends and the city in which he lived one of its most devoted citizens.

No state in all this great Union was to him quite so worthy of his love and devotion as the Pine Tree State, and no city within its borders offered to him that degree of attractiveness as did the Queen City of the East. He was always thoroughly interested in whatever pertained to the welfare of the State or

to the community in which he lived. I am reminded that in one of the last public speeches that he made, he spoke before a meeting of the State board of trade, and at that time plead eloquently for the preservation of our forests which he feared were being gradually destroyed. He was a good neighbor and we shall miss his kindly morning greeting on our way to business.

He was a friend to him who needed help and always lent a listening ear to those in trouble. As we sit in this legislative hall so familiar to him it is natural that we should think of him as the once chief executive of our State, and in our thoughts we would surround him with all the true and noble characteristics that were his, while with sincere mourning we regret what to us may seem as an untimely death.

Mr. JEWELL of Hallowell said,

After all that has been said here by the able gentlemen who have preceded me, I am at a loss for words to express my profound respect for the name of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis; but, gentlemen, having been somewhat associated with him during one of the most critical periods of his life, I do want to say that I believe and know that Daniel F. Davis was one of the noblest works of God, and I heartily second the motion of the gentleman from Bangor to spread this memorial upon the records of this House.

The question being to spread upon the records the memorial offered by Mr. STETSON of Bangor, the motion was unanimously agreed to by a rising vote.

Mr. STETSON moved, as a further mark of respect to the memory of Ex-Governor Davis, that the House do now adjourn,

The motion prevailed.

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, February 11, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Quimby of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting the report of the Treasurer of the State of Maine for the year 1896,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act relating to the transfer of stock;"

Bill "An Act to further regulate banking hours on Saturdays which are not holidays;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize and confirm the issue of preferred stock by the Poland Paper Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to repeal section 3 of chapter 103 of the Public Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 94 of Public Laws of 1891;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act for the protection of beaver,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of H. W. Howard and 77 others for prohibiting the setting of nets, weirs and others devices for the catching of smelts in the Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of C. T. Willis and 40 others of Arrowsic against any change in the law relative to the taking of smelts in the Kennebec river and its tributaries;

Remonstrance of Charles Aylward and 72 others of Phippsburg;

Remonstrance of George W. Hosmer and 33 others of Phippsburg, against same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Mrs. A. C. Rogers and 119 others for the establishment of a reformatory prison for women,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Resolve in relation to the documentary history of the State of Maine,

Was referred to the Committee on Library in concurrence.

Petition of J. H. Littlefield and 23 others of Ogunquit in favor of the enactment of a law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Remonstrance of E. S. Linekin of Boothbay against proposed cigarette law;

Remonstrance of Caleb B. Goodwin and 21 others;

Remonstrance of James B. Jones and 6 others of Peaks Island;

Remonstrance of W. H. Stevens and 16 others of Castine;

Remonstrance of R. J. Lemont and 5 others of Southwest Harbor;

Remonstrance of Mrs. M. C. Carney and 6 others of Eastport against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Committee on Eastern Insane Hospital. On motion rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of such legislation as will render women eligible to election as overseers of the poor, in the towns of this State, and report by bill or otherwise,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to ratify and make valid the doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester, and to authorize the sale of its meeting house and lot."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 160 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the State liquor commissioner."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act in relation to suits by organized, unincorporated societies and associations."

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

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act in addition to chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the incorporation of libraries, charitable societies and other like corporations."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Abbie B. Downing.

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

Petition of J. M. Prilay and C. M. Johnson, president and secretary of the Maine Homeopathic Medical Society in favor of establishing a homeopathic department in the insane hospital at Bangor;

Petition of M. S. Briery and George P. Jefferds and 40 other homeopathic physicians, in favor of same;

Petition of J. W. Whidden and W. H. Hanscom and 35 other homeopathic physicians, for same;

Bill "An Act in relation to limitations of real actions and rights of entry;"

Bill "An Act to establish a homeopathic department in the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lamoine Beach Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Joseph Ridlon and 68 others against abolishing school district No. 1 in Gorham;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Union and Warren Electric Light and Power Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at Portland,

Was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railroad Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to authorize the insurance commissioner to revoke the license of an insurance agent or broker, for cause,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "An Act to amend section 33 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Petition of W. P. Stuart and others for an amendment to the law relating to inspection of milk;

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to extirpate contagious diseases among cattle;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Baskahegan Dam Company for amendment of charter;

Petition of John Ross and others in favor of regulating the sale of prize logs on Penobscot river;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of L. A. Ireland and 70 others of Corinna for the enactment of a law forbidding the hunting of partridges with dogs, with bill accompanying;

Bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the water works dam at Bangor;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of L. P. Hackett and 87 others against change of law in regard to taking salmon on Penobscot river;

Remonstrance of R. T. Bibber and 51 others of Bath against change in law relating to taking smelts on the Kennebec river and its tributaries;

Remonstrance of Reed and Hathorn and 43 others;

Remonstrance of J. H. Kennerson and 50 others;

Remonstrance of John B. Worth and 150 others against same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to the weekly close time for taking salmon in the rivers of the State;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of J. N. Reed and 1,050 others of Deering against legislation favoring the annexation of Deering or any part thereof to the city of Portland,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Library for the years 1897 and 1898,

Was referred to the Committee on Library.

Bill "An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin;"

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Piscataquis;"

Were referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Brunswick,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on bill "An Act relating to the repairs of highways and bridges in towns" reported that "same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

Same gentleman from same committee on petition of T. P. Austin and others in the interest of good roads reported that "same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

Same gentleman from same committee on petition of John Tinkham and others of Anson for aid in building a road in town of Starks and Anson reported that "same be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on bill "An Act to provide for the improvement of highways" reported that "same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

Pending acceptance the report was tabled on motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Mr. GOWELL from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to repeal so much of chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885 entitled 'An Act granting additional powers to the inhabitants of school district No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof as relates to the maintenance of schools and school houses.'"

Mr. SEWALL from same committee on bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State normal schools on penalty of forfeiting such aid" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State normal schools, said reports to be published as a part of the annual report of the State superintendent of public schools on penalty of forfeiting such aid."

Mr. SAUNDERS from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company, and to amend its charter and certain additions thereto."

Mr. BRIGGS from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a bounty on wild cats."

Mr. YOUNG from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the navigation of the Kennebec river between Shawmut dam and the south line of Skowhegan."

Mr. DAVIS from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "ought to pass" on resolve relating to a settling lot in Drew plantation.

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition reported resolve in favor of Lincoln plantation No. 5, Range 2, Oxford county.

Mr. BRITTON from the Committee on Towns, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Oakfield."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company.'" House Document No. 57;

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company.'" House Document No. 58;

Bill "An Act to divide the town of Deer Isle, and incorporate the town of Stonington." House Document No. 59;

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff." House Document No. 60;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years." House Document No. 61;

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt." House Document No. 62;

Bill "An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across tide waters between the islands of Cousen's and Littlejohn's in said town of Yarmouth." House Document No. 64;

Bill "An Act to incorporate Newfield Academy." House Document No. 65;

Bill "An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company, and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company." House Document No. 66;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows. House Document No. 63,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to election of town officers,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending third reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay and bridges over tide water, in the town of Harpswell;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 204 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act concerning the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway and the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Lake Maranocook in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to provide for the better protection of public records,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to provide for the preservation of the deeds now in Lincoln county, relating to land in Kennebec county in the Kennebec registry;"

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government;"

Resolve in favor of Horace Nicola, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Gorham State Normal School,
Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. KING of Caribou, moved that the resolve be laid on the table.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, the House ordered the yeas and nays and the motion to table was lost by a vote of 25 to 108.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Austin,	Fogler,	Lane,
Ayer,	Goodrich,	Longley,
Burrill,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	McIntire,
Chandler,	Holbrook,	Moore, Moscow,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Hurd,	Weeks,
Cook,	Hutchins,	Williams,
Cox,	King,	York—25.
Daggett,	Kinsman,	
Day,	Kneeland,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Bither,	Hathorn,	Plummer,
Blanchard,	Hill,	Pope,
Boynton,	Holmes,	Prince,
Briggs,	Houghton,	Reed,
Britton,	Hussey,	Robinson,
Brown,	Hutchinson,	Rodick,
Burnham,	Jewell,	Rounds,
Burns,	Jones,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Burton,	Kaler,	Rowell, Kittery,
Chatto,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Sanborn,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Saunders,
Conant,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Searls,
Cram,	Levensaler,	Sewall,
Currier,	Lincoln,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Davis,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Shaw, Saco,
Dickey,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Shepard,
Donnell,	Luce,	Smith, Hampden,
Dudley,	Macomber,	Smith, Masardis,
Durgin,	Mason,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Fernald, Levant,	Maxcy,	Spear,
Fernald, Poland,	Maxwell,	Staples,
Floyd,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Starbird,
Fogg,	Merrill, Portland,	Stetson,
Fuller,	Mitchell,	Stevens,
Furbush,	Moore, Deering,	Talbot,
Gagnon,	Murphy,	Tarbell,
Gardner,	Murray,	Thompson,
Garvin,	Newcomb,	Thurston,
Gilman,	Noble,	Tolman,
Goodwin,	Palmer,	Walton,
Gowell,	Pattangall,	Wheeler,
Greenleaf,	Patten,	Whelden,
Guernsey,	Pearl,	Whiting,
Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Peirce,	Wilson,
Hancock,	Penley,	Winslow,
Hathaway,	Philbrook,	Young—108.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Ames,	Golder,	Purinton,
Andrews,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Sawyer,
Burse,	Martin,	Simpson,
Cushman,	Murchie,	ThurLOW,
Edmunds,	O'Neil,	Violette—17.
Forest,	Pratt,	

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman the vote whereby Wednesday, February 17, was assigned for its consideration was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor, the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on Financial Affairs and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick,

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

The motion prevailed by a vote on division 57 to 32.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland,

Bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further protection of inland fish and game and for the registration of guides,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman the bill was read once when Mr. PALMER of Bangor, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was read a second time and tomorrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Sanford,
Bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to railroads,"

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson,

Was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot, moved to take from the table bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, February 12, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. George of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for ways;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 67, section 35 of the Revised Statutes relating to the adoption of children;"

Bill "An Act relating to the effect of prior conveyances of subsequently acquired titles;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the New York Machine Company, and to enable it to aid in the construction of railroad tracks;"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the public works;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of P. A. Strictland and 12 others for the right to improve the navigation of the east branch of Penobscot river for the driving of logs,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of J. W. Clark and 36 others of Nobleboro and Whitefield for aid in repairing Wiscasset bridge,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 51, Revised Statutes for the transportation of bicycles,"

Referred in the House February 2 to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

The House receded and concurred.

Ordered, That the Committee on Taxation be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Statutes that the exemption from taxation of property held by religious societies may apply to the fund of such society devoted to church purposes, where such fund does not exceed the amount of property now exempt as a parsonage, and where no parsonage is owned by said church.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims on resolve in favor of the town of Monson reporting "that same be referred to the Governor and Council."

Report of the Committee on Education on bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 119 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes

relating to the manner of assessment of common school fund" reporting "that same be printed and recommitted to the Committee on Education."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "legislation inexpedient" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Penobscot Central Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries on report of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries reporting "that same be accepted."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Rockland;"

Bill "An Act to establish the West Washington municipal court;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 159 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1895 entitled 'An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott and Curtis E. Moon the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock;'"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 9 and 14 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes relating to the issue and serving venires;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Wayne to raise money to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Moses Hawkins and others to be incorporated for the purpose of supplying the town of Sullivan with pure water;

Petition of J. B. Pinkham and others of Harpswell Neck in favor of a village corporation;

Petition of William M. Cook and 8 others of Casco for incorporation of Green Grove Cemetery Association in Casco;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor;"

Bill "An Act granting additional powers to the Long Pond Water Company, incorporated under chapter 524 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885;"

Bill "An Act to permit the Good Will Home Association to increase its capital and to enlarge its purpose to include aid for needy girls;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 313 of the Public Laws of 1893;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of I. M. Hill and 19 others in favor of aid to Westbrook Seminary;

Petition of Benjamin R. Walker and 48 others of Island Falls in favor of equalization of school tax;

Petition of W. A. Vinal and 50 others of Ashland;

Petition of William L. Leavitt and 27 others in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of T. E. Skolfield and others of Harpswell for a charter for an electric, steam or power railroad,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of trustees of Biddeford Savings Bank for reduction of tax on savings banks;

Petition of I. J. Carr and others, trustees of Gardiner Savings Institution of Gardiner for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Ernest E. Rowe and 15 others of Hancock county for a bounty on wild cats;

Petition of John F. Gregg and 22 others of Hancock county for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of E. G. Howard and 31 others of Ashland in favor of giving Elbridge G. Dunn, Jr., the exclusive right to navigate Portage lake in Aroostook county by steam and electricity;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Samuel L. Lord and 179 others for right to fish below the lower falls in the Saco river;

Petition of Carlos Heard and 188 others for same;

Petition of James Morton and 175 others of Knox county to prohibit hunting dogs from running at large in close time;

Bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 148 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to fisheries;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of P. O. Vickery and 13 others of Augusta in favor of better protection of smelts on the Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of George C. Hardy and 202 others against any change in the law regulating the taking of clams;

Remonstrance of T. S. Singer and 218 others against any change in the law relating to taking smelts from the Georges river;

Remonstrance of Harvey Heath and 46 others of Verona against any change in the present law regulating the taking of salmon in Penobscot river and bay;

Remonstrance of G. W. Abbott and 60 others of Bucksport and Verona;

Remonstrance of Alva Parker and 62 others of Bucksport against same;

Remonstrance of Orrin E. McFadden and 10 others against any change in the law regarding weir fishing on Kennebec and Eastern rivers;

Remonstrance of Fred R. Reed and 10 others of Dresden;

Remonstrance of J. H. Wade and 58 others against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of Michael Stinson and others against the passage of an act incorporating Swan's Island plantation into a town;

Remonstrance of C. H. Joyce and 108 others against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of J. B. Ripley and others of Pittston in favor of re-funding commutation money paid during the late war;

Resolve in favor of the city of Calais;

Resolve in favor of the town of Caribou;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Fred A. Rich and 9 others in favor of granting a military pension to Alden Clifford of Lee,

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of L. L. Libby and 29 others of Waterville for a shorter work day for women and minors;

Petition of William Hand and 27 others of Waterville;

Petition of A. W. Merrill and 14 others of Waterville;

Petition of N. Charland and 32 others of Waterville for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Labor.

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1897 and 1898,

On motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner, rules were suspended, the resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Monday afternoon next at 4.30 o'clock.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act giving notaries public jurisdiction throughout the State;"

Mr. HUTCHINSON from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported same on bill "An Act to make certain the continuing validity of the provisions of sections 19, 20 and 21 of chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to insurance;"

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company to issue bonds and to make a mortgage securing the same, and to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company to guarantee the payment of said bonds."

Mr. KNOWLTON from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to extend the powers of the International, North and South American Transportation and Express Company."

Mr. HAMILTON from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Laconia Company."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Company."

Mr. SMITH from same committee on order reported bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 308 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to fines and forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition reported bill "An Act to create a lien on leather."

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee on bill "An Act to amend chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to the organization of parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to the organization of parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 8 of chapter 86 and section 17 of chapter 81, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of trustee writs."

Mr. MURCHIE from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Electric Railroad Company to make a loan," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. WEEKS from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Augusta."

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Company to lower the waters of Noyes pond in the town of Bluehill during certain months in the year." House Document No. 67;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 109 of the Private and Special Laws of 1853 relating to the taking of pickerel in certain ponds." House Document No. 68;

Bill "An Act to establish a bounty on wildcats." House Document No. 72;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Oakfield." House Document No. 76;

Bill "An Act to provide for the navigation of the Kennebec river between Shawmut Dam and the south line of Skowhegan." House Document No. 77;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State normal schools, said reports to be published as a part of the annual report of the State Superintendent of Public Schools, on penalty of forfeiting such aid." House Document No. 74,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company, and to amend its charter and certain additions thereto." House Document No. 75,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. SAUNDERS of Ellsworth, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve for payment of back salary of a guard at the State prison. House Document No. 69;

Resolve relating to a settling lot in Drew plantation. House Document No. 73;

Resolve in favor of Lincoln plantation No. 5, range 2, Oxford county. House Document No. 78;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of the town of Linneus. House Document No. 71,

Was read once and tabled, on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company;'"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company;"

Bill "An Act to divide the town of Deer Isle and incorporate the town of Stonington;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt;"

Bill "An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across tide waters between the islands of Cousin's and Littlejohn's in said town of Yarmouth;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate Newfield Academy;"

Bill "An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company, and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further pro-

tection of inland fish and game, and for the registration of guides,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading Mr. MERRILL of Portland, offered House amendment "B" which was adopted. On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport, the bill was tabled and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to ratify and make valid the doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester, and to authorize the sale of its meeting house and lot;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 160 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the State liquor commissioner;"

Bill "An Act in relation to suits by organized unincorporated societies and associations;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroads;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in addition to chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the incorporation of libraries, charitable societies and other like corporations,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston,

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital, was taken from the table,

On motion of same gentleman the vote assigning Tuesday of next week for consideration of the resolve was reconsidered.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
MONDAY, February 15, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Thayer of Gardiner.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the report of commissioners on contagious diseases of animals,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Wallace R. Lumbert and other county attorneys for the enactment of a law authorizing the employment of stenographers before grand juries;

Petition of George P. Wescott and 100 others for an amendment of the proposed new city charter of Portland permitting the election of women on the school board;

Petition of H. J. Patterson and 78 others for same;

Bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation of Wales Grange, No. 40, Patrons of Husbandry;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 35 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes relating to notifying towns in pauper cases;"

Bill "An Act to establish a board of fire commissioners for the city of Auburn;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of W. E. Leland and 20 others of Sangerville for equalization of school tax,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the organization of the Washington County Railroad Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of S. Cabot and others relating to throwing waste and saw dust into the Ellis river in Andover;

Petition of William Gregg and others relating to same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve in favor of Olaf H. Nilson;

Resolve in favor of Oliver Moulton of Randolph, Maine;

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

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick,

Indefinitely postponed in the House February 11,

Came from the Senate, recommitted in non-concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the resolve was tabled.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the election of directors or managers of corporations."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Vinal Haven Water Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters reporting "ought to pass on bill "An Act relating to the charter of the Godfrey Falls Dam Company."

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 315 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the assistant librarian of the Maine State Library."

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend chapter 274 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to fix the

salary of the recorder of the municipal court for the city of Portland.' "

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act relating to the salary of the county commissioners of Cumberland county."

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

Petition of George D. Babbitt, treasurer of Maine Pulp and Paper Company, for right to generate, sell, distribute and supply electrical power in the cities of Lewiston and Auburn;

Petition of William P. Frye and 564 others in favor of providing at the new insane hospital being erected at Bangor, suitable homeopathic medical treatment for the insane in all cases where such treatment is desired;

Petition of Frank B. Clark and 1,152 others;

Petition of W. Scott Hill and 1,310 others in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company;"

Bill "An Act additional to and to extend the charter of the Cumberland Illuminating Company;"

Bill "An Act to make Prides bridge, so called, across the Presumpscot river in the county of Cumberland, a county bridge;"

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 29, Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Light and Heat Company;'"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Georges River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power;"

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 213, Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company;'"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George E. Kimball and 56 others of Pittsfield for legislation to equalize and regulate freight rates;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Oxford Light Company;"

Bill "An Act to secure better observance of the Lord's day;"
Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of a fire proof brick vault at the State Capitol,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of C. H. Perkins and 28 others in favor of the Wigan school tax bill, so called;

Petition of W. H. Wheeler and 32 others of Orrington for equalization of school tax;

Petition of G. K. Hastings and 60 others of Sidney;

Petition of M. B. Hunt and 37 others of Belmont;

Petition of Miles Pease and 33 others of Belmont;

Petition of Jacob Smith and 70 others of Lyman for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of W. S. Simpson and 14 others of Fairfield for the regulation and equalization of freight rates;

Petition of A. B. Penney and 70 others of Canaan village in aid of petition of G. R. Tuttle for extension of charter of Waldo and Somerset Railroad Company;

Remonstrance of Sidney J. Grant and 45 others of Bangor against granting the right to street railroads to make use of the streets of the city of Bangor without the permission of the city government;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railroad;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to amend section 26 of chapter 49 of Revised Statutes relating to insurance,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Company,"
Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of E. W. DeBeck and 19 others of Hancock county
for a bounty on wild cats;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 287 of the Public
Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act for the better protection of
sheep;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of the Portage Lake Lumber Company and
58 others against granting to Elbridge G. Dunn exclusive right
to navigate Portage lake,

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of James Treat and 84 others against permit-
ting the taking of salmon with drift nets in Penobscot river
above tide waters,

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to repeal acts incorporating the town of Max-
field,"

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of A. L. Condon and 140 others for the enactment
of a law to prohibit the taking of any migratory fish with net or
seine in the waters of the Penobscot bay within one-half mile of
any point of the main land in the town of Brooksville;

Remonstrance of C. H. Segars and 43 others of Dresden
against any change in the law relating to taking smelts in the
Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of J. F. Hichborn and 38 others against the
proposed law relating to closing weirs on Penobscot river 48
hours of each week;

Remonstrance of L. H. Duncan and 144 others against same;

Remonstrance of John L. Berry and 21 others of Georgetown
against any change in the law relating to taking smelts in the
Kennebec river and its tributaries;

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of clams in the town of
Georgetown;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 46 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of smelts;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Josiah I. Brown, late chaplain of Fifteenth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, for reimbursement for services rendered in recruiting;

Resolve in favor of William Scott;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "An Act authorizing the rebuilding of the Merrymeeting bay bridge and making it and the Arrowsic bridge, both in Sagadahoc county, free county bridges,"

Was referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation.

Petition of Edward Mace and 27 others of Waterville in favor of a shorter work day for women and minors,

Was referred to the Committee on Labor.

Petition of Addie C. Ames and 81 others of Jefferson for a more stringent law in regard to the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GREENLEAF of Southport,

Ordered, That the use of Representatives' Hall be granted to the Sea and Shore Fisheries Committee Tuesday afternoon, February 16, to be occupied for a hearing relating to the smelt fisheries on the Kennebec river.

On motion of Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn,

Ordered, That the use of this hall be granted to the Committee on Agriculture for a hearing on the matter of bovine tuberculosis in Maine, its causes and present condition, and necessary methods of precaution, prevention and suppression of the disease, on Thursday evening, February 18, at which time Mr. N. J. Batchelder, secretary of the New Hampshire board of cattle commissioners, will give his experience in the prevention and management of the disease in that state.

On motion of Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to make up the pay of the officers of the House the same as at the last session.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That the resolutions upon the death of the Hon. Daniel F. Davis and the memorial exercises thereon held in the House of Representatives, February 10, 1897, be prepared in pamphlet form and 1,000 copies be printed for distribution.

Was read and passed. Subsequently on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the vote whereby the order was given a passage was reconsidered and the order tabled.

Mr. LONGLEY from the Committee on State Prison reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Joseph M. Long and others in favor of a reformatory prison for women.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. NOBLE from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the city of Eastport to issue bonds;"

Mr. WILLIAMS from the Committee on Financial Affairs reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine.

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education on report of the State Superintendent of Schools reported bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended, relating to the public schools."

Mr. KING from the Committee on Interior Waters reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to repeal so much of chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885 entitled 'An Act granting additional powers to the inhabitants of School District No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk,' and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, as relates to the maintenance of schools and school-houses." House Document No. 79;

Bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Company." House Document No. 81;

Bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Laconia Company." House Document No. 82;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan." House Document No. 83;

Bill "An Act to extend the powers of the International North and South American Transportation and Express Company." House Document No. 84;

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to the organization of parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church." House Document No. 85;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company to issue bonds and to make a mortgage securing the same, and to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company to guarantee the payment of said bonds." House Document No. 86;

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 308 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to fines and forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts." House Document No. 87;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to create a lien on leather." House Document No. 80,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 8 of chapter 86 and section 17 of chapter 81, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of trustee writs." House Document No. 88,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Company to lower the waters of Noyes pond in the town of Bluehill during certain months in the year;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 109 of the Private and Special Laws of 1853 relating to the taking of pickerel in certain ponds;"

Bill "An Act to establish a bounty on wild cats;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Oakfield;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to provide for the navigation of the Kennebec river between Shawmut dam and the south line of Skowhegan,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State;"

Bill "An Act concerning the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway and the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco bay, and bridges over tide water, in the town of Harpswell;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Lake Maranocook in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 59, paragraph 6 of said section of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook river and its tributaries above the mouth of Beaver brook;"

Bill "An Act to ratify and make valid the doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester and to authorize the sale of its meeting-house and lot;"

Bill "An Act to amend rule 4 of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to descent of real estate;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 160 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the State liquor commissioner;"

Bill "An Act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company;"

Bill "An Act in addition to chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes relating to the incorporation of libraries, charitable societies and other like corporations;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Augusta;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to railroads;"

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act in relation to suits by organized unincorporated societies and associations;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias river in the county of Aroostook;"

Resolve in favor of Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Rockland the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year 1896 on account of an imperfect school return;

Resolve in favor of appropriation for the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union;

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of the training and normal school at Fort Kent;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Resolve in favor of the town of Linneus was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering, was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, February 16, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Peckham of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of W. H. Winslow and 37 others for the enactment of a law empowering the city of Portland to retire members of the fire department upon half pay;

Petition of J. B. Mitchell and 27 others of Portland;

Petition of Andrew J. Cummings and 5 others of Portland;

Petition of Charles F. Libby and 17 others of Portland;

Petition of Israel T. Dana and 3 others of Portland for same;

Bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies of trustees;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 205 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 11 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the disposition of unclaimed baggage by common carriers;"

Bill "An Act relating to holding the terms of the supreme judicial court in Franklin county;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Allen Garner and 63 others for the establishment of a voting precinct in the northerly part of the town of Parsonsfield, with a voting place at Kezar Falls;

Bill "An Act relating to the organization of certain officers of parishes and religious societies as corporations;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of George W. Perham and 100 others for equalization of school tax;

Petition of W. S. Davis and 17 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the extension of time of charter of Bluehill Trust and Banking Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to the exemption of property of widows from taxation,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Petition of P. A. Strickland and others for a charter to improve the navigation of the east branch of the Penobscot river for the driving of logs,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of clams in the towns of Phippsburg and Georgetown,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Catherine Glassian and Sudec Johnson, members of Penobscot tribe of Indians, to grant the full ownership of certain real estate in the reservation of said tribe,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 33, Public Laws of 1887,"

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1897 and 1898, which passed to be engrossed in the House February 15, came from the Senate recommitted in nonconcurrence to the Joint Select Committee on Maine State Year Book. The House voted to recede and concur.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Judiciary Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of changing the manner and time of the service of writs and to report by bill or otherwise.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to title by descent."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate Shin Pond Stream Dam and Improvement Company."

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

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries on report of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries reporting resolve for an appropriation for the use of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and tabled on motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Remonstrance of George G. Rich and 309 others against bill authorizing the town of Winterport to purchase franchises and property of Winterport Water Company;

Bill "An Act to abolish imprisonment for debt;"

Bill "An Act relating to sale of corporeal personal property;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ashland Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the liabilities of subscribers to newspapers, periodicals and magazines;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of A. H. Parker and 17 others in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Mark Bond and 37 others of Corinna for equalization of school tax;

Petition of R. E. Jackson and 26 others of Jackson;

Petition of W. S. Littlefield and 17 others of Winterport;

Petition of F. H. Albee and 25 others of Alna;

Petition of G. B. Gilbert and 26 others of Brewer;

Petition of H. L. Crowley and 51 others of Jonesport;

Petition of Charles H. Chase and 37 others of Bradford for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of George Varney and 170 others of Bangor against granting the right to street railroads the use of the streets of the city of Bangor without the consent of the city government;

Remonstrance of C. J. H. Ropes and others of Bangor against same;

Bill "An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway;"

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to extirpate contagious diseases among cattle,'"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "An Act to prevent the trapping of foxes,"

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Howard Winslow and 47 others of Deering in favor of annexing territory of Deering to Portland,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, with statement of facts;'"

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts with statement of facts;

Were referred to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Means be and they are hereby instructed to ascertain and report to the House the rate necessary for the assessment of the State tax for the years 1897 and 1898.

Bill "An Act to provide funds for the protection of the inland game of the State,"

Was tabled and ordered printed pending reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor.

Mr. PALMER from the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital reported a statement of facts to accompany resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Bill "An Act to repeal so much of chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885 entitled 'An Act granting additional powers to the inhabitants of School District No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk' and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, as relates to the maintenance of schools and school-houses;"

Bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Company;"

Bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Laconia Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan;"

Bill "An Act to extend the powers of the International North and South American Transportation and Express Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to the organization of parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company to issue bonds and to make a mortgage securing the same, and to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company to guarantee the payment of said bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 308 of the Public

Laws of 1885, relating to fines and forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts;”

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill “An Act relating to the charter of the Godfrey Falls Dam Company;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 315 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the assistant librarian of the Maine State Library;”

Bill “An Act to amend chapter 274 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled ‘An Act to fix the salary of the recorder of the municipal court for the city of Portland;’”

Bill “An Act relating to the salary of the county commissioners of Cumberland county;”

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “An Act to incorporate the Vinalhaven Water Company;”

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School, came up as a special assignment. Mr. AYER of Vassalboro, moved that the resolve be laid on the table.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, the House ordered the yeas and nays and the motion to table was lost by a vote of 16 yeas to 108 nays.

Those who voted “yea” were Messrs.

Ames,	Fuller,	Tarbell,
Andrews,	Goodrich,	Weeks,
Austin,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Whiting,
Ayer,	King,	York—16.
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Kinsman,	
Fogler,	McIntire,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Bither,	Hill,	Pearl,
Blanchard,	Holbrook,	Peirce,
Boynton,	Holmes,	Philbrook,
Briggs,	Hurd,	Plummer,
Britton,	Hussey,	Pope,
Brown,	Hutchins,	Prince,
Burnham,	Hutchinson,	Reed,
Burns,	Jewell,	Robinson,
Burrill,	Jones,	Rodick,
Burton,	Kaler,	Rounds,
Chatto,	Kneeland,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Rowell, Kittery,
Conant,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Saunders,
Cox,	Lane,	Searls,
Cram,	Levensaler,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Currier,	Lincoln,	Shaw, Saco,
Cushman,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Shepard,
Davis,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Simpson,
Day,	Longley,	Smith, Hampden,
Dickey,	Luce,	Smith, Masardis,
Dudley,	Macomber,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Durgin,	Mason,	Spear,
Fernald, Levant,	Maxcy,	Staples,
Fernald, Poland,	Maxwell,	Starbird,
Floyd,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Stetson,
Fogg,	Merrill, Portland,	Stevens,
Furbush,	Mitchell,	Talbot,
Gagnon,	Moore, Deering,	Thurston,
Gardner,	Moore, Moscow,	Tolman,
Garvin,	Murchie,	Violette,
Gilman,	Murphy,	Walton,
Gowell,	Newcomb,	Wheeler,
Greenleaf,	Noble,	Whelden,
Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Palmer,	Williams,
Hathaway,	Pattangall,	Wilson,
Hathorn,	Patten,	Winslow—108.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Burse,	Guernsey,	Pratt,
Chandler,	Hancock,	Purinton,
Cook,	Houghton,	Sanborn,
Daggett,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Sawyer,
Donnell,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Sewall,
Edmunds,	Martin,	Thompson,
Forest,	Murray,	Thurlow,
Golder,	O'Neil,	Young—26.
Goodwin,	Penley,	

The resolve then passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further protection of inland fish and game, and for the registration of guides,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport, offered amendment "C," which was adopted.

Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston, moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Mr. DURGIN of Orono, called for the yeas and nays upon the motion to recommit, which the House refused to order.

The motion to recommit was carried on a vive voce vote. The papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on bill "An Act to provide for the improvement of highways," reporting that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, was taken from the table, accepted and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws, and to aid in the propagation of inland fish and game, was taken from the table. Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, moved that the resolve be recom-

mitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game. Upon this question the House ordered the yeas and nays on motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, and the motion to recommit was lost by a vote of 56 yeas to 67 nays.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Blanchard,	Gilman,	Philbrook,
Boynton,	Holmes,	Plummer,
Britton,	Jewell,	Robinson,
Brown,	Jones,	Rodick,
Burnham,	King,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Burns,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Sanborn,
Burrill,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Saunders,
Burton,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Simpson,
Chatto,	Luce,	Smith, Masardis,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Macomber,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Cox,	Mason,	Spear,
Cram,	Merrill, Portland,	Staples,
Currier,	Moore, Deering,	Stetson,
Cushman,	Murchie,	Stevens,
Davis,	Newcomb,	Talbot,
Day,	Palmer,	Tolman,
Dudley,	Patten,	Walton,
Durgin,	Pearl,	Whelden—56.
Gardner,	Peirce,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Fogg,	Hathorn,
Austin,	Fogler,	Hill,
Ayer,	Fuller,	Holbrook,
Bither,	Furbush,	Hurd,
Briggs,	Gagnon,	Hussey,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Garvin,	Hutchins,
Conant,	Goodrich,	Hutchinson,
Daggett,	Gowell,	Kaler,
Dickey,	Greenleaf,	Kinsman,
Fernald, Levant,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Kneeland,
Fernald, Poland,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Lane,
Floyd,	Hathaway,	Levensaler,

Lincoln,	Pope,	Tarbell,
Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Prince,	Thurston,
Longley,	Reed,	Violette,
Maxcy,	Rounds,	Weeks,
Maxwell,	Rowell, Kittery,	Wheeler,
McIntire,	Searls,	Whiting,
Merrill, Bluehill,	Shaw, Cumberland,	Williams,
Mitchell,	Shaw, Saco,	Winslow,
Moore, Moscow,	Shepard,	York—67.
Murphy,	Smith, Hampden,	
Noble,	Starbird,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Andrews,	Guernsey,	Penley,
Burse,	Hancock,	Pratt,
Chandler,	Houghton,	Purinton,
Cook,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Sawyer,
Donnell,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Sewall,
Edmunds,	Martin,	Thompson,
Forest,	Murray,	Thurlow,
Golder,	O'Neil,	Wilson,
Goodwin,	Pattangall,	Young—27.

Mr. GREENLEAF of Southport, asked to have his vote changed from no to yes, Mr. DAY of Turner, asked to have his vote changed from yes to no. The requests were granted.

Mr. DAVIS of Steuben, offered House amendment "B." Upon the question of adopting House amendment "B" the yeas and nays were ordered on motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, and the amendment was lost by a vote of 30 to 96.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Boynton,	Golder,	Merrill, Portland,
Britton,	Gowell,	Murchie,
Currier,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Palmer,
Cushman,	Holmes,	Patten,
Davis,	King,	Philbrook,
Durgin,	Mason,	Plummer,
Gilman,	Maxcy,	Robinson,

Rodick,	Sanborn,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Rounds,	Simpson,	Spear,
Rowell, Kittery,	Smith, Masardis,	Staples—30.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Greenleaf,	Newcomb,
Andrews,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Noble,
Austin,	Hathaway,	Pattangall,
Ayer,	Hathorn,	Pearl,
Bither,	Hill,	Peirce,
Blanchard,	Holbrook,	Pope,
Briggs,	Hurd,	Prince,
Brown,	Hussey,	Reed,
Burnham,	Hutchins,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Burrill,	Hutchinson,	Saunders,
Burton,	Jewell,	Searls,
Chatto,	Jones,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Kaler,	Shaw, Saco,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Kinsman,	Shepard,
Conant,	Kneeland,	Smith, Hampden,
Cox,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Starbird,
Cram,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Stetson,
Daggett,	Lane,	Stevens,
Day,	Levensaler,	Talbot,
Dickey,	Lincoln,	Tarbell,
Dudley,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Thurston,
Fernald, Levant,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Tolman,
Fernald, Poland,	Longley,	Violette,
Floyd,	Luce,	Walton,
Fogg,	Macomber,	Weeks,
Fogler,	Maxwell,	Wheeler,
Fuller,	McIntire,	Whelden,
Furbush,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Whiting,
Gagnon,	Mitchell,	Williams,
Gardner,	Moore, Deering,	Wilson,
Garvin,	Moore, Moscow,	Winslow,
Goodrich,	Murphy,	York—96.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Burns,	Guernsey,	Penley,
Burse,	Hancock,	Pratt,
Chandler,	Houghton,	Purinton,
Cook,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Sawyer,
Donnell,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Sewall,
Edmunds,	Martin,	Thompson,
Forest,	Murray,	Thurlow,
Goodwin,	O'Neil,	Young—24.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the resolve was tabled. Subsequently on motion of same gentleman, taken from the table when Mr. DURGIN of Orono, offered House amendment "C." Upon the adoption of this amendment the yeas and nays were ordered on motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, and the amendment was adopted by a vote of 66 to 54.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Bither,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Plummer,
Blanchard,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Pope,
Boynton,	Hill,	Reed,
Briggs,	Holmes,	Robinson,
Britton,	Hussey,	Rodick,
Brown,	Hutchinson,	Rounds,
Burns,	Jewell,	Rowell, Kittery,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Jones,	Saunders,
Cox,	Kaler,	Shepard,
Cram,	King,	Smith, Masardis,
Currier,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Cushman,	Macomber,	Spear,
Davis,	Mason,	Staples,
Day,	Maxcy,	Stetson,
Dickey,	Merrill, Portland,	Stevens,
Dudley,	Moore, Deering,	Tolman,
Durgin,	Murchie,	Violette,
Floyd,	Noble,	Wheeler,
Fogg,	Palmer,	Whelden,
Gilman,	Patten,	Whiting,
Gowell,	Pearl,	Williams,
Greenleaf,	Philbrook,	Wilson—66.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Hathaway,	Moore, Moscow,
Andrews,	Hathorn,	Murphy,
Ayer,	Holbrook,	Newcomb,
Burnham,	Hurd,	Pattangall,
Burrill,	Hutchins,	Peirce,
Burton,	Kinsman,	Prince,
Chatto,	Kneeland,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Searls,
Conant,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Fernald, Levant,	Lane,	Shaw, Saco,
Fernald, Poland,	Levensaler,	Smith, Hampden,
Fogler,	Lincoln,	Talbot,
Fuller,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Tarbell,
Furbush,	Longley,	Thurston,
Gagnon,	Maxwell,	Walton,
Gardner,	McIntire,	Weeks,
Garvin,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Winslow,
Goodrich,	Mitchell,	York—54.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Austin,	Guernsey,	Pratt,
Burse,	Hancock,	Purinton,
Chandler,	Houghton,	Sanborn,
Cook,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Sawyer,
Daggett,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Sewall,
Donnell,	Luce,	Simpson,
Edmunds,	Martin,	Starbird,
Forest,	Murray,	Thompson,
Golder,	O'Neil,	Thurlow,
Goodwin,	Penley,	Young—30.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A" and "C" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOLMES of Addison,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers," was taken from the

table. Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, offered House amendment "A." Mr. HOLMES of Addison, offered House amendments "B" and "C," and pending their adoption and third reading of bill the bill and amendments were tabled on motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland,

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds," was taken from the table, recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to provide for the better protection of public records," was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman Thursday, February 18 was assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

The order relating to printing in pamphlet form resolutions and memorial exercises on the death of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis, was taken from the table, House amendment "A" adopted and the order as amended given a passage.

On motion of Mr. BURRILL of Corinna,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, February 17, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Struthers of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of public acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 124, Revised Statutes, relating to polygamy;"

"An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 207 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to clerk of judicial courts in Piscataquis county,"

Was read in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 27, chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens;"

Bill "An Act to enable the town of Dexter to establish a system of water works and sewerage;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of A. R. Moody and 19 others of Cornville for extension of charter of Waldo and Somerset Railway Company;

Bill "An Act relating to street railroads;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of William B. Remick and 15 others of Hancock county for a bounty on wild cats;

Petition of Jerry Jordan and 23 others of Hancock county for same;

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture and were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in non-concurrence, and sent to the Senate;

Bill "An Act regulating the shearing of sheep;"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Stillman S. Candage and 23 others of Bluehill Falls in favor of poor widows tax bill;

Petition of Thomas Wescott and 10 others of North Bluehill in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Petition of Sewall Pettingill and 61 others of Wayne in favor of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Petition of George E. Kimball and 56 others of Pittsfield for some legislation to equalize and regulate freight rates; referred in the House February 15 to the Committee on Legal Affairs, came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses. The House receded and concurred.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years," which passed to be engrossed in the House February 12, came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended. On motion of Mr. PLUMMER of Lisbon, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 179 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to libels for divorce."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to service of process on foreign corporations acting as trustees under mortgages."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act in relation to voluntary trusts."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 174 of Laws of 1889 in relation to sale of pressed hay."

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

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for an investigation of the causes of fires, and the publication of statistics relating to the same."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Report of the Committee on Pensions reporting "ought to pass" an resolve in favor of State Pension Agent expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council.

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

Petition of S. F. Humphrey and 172 others of Bangor for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the appropriation of money for any ecclesiastical or denominational purpose;

Petition of H. H. Shaw and 265 others of Portland;

Petition of Francis Fessenden and 43 others for same;

Remonstrance of John Ayer, treasurer of the Dunn Edge Tool Company, against the extension of charter of the Oakland Water Company;

Bill "An Act to amend section 60 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of H. O. Robinson and 18 others of Benton in favor of extending the chartered rights of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company;

Petition of Charles E. Hill and 60 others in favor of charter for Bangor, Hampden and Winterport Railway;

Petition of L. H. Waugh and 78 others of Levant;

Petition of J. H. Sullivan and 75 others of Searsport;

Petition of Charles E. Phillips and 72 others of Hermon;

Petition of Frank A. Bishop and 31 others of Hermon;

Petition of E. C. Newcomb and 25 others of Newburg;

Petition of S. J. Kidder and 112 others of Stetson in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 396 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 204 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Deer Isle Telephone Company. (Received under suspension of rules.)

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of C. E. Marr and 41 others of Farmington in favor of a reduction of tax on savings banks,

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Jonathan Dow and 7 others of South Bluehill in favor of the poor widows tax bill;

Petition of William G. Pert and 10 others of East Bluehill in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to provide for the taxation of estates of deceased persons;"

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Petition of C. W. Morrill and 140 others of Parkman for the repeal of chapter 197, laws of 1895, relating to taking trout from Marble pond;

Bill "An Act to regulate the shooting of duck on the Kennebec river and Merrymeeting bay;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Albert G. Cook and 142 others of Friendship in favor of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the general law for the organization of street railroads so as to obviate the necessity, so far as may be, of granting or extending special charters for street railroads, and to report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford,

Ordered, That the Committee on Labor be allowed the use of the hall of the House of Representatives at 2 P. M. to-morrow (Thursday) for a public hearing on "An Act to regulate the hours of labor of women and minors in manufacturing establishments."

Mr. CRAM from the Committee on Claims, on petition of the town of Friendship, by its selectmen, that they be reimbursed for money expended for support and burial of Henry

Simmons, a State pauper, reported "that the petition be referred to the Governor and Council."

Mr. GOWELL from same committee, on resolve in favor of the town of Patten reported "that same be referred to the Governor and Council."

Mr. HOLBROOK from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on resolve relating to the building of a bridge across the St. John river, at Fort Kent, reported "that same be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations."

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on petition of Lewis M. Haynes and others for the protection of fish in Little river and its tributaries, in the towns of Bowdoin, Lisbon and Webster, reported "that the petition be referred to the commissioners of fish and game."

Mr. WHELDEN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to change the northern register of deeds office in Aroostook county."

Mr. FURBISH from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of John Lovejoy and 40 others for an appropriation for the Home of the Good Shepherd situated in the city of Rockland.

Mr. SIMPSON from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of calling public attention to the advantages of Maine as a place of summer resort and to its agricultural and other advantages.

Mr. WHELDEN from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Maxfield for a mistake in over valuation.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FURBUSH from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the hospital of the society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston, rules were suspended the resolve tabled and ordered printed.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Company, and to incorporate the Richmond Water Commissioners."

Mr. WHELDEN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Portland Female Provident Association," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to the incorporation of the Portland Female Provident Association."

Mr. GUERNSEY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to create a lien on spool timber and bars."

Mr. STETSON from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

Mr. SIMPSON from same committee, on petition reported resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis.

Mr. STETSON from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December 16, 1892, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter 55," as "the Bangor General Hospital" and now named "Eastern Maine General Hospital."

Mr. YOUNG from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, as amended by section 1, chapter 232 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891."

Mr. MOORE from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition reported resolve to repair the Forks bridge in The Forks plantation, Somerset county.

Mr. DUDLEY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve relating to the publication of a map of the State of Maine.

Mr. DAGGETT from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Molunkus stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across Macwahoc stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook.

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on petition reported bill "An Act to regulate the taking of eels and white fish."

Mr. YOUNG from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, on petition reported bill "An Act to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 356 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to the salary of the treasurer of the county of Waldo."

Mr. MAXCY from the Joint Select Committee on Maine State Year Book on order reported resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1897 and 1898.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. STETSON from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor, rules were suspended, the resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Mr. TOLMAN from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river in Kingman.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. TOLMAN of Kingman, rules were suspended, the resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Eastport to issue bonds." House Document No. 90;

Was read twice. Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company." House Document No. 91,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended, relating to the public schools." House Document No. 92,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. GARVIN of Acton.

Resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine. House Document No. 89,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to title by descent;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate Shin Pond Stream Dam and Improvement Company;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve for payment of back salary of a guard at the State prison;

Resolve relating to a settling lot in Drew plantation;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Castine State Normal School,

Was reported from same Committee and pending second reading was recommitted to the Committee on Education, on motion of Mr. GOWELL of Berwick, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading recommitted to the Committee on Pensions, on motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Lincoln plantation No. 5, range 2, Oxford county,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of aid in building bridge across Sandy stream in Lexington plantation,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Library for the years 1897 and 1898;

Resolve in favor of the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland;

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Addie B. Downing;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 274 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to fix the salary of the recorder of the municipal court for the city of Portland;'"

Bill "An Act to divide the town of Deer Isle and incorporate the town of Stonington;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company, and to amend its charter and certain additions thereto;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt;"

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital was taken from the table. Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, offered House amendment "A." Pending its adoption Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, moved that the resolve be laid on the table. Upon this motion Mr. MACOMBER called for the yeas and nays, which the House ordered and the motion to table prevailed by a vote of 85 to 49.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ayer,	Hurd,	Prince,
Boynton,	Hutchins,	Purinton,
Briggs,	Hutchinson,	Reed,
Brown,	Kaler,	Rounds,
Burnham,	King,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Burrill,	Kinsman,	Searls,
Burse,	Kneeland,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Chatto,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Shaw, Saco,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Simpson,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Lane,	Smith, Masardis,
Conant,	Levensaler,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Cook,	Lincoln,	Staples,
Cox,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Starbird,
Cram,	Luce,	Stevens,
Currier,	Maxcy,	Talbot,
Cushman,	Maxwell,	Tarbell,
Day,	McIntire,	Violette,
Forest,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Walton,
Fuller,	Merrill, Portland,	Weeks,
Gardner,	Moore, Deering,	Wheeler,
Garvin,	Moore, Moscow,	Whelden,
Goodrich,	Murphy,	Whiting,
Gowell,	Noble,	Williams,
Hamilton, Biddef'd,	O'Neil,	Wilson,
Hathaway,	Pattangall,	Winslow,
Hill,	Penley,	York,
Holbrook,	Plummer,	Young—85.
Holmes,	Pope,	
Houghton,	Pratt,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Andrews,	Daggett,	Fernald, Poland,
Austin,	Davis,	Floyd,
Bither,	Dickey,	Fogg,
Blanchard,	Dudley,	Fogler,
Britton,	Durgin,	Gagnon,
Burns,	Edmunds,	Gilman,
Burton,	Fernald, Levant,	Greenleaf,

Guernsey,	Murchie,	Saunders,
Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Murray,	Sewall,
Hussey,	Newcomb,	Shepard,
Jewell,	Palmer,	Smith, Hampden,
Jones,	Patten,	Spear,
Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Pearl,	Stetson,
Longley,	Peirce,	Thurston,
Macomber,	Philbrook,	Tolman—49.
Mason,	Robinson,	
Mitchell,	Rodick,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Ames,	Hancock,	Sanborn,
Chandler,	Hathorn,	Sawyer,
Donnell,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Thompson,
Furbush,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Thurlow—16.
Golder,	Martin,	
Goodwin,	Rowell, Kittery,	

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, Tuesday, February 23, was assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield,

Bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State Normal School, said reports to be published as a part of the annual report of the State Superintendent of Public Schools, on penalty of forfeiting such aid,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. WHEELER of Gilead, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted. The bill was then read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Resolve in favor of the town of Forest City to aid in building one-half the bridge between Maine and New Brunswick in Forest City,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman rules were suspended, the resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, February 18, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Henry of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 55 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 134 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the fortnightly payment of wages;'"

Bill "An Act to legalize and confirm the doings of Riverside Cemetery Association;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 493 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, entitled 'An Act authorizing the governor to appoint special officers to enforce police regulations among the Indian tribes of the State;'"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Frank E. Mace and 9 others of Hancock county for a bounty on wild cats,

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture and was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in non-concurrence, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Eben M. Garland,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of making necessary repairs in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Remonstrance of Stephen Merrill and 54 others of Solon against making an appropriation for the Maine State College;

Remonstrance of William Murphy and 12 others of Somerset county;

Remonstrance of W. P. Morrill and 6 others of Somerset county against same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Remonstrance of W. W. Russell and 52 others against raising the salary of the register of probate in Somerset county;

Remonstrance of W. P. Rowell and 6 others;

Remonstrance of Grant Witham and 12 others of Somerset county against same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Resolve in favor of the legislative committees and members of Senate and House authorized to visit the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,

Came from the Senate, read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on resolve in aid of the Wiscasset bridge reporting that "same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

Report of the Committee on Claims on resolve in favor of Daniel L. Warren reporting that "same be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of members of Penobscot tribe of Indians for the right to kill moose, deer, caribou and other game at any season of the year.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across tide waters between the islands of Cousin's and Littlejohn's in said town of Yarmouth, which passed to be engrossed in the House February 12, came from the Senate, amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended. The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river," which passed to be enacted in the House February 15, came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended. The votes whereby the bill passed to be enacted and engrossed were reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of C. W. Hume and 79 others for a municipal court at Eastport;

Remonstrance of the Sangerville Woolen Company and others of Sangerville against the enactment of a law regulating steam engineering and to provide for licensing engineers;

Remonstrance of F. I. Campbell and 22 others of Cherryfield against the establishment of a municipal court in the western part of Washington county;

Bill "An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George H. Douglass and 5 others of Gorham for the abolishment of School District No. 1 in Gorham;

Petition of W. P. Kemp and 9 others;

Petition of C. A. Whipple and 21 others;

Petition of George P. Plaisted and 60 others for same. (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes relative to scire facias on trustee process,"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of H. L. Pratt and 24 others of Lewiston in favor of Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland;

Resolves providing for the collection of the necessary data for a history of the Maine troops in the War of the Rebellion, and for the preservation of the regimental rolls in the Adjutant General's office;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to encourage the cultivation and propagation of fish in private and inland waters,"

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of W. I. Clement and 42 others in favor of a law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Petition of A. S. Littlefield and 103 others;

Petition of M. T. Bridgeham and 57 others of Vassalboro in favor of same;

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Petition of Mrs. F. E. C. Robbins and 40 others of Deering in favor of raising the age of protection for girls from 14 to 18 years,

Was ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor,
On motion, rules were suspended, the resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Ordered, That further leave of absence for two weeks from this date be granted to Representative Stephen B. Thurlow of Deer Isle on account of his continued ill health.

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on petition of G. W. Rollins and others for aid in building a

bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Haynesville, reported that "the petition be referred to the next Legislature." Pending acceptance, on motion of Mr. BITHER of Linneus, the report was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Sanford J. Baker and others for the use of the punitive chair in the punishment of criminals.

Mr. FOGLER from same committee reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to relieve towns of the unjust burden of supporting non-resident paupers."

Mr. BITHER from the Committee on Agriculture reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act instructing assessors to enumerate poultry."

Mr. BROWN from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Agricultural Society."

Mr. DUDLEY from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reported "legislation inexpedient" on communication relating to road improvements.

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Towns reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Arthur H. Beverly and others that a part of Whiting be set off and annexed to the town of East Machias.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Company and change its name to that of the Hathorn Manufacturing Company."

Mr. NOBLE from same committee on petition reported bill "An Act for the better protection of girls."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition reported bill "An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act granting Susan S. B. Spring the right to

maintain a dam at its present height at or near the lower narrows, so called, at West Harpswell, in the town of Harpswell, for the purpose of retaining so much of the tide water as is necessary for the culture of fish."

Mr. FLOYD from same committee on bill "An Act in relation to division fences," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, relating to division fences."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Orono Water Company."

Mr. FURBUSH from the Committee on Financial Affairs reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title "Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary."

Mr. MURCHIE from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company."

Mr. KALER from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend chapter 550 of the Private Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Company.'"

Mr. STETSON from the Committee on Banks and Banking reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company."

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on petition reported resolve in favor of breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge.

Mr. DAVIS from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition reported bill "An Act to repeal chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee pond and its tributaries."

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Towns reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to organize the plantation of Crie-haven."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act relating to the incorporation of the Portland Female Provident Association." House Document No. 94;

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of eels and white fish." House Document No. 95;

Bill "An Act to create a lien on spool timber and bars." House Document No. 98;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 356 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to the salary of the treasurer of the county of Waldo." House Document No. 99;

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December 16, 1892, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter 55, as 'The Bangor General Hospital' and now named 'Eastern Maine General Hospital.'" House Document No. 100;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, as amended by section 1, chapter 232, of the Private and Special Laws of 1891." House Document No. 101,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

Resolve relating to the publication of a map of the State of Maine. House Document No. 96,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1897 and 1898. House Document No. 97,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State Normal School, said reports to be published as a part of the annual report of the State Superintendent of Public Schools, on penalty of forfeiting such aid,"

was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford. Subsequently on motion of same gentleman taken from the table. On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Education and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company," was reported from same committee, read the third time, House amendment "A" adopted, bill passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes," was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Bill "An Act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company," was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Bill "An Act relating to service of process on foreign corporations acting as trustees under mortgages," was reported from same committee, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended, and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to voluntary trusts," was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 179 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to libels for divorce,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend an act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Vinalhaven Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4, chapter 256 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 109 of the Private and Special Laws of 1853, relating to the taking of pickerel in certain ponds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to title by descent;"

Bill "An Act to establish a bounty on wildcats;"

Bill "An Act relating to the salary of the county commissioner of Cumberland county;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years;"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company;' "

Bill "An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 315 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the assistant librarian of the Maine State Library;"

Bill "An Act relating to the charter of the Godfrey Falls Dam Company;"

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson;

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff,"

Was reported from same committee and pending passage to be enacted, was tabled on motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act to provide for the better protection of public records," came up as a special assignment.

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor,

Bill "An Act to provide funds for the protection of the inland game of the State," was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GARVIN of Acton,

Bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended, relating to the public schools," was taken from the table and read twice. Mr. GARVIN offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption the bill and amendment was tabled on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, and to-morrow assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham,

Bill "An Act to create a lien on leather," was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston,

Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine, was taken from the table and Thursday, February 25, assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, February 19, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Frost of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of public acts approved by the Governor, viz.:

“An Act to amend chapter 160 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the State liquor commissioner;”

“An Act in relation to suits by organized, unincorporated societies and associations;”

“An Act in addition to chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the incorporation of libraries, charitable societies and other like corporations;”

“An Act to amend rule 4 of section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes as amended by section 1 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to descent of real estate;”

“An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroads;”

“An Act to amend section 8, chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes providing for investments of capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State;”

“An Act to amend section 59, paragraph 6, of said section of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes in relation to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances;”

“An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate of the county of Knox;”

Was read in concurrence.

Bill “An Act to amend sections 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine in reference to ways,”

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Little Spencer Dam and Improvement Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "An Act to amend section 76 of chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education;

Resolve in favor of the chairman of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game;

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended, the resolves severally read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act granting a new charter to the city of Portland," reporting that "same be printed and recommitted."

Report of same committee on report of the board of registration of medicine reporting that "no further legislation on the subject is necessary."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act to repeal section 3 of chapter 103 of the Public Laws of 1895," reporting that "same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of George Cunningham and others for a law to compel towns to vote by a two-thirds vote for the appropriation of moneys for other than the usual purposes.

Report of same committee reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the organization of manufacturing corporations."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Guilford and Sangerville Water Company."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 63 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fish weirs."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Farmington, Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of F. F. Caswell and 12 others relating to the dumping of saw-dust and other refuse matter in Gilman pond stream. The report was recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Governor's Message reporting

That so much of the Governor's message as refers to the subject of finances be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

That so much as relates to schools be referred to the Committee on Education.

That so much as relates to the insane be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Hospital.

That all that part of the message relating to insurance, on page 15 of the printed document, except the last paragraph of said subject, be referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance; that said last paragraph be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

That so much of said message referring to the State prison and reform school, as is found on page 15 of the printed document, be referred both to the Committee on State Prison and the Committee on Reform School; that so much of said subject as is found on page 16 be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That so much of said message as appears under the head of Industrial School, etc., be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That so much of said message as appears under the head of Maine State College, be referred to the Committee on Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

That so much of said message as refers to the National Guard be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

That so much of said message as appears in said printed document relating to agriculture, lumber and manufactures, on pages 19 and 20 down to the 5th paragraph on the 20th page, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture; that said 5th paragraph, on the 20th page, and the matter therein contained be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses; that the three following paragraphs be referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges; that the matter relating to railroads, etc., embraced in the first four paragraphs on page 21 be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses; that the matter contained in the last two paragraphs of the subject, agriculture, lumber and manufactures, be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

That all under the head of labor, in said message, except the last four paragraphs, be referred to the Committee on Labor; that said last four paragraphs of said subject and the matter discussed therein, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That all of said message relating to the subject of prohibition be referred to the Committee on Temperance.

That so much of said message as relates to the subject of shipping, be referred to the Committee on Commerce.

That so much of said message as relates to fish and game be referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

That so much therein as refers to seashore fisheries be referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

That so much of said message as treats of the election laws be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

That the whole of the subject in said message contained, referring to banks and banking, be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

That so much of said message as is embraced under the head of corporations be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That so much of said message as refers to the State auditor, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The report was accepted in concurrence, and the various subjects referred as recommended in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to change the name of the St. Lawrence Street Congregational Parish of Portland."

Report of the Committee on State Prison reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the Governor and Council to execute a contract for water for the Maine State Prison."

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

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company,' " which passed to be engrossed in the House February 12, came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Oakfield," which passed to be engrossed in the House February 15, came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of C. W. Hume and 84 others in favor of "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway;"

Bill "An Act relative to flags upon public buildings and school houses;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four tolls and railway bridges across the St. John river;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to negotiate a loan for the payment of land damages incurred by widening of the highway known as Forest avenue, in the city of Deering, in said county,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 108 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the qualifications necessary for admittance to normal schools,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of George M. Barrows and 43 others of Newport for legislation to equalize and regulate freight rates;

Petition of O. E. Blackden and 30 others of Dexter for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of John G. Fleming and 33 others for an amendment of charter of Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of F. W. Witham and 153 others against repealing the law for the protection of smelts in Surry and Bluehill bays,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of W. C. Stetson and 49 others of North Vassalboro in favor of proposed cigarette bill;

Petition of Thomas H. B. Pierce and 230 others of Dexter;

Petition of A. E. Luce and 62 others of Patten;

Petition of C. S. Patton and 71 others of Auburn;

Petition of C. S. Philbrick and 75 others of Corinth;

Petition of Herbert F. Moulton and 50 others of Biddeford;

Petition of Mrs. Almeda Havener and 35 others of Bremen;

Petition of V. C. Plummer and 32 others of Addison;

Petition of Fred H. Naylor and 28 others of Westbrook;

Petition of Oscar Holway and 45 others of Augusta in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion of Mr. SEARLES of Chelsea,

Ordered, That the Committee on Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts be instructed to inquire into the advisability of establishing rates of tuition for students attending the college and report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations," was tabled and ordered printed pending reference to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on motion of Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn,

Ordered, That 100 extra copies of bill "An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations," now pending reference, be printed.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the first two lines or section 1 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act additional to section 21 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes relative to the removal of executors and administrators."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to regulate steam engineering and to provide for the examination and licensing of engineers."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 33, chapter 24, Revised Statutes relating to paupers."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 195 of the Private and Special Laws of the year of our Lord 1887, establishing the charter of the city of Waterville."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to the advisability of so amending our election laws as to allow a person moving from one place to another in our State to hold a voting residence in the place from

which he moved, until he shall acquire the right to vote in the town to which he moves.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on order relating to the advisability of enacting a law compelling a person moving into a town with the intention of making his residence there to notify the clerk of said town of that fact.

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Dexter Water Company."

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Eugene W. Abbott for a bounty on foxes.

Mr. SMITH from same committee reported "legislation inexpedient" on bill "An Act relating to the creation of private fish ponds."

Mr. MASON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of John H. Mayers and others for the enactment of a law forbidding the setting or building of weirs or pounds for the purpose of catching shad or alewives within forty rods of any bridge on the Eastern river in Dresden.

Mr. RODICK from same committee reported same on petition of Charles E. Patten and others for the better preservation of smelts in the Kennebec river and its tributaries.

Mr. TARBELL from the Committee on Pensions on petition of Fred A. Rich and 9 others that a military pension be granted Alden Clifford of Lee reported "no action necessary as it comes under general laws."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 33, Public Laws of 1887."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition reported bill "An Act to amend sections 4 and 6 of chapter 363 of the Special Laws of 1850, relating to the election of city assessors of the city of Belfast."

Mr. SMITH from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the use of compressed air for power."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act regulating the costs in municipal, police and trial justice courts."

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes relating to the recording of attachments of personal property."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Mars Hill and Blaine Water Company."

Mr. GUERNSEY from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Monson Water Company."

Mr. WALTON from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 16 of chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to itinerant venders."

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition reported bill "An Act to repeal chapter 580 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868 and chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1878."

Mr. KING from the Committee on Indian Affairs on petition reported resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

Mr. TARBELL from the Committee on Pensions reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. TARBELL from the Committee on Pensions reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna, rules were suspended and resolve read twice.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the resolve was tabled and Thursday, February 25, assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. MURRAY from the Committee on Military Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the staff of the commander-in-chief."

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Company, and to incorporate the Richmond Water Commissioners." House Document No. 102;

Bill "An Act for the better protection of girls." House Document No. 109;

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Company and change its name to that of the Hathorn Manufacturing Company." House Document No. 111;

Bill "An Act to organize the plantation of Criehaven." House Document No. 112;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee pond and its tributaries." House Document No. 110,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Molunkus stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook. House Document No. 103;

Resolve to repair the Forks bridge in The Forks plantation, Somerset county. House Document No. 104;

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital. House Document No. 107;

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across Macwahoc stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook. House Document No. 108;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis. House Document No. 105,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. BURSE of Pittsfield.

Bill "An Act to create a lien on leather;"

Bill "An Act relating to the incorporation of the Portland Female Provident Association;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of eels and white fish;"

Bill "An Act to create a lien on spool timber and bars;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 356 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to the salary of the treasurer of the county of Waldo;"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December 16, 1892, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter 55 as the Bangor General Hospital and now named the Eastern Maine General Hospital;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Eastport to issue bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate Shin Pond Stream Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot river;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan;"

Resolve in favor of Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Abbie B. Downing;

Resolve in favor of the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland;

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Library for the years 1897 and 1898;

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick, was taken from the table.

On motion of the same gentleman the vote whereby the House February 11, indefinitely postponed, the resolve was reconsidered, and the resolve recommitted to the Committee on Financial Affairs in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton,

Bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended, relating to the public schools, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, the bill and pending amendment was recommitted to the Committee on Education and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Resolve relating to the publication of a map of the State of Maine, was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff," was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman Thursday, February 25, was assigned for its further consideration.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of members of the fire department of the city of Portland upon half pay,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on order, reporting bill "An Act to permit inland game to be taken for park purposes in this State."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read three times under suspension of rules, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, February 23, at 10 o'clock A M.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, February 23, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

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

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of Charles E. Stanley and 100 others of Freemont for a law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Petition of Mrs. Effie J. Sawyer and 33 others of Milbridge for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Sangerville Woolen Company and others of Sangerville against the enactment of a law regulating steam engineering;

Referred in the House February 18, to the Committee on the Judiciary, came from the Senate, ordered placed on file with other matters relating to same subject.

The House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries reporting "legislation inexpedient" on petition of Leonard F. McLain and others of Bristol for a law to prevent hauling lobster traps in John's bay before sunrise or after sunset.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs reporting "ought to pass" on resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1897.

Report of same committee reporting same on resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1898.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Lincoln."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 304 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Aroostook."

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

Report of the Committee on State Prison, on report of the inspectors of prison and jails reporting resolve in favor of Maine State Prison.

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

Petition of J. S. Williamson and others that suitable homeopathic medical treatment be provided at the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital;

Petition of Joshua Davis and 59 others for the passage of an act providing for the retirement of certain police officers in the city of Portland upon pension not exceeding half pay;

Petition of S. R. Small and 102 others for same;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company, and enable it to cross navigable tide waters;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to the repair or highways;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to change the name of the normal and training schools of the State,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Remonstrance of J. P. Norton and 49 others of York against granting a charter to the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway to construct a bridge across York river;

Remonstrance of John C. Ropes and 7 others of Boston, property owners at York, against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Albert Daggett and 36 others of Strong relating to trees and shrubbery growing in the limits of highways,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of John H. Leavitt and 110 others of Scarborough for a close time on clams;

Bill "An Act relating to a close time on clams in the town of Scarborough;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of J. R. Ames and 54 others of Belgrade that a part of the town of Rome be set off from said town and annexed to Belgrade;

Petition of Cummings Brothers and others of Deering for annexation of territory of Deering to Portland;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolutions by Piscataquis Pomona Grange in favor of an appropriation for the State College,

Was referred to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

Petition of W. W. Huntoon and 118 others of Norridgewock
in favor of bill prohibiting sale of cigarettes;

Petition of C. E. Lermond and 59 others of Athens;

Petition of L. H. Corliss and 63 others of Bridgton;

Petition of John S. Tenney and 35 others of Webb's Mills;

Petition of Albert Strout and 32 others of Webb's Mills;

Petition of R. W. Fuller and 55 others of Bristol;

Petition of Daniel M. Jacobs and 44 others of Damariscotta;

Petition of M. L. Durgin and 171 others of Milo;

Petition of Woodbridge G. Osborn and 182 others of Port-
land;

Petition of H. L. McCann and 53 others of Houlton;

Petition of G. W. Wellman and 27 others of Dresden;

Petition of A. N. Jones and 124 others of Turner;

Petition of M. W. Bessey and others of Waterville;

Petition of Mrs. Ida Dorsett and 44 others of Standish;

Petition of George R. Winslow and 39 others of Strong;

Petition of W. Paul Curtis and 7 others of Harrison;

Petition of O. L. Winn and 14 others of Shirley;

Petition of William M. Marr and 56 others of Sebec;

Petition of Wentworth Staples and 30 others of Lincoln;

Petition of H. C. Mayo and 24 others of Hampden;

Petition of Frank L. Spratt and 49 others of Bar Harbor;

Petition of E. F. Pittman and 66 others of Mattawamkeag;

Petition of J. H. Brown and 16 others of Haynesville;

Petition of Kendall S. Jackson and 89 others of Hodgdon;

Petition of S. G. Spurr and 60 others of Otisfield;

Petition of R. H. Cobb and 51 others of Bolsters Mills;

Petition of George A. Safford and 169 others of Hallowell;

Petition of C. T. Neal and 34 others of Ripley;

Petition of Lewis Wentworth and 185 others of Clinton;

Petition of W. Francis Kenrick and 204 others of Fairfield;

Petition of Charles W. Webber and 60 others of Durham;

Petition of R. B. Thompson and 105 others of Union;
Petition of Russell Hart and 58 others of Atkinson;
Petition of J. N. Tillock and 145 others of Bucksport;
Petition of J. C. Campbell and 22 others;
Petition of Josiah Harris and 195 others of East Machias;
Petition of E. W. Fowler and 35 others of Searsmont;
Petition of A. A. Moody and 115 others of Warren;
Petition of J. C. Harmon and others of Greene's Landing;
Petition of E. P. Woodward and 24 others of Portland;
Petition of Charles H. McClintock and others of Portland;
Petition of W. W. Hayden and 14 others of Madison;
Petition of Cora R. Hayden and 32 others of Madison;
Petition of Caroline F. Philbrook and 44 others of Skowhegan;

Petition of C. V. Hanson and 277 others of Skowhegan;
Petition of Cyrus Estes and 115 others of St. Albans;
Petition of J. F. Boynton and 47 others of St. Albans;
Petition of J. S. Wright and 97 others of South Paris;
Petition of T. J. Ramsdell and 109 others of South Paris;
Petition of George A. Wilson and 61 others of South Paris in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House prepare and cause to be printed under his supervision one thousand copies of the Journal of the House for the current session.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Orono Water Company." House Document No. 114;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 550 of the Private Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Company.'" House Document No. 115;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company." House Document No. 116;

Bill "An Act granting Susan S. B. Spring the right to maintain a dam at its present height at or near the lower narrows, so called, at West Harpswell, in the town of Harpswell, for the purpose of retaining so much of the tide water as is necessary for the culture of fish." House Document No. 118;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 22, of the Revised Statutes, relating to division fences." House Document No. 119;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company." House Document No. 120;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company." House Document No. 121;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 4 and 6 of chapter 363 of the Special Laws of 1850, relating to the election of city assessors of the city of Belfast." House Document No. 122;

Bill "An Act relating to the use of compressed air for power." House Document No. 123;

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company." House Document No. 124;

Bill "An Act regulating the costs in municipal, police and trial justice courts." House Document No. 125;

Bill "An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property." House Document No. 126;

Bill "An Act to amend section sixteen of chapter two hundred and fifty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to itinerant vendors." House Document No. 127;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Monson Water Company." House Document No. 128;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 580 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868 and chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1878." House Document No. 133;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mars Hill and Blaine Water Company." House Document No. 129,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary. House Document No. 113;

Resolve in favor of breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge. House Document No. 117.

Resolve in favor of Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham. House Document No. 132;

Were severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians. House Document No. 131,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna.

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Company, and to incorporate the Richmond water commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Company and change its name to the Hathorn Manufacturing Company;"

Bill "An Act to organize the plantation of Criehaven;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the better protection of girls,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Bill "An Act to change the name of the St. Lawrence Street Congregational Parish of Portland,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act authorizing the Governor and Council to execute a contract for water for the Maine State Prison,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover.

Bill "An Act to extend the powers of the International North and South American Transportation and Express Company;"

Bill "An Act in relation to voluntary trusts;"

Bill "An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Laconia Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to repeal so much of chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, entitled 'An Act granting additional powers to the inhabitants of school district number five, in the town of Kennebunk,' and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, as relates to the maintenance of schools and school houses;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to the organization of parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church;"

Bill "An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across the tide waters between the islands of Cousin's and Littlejohn's in said town of Yarmouth;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company to issue bonds and to make a mortgage securing the same, and to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company to guarantee the payment of said bonds;"

Bill "An Act to permit inland game to be taken for park purposes in this State;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 308 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to fines and forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the better protection of public records;"

Bill "An Act relating to service of process on foreign corporations acting as trustees under mortgages;"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Oakfield;"

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education;

Resolve in favor of the chairman of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game;

Resolve for payment of back salary of a guard at the State prison;

Resolve in favor of the town of Forest City, to aid in building one-half the bridge between Maine and New Brunswick, in Forest City;

Resolve relating to a settling lot in Drew plantation;

Resolve in favor of the legislative committees and members of the Senate and House authorized to visit the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts;

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor;

Resolve in favor of town of Linneus;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital,
Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, withdrew House amendment "A."

Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the House ordered the yeas and nays and the motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed by a vote of 72 to 56.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ames,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Newcomb,
Ayer,	Hill,	Pattangall,
Bither,	Hurd,	Penley,
Blanchard,	Hutchins,	Plummer,
Boynton,	Hutchinson,	Prince,
Briggs,	Kaler,	Purinton,
Britton,	King,	Reed,
Burnham,	Kinsman,	Rowell, Kittery,
Burse,	Kneeland,	Sanborn,
Burton,	Lane,	Searls,
Chandler,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Levensaler,	Shaw, Saco,
Conant,	Lincoln,	Smith, Masardis,
Cook,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Currier,	Luce,	Staples,
Daggett,	Martin,	Stevens,
Day,	Maxcy,	Tarbell,
Fuller,	Maxwell,	Thompson,
Gardner,	McIntire,	Thurston,
Garvin,	Merrill, Portland,	Walton,
Goodrich,	Mitchell,	Whelden,
Goodwin,	Moore, Deering,	Whiting,
Gowell,	Moore, Moscow,	Wilson,
Greenleaf,	Murray,	Winslow—72.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Andrews,	Fernald, Poland,	Houghton,
Austin,	Floyd,	Hussey,
Brown,	Fogg,	Jewell,
Burrill,	Fogler,	Jones,
Chatto,	Furbush,	Knowlton, Newb'g,
Cox,	Golder,	Knowlton, Portla'd,
Cram,	Guernsey,	Larrabee, Portland,
Cushman,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,
Dickey,	Hathaway,	Longley,
Dudley,	Hathorn,	Macomber,
Edmunds,	Holbrook,	Mason,
Fernald, Levant,	Holmes,	Palmer,

Patten,	Sewall,	Tolman,
Pearl,	Shepard,	Violette,
Peirce,	Simpson,	Wheeler,
Philbrook,	Smith, Hampden,	Williams,
Rodick,	Spear,	York,
Rounds,	Stetson,	Young—56.
Saunders,	Talbot,	

Those who were absent were:

Burns,	Hancock,	Robinson,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Littlefield; Belfast,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Davis,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Sawyer,
Donnell,	Murphy,	Starbird,
Forest,	Noble,	Thurlow—19.
Gagnon,	O'Neil,	
Gilman,	Pope,	

The following pairs were announced:

Mr. Durgin of Orono no with Mr. Pratt of Woodland yes.

Mr. Weeks of Fairfield yes with Mr. Murchie of Calais no.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. AYER of Vassalboro,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, February 24, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Williamson of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the tenth annual report of the Bureau of Industrial and Labor Statistics.

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Labor in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional relating to Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the executors of the will of Cyrus Cole,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Fred F. Foster and 14 others of Woodstock for equalization of school tax,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bath, Small Point and Popham Beach Railroad Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act relating to State and county taxes on organized plantations,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Petition of Waldo Pettingill and others to prevent throwing waste into the Ellis river,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Remonstrance of H. E. Charles and 69 others of Rome against setting off a part of said town and annexing the same to Belgrade.

Was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Bill "An Act authorizing the establishment of free libraries in villages and of branch libraries in towns and cities,

Was referred to the Committee on Libraries in concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. Asa Pratt and others of Clinton in favor of the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Petition of D. S. Rideout and 143 others of Norway;

Petition of Miss A. A. Hicks and 24 others of Belfast and Northport;

Petition of George L. Whitman and 235 others of Pittsfield;

Petition of E. C. Hayes and 110 others of Bluehill in favor of same.

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Committee on Agriculture be directed to inquire into the advisability of establishing by law a standard weight for a bushel of parsnips and report by bill or otherwise.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 66 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to highways."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing towns and cities to establish sinking funds."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the extension of time of charter of Bluehill Trust and Banking Company."

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

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition reporting resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge.

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

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 18, as amended by House amendment "A."

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and bill further amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended by House and Senate amendments "A" passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of George Libby and 21 others relating to the police officers of the city of Portland;

Petition of R. Blake and 159 others relating to same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 34 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1895;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John W. Hall and others for the passage of a law compelling the use of wide tires on team wagons;

Bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 63, Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the city of Deering Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick,

¹ Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of E. N. Osgood and 35 others in favor of the Wiggins school tax bill, so called;

Petition of L. F. Jones and 22 others of Andover in favor of same;

Resolve to appropriate one thousand dollars out of the school fund for the Normal and Training School at Fort Kent;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as wild lands,

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 182 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891,"

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of George L. Hussey and 6 others in favor of repealing the acts incorporating the town of Maxfield,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of A. D. T. Libby and 175 others in favor of changing the name of the State College to that of University of Maine;

Petition of 38 students of preparatory schools;

Petition of John Carroll and 69 other students of preparatory schools, in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Petition of A. H. Mayo and 78 others of Brooklin in favor of prohibiting the manufacture, sale or gift of cigarettes;

Petition of H. J. Palmer and 84 others of Fort Fairfield;

Petition of Hiram Gatchell and 46 others of Brownfield;

Petition of George S. Chase and 59 others of Mechanic Falls;

Petition of George A. Goodwin and 30 others of Sanford;

Petition of A. L. Struthers and 46 others of South Gardiner;

Petition of William F. Marshall and 36 others;

Petition of E. B. Wilder and 150 others;

Petition of M. F. Richards and 86 others of Bar Harbor;

Petition of P. O. Juhlin and 73 others of New Sweden;

Petition of Moses Crotto and 145 others of Solon;

Petition of J. W. Thomas and others of Brunswick;

Petition of Samuel W. Heal and 57 others of Camden;

Petition of D. M. Woodman and 38 others of Yarmouth;

Petition of Frank C. Thompson and 111 others of Sanford;

Petition of P. F. Tunney and 56 others of Princeton;

Petition of Fred L. Fogg and 65 others of China;

Petition of R. L. Baker and 56 others of Albion;

Petition of J. F. Lamb and 19 others of Livermore Falls;

Petition of 4,000 members of united societies of Free Baptist young people;

Petition of 4,000 members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union;

Petition of Charles A. Wentworth and 30 others of Westbrook;

Petition of Fred W. Freeman and 31 others of Westbrook;

Petition of D. H. Dolley and 11 others of Gray;

Petition of Edgar M. Cousins and 99 others of Gray;

Petition of the congregation of the Pine Street Free Baptist church, Lewiston;

Petition of E. W. Ricker and 56 others of Lewiston;

Petition of Martin Somerbell and 44 others of Lewiston;

Petition of Frank D. Smith and 121 others of Sanford;

Petition of T. G. Davis and 20 others of Sanford;

Petition of W. B. Hemenway and 63 others of Sanford;

Petition of Joseph O. Howe and 46 others of Sanford;

Remonstrance of William G. Chandler and 14 others of Skowhegan against proposed cigarette law;

Remonstrance of Thomas F. Sheriden and 3 others of Bar Harbor;

Remonstrance of W. H. Lawrence of Sorrento;

Remonstrance of J. M. Gerrish and 7 others of Winter Harbor, against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Charles W. Hume and 84 others for an act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway, reported that same be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 80 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 164 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to injuries on ways."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act providing for the support of the chronic insane by the State after five years residence at the insane hospital."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported legislation inexpedient on order to inquire into the expediency of legislation to provide for the support of all paupers by the State.

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of A. D. McFaul and 8 others of Machias for change in the law relating to trial justices.

Mr. WALTON from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the town of Winterport to purchase the franchises of the Winterport Water Company."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act for the promotion of medical education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in dead human bodies."

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. KALER of Scarborough, rules were suspended, the bill tabled and ordered printed.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to the Hallowell Water Company."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Eastport bridge."

Same gentleman from same committee on petition of trustees of the Wayne Library Association reported bill "An Act to change the name of the Alonzo Wing Library Association."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend and additional to the charter of the Oakland Water Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Company."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act additional relating to the Bath municipal court."

Mr. ROWELL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize Frederick A. Staples to build and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Piscataqua river in the town of Eliot, county of York."

Mr. WALTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act additional to chapter 314 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of land for taxes."

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 506 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Deering, as amended by chapter 439 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 633 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 238 of Private and Special Laws of 1895.'"

Mr. JEWELL from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Misery Stream Dam Company."

Mr. HAMILTON from the York County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" on resolve authorizing the county of York to procure a loan.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Orono Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 550 of the Private Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Company;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 4 and 6 of chapter 363 of the Special Laws of 1850, relating to the election of city assessors of the city of Belfast;"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act regulating the costs in municipal, police and trial justice courts;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 16 of chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to itinerant vendors;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Monson Water Company;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act granting Susan S. B. Spring the right to maintain a dam at its present height at or near the lower narrows, so called, at West Harpswell, in the town of Harpswell, for the purpose of retaining so much of the tide water as is necessary for the culture of fish,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Brunswick.

Bill "An Act relating to the use of compressed air for power,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading, on motion of Mr. O'Neil of Biddeford.

Subsequently on motion of same gentleman taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, relating to division fences,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. MITCHELL of Newfield.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 580 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868 and chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1878,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, House amendment "A" adopted, bill passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across Macwahoc stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook;

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1897 and 1898;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home,

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor.

Resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine,

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Molunkus stream in Macwahoc plantation, Aroostook county,

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve to repair the Forks bridge in The Forks plantation, Somerset county,

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke.

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman.

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias.

Subsequently on motion of same gentleman taken from the table, recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Lincoln;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 304 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Aroostook;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1897;

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1898;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of State pension agent expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading recommitted to the Committee on Pensions and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn,

Bill "An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations," House Document No. 269 was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308, of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, as amended by section 1, chapter

232, of the Private and Special Laws of 1891," was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee pond and its tributaries," was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 179 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to libels for divorce," was taken from the table, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Bill "An Act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of aid in building bridge across Sandy stream in Lexington plantation, was taken from the table, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield,

Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," Mr. RODICK of Eden, offered amendment 1 to amendment "A;" subsequently he withdrew it. House amendment "A" was rejected on a viva voce vote. The question being second reading of resolve, Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, called for the yeas and nays which the House refused to order. The resolve was then read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, February 25, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to prohibit the sale of tobacco to minors,"

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of allowing George N. Coburn administrator of the estate of Alice Robinson, late of Weld deceased, to pay balance of said estate now in his hands to the heirs of her late husband, John Robinson, and report by bill, resolve or otherwise.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the commission appointed by the Governor and Council for the construction of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital plant be directed to produce for the benefit of the Joint Special Committee on said hospital all the books containing the record of their doings and accounts of money expended.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Which was indefinitely postponed in the House February 23,

Came from the Senate recommitted to the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital in non-concurrence.

The House voted to recede and concur.

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December 16, 1892, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter 55 as 'The Bangor General Hospital' and now named 'Eastern Maine General Hospital,'"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 19,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House February 19,

Came from the Senate, amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The votes whereby the bill passed to be enacted and engrossed were reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 30 of the Public Laws approved February 21, 1895, and to revise section 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes,

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to establish a board of fire commissioners for the city of Auburn."

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 253 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to intoxicating liquors."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to enable the town of Dexter to establish a system of water works and sewerage."

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

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1880, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Canton Bridge Company.'"

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and bill read a second time.

On motion Mr. BROWN of Milton plantation, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order reporting resolve in favor of George M. Coombs.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on report of Governor and Executive Council reporting resolve in favor of Simon B. Gates.

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital on report of the trustees of the Maine Insane Hospital, reporting resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs on petition reporting resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

The report was accepted in concurrence and pending first reading the resolve was tabled on motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna.

Petition of E. R. Chaples and 39 others for an amendment to the constitution prohibiting the appropriation of money for sectarian purposes;

Petition of W. O. Holman and 71 others for same;

Remonstrance of John R. Goodwin and 414 others of Wells, against granting authority to county commissioners of York county to lay out a highway across the Webhannet river in Wells;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 73 of the Public Laws of 1891 to provide for the recording of assignments of wages when the assignor is commorant in an unorganized place;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 153 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the Bluehill Water Company, (received under suspension of rules);

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Daniel Swett and 14 others of Freeman for equalization of school tax;

Petition of E. G. Blanchard and 31 others of Yarmouth;

Petition of L. E. Burbank and 10 others of Parsonsfield;

Petition of A. E. Clay and 14 others of Lakeville;

Petition of F. W. Stuart and 49 others of Mars Hill;

Petition of J. J. Carr and 37 others of Dover for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of G. R. Wiley and 40 others of Bethel in favor of a liberal appropriation for the State College,

Was referred to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

Petition of J. H. Hunnewell and 24 others of China in favor of bill to prevent the trapping of foxes;

Petition of T. H. Starkey and 59 others of Vassalboro;

Petition of William Lamb and 60 others of Clinton;

Petition of F. S. Soule and others of Freeport;

Petition of Leslie A. Lee and others in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of A. M. Fogg and 50 others of Hebron in favor of prohibiting the sale of cigarettes;

Petition of Stanford Mitchell and 24 others of Caribou;

Petition of George A. Dinsmore and 119 others of Kittery;

Petition of A. S. Ladd and 46 others of Calais;

Petition of Albert F. Lane and 23 others of Lebanon;

Petition of Amos J. Shorey and 50 others of Charleston;

Petition of S. M. Davis and 50 others of Hartland in favor of same;

Petition of Elizabeth A. Cowell and 15 others of Lebanon for the better protection of girls;

Petition of F. B. Nelson and 13 others of Lebanon in favor of allowing women to vote in municipal elections;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subjects.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition of B. F. Dennison and others of Freeport relative to all trees and shrubbery growing within the limits of streets and highways reported "that same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of B. F. White and others for the repeal of chapter 246 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to width of tires of wheels on Greenfield road in town of Greenbush.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 159 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1895, entitled 'An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott and Curtis E. Moon the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock.'"

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Sullivan and Hancock Steam Ferry Company."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 159 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895."

Mr. FERNALD from the Committee on Mines and Mining reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the geological and mineralogical survey of the State."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock."

Mr. FOGLER from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Company."

Mr. WHELDEN from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company."

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to instruction in the use of tools and in cooking in public schools."

Mr. LEVENSALER from same committee on petition reported resolve in favor of Lee Normal academy.

Mr. GILMAN from same committee reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Monmouth academy.

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute.

Mr. BLANCHARD from same committee reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of East Corinth academy.

Mr. BURNS from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of North Yarmouth academy.

Mr. GOWELL from same committee reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Calais academy.

Mr. HOLBROOK from the Committee on Agriculture reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act for the better protection of sheep.'"

Mr. FERNALD from the Committee on Reform School reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to authorize Frederick A. Staples to build and maintain a wharf in the tide waters of Piscataqua river in the town of Eliot, county of York." House Document No. 134,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308, of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, as amended by section 1, chapter 232 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, House amendment "A" adopted, bill passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wassisset Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing towns and cities to establish sinking funds;"

Bill "An Act relating to the extension of time of charter of Bluehill Trust and Banking Company;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the staff of the commander-in-chief;"

Resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the Inland Fish and Game Laws, and to aid in the propagation of Inland Fish and Game;"

Resolve relating to the publication of a map of the State of Maine;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bill passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot, the clerk was charged with and delivered a message to the Senate requesting the return to the House of resolve in favor of State pension agent expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council.

The papers were returned.

On motion of same gentleman the vote whereby the House February 24 recommitted the resolve to the Committee on Pensions, was reconsidered, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine.

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the resolve was retabled and Thursday, March 4, assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows,

Came up as a special assignment, was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman the bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BURSE of Pittsfield, resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. AYER of Vassalboro,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, February 26, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Newbert of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 136 of the Revised Statutes as amended by section 1 of chapter 308 of the Public Laws of 1885 relating to fines and forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts;"

"An Act relating to service of process on foreign corporations acting as trustees under mortgages;"

"An Act to permit inland game to be taken for park purposes in this State;"

"An Act to amend section 4, chapter 256 of Public Laws of 1893 relating to the sale and analysis of commercial fertilizers;"

"An Act in relation to voluntary trusts;"

"An Act to provide for the better protection of public records;"

Was read in concurrence.

Petition of Asa Dalton and 16 others to permit the election of women on the school board of Portland;

Petition of H. H. Shaw and 36 others of Portland;

Petition of George H. Libby and 7 others of Portland;

Petition of A. R. Wright and 35 others of Portland;

Petition of Payson Tucker and 57 others of Portland;

Petition of S. R. Small and 84 others of Portland for same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of C. Jesse Blake and 75 others to prevent the trapping of foxes,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag Hospital,' "

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 9,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 356 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to the salary of the treasurer of the county of Waldo,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 19,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act relating to the Old Town municipal court."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to require the use of wide tires upon team wagons,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve relative to fixing the dates of the Maine State Fair and the Eastern Maine State Fair,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Nelson Woodward and 35 others of Jonesport for an amendment to the laws relating to the lobster fisheries as applied to Washington county;

Petition of C. H. Hinckley and others of Washington county for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of George Lambert and others of Freeport in favor of preventing the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Petition of Hosea Hewitt and 17 others of South Berwick;

Petition of Nellie S. Emerson and 20 others of South Berwick;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston,

Ordered, The House concurring, that when we adjourn we adjourn to Tuesday at 10 o'clock A. M., March 2nd.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of so amending that portion of section 38 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to poll taxes as to establish a uniform rate of poll taxes throughout the State.

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of F. W. Meservey and others for the enactment of a law prohibiting the use of fire arms by boys under eighteen years of age.

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of George H. Haynes and others for an appropriation to aid in erecting a school building in the town of Chester.

Mr. WILLIAMS from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought not to pass" on bill

"An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 378 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to connections between telephone lines."

Mr. MERRILL from the Committee on Banks and Banking reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to revive the charter of the Portland Loan Company."

Mr. YOUNG from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Baskahegan Dam Company for an amendment to their charter so that the rates might be increased.

Mr. RODICK from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of H. P. Blanchard and Sons for repeal of chapter 132 of Public Laws of 1895, relating to the packing of fish in hermetically sealed cans.

Mr. STEVENS from same committee, reported same on petition of Francis D. Long and others for the repeal of section 8, chapter 247, Laws of 1893, prohibiting taking smelts by purse or drag seines in the waters of Bluehill bay.

Mr. KNEELAND from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the weekly close time for taking salmon in the rivers of the State."

Mr. DAY from the Committee on Claims, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of J. B. Ripley and others that commutation money paid during the late war be refunded.

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on petition of Josiah I. Brown, late chaplain of the Fifteenth Regiment, Maine Volunteers, that he be paid for expenses incurred for recruiting men for that regiment and also for services rendered as chaplain prior to his being mustered in as such.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 45, chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State prison."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to authorize

the Madison Village Corporation to purchase the property and franchises of the Madison Water Company."

Mr. SMITH from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Hallowell water commissioners."

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Company."

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Kingfield Water Company."

Mr. GOWELL from the Committee on Education, on petition reported resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School.

Mr. BURNS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

Mr. BLANCHARD from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Wilton Academy.

Mr. GILMAN from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to legalize the doings of school district No. 5 in the town of Falmouth, and of the trustees of the Crispus Graves fund, so called, and to enable said trustees to convey and the inhabitants of said Falmouth to purchase the school building erected out of said fund in said district."

Mr. MERRILL from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the bank examiner."

Mr. MOORE from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "An Act to authorize Wilbur Grant, his heirs and assigns, to build and maintain sorting and holding booms on Mattawamkeag river, near the Oxbow," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the erection of piers and booms in the Mattawamkeag river at the Oxbow."

Mr. PLUMMER from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Steamboat Company."

Mr. KING from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 594 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company.' "

Mr. JONES from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act to incorporate the East Branch Log Driving Company."

Mr. COX from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition reported resolve in favor of building a bridge over the Daigle brook in the town of Van Buren and county of Aroostook.

Mr. WHITING from same committee, on petition reported resolve in favor of aid in blasting ledge in town of Frenchville in Aroostook county.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition reported resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt ridge road in the town of Moscow.

Mr. ROUNDS from the Committee on Temperance, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 314 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of land for taxes." House Document No. 135;

Bill "An Act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Company." House Document No. 136;

Bill "An Act additional relating to the Bath municipal court." House Document No. 137;

Bill "An Act relating to the Hallowell Water Company." House Document No. 138;

Bill "An Act to extend and additional to the charter of the Oakland Water Company." House Document No. 140;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Eastport bridge." House Document No. 141;

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Alonzo Wing Library Association." House Document No. 142;

Bill "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots." House Document No. 143;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Misery Stream Dam Company." House Document No. 145;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve authorizing the county of York to procure a loan. House Document No. 139,

Was read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 506 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Deering as amended by chapter 439 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 and by chapter 633 of Private and Special Laws of 1893 and by chapter 238 of Private and Special Laws of 1895.'" House Document No. 146,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School. House Document No. 147;

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy. House Document No. 148;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to authorize Frederick M. Staples to build and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Piscataqua river in the town of Eliot, county of York,"

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 establish a board of fire commissioners for the city of Auburn;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 253 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to intoxicating liquors;"

Bill "An Act to enable the town of Dexter to establish a system of water works and sewerage;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to create a lien on leather;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 304 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Aroostook;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Saint Lawrence Street Congregational Parish of Portland;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan;"

Bill "An Act relating to the incorporation of the Portland Female Provident Association;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of eels and white fish;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 179 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to libels for divorce;"

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Lincoln;"

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Company and change its name to that of the Hathorn Manufacturing Company;"

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1897;

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1898;

Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries;

Resolve in favor of aid in building bridge across Sandy Stream in Lexington plantation;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,
Bill "An Act for the better protection of girls,"

Was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor,
Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,
Resolve in favor of Lincoln platation No. 5, Range 2, Oxford county,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,
Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital,
Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna,
Resolves making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was rejected. The resolve was then read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna,
Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians,

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was rejected. The resolve was then read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, March 2, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

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

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act relating to the salary of the county commissioners of Cumberland county;"

"An Act to establish a bounty on wildcats;"

"An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 75 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to title by descent;"

Was read in concurrence.

Communication from same transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act relating to the staff of the commander-in-chief,"

Was read in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 69 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to auditors;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 89 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to corporations;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Freedom academy,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to provide for procuring statistics relating to the poultry industry in Maine,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of R. W. Black and 130 others of Augusta in favor of preventing the trapping of foxes;

Petition of I. E. Fletcher and more than 1000 others of Auburn, Lewiston and other towns;

Petition of L. W. Edwards and 25 others of Bridgton;

Petition of E. H. Bragg and 100 others;

Petition of C. L. Tanner and 38 others of Dexter;

Petition of James C. Bishop and 32 others of Guilford;

Petition of John N. Webber and 14 others of Waterville;

Petition of J. M. Littlefield and 40 others of Foxcroft;

Petition of C. H. Hallett and 35 others of Sidney;

Petition of J. N. Martin and 40 others of Portland in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Resolve in favor of William H. Holmes of Augusta,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred resolve in aid of Wiscasset bridge for its opinion on question of law on report of Committee on Ways and Bridges reporting that aid may legally be granted for repairs on Wiscasset bridge in view of special and peculiar provisions contained in the charter of the company owning said bridge; also that said resolve with this report be referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Report of the Committee on Education on bill "An Act relating to common schools" reporting that "same be referred to the next legislature."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act in relation to the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company and the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act in relation to the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company."

Report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the New York Machine Company, and to enable it to aid in the construction of railroad tracks."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for ways."

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

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings."

The report was accepted in concurrence, and pending first reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the organization of the Washington County Railroad Company."

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

Bill "An Act to regulate the interest on money;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Castine Water Company," (received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1891, relative to the protection of forests;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the care of convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. G. Blunt and 29 others for amendment to charter of Somerset Traction Company;

Petition of Roland T. Patten and 304 others for same;

Remonstrance of H. N. Bolster and 133 others of Paris against the passage of "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law;"

Remonstrance of George A. Wilson and 186 others of Paris against same;

Bill "An Act in relation to suits for taxes;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes relating to indorsement of writs;"

Bill "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances of burial lots in trust, and to provide for recording such conveyances;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of J. A. Johnson and 33 others of Jefferson for equalization of school tax,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. S. C. Hall and 48 others of Madison and Skowhegan for extension of charter of Skowhegan and Athens Railroad Company,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of F. H. Hazelton and 20 others for a change in insurance laws,

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of A. McDonald and others in favor of preventing the trapping of foxes;

Petition of F. C. Moore and 25 others of Auburn and Minot;

Petition of A. E. Robinson and 41 others of Bridgton and Harrison;

Petition of John B. Robinson and 73 others of Oxford in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to provide funds for the adequate protection of inland game, and to regulate its transportation by non-residents;"

Resolve for a better enforcement of the game laws, and for the propagation of fish in Maine by establishing a permanent fund;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of Herbert H. Colburn and 104 others of Rockport against any change in the present lobster law,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Ferdinand R. Colburn and 26 other students in Maine preparatory schools that the name of the State College be changed to University of Maine;

Petition of Grace M. Colburn and 22 others in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Petition of C. A. Robinson and 31 others of Corinth against the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Petition of Henry W. Briggs and 11 others of Hudson for same;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Prison,

On motion of Mr. Briggs of Auburn, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas the little daughter of Representative Violette died in this city yesterday,

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of this House be and hereby is extended to Representative Violette and his wife in this, their sad hour of affliction.

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of L. A. Ireland and others of Corinna that the hunting of partridges with dogs be prohibited.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 413 of the Private and Special Laws of 1850 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Hallowell.'"

Mr. FOGLER from same committee, on bill "An Act relating to the waiving of the provisions of a will by a widow and the interest she shall have in the estate of the testator after such waiver," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to waiving the provisions of a will by the widow of the testator and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow of the testator and the interest which the widow shall have in the estate of the testator in such cases."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Sunnyside Cemetery Association."

Mr. PATTANGALL from the Committee on Education on bill "An Act to increase the efficiency of free high schools and equalize the amount of State aid for preparatory schools," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act amending section 28 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 and section 31 of said chapter 11 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to free high schools."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Potter academy of Sebago.

Mr. SAUNDERS from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company."

Mr. TALBOT from the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Mr. MASON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries on petition reported bill "An Act to amend section 7, chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1893."

Mr. PATTEN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on bill "An Act to repeal the close time on mink reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to grant the commissioners of inland fisheries and game authority to destroy mink in and around all fish hatcheries in the State."

Mr. CRAM from the Committee on Claims reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Caribou.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act relating to instruction in the use of tools and in cooking in public schools." House Document No. 153;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act for the better protection of sheep.'" House Document No. 154;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company." House Document No. 156;

Bill "An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock." House Document No. 157;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Company." House Document No. 158;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kingfield Water Company." House Document No. 160;

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of school District No. 5 in the town of Falmouth, and of the trustees of the Crispus

Graves' fund, so called, and to enable said trustees to convey and the inhabitants of said Falmouth to purchase the school building erected out of said fund in said district." House Document No. 161;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company." House Document No. 164;

Bill "An Act to amend section 45, chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes relating to the State prison." House Document No. 165;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Hallowell Water Commissioners." House Document No. 166;

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 594 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company.'" House Document No. 167;

Bill "An Act to authorize the erection of piers and booms in the Mattawamkeag river at the Oxbow." House Document No. 172.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company." House Document No. 177;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Madison Village Corporation to purchase the property and franchises of the Madison Water Company." House Document No. 159,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the bank examiner." House Document No. 168,

Was read once, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read a second time and tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes." House Document No. 171,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. ROUNDS of Paris.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Steamboat Company." House Document No. 173,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. BURRILL of Corinna.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Company." House Document No. 178,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy. House Document No. 149;

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy. House Document No. 150;

Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute. House Document No. 151;

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy. House Document No. 152;

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy. House Document No. 155;

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy. House Document No. 162;

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary. House Document No. 163;

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy. House Document No. 169;

Resolve in favor of building a bridge over the Daigle brook in the town of Van Buren and county of Aroostook. House Document No. 170;

Resolve in favor of aid in blasting ledge in town of Frenchville in Aroostook county. House Document No. 175;

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School. House Document No. 176;

Were severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt ridge road in town of Moscow. House Document No. 174,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 314 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of land for taxes;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Hallowell Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Eastport bridge;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Alonzo Wing Library Association;"

Bill "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the records of deeds of burial lots;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Misery Stream Dam Company;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve authorizing the county of York to procure a loan,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional relating to the Bath municipal court,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act to extend, and additional to, the charter of the Oakland Water Company,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Bill "An Act relating to the Old Town municipal court,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing towns and cities to establish sinking funds;"

Bill "An Act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Private and Special Laws of 1880, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Canton Bridge Company,' "

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December 16, 1892, under the Revised Statutes of Maine, chapter 55, as the Bangor General Hospital, and now named Eastern Maine General Hospital;"

Bill "An Act relating to the extension of time of charter of Bluehill Trust and Banking Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Company and to incorporate the Richmond water commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to organize the plantation of Criehaven;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 224 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee pond and its tributaries;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 356 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to the salary of the treasurer of the county of Waldo;"

Bill "An Act to establish a board of fire commissioners for the city of Auburn;"

Bill "An Act to enable the town of Dexter to establish a system of water works and sewerage;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 550 of the Private Laws of 1889 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Company,' "

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Monson Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to create a lien on spool timber and bars;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 16 of chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to itinerant vendors;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 4 and 6 of chapter 363 of the Special Laws of 1850, relating to the election of city assessors of the city of Belfast;"

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag Hospital;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Orono Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 253 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to intoxicating liquors;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company;"

Resolve in favor of State pension agent expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council;

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1897 and 1898;

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across the Macwahoc stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KALER of Scarborough,

Bill "An Act for the promotion of medical education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in dead human bodies." House Document No. 144.

Was taken from the table.

Pending first reading the bill was retabled on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, March 3, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cummings of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes relating to sales of property deposited in public warehouses on which the charges thereon shall not have been paid,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to extend an act, entitled 'An Act to supply the people of South Gardiner village in the city of Gardiner, with pure water;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 143 of Revised Statutes relating to duties of municipal officers;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 18 of the Public Laws of 1891 and to amend section 5 of chapter 58 of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 125 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the board of agriculture,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Allen Henderson and 33 others of Bluehill in favor of a close time on deer in Long Island for a period of five years;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 and chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to inland fisheries and game;"

Resolve to provide for the building of a hatch house at Caribou and a cottage at Lake Auburn hatchery, and to extinguish the claim of Don H. Powers against the State and to build artificial feeding ponds at the Monmouth hatchery;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company, and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 12,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to chapter 136 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sabattus Water Company.'"

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the public works."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act in relation to the disposition of unclaimed baggage by common carriers."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act relating to the Portland Safe Deposit Company."

Report of the Committee on Education reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf."

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

Remonstrance of Charles L. Weeman and 106 others of Parsonsfield against establishing a polling place at Kezar Falls;

Remonstrance of C. O. Small and 75 others of Madison against amendment of charter of Somerset Traction Company;

Remonstrance of A. J. Bernard and 39 others of Skowhegan;

Remonstrance of Forest Goodwin and 32 others of Skowhegan;

Remonstrance of George A. Shurtleff and 58 others of Skowhegan;

Remonstrance of J. D. Dascombe and 15 others of Skowhegan;

Remonstrance of E. W. Marble and 33 others of Skowhegan against same;

Bill "An Act to enforce the payment of State and county taxes on timber and grass on reserved land in this State;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 146 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to the taxation of collateral inheritances;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 180, Private and Special Laws of 1869 relating to organization of the Protestant Episcopal church of Maine;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the town of York;

Resolve to change the mode of warming the Normal and Training School buildings at Fort Kent;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Alfred Lennox and 8 others in favor of an act to incorporate the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of H. M. Fairbanks and 16 others for change in the insurance laws,

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Ed F. Geyer and 9 others for a close time on clams;

Remonstrance of George F. Wheeler and 44 others against any change in the lobster law;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of D. A. Meaher and 135 others for city charter for Willard in the town of South Portland with accompanying bill,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Remonstrance of Frank Luce and 70 others of New Vineyard against bill for licensing guides;

Petition of M. N. Waldron and 75 others of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Bangor in favor of passage of the cigarette bill;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Military Affairs,

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed,

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the sincere sympathy of this House be extended to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Williams for the great loss they have sustained in the death of their only daughter, which occurred at their home in this city on Monday last.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company reported" that same be referred to the Committee on Interior Waters."

Mr. HOUGHTON from the Committee on Financial Affairs on resolve in favor of the executors of the will of Cyrus Cole reported "that same be referred to the Committee on Claims."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of William M. Cook and others of Casco for incorporation of Green Grove Cemetery Association.

Mr. ROWELL from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Flanders Cemetery Association."

Mr. LONGLEY from the Committee on Interior Waters reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of E. G. Dunn and others of Ashland that Elbridge G. Dunn be given the exclusive right to navigate Portage lake in Aroostook county by steam and electricity.

Mr. DUDLEY from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of John Tinkham and others that aid be granted in building a road in the towns of Starks and Anson.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of James Martin and others to prohibit hunting dogs from running at large in close time.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on Temperance, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the purchase and sale of intoxicating liquors by cities and towns."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Farmington Village corporation.' "

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to chapter 189 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Company.' "

Mr. HAMILTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend sections 7, 9 and 14 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of venires."

Mr. HOUGHTON from the Committee on Financial Affairs on resolve providing for the collection of the necessary data for a history of the Maine troops in the War of the Rebellion, and for the preservation of the regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolve providing for the preservation of the regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine.

Mr. SIMPSON from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick.

Mr. SPEAR from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on petition reported bill "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railroad."

Mr. KALER from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate Southport and Boothbay Harbor Telephone and Telegraph Company."

Mr. SAUNDERS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railroad."

Mr. MURCHIE from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railroad Company granted by chapter 283 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1887," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company."

Mr. CURRIER from the Committee on Banks and Banking reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Company."

Mr. MOORE from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company."

Mr. KING from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company;"

Mr. TOLMAN from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of a road in Dallas plantation.

Mr. HURD from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the town of Cutler for repairs on highways and bridges.

Mr. DICKEY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in aid of the Wiscasset bridge.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in aid of building a bridge over Dickey brook in Frenchville in the county of Aroostook.

Mr. DURGIN from the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition reported bill "An Act to repeal chapter 197 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the water works."

Same gentleman from same committee on bill "An Act to further prevent forest fires and to facilitate the gathering of statistics relative to the amount of inland fish and game killed and taken in the State, and for the further protection of inland fish and game, and for the registration of guides," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act providing for the registration of guides and to aid in the gathering of statistics relative to inland fish and game."

Mr. CUSHMAN from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal the bounty on bears."

Mr. STAPLES from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the shooting of ducks on the Kennebec river and Merrymeeting bay."

Mr. STEVENS from the Committee on Shore Fisheries reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the construction of a weir in tide waters on Sheep's Cove ledge in Pen-namaquan river, in Pembroke, county of Washington."

Mr. LINCOLN from the Committee on Claims reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolves in favor of the city of Calais.

Mr. SHAW from the Committee on Pensions, on resolves in favor of the Maine Relief Corps Home reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolves in favor of the Soldiers Home in Maine.

Mr. WILSON from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. TOLMAN from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. TOLMAN of Carroll, rules were suspended, the resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Mr. WHITING from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in aid of building a bridge across Mattawamkeag river in the town of Haynesville, county of Aroostook.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. BITHER of Linneus, rules were suspended, the resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company." House Document No. 181;

Bill "An Act to grant the commissioners of inland fisheries and game authority to destroy mink in and around all fish hatcheries in the State." House Document No. 182;

Bill "An Act to amend section 7, chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1893." House Document No. 183;

Bill "An Act relating to the waiving the provisions of a will by the widow of the testator and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow of the testator and the interest which the widow shall have in the estate of the testator in such cases." House Document No. 185;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. House Document No. 179.

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of the town of Caribou. House Document No. 180.

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

Resolve in favor of Potter academy of Sebago. House Document 184.

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act for the better protection of sheep;'"

Bill "An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kingfield Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of school district No. 5 in the town of Falmouth, and of the trustees of the Crispus Graves' fund, so called, and to enable said trustees to convey and the inhabitants of said Falmouth to purchase the school building erected out of said fund in said district;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 45, chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State prison;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Hallowell Water Commissioners;"

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 594 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company;'"

Bill "An Act to authorize the erection of piers and booms in the Mattawamkeag river at the Oxbow;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to instruction in the use of tools and in cooking in public schools,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary;

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of Josiah T. McClellan of Gorham;

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School;

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Mattawamkeag, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the organization of the Washington County Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for ways;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Company,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the New York Machine Company, and to enable it to aid in the construction of railroad tracks,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Prison;

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narragagus river in the town of Milbridge;

Resolve in favor of Simon B. Gates;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of George M. Coombs,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. SPEAR of Rockland.

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of the Gorham State Normal School,

Was reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BURRILL of Corinna,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Steamboat Company,"

Was taken from the table, recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Bill "An Act to authorize the Madison Village Corporation to purchase the property and franchises of the Madison Water Company,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time, under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the bank examiner,"

Was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,
Bill "An Act to extend, and additional to, the charter of the Oakland Water Company,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,
Bill "An Act authorizing the Governor and Council to execute a contract for water for the Maine State Prison,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, moved that the bill and amendment be laid on the table and Friday next, assigned for its consideration. The motion was lost on a viva voce vote. On the question of adopting House amendment "A" a viva voce vote being doubted Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, called for the yeas and nays which the House refused to order. The amendment was then rejected by a vote on division 15 to 57.

Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston, moved that the bill be laid on the table. The motion was lost. The bill then passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY of Brookton,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, March 4, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wyman of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

“An Act to create a lien on leather;”

“An Act to regulate the taking of eels and white fish;”

“An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Lincoln;”

“An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 179 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to libels for divorce;”

Was read in concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. M. Lawrence of Lubec against the establishment of Eastport municipal court;

Remonstrance of M. F. Thompson and others of Lubec against same;

Bill “An Act to legalize the doings of the county commissioners of Aroostook county in making temporary loans and creating a sinking fund, and to authorize said county to borrow money and to issue bonds;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 11, chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to clerks of corporations;”

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting “legislation inexpedient” on order to inquire into the expediency of such legislation as will render women eligible to election as overseers of the poor in the towns of this State.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to preserve the purity of public water supplies."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of White Brothers and others for amendment of charter of the Baskahegan Dam Company.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to authorizing county commissioners to lay out railroads for temporary purposes in unincorporated townships.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308, of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, as amended by section 1, chapter 232 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, February 25, as amended by House amendment "A."

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill further amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, and Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, the bill was tabled.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Water Company."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of police officers of the city of Portland upon half pay."

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

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Bluehill Academy.

Report of same committee, reporting same on resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary of Parsonsfield, Me.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Trust and Banking Company."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act for the protection of beaver."

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

Remonstrance of Howard Frost and 2 others of Sanford against establishment of the Sanford municipal court;

Bill "An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the mortgaging of ward's estate by guardians;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to regulate the use of bicycles,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 112 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 37 of the Public Laws of 1891 and by chapter 121 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to normal schools and the Madawaska Training School;"

Resolve in favor of the town of Topsfield;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Fred C. Hale and 51 others of New Sharon for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of Alvah Mallett and 37 others of Topsham;

Petition of George Bray and 8 others of Bingham;

Petition of L. P. Newton and 22 others of Andover for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of George M. Barrows and 89 others of Newport against granting the exclusive right to the Nahmakanta Steamboat Company to navigate certain lakes,

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "An Act to provide additional close time for fishing,"

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of S. D. Davis and 52 others against any change in the present lobster law,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of the students of Hampden Academy and others that the name of the State College be changed to the University of Maine,

Was referred to the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Petition of John B. Pike and 24 others in favor of prohibiting the sale of cigarettes;

Petition of Charles E. Dow and 48 others of Mapleton, in favor of same;

Resolutions of the Bangor Women's Temperance Union in relation to the manufacture and sale of cigarettes;

Remonstrance of W. H. Weston and 24 other members of Russell Post, G. A. R., Skowhegan, against appropriation in favor of Soldiers' Home at Newport;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subjects.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to Representative Levensaler of Thomaston for five days.

On motion of Mr. MITCHELL of Newfield,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Mr. WHELDEN from the Committee on Taxation, on "petition of F. G. Coffin and others for additional aid for public schools and to reduce the sum to be raised by towns for the same," reported "that the same be referred to the Committee on Education."

Mr. BRITTON from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "An Act providing for a topographic survey and map of Maine," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Union and Warren Electric Light and Power Company."

Mr. ROWELL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to establish a commission of public works in the city of Deering."

Mr. GILMAN from the Committee on Education, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to change the names of the normal and training schools of the State."

Mr. MURCHIE from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "legislation inexpedient" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 51, Revised Statutes, for the transportation of bicycles."

Mr. YOUNG from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to abate taxes on the west half of township number 4, range 5, west of Kennebec river in Somerset county."

Mr. PATTEN from the Committee on Library, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve relating to a loan of State reports to the town of Monson.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition reported bill "An Act relating to the April term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Aroostook."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development and Manufacturing Company," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company."

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act granting additional powers to the Long Pond Water Company, incorporated under chapter 524 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885."

Mr. WALTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to permit the Good Will Home Association to increase its capital and to enlarge its purpose to include aid for needy girls."

Mr. HILL from same committee on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund

for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine as found in chapter 229 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, and as amended by chapter 311 of the Private and Special Laws of 1864 and further amended by chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1880 and further amended by chapter 106 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895,' " reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend chapter 229 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, entitled 'An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine as amended by chapter 311 of the Laws of 1864 as amended by chapter 214 of the Laws of 1880 and as amended by chapter 106 of the Laws of 1895.' "

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Mr. KALER from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company.' "

Mr. SAUNDERS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railroad Company."

Mr. KALER from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway."

Mr. MACOMBER from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend an act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company."

Mr. SPEAR from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company."

Mr. POPE from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 26 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the taxation of certain plantations."

Same gentleman from the Committee on Manufactures, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company."

Mr. FOGG from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Mr. MASON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on petition reported bill "An Act relating to the taking of alewives in Bagaduce river and Walker's pond."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 413 of the Private and Special Laws of 1850, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Hallowell.'" House Document No. 186;

Bill "An Act amending section 28 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, and section 31 of said chapter 11 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to free high schools." House Document No. 187;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company." House Document No. 188;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sunny Side Cemetery Association." House Document No. 189;

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 189 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Company.'" House Document No. 190;

Bill "An Act to amend an act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation.'" House Document No. 194;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to repeal the bounty on bears." House Document No. 195,

Pending first reading the bill was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. WHEELER of Gilead, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine. House Document No. 191;

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick. House Document No. 192;

Resolve providing for the preservation of the regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office. House Document No. 193;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company;"

Bill "An Act to grant the commissioners of inland fisheries and game authority to destroy mink in and around all fish hatcheries in the State;"

Bill "An Act relating to waiving the provisions of a will by the widow of the testator and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow of the testator and the interest which the widow shall have in the estate of the testator in such cases;"

Were reported from Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 7, chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1893,"

Was reported from same committee, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Safe Deposit Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 136 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sabattus Water Company;'"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Public Works;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act in relation to the disposition of unclaimed baggage by common carriers,"

Was reported from same committee, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the Old Town municipal court;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Governor and Council to execute a contract for water for the Maine State prison;"

Resolve in favor of Lincoln plantation, No. 5, range 2, Oxford county;

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Prison;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine,

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the resolve was retabled and Thursday, March 11, assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Brunswick,

Bill "An Act granting Susan S. B. Spring the right to maintain a dam at its present height at or near the Lower Narrows, so called at West Harpswell, in the town of Harpswell, for the purpose of retaining so much of the tide water as is necessary for the culture of fish,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman the bill was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of same gentleman,

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians,

Was taken from the table, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act relating to the use of compressed air for power,"

Was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROUNDS of Paris,

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,"

Was taken from the table, and read once.

Mr. KING of Caribou, moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Upon this question the House ordered the yeas and nays and the motion was lost by a vote of 15 yeas to 106 nays.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Austin,	Hancock,	Pattangall,
Burns,	Kaler,	Peirce,
Burrill,	King,	Prince,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Merrill, Portland,	Rodick,
Guernsey,	Newcomb,	Shepard—15.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Ayer,	Blanchard,
Andrews,	Bither,	Boynton,

Briggs,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Palmer,
Britton,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Patten,
Brown,	Hathorn,	Pearl,
Burnham,	Hill,	Penley,
Burse,	Holbrook,	Philbrook,
Burton,	Holmes,	Pope,
Chandler,	Houghton,	Pratt,
Chatto,	Hurd,	Purinton,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Hussey,	Reed,
Conant,	Hutchins,	Rounds,
Cook,	Hutchinson,	Rowell, Kittery,
Cox,	Jewell,	Sanborn,
Cram,	Jones,	Saunders,
Currier,	Kinsman,	Sawyer,
Cushman,	Kneeland,	Searls,
Day,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Shaw, Saco,
Dickey,	Lane,	Smith, Hampden,
Dudley,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Smith, Masardis,
Durgin,	Lincoln,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Edmunds,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Spear,
Fernald, Levant,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Staples,
Floyd,	Longley,	Stevens,
Fogg,	Luce,	Talbot,
Fogler,	Macomber,	Tarbell,
Forest,	Martin,	Thurston,
Fuller,	Mason,	Tolman,
Furbush,	Maxwell,	Walton,
Gagnon,	McIntire,	Wheeler,
Gardner,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Whiting,
Garvin,	Mitchell,	Winslow,
Golder,	Moore, Deering,	York,
Goodrich,	Moore, Moscow,	Young—106.
Goodwin,	Murchie,	
Gowell,	Murphy,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Daggett,	Gilman,	Levensaler,
Davis,	Greenleaf,	Littlefield, Belfast,
Donnell,	Hathaway,	Maxcy,
Fernald, Poland,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Murray,

Noble,	Shaw, Cumberland,	Violette,
O'Neil,	Simpson,	Weeks,
Plummer,	Starbird,	Whelden,
Robinson,	Stetson,	Williams,
Rowell, E. Liver're,	Thompson,	Wilson—29.
Sewall,	Thurlow,	

Mr. MERRILL of Portland, offered House amendment "A" and moved that when the vote be taken upon its adoption it be taken by yeas and nays. The motion prevailed and the amendment was rejected by a vote of 42 to 79.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Austin,	Golder,	Murchie,
Ayer,	Gowell,	Newcomb,
Burrill,	Guernsey,	Pattangall,
Chatto,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Peirce,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Hutchins,	Prince,
Conant,	Kaler,	Rodick,
Cram,	King,	Sanborn,
Currier,	Kinsman,	Searls,
Cushman,	Lane,	Shaw, Saco,
Dudley,	Longley,	Stevens,
Fernald, Levant,	Luce,	Whiting,
Furbush,	Maxwell,	Winslow,
Gagnon,	Merrill, Portland,	York.
Gardner,	Moore, Moscow,	Young—42.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Coffin, Thorndike,	Garvin,
Andrews,	Cook,	Goodrich,
Bither,	Cox,	Goodwin,
Blanchard,	Day,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,
Boynton,	Dickey,	Hancock,
Briggs,	Durgin,	Hathorn,
Britton,	Edmunds,	Hill,
Brown,	Floyd,	Holbrook,
Burnham,	Fogg,	Holmes,
Burns,	Fogler,	Houghton,
Burton,	Forest,	Hurd,
Chandler,	Fuller,	Hussey,

Hutchinson,	Moore, Deering,	Shepard,
Jewell,	Murphy,	Smith, Hampden,
Jones,	Palmer,	Smith, Masardis,
Kneeland,	Patten,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Knowlton, Portla'd,	Pearl,	Spear,
Larrabee, Sebago,	Penley,	Staples,
Lincoln,	Philbrook,	Talbot,
Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Pope,	Tarbell,
Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Pratt,	Thurston,
Macomber,	Purinton,	Tolman,
Martin,	Reed,	Walton,
Mason,	Rounds,	Wheeler,
McIntire,	Rowell, Kittery,	Wilson—79.
Merrill, Bluehill,	Saunders,	
Mitchell,	Sawyer,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Burse,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Simpson,
Daggett,	Maxcy,	Starbird,
Davis,	Murray,	Stetson,
Donnell,	Noble,	Thompson,
Fernald, Poland,	O'Neil,	Thurlow,
Gilman,	Plummer,	Violette,
Greenleaf,	Robinson,	Weeks,
Hathaway,	Rowell, E. Liver're,	Whelden,
Knowlton, Newb'g,	Sewall,	Williams—29.
Levensaler,	Shaw, Cumberland,	

The bill was then read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. WINSLOW of Portland,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, March 5, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Snyder of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act authorizing towns and cities to establish sinking funds;"

"An Act to create a lien on spool timber and bars;"

"An Act to amend section 16 of chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to itinerant vendors;"

"An Act to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 356 of the Public Laws of 1885 relating to the salary of the treasurer of the county of Waldo;"

"An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 253 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to intoxicating liquors;"

Was read in concurrence.

Communication from same transmitting the fortieth annual report of the bank examiner,

Was read and report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 297 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of L. C. Bridgham and 15 others of Minot in favor of school tax bill;

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and 216 of the Public Laws of 1893;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of A. T. Stevens of Bluehill and 18 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of A. T. Ritchie of Monroe and 10 others;

Petition of B. P. Stuart of Belgrade and 26 others;

Petition of W. S. Davis of Woodstock and 50 others;

Petition of L. P. Newton of Andover and 28 others for same;

Petition of S. L. Plummer of Sweden and 22 others for the enactment of a law requiring the inspection of grass seed;

Petition of Fred C. Hale of New Sharon and 57 others;

Petition of W. S. Davis of Woodstock and 51 others;

Petition of E. E. Edgerly of Princeton and 29 others;

Petition of Alvah Mallett of Topsham and 36 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in relation to the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Adelbert B. Norton and others of Jonesport for a change in the lobster law allowing the catching of lobsters in Washington county from April 15 to July 1 of nine inches in length and over;

Petition of Nathaniel C. Beal and 69 others of Jonesport;

Petition of C. W. Falkingham and 63 others of Jonesport for same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances of burial lots in trust, and to provide for recording such conveyances,"

Referred in the House March 2 to the Committee on Legal Affairs,

Came from the Senate, ordered placed on file in non-concurrence.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Company to lower the waters of Noyes pond, in the town of Bluehill, during certain months in the year."

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 15.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendments "A" and "B" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendments "A" and "B" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the Hallowell Water Company."

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 2.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company."

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 3.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of State pension agent expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council.

Which was finally passed in the House March 2.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The votes whereby the resolve was finally passed and engrossed were reconsidered. Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and resolve tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads reporting legislation inexpedient on resolve in favor of Oliver Moulton of Randolph, Maine.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of members of Penobscot tribe of Indians for an amendment to chapter 26 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the adoption of members into said tribe.

Report of same committee reporting same on petition of Catherine Glassian and Sudic Johnson members of Penobscot tribe of Indians to grant the full ownership of certain real estate in the reservation of said tribe.

Report of the Committee on Taxation reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the exemption of property of widows from taxation."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 94 of Public Laws of 1891, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 94 of Public Laws of 1891 relating to election of members of board of agriculture."

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

Petition of G. S. Pendleton of Warren and 28 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of E. A. Lapham of Pittston and 45 others;

Petition of E. E. Edgerly of Princeton and 29 others;

Petition of S. L. Plummer of Sweden and 22 others for same;

Petition of A. P. Ritchie of Monroe and 10 others for the enactment of a law requiring the inspection of grass seed;

Petition of A. T. Stevens of Bluehill and 20 others;

Petition of C. F. Sanborn of Parsonsfield and 29 others;

Petition of Miles Pease of Belmont and 21 others;

Petition of B. P. Stuart of Belgrade and 27 others for same;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893 entitled 'An Act for the better protection of sheep;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of John R. McDonald and 27 others of Addison in favor of the present lobster law;

Remonstrance of Herbert Huckins and 50 others of Milbridge against any change in the lobster law;

Remonstrance of F. W. Collins and 77 others of Rockland;

Remonstrance of A. L. Guptill and 129 others of Rockland;

Remonstrance of C. E. Weeks and 18 others of Rockland;

Remonstrance of Ralph R. Ulmer and 38 others of Rockland against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the county attorney of Hancock county,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of Charles H. Sullivan and 199 others of Whitneyville in favor of the passage of the cigarette bill,

Was ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the necessity of amending section 113 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes so as to make the railroad commissioners elective instead of appointive, and also to provide an appeal from their decision to the supreme judicial court, and report by bill or otherwise.

These petitions, bills and order were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to Monday, March 8 at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes relative to scire facias on trustee process."

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to abolish days of grace and fix the date of maturity on notes, drafts and other evidences of indebtedness," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to establish bank holidays, and to abolish days of grace on commercial paper."

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Ashland Water Company."

Mr. FLOYD from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to secure the better observance of the Lord's day."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor."

Mr. PATTANGALL from the Committee on Education on bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports and to account for receipts and expenditures to the trustees of the State Normal Schools, said reports to be published as a part of the annual report of the State superintendent of public schools, on penalty of forfeiting such aid," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports to the State superintendent of public schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended

relating to public schools," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act additional to section 104, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to the duties of the State superintendent of schools."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended relating to public schools" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to text books, school apparatus and repairs on school buildings."

Same gentleman from same committee on bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended relating to the public schools" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended relating to public schools," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act repealing section 87, chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883 and acts amendatory thereto, and substituting therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the manner of electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school committees."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School.

Mr. GOWELL from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended relating to the public schools" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended, relating to election, qualifications and compensation of school committees."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes, as now amended, relating to the public schools," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act additional to section 88 of chapter 11 of the

Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to returns of town superintendents."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend certain sections of the Revised Statutes as now amended relating to the public schools," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 102, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to the title of State superintendent of schools."

Mr. SPEAR from the Committee of Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company, and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters."

Mr. PATTEN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 260 of Public Laws of 1885 and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof."

Mr. RODICK from the Committee on Shore Fisheries on bill "An Act to regulate the packing, marking and sale of domestic sardines," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway." House Document No. 202;

Bill "An Act to incorporate Southport and Boothbay Harbor Telephone and Telegraph Company." House Document No. 203;

Bill "An Act to regulate the shooting of ducks on the Kennebec river and Merrymeeting bay." House Document No. 204;

Bill "An Act to authorize the construction of a wier in tide waters on Sheep's Cove Ledge, in Pennamaquan river, in Pembroke, county of Washington." House Document No. 205;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 7, 9 and 14 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of venires." House Document No. 207;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Machias Dam and Improvement Company." House Document No. 210;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company." House Document No. 211,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway." House Document No. 212;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Company." House Document No. 216;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the water works dam at Bangor." House Document No. 208,

Was read twice and Thursday next assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin." House Document No. 196,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton.

Bill "An Act providing for the registration of guides and to aid in gathering statistics relative to inland fish and game." House Document No. 197,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company." House Document No. 201,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 197 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895." House Document No. 209,

Pending first reading, on motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler, for repairs on highways and bridges. House Document No. 198;

Resolve in favor of a road in Dallas plantation. House Document No. 199;

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation. House Document No. 200;

Resolve in favor of the city of Calais. House Document No. 206;

Resolve in aid of the Wiscasset bridge. House Document No. 213;

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Dickey brook in Frenchville in the county of Aroostook. House Document No. 215;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolves in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Maine. House Document No. 214,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. ROUNDS of Paris, and Thursday, March 11, assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 413 of the Private and Special Laws of 1850 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Hallowell;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sunnyside Cemetery Association;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 189 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Company;'"

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation;'"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, were severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,"

Was reported from same committee, and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act amending section 28 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 and section 31 of said chapter 11 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to free high schools,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of police officers of the city of Portland upon half pay;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Trust and Banking Company;"

Bill "An Act for the protection of beaver;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to change the name of the Alonzo Wing Library Association;"

Bill "An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company, and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Company;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots;"

Bill "An Act relating to the organization of the Washington County Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize Frederick A. Staples to build and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Piscataqua river in the town of Eliot, county of York;"

Bill "An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for ways;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 314 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of land for taxes;"

Bill "An Act for the better protection of girls;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 136 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sabattus Water Company;'"

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge;

Resolve in favor of Simon B. Gates;

Resolve in favor of Maine State Prison;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, Wednesday, March 10, was assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Company,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time, under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the New York Machine Company, and to enable it to aid in the construction of railroad tracks,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
MONDAY, March 8, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

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

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the ninth report of the State board of health.

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 22 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1896, relating to the election of truant officers by the superintending school committee;"

Resolve in favor of the Maine Pedagogical Society;

Resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents;

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of E. A. Lapham of Pittston and 50 others for the enactment of a law requiring the inspection of grass seed;

Petition of C. W. Adams of Wilton and 83 others;

Petition of Allen Carter of Hampden and 15 others;

Petition of G. S. Pendleton of Warren and 24 others for same;

Petition of Miles Pease of Belmont and 21 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of H. W. Hammond of Hampden and 15 others;

Resolutions from Pomona Grange of Oxford county for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 171 of the Private and Special Laws of 1872, of chapter 137 of Private and Special Laws of 1866, of chapter 569 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, of chapter 161 of Private and Special Laws of 1895, of chapter 55 of Private and Special Laws of 1887, of chapter 266 of Private and Special Laws of 1895, of chapter 142 of Private and Special Laws of 1887, of chapter 183 of Private and Special Laws of 1887, of chapter 46 of Private and Special Laws of 1878, of chapter 347 of Private and Special Laws of 1877, of chapter 261 of Private and Special Laws of 1849, of chapter 574 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and other obsolete laws relating to close time for fishing on the public waters of the State,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School,

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 3.

Came from the Senate, recommitted to the Committee on State Reform School.

The vote whereby the resolve passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and the resolve recommitted to the Committee on State Reform School in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 69 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the discharge of mortgages of real estate."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 16, chapter 24 of Revised Statutes, relating to paupers."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of F. F. Caswell and others that the dumping of saw dust and other refuse matter in Gilman Pond stream and its tributaries be prohibited.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act regulating the shearing of sheep."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 47 of chapter 38 of Revised Statutes as amended by section 2 of chapter 255 of Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of milk."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of F. L. Walker and others for removal of close time on bass in Thompson's pond.

Report of same committee, reporting same on petition of E. Witham and others of Madison for an amendment to the law relating to the killing of bears.

Report of same committee, on report of the commissioners of inland fish and game reporting that "same be accepted."

Report of same committee on report of the forest commissioner reporting that "same be accepted."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act granting a new charter to the city of Portland."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 69 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, relating to auditors."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 89 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to corporations."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long island."

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

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of making necessary repairs in the Senate Chamber of the State capitol.

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

Bill "An Act to incorporate the new city hall commission of Waterville, under the name of the City Hall Commission,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Resolutions of South Paris board of trade opposing the granting to the Oxford Electric Light Company any special rights not provided for in the general law,

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 59, 60, 61 and 62 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of insurance companies;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to inspection of buildings;"

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Thomas E. Mead of Bridgton and 44 others for the enactment of a law requiring the inspection of grass seed;

Petition of Franklin Pugsley of Cornish and 24 others;

Petition of D. O. Bowen of Morrill and 14 others;

Petition of W. E. Ingersoll of Columbia Falls and 31 others for same;

Petition of C. N. Adams of Wilton and 31 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of D. O. Bowen of Morrill and 14 others;

Petition of Charles E. Wheeler of Chesterville and 20 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Zemro West and 117 others of Milbridge for an amendment to the lobster laws allowing the catching of lobsters in Washington county nine inches in length and over from April 15 to June 15;

Petition of E. A. White and others of Columbia Falls;

Petition of W. J. Fisher and 92 others of Eastport for same;

Remonstrance of I. W. Pierce of Southport and 26 others against any change in the present lobster law;

Remonstrance of Charles Faren and 41 others of Milbridge;
Remonstrance of E. S. Faren and 37 others of Washington county;

Remonstrance of W. B. Thurlow and 56 others of Stonington;

Remonstrance of William S. Stewart and 24 others of Prospect Harbor;

Remonstrance of T. B. Brown and 52 others of Thomaston;

Remonstrance of Fremont Osier and 38 others of Bristol;

Remonstrance of W. A. Henderson and 45 others of Cutler;

Remonstrance of G. P. Colby of Wiscasset and 58 others;

Remonstrance of John O. Shaw and 123 others of Bath;

Remonstrance of E. C. Curtis and 44 others of Camden;

Remonstrance of Louis Gott and 40 others of Tremont against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Protest of Alden Sylvester of Mars Hill, one of the incorporators named in House Document No. 129, against the passage of said bill;

Remonstrance of John M. Ramsey and 107 others against the passage of said bill;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEEKS from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to amend section 194 of chapter 6 of Revised Statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale of real estate for taxes," reported "ought not to pass" because the subject matter is already incorporated in a bill reported to this legislature.

Mr. WILLIAMS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on petition of George W. Stevens and others for a change of by-laws of the Eastern Maine General Hospital, reported that the petition be referred to the trustees of the Eastern Maine General Hospital with the recommendation that they receive careful consideration.

Mr. GREENLEAF from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of F. D. Gross and others of Orland that the law relative to taking fish in Eastern Penobscot river, in said town be repealed.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power."

Mr. CONANT from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 11 and 14, in chapter 58 relating to agricultural societies."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company." House Document No. 217;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 26 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the taxation of certain plantations." House Document No. 218;

Bill "An Act to amend an act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company." House Document No. 219;

Bill "An Act to permit the Good Will Home Association to increase its capital and to enlarge its purpose to include aid for needy girls." House Document No. 220;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 229 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, entitled 'An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine,'" as amended by chapter 311 of the laws of 1864, as amended by chapter 214 of the laws of 1880, and as amended by chapter 106 of the laws of 1895. House Document No. 221;

Bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls." House Document No. 222;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway." House Document No. 223;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company." House Document No. 224;

Bill "An Act granting additional powers to the Long Pond Water Company," incorporated under chapter 524 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885. House Document No. 226;

Bill "An Act relating to the taking of alewives in Bagaduce river and Walker's pond." House Document No. 228;

Bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company." House Document No. 229;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company.'" House Document No. 230;

Bill "An Act relating to the April term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Aroostook." House Document No. 231;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company." House Document No. 232;

Bill "An Act to secure the better observance of the Lord's day." House Document No. 233;

Bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make report to the State superintendent of public schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report." House Document No. 234;

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 260 of Public Laws of 1885 and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof." House Document No. 239;

Bill "An Act additional to section 88 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended relating to returns of town superintendents." House Document No. 241;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor." House Document No. 243;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to establish bank holidays, and to abolish days of grace on commercial paper." House Document No. 235;

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta and Friday, March 12, assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act additional to section 104, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended, relating to the duties of the State superintendent of schools." House Document No. 236,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to text books, school apparatus and repairs on school buildings." House Document No. 237,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot.

Bill "An Act to amend section 102, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to the title of State superintendent of schools." House Document No. 238,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines." House Document No. 242,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ashland Water Company." House Document No. 244,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Masardis.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company, and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters." House Document No. 245;

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to election, qualification, and compensation of school committees." House Document No. 246,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children." House Document No. 247,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. MARTIN of Liberty.

Bill "An Act repealing section 87, chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883 and acts amendatory thereto, and substituting therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the manner electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school committees and school superintendents." House Document No. 248,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum. House Document No. 225,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of Maine Industrial School for Girls. House Document No. 237,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School. House Document No. 240,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the shooting of ducks on the Kennebec river and Merrymeeting bay;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the construction of a wier in tide waters on Sheep's Cove Ledge in Pennamaquan river, in Pembroke, county of Washington;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Company;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the third reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate Southport and Boothbay Harbor Telegraph and Telephone Company,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. KALER of Scarborough.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 7, 9 and 14 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of venires,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed.

Subsequently on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and bill tabled.

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 94 of Public Laws of 1891, relating to elections of members of board of agriculture,"

Was reported from same committee read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, the bill was retabled.

On motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea.

Bill "An Act amending section 28 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, and section 31 of said chapter 11 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to free high schools,"

Was taken from the table and Friday, March 12, assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Bill "An Act providing for the registration of guides and to aid in the gathering of statistics relative to inland fish and game,"

Was taken from the table and read twice.

Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption and third reading of bill both bill and amendment were tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, and Thursday, March 11, was assigned for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Resolve to repair The Forks bridge in the The Forks plantation, Somerset county,

Was taken from the table, read the second time and passed to be engrossed.

Subsequently Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the resolve passed to be engrossed. The motion was lost and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, March 9, 1897.

Met according to adjournment. •

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Leach of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of Edwin Riley and 190 others of East Livermore in favor of incorporation of East Livermore Electric Light and Power Company,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the necessity of amending section 113 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes so as to make the railroad commissioners elective instead of appointive, and also to provide an appeal from their decisions to the supreme judicial court, and report by bill or otherwise.

Which was passed in the House March 5.

Came from the Senate amended by striking out the words Committee on Legal Affairs and inserting therein the words Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Pending reconsideration of vote giving the order a passage the order was tabled on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton.

Petition of W. H. Farrar of Ripley and 36 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of W. E. Ingersoll of Columbia Falls and 38 others;

Petition of W. F. Weymouth of New Portland and 44 others;

Petition of Thomas E. Mead of Bridgton and 46 others for same;

Petition of John Magee of Columbia Falls and 33 others for the enactment of a law requiring an inspection of grass seed;

Petition of Charles E. Wheeler of Chesterville and 13 others;

Petition of H. P. Marr of Swanville and 21 others;

Petition of E. R. Wentworth of Knox and 26 others;

Petition of Samuel W. Tinkham of Anson and 32 others;

Petition of L. G. Keyes and 26 others of North Jay for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of George F. Kavanaugh and 131 others against the passage of section 44 of Senate bill No. 76 as follows: It shall be unlawful to use in hunting for or shooting any moose or deer, any metal patched or metal cased bullets,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of A. C. Phinney and 50 others for an amendment to the lobster law allowing the catching of lobsters to a limited length of nine inches in the county of Washington, from April 15 to June 15,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide that all general hospitals receiving aid from the State of Maine shall be obliged to have at least one homeopathic physician on its medical staff; one homeopathic surgeon on its surgical staff and one homeopathic physician and surgeon on its staff of consulting physicians and surgeons.

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lincoln County Historical Society."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to authorize towns to appoint special committees for special purposes."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize and confirm the issue of preferred stock by the Poland Paper Company."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act additional to chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes relating to limitation of real actions and rights of entry."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition reporting bill "An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the terms of the county commissioners court for the county of Lincoln."

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

Report of the Committee on Education reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Freedom Academy.

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

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 485 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 52 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the charter of the Pemaquid, Damariscotta and Newcastle Railroad Company."

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 107 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to attachments,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 237 of the Public Laws of 1889, and amendments thereof, relating to assessment insurance companies, associations or corporations,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of E. R. Wentworth of Knox and 26 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of F. S. Philbrick of West Rockport and 17 others;

Petition of C. S. Adams of South Montville and 21 others;

Petition of W. L. Daggett of Strong and 72 others;

Petition of H. F. Gould of Kenduskeag and 22 others for same;

Petition of John M. Drury and 14 others for the enactment of a law requiring an inspection of grass seed;

Petition of J. W. Walker of Alna and 19 others;

Petition of M. A. Will of Strong and 74 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Resolve in aid of the Maine Gettysburg Commission,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Remonstrance of M. F. Trefethen and 88 others of Portland against any change in the lobster law;

Remonstrance of John L. Dyer and 52 others of South Portland;

Remonstrance of F. E. Burkett and 43 others of Union;

Remonstrance of John H. Stacy and 36 others of Popham Beach;

Remonstrance of B. F. Woodbury and 28 others of Harpswell, against same;

Petition of Martin B. Hamilton and 46 others for a close time on clams;

Petition of Walter E. Tinkham and 31 others of Harpswell for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Resolutions of Penobscot County Pomona Grange in favor of the appropriation for State College;

Petition of J. W. Stewart and 48 others in favor of the passage of the cigarette bill;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject.

These petitions were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WINSLOW of Portland,

Ordered, That L. K. Gardner be excused from further attendance at this session on and after the 15th on account of sickness in his family, and that the clerk be instructed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes relating to mortgages of personal property."

Mr. CUSHMAN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of Franklin county for the propagation of fish and more efficient warden service.

Mr. RODICK from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of A. S. Condon and others of Brooksville for the enactment of a law prohibiting the taking of migratory fish with seines in the waters of Penobscot bay.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to ways."

Mr. CONANT from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition reported bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and commodious public travel."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 26 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the taxation of certain plantations;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act to permit the Good Will Home Association to increase its capital and to enlarge its purpose to include aid for needy girls;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 229 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, entitled 'An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine,' as amended by chapter 311 of the laws of 1864, as amended by chapter 214 of the laws of 1880, and as amended by chapter 106 of the laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act granting additional powers to the Long Pond Water Company, incorporated under chapter 524 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885;"

Bill "An Act relating to the taking of alewives in Bagaduce river and Walker's pond;"

Bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company;' "

Bill "An Act relating to the April term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Aroostook;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company;"

Bill "An Act to secure the better observance of the Lord's day;"

Bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make report to the State superintendent of public

schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 260 of Public Laws of 1885 and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke.

Bill "An Act additional to section 88 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to returns of town superintendents,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. DURGIN of Orono.

Bill "An Act to amend section 69 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, relating to auditors;"

Bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long island;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 89 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to corporations;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act granting a new charter to the city of Portland,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering.

Bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of police officers of the city of Portland on half pay;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Eastport bridge;"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the public works;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Misery Stream Dam Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Safe Deposit Company;"

Bill "An Act for the protection of beaver;"

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the bank examiner;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 45, chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Prison;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Company to lower the waters of Noyes pond, in the town of Bluehill, during certain months in the year;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the disposition of unclaimed baggage by common carriers;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Madison Water Company to sell and convey its property and franchises to the Madison Village Corporation;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Trust and Banking Company;"

Bill "An Act to confirm the organization of the New York Machine Company, and to enable it to aid in the construction of railroad tracks;"

Bill "An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the erection of piers and booms in the Mattawamkeag river at the Oxbow;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kingfield Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Hallowell Water Commissioners;"

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary;

Resolve in favor of Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham;

Resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows;

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy;

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Resolve authorizing the county of York to procure a loan;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Military Affairs;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, moved that the resolve take its two several readings.

Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, offered House amendment "A."

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, offered amendment 1 to amendment "A."

(Discussion ensued.)

On the question of adopting amendment 1 to House amendment "A," Mr. JEWELL of Hallowell, called for the yeas and nays which the House ordered, and the amendment was adopted by a vote of 72 to 46.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Andrews,	Coffin, Thorndike,	Fogg,
Austin,	Cushman,	Forest,
Bither,	Dickey,	Furbush,
Briggs,	Dudley,	Gagnon,
Brown,	Durgin,	Gardner,
Burns,	Edmunds,	Golder,
Burrill,	Fernald, Levant,	Goodwin,
Burse,	Fernald, Poland,	Guernsey,
Chandler,	Floyd,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,

Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Mason,	Rodick,
Hathorn,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Rowell, Kittery,
Holmes,	Mitchell,	Saunders,
Houghton,	Murphy,	Shaw, Saco,
Hussey,	Murray,	Smith, Hampden,
Hutchins,	Newcomb,	Smith, Masardis,
Jewell,	Palmer,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Jones,	Patangall,	Spear,
Kaler,	Patten,	Stetson,
Knowlton, Newb'g,	Pearl,	Stevens,
Larrabee, Sebago,	Peirce,	Talbot,
Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Philbrook,	Thurston,
Longley,	Plummer,	Tolman,
Macomber,	Pope,	Wheeler,
Martin,	Reed,	Williams—72.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Hurd,	Sanborn,
Ayer,	Hutchinson,	Sawyer,
Blanchard,	Kinsman,	Searls,
Burton,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Conant,	Levensaler,	Staples,
Cook,	Lincoln,	Starbird,
Cox,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Tarbell,
Currier,	Luce,	Thompson,
Day,	Maxwell,	Walton,
Fuller,	McIntire,	Whelden,
Gilman,	Moore, Deering,	Whiting,
Goodrich,	Moore, Moscow,	Wilson,
Greenleaf,	Prince,	Winslow,
Hancock,	Purinton,	York—46.
Hill,	Robinson,	
Holbrook,	Rounds,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Boynton,	Coffin, Shapleigh,	Donnell,
Britton,	Cram,	Fogler,
Burnham,	Daggett,	Garvin,
Chatto,	Davis,	Gowell,

Hathaway,	Merrill, Portland,	Sewall,
King,	Noble,	Shepard,
Kneeland,	O'Neil,	Simpson,
Lane,	Penley,	Thurlow,
Littlefield, Belfast,	Pratt,	Violette,
Maxcy,	Rowell, E. Liver're,	Young—30.

The following pair was announced:

Mr. Murchie of Calais, yes, with Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, no.

House amendment "A" as amended by House amendment 1 was then adopted and resolve read once.

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, moved that the rules be suspended and the resolve take its second reading and pass to be engrossed.

Mr. HILL of Portland, moved that the resolve be laid on the table.

A vive voce vote being doubted Mr. HILL called for the yeas and nays which were ordered and the motion was lost by a vote of 33 to 74.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ames,	Kinsman,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Ayer,	Levensaler,	Staples,
Blanchard,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Starbird,
Cox,	Luce,	Tarbell,
Currier,	McIntire,	Thompson,
Dudley,	Moore, Deering,	Walton,
Fuller,	Peirce,	Whelden,
Goodrich,	Prince,	Whiting,
Greenleaf,	Purinton,	Wilson,
Hill,	Robinson,	Winslow,
Hutchinson,	Sawyer,	York—33.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Andrews,	Burrill,	Cook,
Austin,	Burton,	Cushman,
Bither,	Chandler,	Day,
Briggs,	Chatto,	Dickey,
Brown,	Coffin, Thorndike,	Durgin,
Burns,	Conant,	Edmunds,

Fernald, Levant,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Plummer,
Fernald, Poland,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Pope,
Floyd,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Rounds,
Forest, .	Lincoln,	Rowell, Kittery,
Furbush,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Sanborn,
Gagnon,	Longley,	Saunders,
Gardner,	Macomber,	Searls,
Gilman,	Martin,	Shaw, Saco,
Golder,	Mason,	Smith, Hampden,
Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Smith, Masardis,
Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Mitchell,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Hathorn,	Murphy,	Stetson,
Holmes,	Murray,	Stevens,
Houghton,	Newcomb,	Talbot,
Hussey,	Palmer,	Thurston,
Hutchins,	Pattangall,	Tolman,
Jewell,	Patten,	Wheeler,
Jones,	Pearl,	Williams—74.
Kaler,	Philbrook,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Boynton,	Guernsey,	O'Neil,
Britton,	Hancock,	Penley,
Burnham,	Hathaway,	Pratt,
Burse,	Holbrook,	Reed,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Hurd,	Rodick,
Cram,	King,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Daggett,	Kneeland,	Sewall,
Davis,	Lane,	Shepard,
Donnell,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Simpson,
Fogg,	Maxcy,	Spear,
Fogler,	Maxwell,	Thurlow,
Garvin,	Merrill, Portland,	Violette,
Goodwin,	Moore, Moscow,	Young—41.
Gowell,	Noble,	

The following pair was announced:

Mr. Murchie of Calais, no, with Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, yes.

The question being on the motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, to suspend the rules and give the resolve its second reading, Mr. HILL of Portland, called for a division and the motion was lost by a vote of 63 to 32, less than two-thirds voting in the affirmative. Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, called for the yeas and nays on this question which the House ordered.

Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, moved to adjourn. The motion was lost by a vote on division 38 to 63.

The motion to suspend the rules and give the resolve its second reading prevailed by a vote of 70 to 33.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ames,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Pattangall,
Andrews,	Hathorn,	Patten,
Bither,	Holmes,	Pearl,
Briggs,	Houghton,	Peirce,
Brown,	Hussey,	Philbrook,
Burns,	Hutchins,	Plummer,
Burrill,	Jewell,	Pope,
Chandler,	Jones,	Reed,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Kaler,	Rounds,
Cook,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Rowell, Kittery,
Cox,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Saunders,
Cushman,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Shaw, Saco,
Dickey,	Lincoln,	Smith, Hampden,
Durgin,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Smith, Masardis,
Edmunds,	Longley,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Fernald, Levant,	Macomber,	Stetson,
Fernald, Poland,	Martin,	Stevens,
Floyd,	Mason,	Talbot,
Fogg,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Thurston,
Furbush,	Mitchell,	Tolman,
Gardner,	Murphy,	Wheeler,
Gilman,	Murray,	Williams—70.
Goodwin,	Newcomb,	
Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Palmer,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ayer,	Kinsman,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Blanchard,	Levensaler,	Staples,
Burse,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Starbird,
Conant,	Luce,	Tarbell,
Currier,	McIntire,	Thompson,
Day,	Moore, Deering,	Walton,
Fuller,	Moore, Moscow,	Whelden,
Goodrich,	Prince,	Whiting,
Greenleaf,	Robinson,	Wilson,
Hill,	Sawyer,	Winslow,
Hutchinson,	Searls,	York—33.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Austin,	Garvin,	Noble,
Boynton,	Golder,	O'Neil,
Britton,	Gowell,	Penley,
Burnham,	Guernsey,	Pratt,
Burton,	Hancock,	Purinton,
Chatto,	Hathaway,	Rodick,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Holbrook,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Cram,	Hurd,	Sanborn,
Daggett,	King,	Sewall,
Davis,	Kneeland,	Shepard,
Donnell,	Lane,	Simpson,
Dudley,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Spear,
Fogler,	Maxcy,	Thurlow,
Forest,	Maxwell,	Violette,
Gagnon,	Merrill, Portland,	Young—45.

The following pair was announced:

Mr. Murchie of Calais, yes, with Mr. Weeks of Fairfield, no.

The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" as amended by House amendment 1 and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Lincoln,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, March 10, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Crosby of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots;"

"An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for ways;"

"An Act for the better protection of girls;"

"An Act additional to chapter 314 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the sale of land for taxes;"

Was read in concurrence.

Remonstrance of S. I. Abbott and 213 others against the passage of any charter to any persons for the purpose of contracting for the erection of a city hall in Waterville,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Horace Sanborn of Norway and 42 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of John M. Drury of Livermore and 12 others;

Petition of Daniel M. Libby of Amity and 21 others;

Petition of B. M. Patten of Topsham and 21 others;

Petition of F. H. Albee and 15 others;

Petition of J. H. Yeaton of Chelsea and 66 others for same;

Petition of F. S. Philbrick of West Rockport and 18 others for the enactment of a law requiring an inspection of grass seed;

Petition of S. H. Goodwin of St. Albans and 21 others;
Petition of W. Boynton of Brownfield and 27 others;
Petition of Perley Bishop of Winthrop and 22 others;
Petition of C. S. Adams of South Montville and 22 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Smith Hopkins and 104 others of Vinalhaven against any change in the lobster law;

Remonstrance of F. E. Libby and 119 others of Vinalhaven;
Remonstrance of W. F. Brown and 87 others of North Haven;
Remonstrance of S. A. Nutt and 31 others of North Haven against same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of G. E. Kimball and 60 others of Pittsfield for an appropriation sufficient to build a Soldiers Home at Newport;

Petition of Walter G. Morrill and 37 others of Pittsfield for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game inquire into the expediency of granting Seward Dill of Phillips, county of Franklin, the right to create and maintain a fish pond, and the said Seward Dill be granted exclusive right to catch, kill or destroy fish in said pond for a term of five years,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 7, chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1893."

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 4, as amended by House amendment "A."

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted and bill further amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered. Pending adoption of Senate amendment "A" the bill

was tabled on motion of Mr. BURTON of Union, and Wednesday March 17 assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of land for non-payment of taxes as amended by chapter 70 of Public Laws of 1895."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to compensation of surviving partners."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill tabled on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland.

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 27, chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 55 of the Public Laws of 1895 entitled 'An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 134 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the fortnightly payment of wages.'"

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act additional relating to Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell."

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum."

Report of the Committee on Library, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the establishment of free libraries in villages and of branch libraries in towns and cities."

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

Report of the Committee on Library, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in relation to the documentary history of the State of Maine.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 255 of the Public Laws of 1885;"

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting for State and city elections;'"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of N. A. Nickerson and 48 others of Orrington for equalization of school tax,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of S. J. Hughes and 75 others of Monson for extension of charter of Skowhegan and Athens Railroad Company,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Gilbert L. Tabbutt of Columbia and 20 others for the enactment of a law requiring an inspection of grass seed;

Petition of Alden Robbins of Appleton and 21 others;

Petition of V. P. DeCoster of Buckfield and 16 others;

Petition of Ira J. Porter of Houlton and 16 others;

Petition of Sherman I. Bean of Jay and 24 others;

Petition of B. M. Patten of Topsham and 21 others;

Petition of H. W. Hammond of Hampden and 15 others;

Petition of Hiram Conforth of Oakland and 17 others;

Petition of Ira Barnes of Lee and 20 others;

Petition of William P. Deane of West Farmington and 18 others;

Petition of Ansel Holway of Skowhegan and 172 others;

Petition of Daniel M. Libby of Amity and 21 others;

Petition of Benjamin Tarbox of Phillips and 45 others;

Petition of E. G. Lovejoy of Medford and 15 others;

Petition of B. F. Foster of Montville and 20 others;

Petition of William H. Moody of Liberty and 35 others;

Petition of W. W. Rose of Canton and 56 others;

Petition of William F. Towne of Monson and 10 others;

Petition of Harrison Farrar of Paris and 33 others;
Petition of J. D. Doyle of Benedicta and 15 others;
Petition of John A. Standish of Eustis and 23 others;
Petition of L. W. Jose of Dexter and 49 others;
Petition of R. Grinnell of Union and 51 others;
Petition of George M. Gordon of Union and 33 others;
Petition of Frank Hart of Willimantic and 14 others;
Petition of W. H. Hatheway of Willimantic and 18 others;
Petition of D. H. Thing of Mount Vernon and 25 others;
Petition of James F. Ford of Auburn and 19 others;
Petition of E. H. Libby of Auburn and 33 others;
Petition of F. L. Brown of Palmyra and 19 others;
Petition of Harrison L. Strout of North Waterboro and 56 others for same;

Petition of Allen Carter of Hampden and 14 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of J. H. Hammond of North Berwick and 27 others;
Petition of W. H. Hatheway of Willimantic and 18 others;
Petition of James A. Kimball of Albany and 17 others;
Petition of Frank Drew of Stowe and 26 others;
Petition of W. H. Payson of Hope and 9 others;
Petition of A. G. Guptill of Washington and 31 others;
Petition of G. R. Hoxcy of Sebec and 30 others;
Petition of C. O. Dill of Phillips and 43 others;
Petition of Perley Bishop of Winthrop and 24 others;
Petition of William P. Deane of West Farmington and 10 others;

Petition of W. Boynton of Brownfield and 26 others;
Petition of M. L. Elwell of Sedgwick and 42 others;
Petition of I. W. Kenneson of Limestone and 31 others;
Petition of D. F. Martin of Mattawamkeag and 25 others;
Petition of F. L. Morang of Eastport and 6 others;

Petition of Seth Mesurvey of Lyman and 15 others;
Petition of H. S. Snell of Vassalboro and 20 others;
Petition of J. O. Butman of Readfield and 37 others;
Petition of H. P. Marr of Swanville and 20 others;
Petition of W. A. Blaisdell of Palmyra and 22 others;
Petition of F. L. Doloff of Mount Vernon and 17 others;
Petition of L. W. Jose of Dexter and 51 others;
Petition of John A. Standish of Eustis and 20 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of A. E. Farnsworth and 60 others of Tremont against any change in the lobster law;

Remonstrance of W. W. Mudgett and 52 others;

Remonstrance of Benjamin F. Hinckley and 60 others of Georgetown;

Remonstrance of Foster Rich and 27 others of Milbridge;

Remonstrance of John Hammond and 24 others of Gouldsboro;

Remonstrance of Fred Pendleton and 68 others of Winter Harbor;

Remonstrance of Seth Webb and 38 others of Oceanville;

Remonstrance of W. S. Trussel and 42 others of Cranberry Isle;

Remonstrance of E. E. Hammond and 14 others of Hancock county;

Remonstrance of C. R. Hupper and 18 others of Knox;

Remonstrance of John A. Beal and 64 others of Jonesport;

Remonstrance of John Burnham and 48 others of Edgecomb against same;

Remonstrance of D. F. Moody and 16 others of Harpswell against being deprived of any rights or privileges in State waters;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries;"

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries;

Were referred to the Committee on Library.

Petition of B. H. Ridley of Jay and 38 others in favor of granting a charter to the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company;

Petition of J. W. Webber of Newport and 124 others for an appropriation sufficient to build a Soldiers' Home at Newport;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education on resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school at Newport which resolve was referred to the legislature from the legislature of 1895, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to establish an additional normal school which was referred to this legislature from the legislature of 1895, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. BURNS from same committee, on bill "An Act to establish an additional normal school" reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the amount of baggage to be carried by railroad corporations for each person purchasing a first-class unlimited ticket."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the liabilities of subscribers to newspapers, periodicals and magazines."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to sale of corporeal personal property."

Mr. STETSON from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Frank L. Noble and others that an appropriation be granted in favor of the Healey Asylum of Lewiston.

Mr. HUTCHINSON from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 26 of chapter 49 of Revised Statutes relating to insurance."

Mr. HUTCHINS from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the salaries of the county commissioners of Franklin county."

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, on report of the industrial school for girls, reported that "same be accepted."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEEKS from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition reported bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Pulp and Paper Company to generate, sell, supply, distribute and transmit electricity for power and heating."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lamoine Beach Water Company."

Mr. KNOWLTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the Georges River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act in relation to the care of convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to establish the Maine Polyclinic."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act authorizing the town of Wayne to raise money to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation."

Same gentleman from same committee, on order reported bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries."

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Portland School for the Deaf.

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 112 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 37 of the Public Laws of 1891 and by chapter 121 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to normal schools and the Madawaska Training School."

Mr. GILMAN from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the town of York.

Mr. HUTCHINSON from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act additional to chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to inspection of buildings."

Mr. TALBOT from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to authorize the insurance commissioner to revoke the license of an insurance agent or broker."

Mr. BRIGGS from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds."

Mr. STEVENS from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river."

Mr. FERNALD from the Committee on Reform School, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

Mr. MACOMBER from the Joint Special Committee, on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light, and power." House Document No. 249;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 11 and 14, in chapter 58, relating to agricultural societies." House Document No. 250;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy;

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute;

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy;

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy;

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary;

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy;

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School;

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick;

Resolve in favor of a road in Dallas plantation;

Resolves in favor of the city of Calais;

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman;

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across Mattawamkeag river in the town of Haynesville, county of Aroostook.

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and were sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of building a bridge over the Daigle brook in the town of Van Buren and county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago;

Resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Me.;

Were reported from same committee, and pending second reading Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, raised the point of order that no statement of facts accompanied these resolves. The Chair sustained the point of order and the resolves were tabled.

Resolve in favor of aid in blasting ledge in town of Frenchville in Aroostook county,

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. MARTIN of Liberty.

Resolve providing for the preservation of the regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office,

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias.

Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler for repairs on highways and bridges.

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford, and Tuesday, March 16, assigned for its further consideration.

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation,

Was reported from same committee, and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

Resolve in aid of the Wiscasset bridge,

Was reported from same committee, and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan.

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Dickey brook in Frenchville in the county of Aroostook,

Was reported from same committee, and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. THURSTON of Appleton.

Bill "An Act to authorize and confirm the issue of preferred stock by the Poland Paper Company;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes, relating to limitation of real actions and rights of entry;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the terms of the county commissioners court for the county of Lincoln;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 485 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, and as amended by chapter 52 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Pemaquid, Damariscotta and New Castle Railroad Company;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Bluehill Academy;

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary of Parsonsfield, Maine;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the Hallowell Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 189 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Company;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 413 of the Private and Special Laws of 1850, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Hallowell;'"

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act for the better protection of sheep;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 94 of Public Laws of 1891, relating to election of members of board of agriculture;"

Bill "An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Under-Wood Company;"

Bill "An Act to grant the commissioners of inland fisheries and game authority to destroy mink in and around all fish hatcheries in the State;"

Bill "An Act relating to the use of compressed air for power;"

Bill "An Act relating to waiving the provisions of a will by the widow of the testator, and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow of the testator, and the interest which the widow shall have in the estate of the testator in such cases;"

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves

finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Bill "An Act to amend section 102, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to the title of State Superintendent of Schools,

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, the vote whereby the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide that all general hospitals receiving aid from the State of Maine shall be obliged to have, at least, one homeopathic physician on its medical staff, one homeopathic surgeon on its surgical staff, and one homeopathic physician and surgeon on its staff of consulting physicians and surgeons," was accepted March 9, was reconsidered and the report tabled.

On motion of Hr. HILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings,"

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 506 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Deering as amended by chapter 439 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 633 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 238 of Private and Special Laws of 1895,'"

Was taken from the table and read once.

Mr. MOORE of Deering, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted. The bill was read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton,
Bill "An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin,"

Was taken from the table, read a second time, and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. KALER of Scarboro,
Bill "An Act to incorporate Southport and Boothbay Harbor Telephone and Telegraph Company,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering,
Bill "An Act granting a new charter to the city of Portland,"
Was taken from the table.

Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted. The bill was read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston,
Bill "An Act additional to section 104, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to the duties of the State Superintendent of Schools,"

Was taken from the table and read a second time.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the bill was retabled.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford,
Resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in town of Moscow,

Was taken from the table recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston,
Resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School,
Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the resolve was retabled and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, as amended by section 1, chapter 232, of the Private and Special Laws of 1891,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was adopted. The bill then passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" and House amendments "A" and "B" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to amend sections 7, 9 and 14 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of venires,"

Was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Resolve in favor of State pension agent expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council,

Was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Resolve in favor of George M. Coombs,

Was taken from the table, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Moloukus stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Bill "An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf,"

Was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act in relation to accidents upon railroads and street railways,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the county commissioners of Aroostook county in making temporary loans and creating a sinking fund, and to authorize said county to borrow money and to issue bonds," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the county of Aroostook to make temporary loans."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, rules were suspended, the bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, March 11, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Fr. Doherty of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum at Bath,

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.'" (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes relating to the inspection of dams and reservoirs,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Andrew B. Cole and 20 others of Norridgewock in favor of the passage of the Wiggin school tax bill,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Osgood F. Smith of Cary and 22 others for the enactment of a law requiring an inspection of grass seed;

Petition of W. R. Tyrell of Linneus and 13 others;

Petition of F. W. Seabury of Parkman and 40 others;

Petition of Alfred B. Nichols of Abbot and 46 others;

Petition of Edwin Royal of South Dover and 18 others;

Petition of G. R. Hoxie of Sebec and 31 others;

Petition of R. H. Libby of Newport and 47 others;

- Petition of H. F. Gould of Kenduskeag and 22 others;
Petition of D. F. Martin of Mattawamkeag and 25 others;
Petition of I. W. Kenneson of Limestone and 30 others;
Petition of William F. Clark of Harpswell and 23 others;
Petition of L. D. Elliott of Rumford and 20 others;
Petition of Seth Meserve of Lyman and 18 others;
Petition of J. P. Longley of Palmyra and 22 others;
Petition of James A. Kimball of Albany and 17 others;
Petition of Augustus Charles of Stow and 25 others;
Petition of Horace Sanborn of Norway and 40 others;
Petition of B. W. Strout of Milbridge and 20 others;
Petition of D. S. Humphrey of Charlotte and 13 others;
Petition of F. L. Morang of Eastport and 6 others;
Petition of L. F. Doloff of Mount Vernon and 17 others;
Petition of J. H. Barton of Windsor and 25 others;
Petition of W. P. Atherton of Hallowell and 17 others;
Petition of J. H. Hammond of North Berwick and 27 others;
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Petition of C. L. Albee of Northfield and 9 others;
Petition of D. H. Thing of Mount Vernon and 35 others;
Petition of Hiram Cornforth of Oakland and 17 others;
Petition of Sherman I. Bean of Jay and 24 others;
Petition of J. P. Cobb of Bowdoinham and 29 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of John F. Young and 29 others of Matinicus Island plantation against any change in the lobster law,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Ordered, The House concurring that the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of the State supporting and maintaining the large bridges and report by bill or otherwise.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to extend, and additional to, the charter of the Oakland Water Company," which passed to be engrossed in the House March 3, as amended by House amendment "A," came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted and bill further amended by Senate amendment "A" and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended by House and Senate amendments "A" passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the effects of prior conveyances of subsequently acquired titles."

Report of the Committee on Education on report of the commission upon the establishment of a new normal school reporting that same be accepted.

The reports were accepted on concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education on bill "An Act to create a State board of examiners of teachers and to define its duties," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to provide for the examination of candidates for positions as teachers in the public schools of the State."

The report was accepted in concurrence, and pending first reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton.

Bill "An Act in regard to the right of exceptions;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the organization of the plantation of Swan's Island;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 54 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company," (received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act relative to powers and duties of town officers;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 116 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the schooling of children in unorganized townships,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of W. H. Emerson of North Newcastle and 5 others for the enactment of a law requiring an inspection of grass seed;

Petition of Ira D. Hilton of Starks and 34 others;

Petition of H. J. Harriman of Bucksport and 28 others;

Petition of George W. Ritchie of Winterport and 20 others;

Petition of E. H. Tobey of Norridgewock and 39 others;

Petition of H. F. Weymouth of New Portland and 53 others;

Petition of S. C. Watson of Oakland and 14 others;

Petition of Sherburn Leighton of Harmony and 47 others;

Petition of W. H. Farrar of Ripley and 34 others;

Petition of J. H. Yeaton of Chelsea and 66 others;

Petition of R. O. Jones of Winslow and 40 others;

Petition of A. L. Gray of North Newport and 27 others;

Petition of Frank Stewart of Northfield and 23 others;

Petition of Albert R. Leavitt of Parsonsfield and 20 others for same;

Petition of E. F. Straw of Parkman and 38 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of Alfred B. Nichols of Abbot and 41 others;

Petition of Bradbury Merrill of South Dover and 17 others;

Petition of C. W. Allen of Freeman and 35 others;

Petition of D. S. Humphrey of Charlotte and 13 others;

Petition of B. F. Cobb of Poland and 20 others;

Petition of D. J. Fisher of Charlotte and 13 others;

Petition of F. M. Haines of Fort Fairfield and 19 others;

Petition of George W. Oliver of Nobleboro and 27 others;

Petition of Osgood F. Smith of Cary and 20 others;

Petition of James F. Bither of Linneus and 25 others;

Petition of Samuel W. Tinkham of Anson and 31 others;

Petition of R. H. Libby of Newport and 43 others;

Petition of D. L. Frost of St. Albans and 28 others;

Petition of W. P. Atherton of Hallowell and 23 others;

Petition of Morrill Wing of Phillips and 53 others;

Petition of William F. Clark of Harpswell and 23 others;

Petition of R. W. Ellis of Embden and 19 others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of J. C. Gilman and 40 others of Ashdale against any change in the lobster law;

Remonstrance of E. T. Meserve and 25 others of Small Point against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of Cloudman Post, No. 100, G. A. R., against passage of resolves in favor of Soldiers' Home in Maine,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Kittery to raise money for the observance of its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary,"

On motion of Mr. ROWELL of Kittery, rules were suspended, the bill given its three several readings and passed to be engrossed.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Dennysville,

Ordered, That R. A. Davis be excused from further attendance at this session on and after the 11th, on account of sickness, and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Majority report of the Committee on Labor reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments."

[Signed]

Messrs. H. C. Sharp,

Olcutt B. Poor, of the Senate.

Messrs. C. E. Edmunds,

H. B. Pratt,

C. S. Witham,

A. J. Ames,

A. H. Burse,

F. H. Purinton, of the House.

Minority report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" on same bill.

[Signed]

Mr. O'Neil, of the House.

Pending acceptance of either report both were tabled, on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act providing for elections with the secret ballot," reported that same be referred to the next legislature.

Mr. PATTANGALL from the Committee on Education on resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school in the

city of Calais, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. JONES from the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of John Ross and others for an act regulating the sale of unmarked and stray logs and providing for the distribution of the proceeds received therefor, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. MURRAY from the Committee on Towns on petition of D. A. Meaher and others that a city charter for Willard in the town of South Portland be granted, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 5 and 20 of chapter 95 of the Revised Statutes in relation to waste and trespass on real estate."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry in the State of Maine."

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition of B. F. Dennison and others relative to all trees and shrubbery except properly cared for ornamental trees, growing within the limits of the streets and highways, reported that the petition be referred back to this House and be placed on file as a bill covering same subject matter has been reported by the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. WALTON from same committee reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 319 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company.'"

Mr. FLOYD from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the re-assessment of taxes in case of irregularity or error in the original assessment."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the disinterment of dead bodies."

Mr. HILL from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the City of Deering Water Company."

Mr. WILLIAMS from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of T. E. Skolfield and others of Harpswell, for a charter for an electric, steam or power railroad.

Mr. JEWELL from the Committee on Interior Waters reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of proprietors of Machias boom for revision and alteration of fees and tolls of Machias boom.

Mr. HANCOCK from the Committee on Towns reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Harrison Davis and others that that part of Elliottsville which was a part of township No. 9, range 9, be set off from Elliottsville plantation.

Mr. LINCOLN from the Committee on Claims reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of William Scott.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on Temperance reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to prohibit the sale of tobacco to minors."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HATHORN from the Committee on Military Affairs reported "ought not to pass" on resolve for repairing the block house at Fort Kent.

The report was accepted.

Sussequently Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent moved to reconsider the vote whereby the report was accepted. The motion was lost by a vote on division 9 to 36. The papers were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HATHAWAY from the Committee on Towns on petition reported bill "An enabling act for the annexation of Deering to Portland."

Pending acceptance the report was tabled on motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 34 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the duties of municipal officers."

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 213, Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company.'"

Mr. SMITH from same committee reported same on bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 29, Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Light and Heat Company.'"

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company."

Mr. FOGLER from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act additional to, and to extend the charter of the Cumberland Illuminating Company."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes relating to indorsement of writs."

Mr. WALTON from same committee reported same on bill "An Act in relation to suits for taxes."

Mr. PATTANGALL from the Committee on Education reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Topsfield.

Mr. MACOMBER from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to chapter 320 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebago Railroad Company.'"

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Towns reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal acts incorporating the town of Maxfield."

Mr. STEVENS from the Committee on Shore Fisheries on bill "An Act repealing chapter 463 of the Private and Special

Laws of 1885, relating to the taking of bass in Winnegance creek," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to repeal chapter 463 of the Special and Private Laws of 1885, relating to the taking of bass in Winnegance creek."

Mr. FOGG from the Committee on Military Affairs reported "ought to pass" on resolve in aid of the Maine Gettysburg commission.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to ways." House Document No. 252;

Bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and commodifying public travel." House Document No. 253;

Bill "An Act in relation to the care of convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence." House Document No. 254;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company." House Document No. 251,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. CURRIER of Farmington.

Bill "An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 102, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883 relating to the title of State superintendent of schools;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the Water Works dam at Bangor;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 11 and 14 in chapter 58, relating to agricultural societies,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 506 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Deering, as amended by chapter 439 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 633 of Private and Special Laws of 1893 and by chapter 238 of Private and Special Laws of 1895,' "

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 27, chapter 91, of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens;"

Bill "An Act additional, relating to Hubbard Free Library at Hallowell;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the establishment of free libraries in villages and of branch libraries in towns and cities;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to the documentary history of the State of Maine,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 55 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to amend section 2, of chapter 134 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the fortnightly payment of wages,' "

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act regulating the costs in municipal, police and trial justice courts;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the shooting of ducks on the Kennebec river and Merrymeeting bay;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sunny Side Cemetery Association;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on Long Island;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 89 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to corporations;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 69 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, relating to auditors;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the construction of a weir in tide waters on Sheep's Cove Ledge, in Pennamaquan river in Pembroke, county of Washington;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland;"

Resolve in favor of George M. Coombs;

Resolve to repair the Forks bridge in The Forks plantation, Somerset county;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine.

Came up as a special assignment.

The resolve was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolves in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Maine,

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. ROUNDS of Paris, moved that the resolves be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, moved that the resolves be laid on the table.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion to table was withdrawn.

On the question of indefinitely postponing the resolves the yeas and nays were ordered on motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor, and the motion prevailed by a vote of 72 to 56.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ames,	Hill,	Newcomb,
Ayer,	Holmes,	Palmer,
Blanchard,	Houghton,	Pattangall,
Boynton,	Hurd,	Patten,
Briggs,	Hussey,	Peirce,
Burnham,	Hutchins,	Penley,
Burns,	Hutchinson,	Plummer,
Burton,	King,	Pope,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Pratt,
Conant,	Lane,	Prince,
Cram,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Purinton,
Currier,	Lincoln,	Reed,
Day,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Robinson,
Dickey,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Rounds,
Donnell,	Luce,	Searls,
Edmunds,	Martin,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Fernald, Poland,	Maxwell,	Smith, Hampden,
Floyd,	McIntire,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Fogg,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Spear,
Fogler,	Merrill, Portland,	Staples,
Fuller,	Moore, Deering,	Stevens,
Furbush,	Murchie,	Violette,
Goodrich,	Murphy,	Whiting,
Hancock,	Murray,	York—72.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Andrews,	Forest,	Kneeland,
Austin,	Gardner,	Knowlton, Newb'g,
Bither,	Garvin,	Levensaler,
Brown,	Gilman,	Macomber,
Burrill,	Golder,	Mason,
Burse,	Gowell,	Mitchell,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Greenleaf,	Moore, Moscow,
Cook,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Noble,
Cox,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	O'Neil,
Cushman,	Hathaway,	Pearl,
Daggett,	Hathorn,	Philbrook,
Dudley,	Holbrook,	Rodick,
Durgin,	Kinsman,	Sanborn,

Saunders,	Starbird,	Weeks,
Sawyer,	Stetson,	Wheeler,
Shaw, Saco,	Talbot,	Whelden,
Shepard,	Tarbell,	Wilson,
Simpson,	Thompson,	Winslow—56.
Smith, Masardis,	Walton,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Britton,	Jewell,	Sewall,
Chandler,	Jones,	Thurlow,
Chatto,	Kaler,	Thurston,
Davis,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Tolman,
Fernald, Levant,	Longley,	Williams,
Gagnon,	Maxcy,	Young—22.
Goodwin,	Rowell, E. Liver're,	
Guernsey,	Rowell, Kittery,	

The papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act providing for the registration of guides and to aid in the gathering of statistics relative to inland fish and game,"

Came up as a special assignment.

House amendment "A" offered by Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, March 8, was rejected.

Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, offered House amendment "B" which was also rejected.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Castine State Normal School,

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias,

Resolve providing for the preservation of the regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office,

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,
Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendments "A," "B," "C," "D," and "E." Amendments "A," "B," "D," and "E" were adopted. Amendment "C" rejected.

Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport, offered House amendment "F" and pending its adoption the bill and amendment was tabled on motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland, and tomorrow assigned for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to provide for an investigation of the causes of fires and the publication of statistics relating to the same,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended and bill read the third time, when Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption the bill and amendment was tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GREENLEAF of Southport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, March 12, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Chase of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz.:

"An Act to amend section 45, chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Prison;"

"An Act for the protection of beaver;"

"An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the bank examiner;"

"An Act relating to the disposition of unclaimed baggage by common carriers;"

Was read in concurrence.

Remonstrance of C. F. Ginn of Belfast and 14 others against the petition of J. H. Harriman and others for change in the law relating to grand jury of Waldo county,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 118, Public Laws of 1891, relating to the registration of vital statistics,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to lease a connecting railroad which may be built from Limestone." (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Fred Chapman of South Norridgewock and 39 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;

Petition of Ira D. Hilton of Starks and 12 others;
Petition of Charles F. Sanborn of Parsonsfield and 29 others;
Petition of Harrison L. Strout of North Waterboro and 50 others;

Petition of Albert R. Leavitt of Parsonsfield and 20 others;
Petition of H. J. Harriman of Bucksport and 28 others;
Petition of A. H. Dresser of Orland and 25 others;
Petition of R. O. Jones of Winslow and 37 others;
Petition of S. C. Watson of Oakland and 23 others;
Petition of George W. Ritchie of Winterport and 20 others;
Petition of John Fuller of North Newcastle and 9 others;
Petition of D. P. Boynton of Monmouth and 21 others for same;

Petition of Morrill Wing of Phillips and 52 others for the enactment of a law requiring an inspection of grass seed;

Petition of D. J. Fisher of Charlotte and 13 others;
Petition of B. F. Cobb of Poland and 20 others;
Petition of M. L. Elwell of Sedgwick and 41 others;
Petition of H. B. Ellis of Embden and 20 others;
Petition of F. N. Haines of Fort Fairfield and 19 others;
Petition of George W. Oliver of Nobleboro and 27 others;
Petition of W. H. Walker of West Woolwich and 29 others for same;

Resolutions of the Somerset Pomona Grange in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 8.

Came from the Senate, amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the taking of alewives in Bagaduce river and Walker's pond,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended. The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company,'"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendments "A" and "B" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered. Pending adoption of Senate amendments "A" and "B" the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to establish a normal school at Houlton, Aroostook county," reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature, notwithstanding the strong evidence presented to them as to desirability of establishing the same."

Report of the Committee on Claims, on resolve in favor of Eben M. Garland reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891 as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the Australian ballot."

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of William H. Holmes.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of members of the fire department of the city of Portland upon half pay."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sales of land for non-payment of taxes."

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

Report of the Committee on Taxation, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Peru.

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

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island."

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

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Water Company."
(Received under suspension of rules;)

Resolve in favor of Perkins plantation;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to permit the Patten and Sherman Railroad Company to sell or lease its road." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Resolution passed by the Auburn Grange No. 4, P. of H. in favor of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of P. O. Spinney and others of Brunswick for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns to-day it be, the Senate concurring, to meet on Monday next at 4.30 o'clock, P. M.

These petitions, bills, resolve and order were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting for State and city elections,'" reported that same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. PATTEN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on bill "An Act for the protection of deer upon the island of Isle au Haut in the county of Hancock," reported that same be referred to the commissioners on inland fisheries and game as the subject matter of the act properly comes under their jurisdiction by general law.

Mr. DURGIN from same committee, on petition of Carlos Heard of Biddeford and others, Samuel L. Lord of Saco and others that a law be passed granting all persons the privilege of dipping alewives, shad and salmon under the lower falls of the Saco river, reported that same be referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Mr. GOODWIN from the Committee on Towns, on petition of the parish of St. Agatha, towns of Frenchville and Madawaska, for incorporation as a town, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature, for want of legal notice."

Mr. WEEKS from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1891, relative to the protection of forests."

Mr. HAMILTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act in relation to limitations of real actions and rights of entry."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the interest on money."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 146 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the taxation of collateral inheritances."

Mr. POPE from the Committee on Taxation, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of F. A. Follett and others that soldiers who have lost a leg or an arm be exempted from paying a poll tax.

Mr. WHELDEN from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the taxation of real estate mortgaged."

Mr. TALBOT from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to provide for the taxation of estates of deceased persons."

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on petition of James E. Kelley and others of Lubec for the enactment of a law granting a bounty on wildcats killed, reported that same be filed with other papers relating to same subject, a law to that effect having been enacted.

Mr. CUSHMAN from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of J. E. Fletcher and more than 1,000 others for the enactment of a law to prevent the trapping of foxes.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide additional close time for fishing."

Mr. DURGIN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to encourage the cultivation and propagation of fish in private and inland waters."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to limit the amount of white perch to be taken in Meddybemps lake, in the county of Washington."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 54, chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 271 of the Public Laws of 1885 as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the number of pounds of white perch and pickerel to be taken."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Report A of the Committee on Towns, on petition of George T. Stone and others to be set off from the town of Berwick and annexed to the town of South Berwick, reporting bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Berwick and annex the same to the town of South Berwick."

Signed, Messrs. Murray,
 Fernald,
 Austin, —of the House.

Report B of same committee, reporting "leave to withdraw" on same petition.

Signed, Messrs. Chamberlain,
 Poor, —of the Senate,
 Mr. Hatheway, —of the House.

Pending acceptance of either report on motion of Mr. GOODWIN of South Berwick, both reports and bill were tabled and ordered printed and Tuesday, March 16, assigned for their consideration.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll and railway bridges across the St. John river."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill “An Act to amend the charter of the Castine Water Company,” reported “ought to pass” in new draft bill “An Act to amend chapter 184 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled ‘An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company.’”

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Oxford Light Company," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act to repeal chapter 246 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on Greenfield road in town of Greenbush.'"

Mr. HILL from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 107 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to attachments."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 353 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the Bluehill Water Company."

Mr. GUERNSEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the correction of errors in proceedings for collection of taxes."

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to increase the efficiency of the local board of health of the town of Eden."

Mr. WALTON from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act relating to the salary of judges and registers of courts of insolvency."

Mr. SAUNDERS from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 396 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 204 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to the charter of the Deer Isle Telephone Company."

Mr. PEARL from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 33 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations."

Mr. CONANT from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff."

Mr. LONGLEY from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company,' " as amended by chapter 74 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, and by chapter 482 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, and by chapter 620 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893.

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge.

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on resolve for the purchase of certain photographic views and resolve in favor of an appropriation to J. F. Gerrity and Company of Bangor, reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolve in favor of purchase and distribution of photographic views.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act to repeal chapter 197 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 relating to taking fish in Marble brook and pond."

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Taxation, on petition reported bill "An Act to abate the county taxes assessed on Lang plantation since its organization and now remaining unpaid."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Library, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to negotiate a loan for the payment of land damages incurred by the widening of the highway known as Forest avenue, in the city of Deering, in said county."

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland rules were suspended, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Biddeford."

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Wayne to raise money to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation." House Document No. 255;

Bill "An Act to amend section 112 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 37 of the Public Laws of 1891 and by chapter 121 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to normal schools and the Madawaska Training school." House Document No. 256;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lamoine Beach Water Company." House Document No. 258;

Bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries." House Document No. 259;

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to inspection of buildings." House Document No. 261;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Pulp and Paper Company, to generate, sell, supply, distribute and transmit electricity for power and heating." House Document No. 263;

Bill "An Act to establish the Maine Polyclinic." House Document No. 267;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to authorize the insurance commissioner to revoke the license of an insurance agent or broker." House Document No. 260,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds." House Document No. 262,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn.

Bill "An Act to authorize the George's River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale heat, light and power." House Document No. 265,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river." House Document No. 266,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. AYER of Vassalboro, and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Bill "An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations." House Document No. 269,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Resolve in favor of the Portland School for the Deaf. House Document No. 257,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School. House Document No. 264,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield.

Resolve in favor of the town of York. House Document No. 268,

Was read once, House amendment "A" adopted and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital. House Document No. 270,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor, and Wednesday, March 17, assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to ways,"

Bill "An Act in relation to the care of convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and commoding public travel,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Kittery to raise money for the observance of its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes, relating to limitations of real actions and rights of entry;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the terms of the county commissioners court for the county of Lincoln;"

Bill "An Act to authorize and confirm the issue of preferred stock by the Poland Paper Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the county of Aroostook to make temporary loans;"

Bill "An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 485 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 52 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Pemaquid, Damariscotta and Newcastle Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act additional relating to Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Company;"

Resolve in favor of Bluehill Academy;

Resolve in favor of State pension clerk expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council;

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary of Parsonsfield, Maine;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The Speaker announced the following Committee on County Estimates:

Androscoggin, Briggs of Auburn; Aroostook, Pratt of Woodland; Cumberland, Fuller of South Portland; Franklin,

Luce of New Vineyard; Hancock, Saunders of Ellsworth; Kennebec, Philbrook of Waterville; Knox, Fogler of Rockland; Lincoln, Ames of Jefferson; Oxford, Rounds of Paris; Penobscot, Pearl of Bangor; Piscataquis, Hussey of Guilford; Sagadahoc, Maxwell of Richmond; Somerset, Burse of Pittsfield; Waldo, Peirce of Frankfort; Washington, Stevens of Cutler; York, Hamilton of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act amending section 28 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 and section 31 of said chapter 11 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to free high schools,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, the bill was tabled.

Subsequently on motion of same gentleman, taken from the table. Mr. PATTANGALL moved to reconsider the vote whereby the amendment was adopted. On this motion Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan, called for the yeas and nays which the House refused to order.

Mr. PATTANGALL called for a division and the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 53 to 28.

Mr. MERRILL of Portland, moved that the bill and amendment be laid on the table.

Mr. PATTANGALL called for a division and the motion prevailed by a vote of 46 to 35.

Bill "An Act to establish bank holidays, and to abolish days of grace on commercial paper,"

Came up as a special assignment, was read the second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On the adoption of House amendment "F" offered by Mr. NEWCOMB of Eastport, March 11, that gentleman called for

the yeas and nays which the House refused to order. The amendment was rejected by a vote on division 27 to 50.

The bill was then read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. O'Neil of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 55 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 134 of the Public Laws of 1887 relating to the fortnightly payment of wages,"

Was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act relating to instruction in the use of tools and in cooking in public schools,"

Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted, bill read the third time, and tabled on motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot, and Wednesday, March 17, assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton,

Bill "An Act to provide for the examination of candidates for positions as teachers in the public schools of the State,"

Was taken from the table, read twice and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 260 of Public Laws of 1885 and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford,

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta,

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan,
Resolve in aid of the Wiscasset bridge,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea,
Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended, relating to election, qualifications and compensation of school committees,"

Was taken from the table, read the second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering,
Report of the Committee on Towns, on petition reporting bill an enabling act for the annexation of Deering to Portland,
Was taken from the table, accepted and bill ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. DURGIN of Orono,
Bill "An Act additional to section 88 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended relating to returns of town superintendents,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. DURGIN of Orono, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,
Resolve in favor of the town of Caribou,
Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the resolve was referred to the Governor and Council and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to amend an act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt, approved February 18, 1897,"

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield, rules were suspended the bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston.

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
MONDAY, March 15, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

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

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

“An Act relating to waiving the provisions of a will by the widow of the testator, and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow of the testator, and the interest which the widow shall have in the estate of the testator in such cases;”

“An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled ‘An Act for the better protection of sheep;’”

“An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 94 of the Public Laws of 1891 relating to election of members of board of agriculture;”

Was read in concurrence.

Communication from same transmitting the report of the librarian of the Maine State Library,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Library in concurrence.

Bill “An Act to amend an act entitled ‘An Act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Calais;’”

Bill “An Act relating to trial justices;”

Bill "An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors, and counselors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in relation to the duties and compensation of the State prison physician,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of V. P. DeCoster of Buckfield and 14 others for the enactment of a law to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff,

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture and was ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Resolves providing for uniform camp and garrison equipage for Company M, First Regiment, N. G. S. M., and Company M, Second Regiment, N. G. S. M.,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of S. Cabot and others of Andover to prohibit the throwing of sawdust and waste into the Ellis river.

Report of same committee, reporting same on petition of Waldo Pettingill and others of Oxford county to prohibit the throwing of sawdust and waste into the Ellis river.

Pending acceptance the reports were recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on petition of Nathaniel Hobbs and others for a close time on Bonny Beg pond in the towns of North Berwick and Sanford reporting "that same be referred to the commissioners on inland fisheries and game, as the subject matter of the petitioners properly comes under their jurisdiction, by the general law."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 31, 32, 33, 34

and 35 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine in reference to ways."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 35 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to notifying towns in pauper cases."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to prohibit persons not inhabitants of this State from killing and hunting fur-bearing animals."

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of John O. Shaw and others of Bath for a change in the law relating to fishing in Winnegance Creek.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 174 of Laws of 1889 in relation to sale of pressed hay,"

Which was indefinitely postponed in the House in non-concurrence February 25.

Came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former action in passing the bill to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the House voted to insist and the following Committee of Conference was appointed,

Messrs. Dickey of Fort Kent,
Weeks of Fairfield,
Goodrich of Maxfield.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 580 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868 and chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1878,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 24, as amended by House amendment "A."

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted and bill further amended by Senate amendment "A."

On motion of Mr. DURGIN of Orono, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amend-

ment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies of trustees."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation of Wales Grange, Number 40, Patrons of Husbandry."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company."

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to clerks of corporations."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 143 of Revised Statutes, relating to duties of municipal officers."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on Taxation, on order reporting bill "An Act to amend paragraph 4 of section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of estate and property of religious societies."

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

Bill "An Act to enable cities and towns to aid in procuring bondsmen for city and town treasurers and collectors of taxes;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the use of diseased meat for domestic purposes;"

Bill "An Act providing for the support of the chronic insane by the State after twenty years residence at the insane hospital;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Resolve relating to the Maine Gettysburg Commission,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Remonstrance of W. H. Lawrence and 12 others against any change in the lobster law;

Remonstrance of William Leeman and 31 others against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Joseph B. West and 13 others of Waldoboro in favor of the passage of bills now before the legislature to regulate the sale and analysis of commercial feeding stuff and for the inspection of grass seed;

Remonstrance of the selectmen of Ashland and 46 others against the passage of an act to incorporate the Ashland Water Company;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subjects.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEEKS from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the city of Eastport," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to establish the West Washington municipal court."

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported same on resolve for a better enforcement of the game laws, and for the propagation of fish in Maine by establishing a permanent fund.

Mr. MITCHELL from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve relative to fixing the date of the Maine State Fair and the Eastern Maine State Fair.

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Franklin County Delegation, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the county commissioners of Franklin county to abate the county tax on Perkins plantation."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 182 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 213, Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company.'" House Document No. 271;

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 29, Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Light and Heat Company.'" House Document No. 272;

Bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law." House Document No. 273;

Bill "An Act to amend section 34 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the duties of municipal officers." House Document No. 276;

Bill "An Act in relation to suits for taxes." House Document No. 277;

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 320 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebago Railroad Company.'" House Document No. 279;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to indorsement of writs." House Document No. 280;

Bill "An Act additional to, and to extend the charter of the Cumberland Illuminating Company." House Document No. 281;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 463 of the Special and Private Laws of 1885, relating to the taking of bass in Winnegance creek." House Document No. 282;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company." House Document No. 283;

Bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll and railway bridges across the St. John river." House Document No. 286;

Bill "An Act to increase the efficiency of the local board of health of the town of Eden." House Document No. 289;

Bill "An Act to amend section 33, of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations." House Document No. 291;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 197 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to taking fish in Marble brook and pond." House Document No. 294;

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 396 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 204 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Deer Isle Telephone Company." House Document No. 295;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company." House Document No. 296;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 353 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the Bluehill Water Company." House Document No. 297;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 184 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company.'" House Document No. 298;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 246 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on the Greenfield road in town of Greenbush.'" House Document No. 301;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company,'" as amended by chapter 74 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, and by chapter 482 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, and by chapter

620 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893. House Document No. 303;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to repeal acts incorporating the town of Maxfield." House Document No. 275,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. HATHORN of Medford.

Bill "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law." House Document No. 284,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton.

Bill "An Act to abate the county taxes assessed on Lang plantation since its organization and now remaining unpaid." House Document No. 287,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to authorize the correction of errors in proceedings for collection of taxes." House Document No. 288,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff." House Document No. 292,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor, and Friday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries." House Document No. 293,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor.

Bill "An Act relating to the salaries of judges and registers of courts of insolvency." House Document No. 299,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland.

Bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 107 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to attachments." House Document No. 302,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. DUDLEY of Brookton.

Resolve in aid of the Maine Gettysburg Commission. House Document No. 274;

Resolve in favor of the town of Topsfield. House Document No. 278;

Resolve in favor of breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge. House Document No. 290;

Resolve in favor of purchase and distribution of photographic views. House Document No. 300;

Were severally read once and on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended and Friday next assigned for their second reading.

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries. House Document No. 285,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to negotiate a loan for the payment of land damages incurred by the widening of the highway known as Forest avenue, in the city of Deering, in said county;"

Bill "An Act to establish bank holidays, and to abolish days of grace on commercial paper;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Wayne to raise money to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lamoine Beach Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Pulp and Paper Company to generate, sell, supply, distribute and transmit electricity for power and heating;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Maine Polyclinic;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A," "B," "D" and "E" and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended relating to election, qualifications, and compensation of school committees,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading Mr. GARVIN of Acton, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption and third reading of bill both bill and amendment were tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to amend section 112 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 37 of the Public Laws of 1891 and by chapter 121 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to normal schools and the Madawaska Training School,"

Was reported from same committee, and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the inspection of buildings,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of members of the fire department of the city of Portland upon half pay;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the sales of land for non-payment of taxes;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island,"

Was reported from same committee, and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. AUSTIN of Milford.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings;"

Bill "An Act relating to the April term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Aroostook;"

Bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company;"

Bill "An Act granting additional powers to the Long Pond Water Company, incorporated under chapter 524 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885;"

Bill "An Act to permit the Good Will Home Association to increase its capital and to enlarge its purpose to include aid for needy girls;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of school district No. 5 in the town of Falmouth, and of the trustees of the Crispus Graves fund, so called, and to enable said trustees to convey and the inhabitants of said Falmouth to purchase the school building, erected out of said fund, in said district;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the establishment of free libraries in villages and of branch libraries in towns and cities;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 27, chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 229 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, entitled 'An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine,' as amended by chapter 311 of the Laws of 1864, as amended by chapter 214 of the Laws of 1880, and as amended by chapter 106 of the Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend, and additional to the charter of the Oakland Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Southport, Boothbay Harbor and Boothbay Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act granting a new charter to the city of Portland;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 55 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 134 of the Public Laws of 1887,' relating to the fortnightly payment of wages;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 7, 9 and 14 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of venire's;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act authorizing the city of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt, approved February 18, 1897;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 308 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, as amended by section 1, chapter 232 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Thorn Brook Dam Company;' "

Bill "An Act relating to the taking of alewives in Bagaduce river and Walker's pond;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company;' "

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway;"

Resolve in favor of the town of Brunswick;

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag river at Kingman;

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy;

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary;

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Molunkus stream in Macwahoc plantation, county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School;

Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute;

Resolve in favor of the city of Calais;

Resolve in favor of a road in Dallas plantation;

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy;

Resolve in relation to the documentary history of the State of Maine;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School;

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy;

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 506 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Deering,' as amended by chapter 439 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 633 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 238 of Private and Special Laws of 1895,' "

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the House adopted House amendment "A" was reconsidered and amendment withdrawn.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MARTIN of Liberty,

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter II, of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," and pending its adoption and first reading of bill both were tabled on motion .

of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, and Thursday next assigned for their further consideration.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, March 16, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

“An Act to amend section 69 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to auditors;”

“An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 89 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to corporations;”

“An Act regulating the costs in municipal, police and trial justice courts;”

Was read in concurrence.

Bill “An Act to protect assignees,”

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of C. B. Meserve and others of Bristol for incorporation of Damariscotta and Bristol Telephone Company;

Bill “An Act relating to the crossings of the new highway in Ashland and Sheridan plantation by the branch track and log spur of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad.” (Received under suspension of rules;)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 594 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company.'"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 3,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 24,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the transfers of stock."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to further regulate banking hours on Saturdays which are not bank holidays."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend an act entitled an act to supply the people of South Gardiner Village in the city of Gardiner with pure water."

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

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on resolve to provide for the building of a hatch house at Caribou, and a cottage at Lake Auburn hatchery, and to extinguish the claim of Dr. Sorois and Hon. Don H. Powers against the State, and to build artificial feeding ponds at the Monmouth hatchery reported "ought to pass" in new draft "Resolve to provide for the extinguishment of the claim of Don H. Powers and Dr. A.

G. Sorois against the State for services rendered in connection with the shooting of Game Warden E. O. Collins by Charles Morris."

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading, under suspension of rules.

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute, with accompanying petition.

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School.

On motion of Mr. FERNALD of Levant, rules were suspended, the resolve given its two several readings and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that all committees are directed to report finally on or before Friday, the 19th inst.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that on and after Friday, the 19th inst., two sessions shall be held daily unless otherwise ordered, Sundays excepted, until the day of final adjournment. The afternoon session to commence at three o'clock.

These resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland,

Ordered, That the clerk of the House be directed to include in the pay roll of the House one hundred and fifty dollars for services of stenographer and typewritist.

On motion of Mr. BURRILL of Corinna,

Ordered, That Dr. J. H. Patten be excused from further attendance at this session on and after the 19th on account of urgent professional engagements and that the clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. SAUNDERS of Ellsworth,

Ordered, That Isaac D. Britton of Bucksport, be excused from attendance for one week.

Mr. CURRIER from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on report of the bank examiner reported that "same be accepted."

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. DUDLEY from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "ought to pass" on resolve that the land agent be empowered and directed to convey settlers lots in Walla-grass plantation.

The report was accepted and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 213, Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company;'"

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 29, Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Light and Heat Company;'"

Bill "An Act in relation to suits for taxes;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 320 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kenne-bago Railroad Company;'"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to endorsement of writs;"

Bill "An Act additional to, and to extend the charter of the Cumberland Illuminating Company;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 463 of the Special and Private Laws of 1885, relating to the taking of bass in Winnegance Creek;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company;"

Bill "An Act to increase the efficiency of the local board of health of the town of Eden;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 33 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 197 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to taking fish in Marble brook and pond;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 396 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 204 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Deer Isle Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 353 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the Bluehill Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 184 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company;'"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 246 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on Greenfield road in town of Greenbush;'"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company,' as amended by chapter 74 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, and by chapter 482 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, and by chapter 620 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 34 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the duties of municipal officers,"

Was reported from same committee, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law."

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland.

Bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll and railway bridges across the St. John river."

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland, was recommended to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies of trustees."

Bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation of Wales Grange, No. 40, Patrons of Husbandry;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 143 of Revised Statutes, relating to duties of municipal officers;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to clerks of corporations;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend paragraph 4 of section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of estate and property of religious societies,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler for repairs on highways and bridges,

Came up as a special assignment, was read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river,"

Came up as a special assignment, was read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report "A" of the Committee on Towns, on petition of George F. Stone and others that they may be set off from the

town of Berwick and incorporated in the town of South Berwick, reporting bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Berwick and annex the same to the town of South Berwick." And

Report "B" of same committee, reporting "leave to withdraw" on same petition. House Document No. 304,

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. GOODWIN of South Berwick, moved that report "A" be accepted.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. GOWELL of Berwick, the House ordered the yeas and nays and report "A" was refused acceptance by a vote of 15 to 103.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Austin,	Goodwin,	O'Neil,
Fernald, Levant,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Rowell, Kittery,
Forest,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Shaw, Saco,
Golder,	Hussey,	Weeks,
Goodrich,	Mason,	Young—15.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Daggett,	Hill,
Andrews,	Davis,	Holbrook,
Ayer,	Day,	Houghton,
Bither,	Dickey,	Hurd,
Blanchard,	Dudley,	Hutchins,
Boynton,	Edmunds,	Hutchinson,
Brown,	Floyd,	Jewell,
Burnham,	Fogg,	Kaler,
Burns,	Fuller,	King,
Burrill,	Furbush,	Kinsman,
Burse,	Gagnon,	Kneeland,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Garvin,	Knowlton, Newb'g,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Gilman,	Knowlton, Portla'd,
Conant,	Gowell,	Lane,
Cox,	Greenleaf,	Larrabee, Sebago,
Cram,	Hancock,	Lincoln,
Currier,	Hathaway,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,
Cushman,	Hathorn,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,

Luce,	Plummer,	Spear,
Macomber,	Pratt,	Staples,
Martin,	Prince,	Starbird,
McIntire,	Purinton,	Stevens,
Merrill, Bluehill,	Reed,	Talbot,
Merrill, Portland,	Robinson,	Tarbell,
Mitchell,	Rounds,	Thompson,
Moore, Deering,	Sanborn,	Thurston,
Moore, Moscow,	Saunders,	Violette,
Murchie,	Sawyer,	Walton,
Murphy,	Searls,	Wheeler,
Newcomb,	Shaw, Cumberland,	Whelden,
Palmer,	Shepard,	Whiting,
Patten,	Simpson,	Wilson,
Pearl,	Smith, Hampden,	Winslow—103.
Peirce,	Smith, Masardis,	
Penley,	Smith, Presque Isle,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Briggs,	Guernsey,	Philbrook,
Britton,	Holmes,	Pope,
Burton,	Jones,	Rodick,
Chandler,	Levensaler,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Chatto,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Sewall,
Cook,	Longley,	Stetson,
Donnell,	Maxcy,	Thurlow,
Durgin,	Maxwell,	Tolman,
Fernald, Poland,	Murray,	Williams,
Fogler,	Noble,	York—32.
Gardner,	Pattangall,	

On motion of Mr. GOWELL of Berwick, report "B" was accepted and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor, the votes whereby resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital was finally passed and engrossed, were reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the resolve was tabled.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act to authorize the insurance commissioner to revoke the license of an insurance agent or broker,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland,
Bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company,"
Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted. The bill was read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton,
Bill "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law,"

Was taken from the table and read once. Pending second reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. ROUNDS of Paris, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford,
Bill "An Act for the promotion of medical education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in dead human bodies,"

Was taken from the table and Thursday, March 18, assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. MITCHELL of Newfield,
Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, relating to division fences,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. WILSON of Gorham, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

The bill then passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,
Bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and commodifying public travel,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended, and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY of Brookton,

Bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 107 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to attachments,"

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to text books, school apparatus and repairs on school buildings,"

Was taken from the table, read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to inspection of buildings,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Resolve in favor of building a bridge over the Daigle brook in the town of Van Buren and county of Aroostook,

Was taken from the table.

Mr. MERRILL of Portland, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended without a statement of facts and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Bill "An Act to abate the county taxes assessed on Lang plantation since its organization and now remaining unpaid,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,
Bill "An Act to extend the charter of Waldo and Somerset
Railway Company,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the bill was recommitted to
the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses and
sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of A. D. Cornish and others of Lewiston, for an
amendment of the charter of the municipal court for the city of
Lewiston;

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 266 of the Private
and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the capital stock of the
Buckfield Aqueduct Company." (Received under suspension
of rules;)

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concur-
rence.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, March 17, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Parsons of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the Executive Department.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I have the honor herewith to transmit a communication just received from Hon. W. L. Strong, mayor of the city of New York.

As the subject referred to is one in which our people must be deeply interested, in common with patriotic citizens of all the states, and as it has already assumed national importance, it seems proper that the legislature should have an opportunity to express its judgment as to whether or not our State should be represented in New York upon this occasion, and to take such action as they may deem necessary in the premises.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

Was read and referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 132, Public Laws of 1891, relating to punishment for intoxication,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South Portland Trust and Banking Company." (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 8,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 8.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 26, of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the taxation of certain plantations,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A," and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A," and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend an act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendments "A," and "B" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendments "A" and "B" were adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 10,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A," and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 260 of Public Laws of 1885, and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 12, as amended by House amendment "A,"

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the bill further amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill, as amended by House and Senate amendments "A," passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 493 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, entitled 'An Act authorizing the Governor to appoint special officers to enforce police regulations among the Indian tribes of the State.'"

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of property deposited in public warehouses on which the charges thereon shall not have been paid."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once and tabled on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 47 of chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 277 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the time of holding the September term of the supreme judicial court, Piscataquis county."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 297 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to dyke in town of Milbridge."

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

Report of the Committee on Education on petition, reporting resolve in favor of an appropriation to aid in erecting a high school building in the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, rules suspended, and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bath, Small Point and Popham Beach Railroad Company."

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

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to accidents upon railroads and street railways."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 76 of chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fish and fisheries.'"

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

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, on communication from the Governor transmitting a notice from the executors of the will of Joseph H. Williams, reporting resolve accepting the legacy to the State of Maine by the will of Joseph H. Williams of Augusta, for the benefit of the Maine Insane Hospital.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the executors of the will of Cyrus Cole.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves read once, rules suspended and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Report of the Sagadahoc County Delegation, on bill "An Act authorizing the rebuilding of the Merrymeeting Bay bridge and making it and the Arrowsic bridge, both in Sagadahoc county, free county bridges," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to enable the county of Sagadahoc to rebuild the Merrymeeting Bay bridge, to issue bonds therefor and to make it and Arrowsic bridge free."

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

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bath Gas and Electric Company to issue additional bonds;"

Bill "An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the employment of legislative counsel and agents and to provide for returns of legislative expenses;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 127 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act fixing the salaries of county and State officers for a period of years,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

These bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MURCHIE of Calais,

Ordered, That William L. Littlefield of Belfast be excused from further attendance on this House, on account of sickness,

and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay in full to the end of the session.

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to amend section 108 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the qualifications necessary for admittance to normal schools," reported that same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting for State and city elections.'"

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relative to powers and duties of town officers."

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Education, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve to change the mode of warming the normal and training school buildings at Fort Kent.

Mr. MACOMBER from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of W. S. Simpson and others that a law be enacted for the regulation and equalization of freight rates.

Mr. PEARL from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 237 of the Public Laws of 1889, and amendments thereof, relating to assessment insurance companies, associations or corporations."

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide funds for the adequate protection of inland game, and to regulate its transportation by non-residents."

Mr. LITTLEFIELD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Nelson Woodward and others of Jonesport for amendment to the laws relating to the lobster fisheries, as applied to Washington county.

Mr. PLUMMER from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes as amended by

various subsequent acts relating to the salary of the register of probate for the county of Somerset."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to establish the Sanford municipal court."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes relating to the mortgaging of ward's estate by guardians."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes."

Mr. WALTON from same committee, on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes relating to insolvency," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvency proceedings."

Mr. LEVENSALE from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 116 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the schooling of children in unorganized townships."

Mr. BURNS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Mr. KALER from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway."

Mr. MACOMBER from same committee, on order reported bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to regulate the organization and control of street railroads.'"

Mr. BURRILL from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "An Act to amend sections 59, 60, 61 and 62 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taxation of insurance companies," reported "ought to pass" in new draft

bill "An Act to amend sections 59, 60 and 61 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of insurance companies."

Mr. HUTCHINS from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the county attorney of Hancock county."

Mr. WILSON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of Cumberland."

Mr. BURTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Piscataquis."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 182 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891." House Document No. 306,

Was read once, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Resolve that the land agent be empowered and directed to convey settlers lots in Wallagrass plantation. House Document No. 307,

Was read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading, under suspension of rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to text books, school apparatus and repairs on school buildings."

Bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 107 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to attachments."

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading Mr. YORK of Nobleboro, offered House amendment "A," which was rejected. The bill was read the third time and pending passage to be engrossed Mr. YORK of Nobleboro, moved that it be laid on the table. The motion was lost. The bill then passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Portland School for the Deaf;

Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine;

Resolve in favor of Maine Industrial School for Girls;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the town of York,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to further regulate banking hours on Saturdays which are not bank holidays;"

Bill "An Act to extend an act entitled 'An Act to supply the people of South Gardiner village in the city of Gardiner, with pure water;'"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to transfers of stock,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland.

Resolve to provide for the extinguishment of the claim of Don H. Powers and Dr. A. G. Sirois against the State for services rendered in connection with the shooting of Game Warden E. O. Collins by Charles Morris,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, offered House amendment "A."

Mr. AYER of Vassalboro, moved that the resolve be laid on the table. The motion was withdrawn.

A viva voce vote on the adoption of amendment "A" being doubted a division was called for and the amendment was adopted by a vote of 63 to 0.

Mr. KING of Caribou, offered amendment "B," which was adopted.

The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" in non-concurrence and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the town of Peru;

Resolve in favor of making necessary repairs in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol;

Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 580 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868, and chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1878, relating to Swett's pond, Field's pond and Brewer's pond, in Orrington;"

Bill "An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 102, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to the title of State Superintendent of Schools;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the retirement of members of the fire department of the city of Portland upon half pay;"

Bill "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Biddeford;"

Resolve in aid of Wiscasset bridge;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 7, chapter 249, of the Public Laws of 1893,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. LEVENSALER of Thomaston, offered House amendment "A" to Senate amendment "A," which was adopted. Senate amendment "A," as amended by House amendment "A" was then adopted and the bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to provide for the examination of candidates for positions as teachers in the public schools of the State,"

Came up as a special assignment and was retabled on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton.

Bill "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. ROUNDS of Paris, offered House amendment "A."

(Discussion ensued.)

On the question of adopting House amendment "A" Mr. ROUNDS called for the yeas and nays, which the House refused to order.

The amendment was rejected on a viva voce vote. Mr. ROUNDS of Paris, offered House amendment "B."

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, raised the point of order that the amendment was similar in its practical effect to the one just rejected.

The Chair ruled that the amendment could be acted upon by the House.

Amendment "B" was adopted by a vote on division 52 to 50.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, the bill was tabled.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital,

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. AUSTIN of Milford, offered House amendment "A."

(Discussion ensued.)

House amendment "A" was rejected on a viva voce vote.

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

Pending action on this motion Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, moved to adjourn.

Mr. WHELDEN of Portland, called for a division and the motion to adjourn prevailed by a vote of 80 to 25.

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, March 18, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cochrane of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

“An Act to grant the commissioners of inland fisheries and game authority to destroy mink in and around all fish hatcheries in the State;”

“An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the term of the county commissioners court for the county of Lincoln;”

“An Act additional to chapter 105 of the Revised Statutes, relating to limitations of real actions and rights of entry;”

“An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf;”

Was read in concurrence.

Bill “An Act to incorporate the Hartland Trust and Banking Company.” (Received under suspension of rules.)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolution of Union Grange No. 326 in regard to legislation relating to seeds and feeding stuff.

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture and was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subjects in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis,
Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 25.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered. Pending adoption of Senate amendment "A" in concurrence the resolve was tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9, as amended by House amendment "A" amended by House amendment "I."

Came from the Senate House amendment "A" as amended by House amendment "I" rejected and resolve amended by Senate amendments "A" and "C" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the resolve passed to be engrossed was reconsidered. The vote whereby the House adopted House amendment "A" as amended by House amendment "I" was reconsidered and the amendment rejected in concurrence, Senate amendments "A" and "C" were adopted in concurrence and resolve as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 15, as amended by House amendments "A," "B," "D" and "E."

Came from the Senate House amendments adopted and bill further amended by Senate amendments "A" and "B."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed March 15 was reconsidered, Senate amendments "A" and "B" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Subsequently on motion of Mr. RODICK of Eden, the vote passing the bill to be engrossed was reconsidered and bill tabled.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, on resolve in favor of Daniel L. Warren of Thomaston, Maine, reporting that same be referred to the Governor and Council.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to trial justices."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Allen Garner and others for the establishment of a voting precinct in the northern part of the town of Parsonsfield with a polling place at Kezar Falls.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine Pedagogical Society.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act additional to chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance.'"

Pending acceptance in concurrence the report was tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act relating to holding the terms of the supreme judicial court in Franklin county," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to the holding of terms of the supreme judicial court in Franklin county."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for procuring statistics relating to the poultry industry in Maine."

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

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 18 of

the Public Laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 125 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the board of agriculture."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Lebanon to contract with the city of Rochester, N. H., to supply the village of Lebanon with water for fire and domestic purposes." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 146 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 96 and chapter 124 of the Public Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the proceedings by which Palmyra Grange, No. 316 was organized." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

These bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LONGLEY of Old Town,

Ordered, That L. O. Dudley of Brookton, be excused from further attendance on this legislature and that his pay be made up to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. KNEELAND of Searsport,

Ordered, That P. G. Hurd be excused from further attendance on this session on and after to-morrow, the 19th inst., and that the clerk be instructed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. WHELDEN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Water Company," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. ROWELL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company."

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Rockland."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to make Pride's bridge, so called, across the Presumpscott river in the county of Cumberland a county bridge."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the city of Hallowell to maintain an electric plant."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to enable cities and towns to aid in procuring bondsmen for city and town treasurers and collectors of taxes."

Mr. ROWELL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 65 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, relative to poor debtors."

Mr. FLOYD from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act amendatory to chapter 454, Special Laws of 1889 to transfer additional powers to the town of Gorham; also additional to chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893, to abolish school district No. 1 in the town of Gorham."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Perkins plantation.

Mr. BITHER from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to extirpate contagious diseases among cattle.'"

Mr. MITCHELL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act establishing a standard measure for cream."

Mr. BROWN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to extirpate contagious diseases among cattle.'"

Mr. MASON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Susan B. Spring and others of Harpswell for exclusive use and maintenance of pond and dam at the Lower Narrows.

Mr. PATTEN from the Committee on Library, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine State Library.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the new city hall commission of Waterville under the name of the City Hall Commission."

Mr. KNOWLTON from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company and enable it to cross tide waters."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, on bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll and railway bridges across the St. John river," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll bridges across the St. John river."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the Bath Gas and Electric Company to issue additional bonds."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to enforce the payment of State and county taxes on timber and grass on reserved lands in this State."

Mr. BLANCHARD from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Pennell Institute.

Mr. HOLBROOK from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 45 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of milk."

Mr. MOORE from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Improvement and Navigation Company."

Mr. KING from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company."

Mr. WHITING from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition reported resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt ridge road in town of Moscow.

Mr. MURRAY from the Committee on Military Affairs, on communication of the Governor, reported resolve providing for the expenses of the Governor and staff while attending the ceremonies relating to the formal transfer of the Grant monument to the city of New York.

Mr. PENLEY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve relating to the Maine Gettysburg Commission.

Mr. DAGGETT from same committee, on resolve providing for the collection of the necessary data for a history of Maine troops in the War of the Rebellion and for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolve providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the county attorney of Hancock county." House Document No. 308;

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Piscataquis." House Document No. 309;

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of Cumberland." House Document No. 311;

Bill "An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the mortgaging of ward's estate by guardians." House Document No. 312;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 59, 60 and 61 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of insurance companies." House Document No. 313;

Bill "An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway." House Document No. 314;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 116 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the schooling of children in unorganized townships." House Document No. 315;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes." House Document No. 316,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls. House Document No. 310,

Was read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading, under suspension of rules.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 182 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and tabled on motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke.

Resolve that the land agent be empowered and directed to convey settlers lots in Wallagrass plantation,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to enable the county of Sagadahoc to rebuild the Merry meeting bay bridge, to issue bonds therefor and to make it and Arrowsic bridge free;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 47 of chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 277 of the Public Laws of the year 1889 in relation to the time of holding the September term of the supreme judicial court, Piscataquis county;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 297 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to dyke in town of Milbridge;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bath, Small Point and Popham Beach Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 76 of chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fish and fisheries;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in relation to accidents upon railroads and street railways,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the vote whereby the House, March 17 adopted Senate amendment "A" in concurrence was reconsidered.

The amendment was then rejected in non-concurrence, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed, and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve accepting the legacy to the State of Maine by the will of Joseph H. Williams of Augusta, for the benefit of the Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve in favor of the executors of the will of Cyrus Cole;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to aid in erecting a high school building in the town of Frenchville, in the county of Aroostook,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading tabled on motion of Mr. AUSTIN of Milford.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sales of land for non-payment of taxes;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the care of convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence;"

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 594 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company;'"

Bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation of Wales Grange, Number 40, Patrons of Husbandry;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Maine Pulp and Paper Company to generate, sell, supply, distribute and transmit electricity for power and heating;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to provide for filling vacancies of trustees;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 143 of Revised Statutes, relating to duties of municipal officers relating to insane persons;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the Water Works dam at Bangor;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to clerks of corporations;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Wayne to raise money to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company;"

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across Mattawamkeag river in the town of Haynesville, county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation;

Resolve in favor of making necessary repairs in the Senate chamber of the State capitol;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to the employment of superintendents of schools,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that on and after Friday the 19th inst. two sessions shall be held daily, unless otherwise ordered, Sundays excepted, until the day of final adjournment; the afternoon sessions to commence at 3 o'clock.

Which was read and passed in the House March 16.

Came from the Senate amended as follows:

"Substitute for House order relating to daily sessions the following:

Ordered, That on and after March 19 the Senate and House hold two sessions daily on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and one session on Mondays and Saturdays until otherwise ordered."

The amendment was adopted in concurrence and the order as amended passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 319 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company.'"

Which was accepted in the House March 3.

Came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs in non-concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the report was tabled.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, under discussion when the House adjourned yesterday, came up as unfinished business, and discussion was resumed.

The House ordered the yeas and nays on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, and the motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed by a vote of 69 yeas to 62 nays.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ames,	Fuller,	Merrill, Bluehill,
Ayer,	Gagnon,	Merrill, Portland,
Bither,	Garvin,	Moore, Deering,
Blanchard,	Goodrich,	Moore, Moscow,
Boynton,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Murray,
Briggs,	Hill,	O'Neil,
Burse,	Holbrook,	Pattangall,
Burton,	Hurd,	Penley,
Chandler,	Hutchins,	Plummer,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Hutchinson,	Pratt,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Kinsman,	Purinton,
Conant,	Kneeland,	Reed,
Cox,	Lane,	Rounds,
Cram,	Levensaler,	Sanborn,
Currier,	Lincoln,	Sawyer,
Cushman,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Searls,
Day,	Luce,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Donnell,	Martin,	Shaw, Saco,
Edmunds,	Maxwell,	Smith, Masardis,

Smith, Presque Isle,	Tarbell,	Walton,
Staples,	Thompson,	Wheeler,
Starbird,	Thurston,	Whiting,
Stevens,	Violette,	York—69.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Andrews,	Gowell,	Murchie,
Austin,	Greenleaf,	Murphy,
Brown,	Guernsey,	Palmer,
Burnham,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Patten,
Burns,	Hathaway,	Pearl,
Burrill,	Hathorn,	Peirce,
Cook,	Holmes,	Philbrook,
Davis,	Houghton,	Prince,
Dickey,	Hussey,	Rodick,
Dudley,	Jewell,	Rowell, Kittery,
Durgin,	Jones,	Saunders,
Fernald, Levant,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Shepard,
Fernald, Poland,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Simpson,
Floyd,	Larrabee, Portland,	Smith, Hampden,
Fogg,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Spear,
Fogler,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Stetson,
Forest,	Longley,	Talbot,
Furbush,	Macomber,	Wilson,
Gilman,	Mason,	Winslow,
Golder,	McIntire,	Young—62.
Goodwin,	Mitchell,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Britton,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Chatto,	Maxcy,	Sewall,
Daggett,	Newcomb,	Thurlow,
Gardner,	Pope,	Whelden—14.
Hancock,	Robinson,	

The following pairs were announced:

Mr. Kaler yes with Mr. Williams no.

Mr. King yes with Mr. Tolman no.

Mr. Noble no with Mr. Weeks yes.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the promotion of medical education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in dead human bodies,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford, the bill was retabled and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter II of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children,"

Came up as a special assignment.

House amendment "A" was adopted.

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, offered House amendment "B" which was adopted. The bill was then read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford, moved to reconsider the vote whereby bill "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Biddeford" March 17, passed to be enacted.

Same gentleman moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed.

Pending action on these motions, on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the motions were tabled, by a vote on division 39 to 12, and to-morrow assigned for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, March 19, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Coons of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

“An Act relating to the April term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Aroostook;”

“An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls;”

“An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings;”

“An Act authorizing the establishment of free libraries in villages and of branch libraries in towns and cities;”

“An Act to amend section 27, chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens;”

“An Act to amend sections 7, 9 and 14 of chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of venires;”

“An Act to repeal chapter 55 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled ‘An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 134 of the Public Laws of 1887 relating to the fortnightly payment of wages;’”

Was read in concurrence.

Bill “An Act to amend section 8, chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 60 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to paupers, their settlement and support;”

Bill “An Act in relation to the name of corporations;”

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in reference to trustees of State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of St. Albans Grange in favor of charter for the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad Company;

Petition of North Jay Grange in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of Timothy Elliott and 13 others of Grant and Sheridan Posts, Biddeford, in favor of resolves in aid of Soldiers Home in Maine;

Petition of Calvin L. Hayes, commander and 7 others of E. G. Parker Post, Kittery;

Petition of T. W. Harford and 16 others, soldiers of Old Orchard;

Petition of John C. Haley and 18 others, members of Grant, Sheridan and Gurney Posts, Biddeford;

Petition of Charles Goodnow and 22 others;

Petition of Hanon Hitchings and 14 others, members of G. H. Ruggles Post, Etna;

Petition of James N. Fennelly, S. V. Commander, Department of Maine, G. A. R.;

Petition of John H. Wyman and 41 others of Russell Post, Skowhegan;

Petition of Roscoe G. Holmes and 14 others of N. W. Mitchell Post, West Newfield;

Petition of Ira C. Jordan and 9 others of Brown Post, Bethel;

Petition of Charles Harris and 67 other soldiers and sailors of Saco and Biddeford;

Petition of Henry F. Davis and 37 others of G. H. Ruggles Post and Relief Corps of Etna;

Petition of members of Bates Post, Norridgewock;

Petition of M. E. Kimball and others, members of Harry Rust Post, Norway;

Petition of D. B. Ellis and 12 others of J. H. Morgan Post, Guilford;

Petition of F. M. Roberts and 50 others, members of the Grand Army Post, Newport;

Petition of Henry M. Colby and others, members of Joseph E. Colby Post, Rumford, for same;

Remonstrance of George H. Libby and 98 others against appropriation for the soldiers' Home in Maine;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and commoding public travel,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 16, as amended by House amendment "A." Came from the Senate, with House amendment "A" adopted and further amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adoptd in concurrence and bill tabled, on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to protect assignees."

Report of same committee, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to the expediency of changing the manner and time of the service of writs.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to punish the commission of loud and boisterous noises in dwelling houses."

Report of same committee, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to having bells attached to horses drawing teams with wheels after dark.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries on petition of Owen Wincapaw and others for a close time on clams reporting "legislation inexpedient" as the general law if properly enforced is sufficient.

Report of same committee, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on petition of John H. Leavitt and others relating to taking clams at Scarboro.

Report of same committee, reporting same on petition of J. M. Powers and others for a close time on clams in Deer Isle, Sedgwick and Brooklin.

Report of the Committee on Towns on petition of William Thompson and others that certain islands be set off from the town of Jonesport and annexed to the town of Roque Bluff, reporting that "same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of the Committee on Library, on report of Librarian of the Maine State Library, reporting that "same be accepted."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 205 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 11 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to taxes."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the York Sewer Company."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to lease a connecting railroad which may be built from Limestone."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act relating to the crossings of the new highway in Ashland and Sheridan plantations by the branch track and log spur of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad."

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on communication of Nicholas Fessenden, reporting bill "An Act to amend chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891 as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled "An Act to provide for the printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting for State and city elections."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor.

Petition of Charles Timmott, master of Sunrise Grange and 15 others in favor of granting charter for Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad,

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 221 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, which is an act to incorporate the Long Pond Dam Company." (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "An Act relating to the compensation of State superintendent of common schools and his clerk,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish wards and ward lines in the city of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the bill was tabled and ordered printed pending reference to a committee.

Resolve of sympathy for representative of Bucksport:

Resolved, That the members of this House extend their sincere sympathy to Representative Isaac D. Britton of Bucksport, in the recent death of his beloved son.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Ordered, That leave of absence for the remainder of the session be granted to Stephen B. Thurlow, representative from Deer Isle on account of sickness and that the clerk be directed to make up his pay roll for the session.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns at its afternoon session it adjourn until to-morrow morning, March 20, at 8.30 o'clock.

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition of Moses Hawkins and others in favor of the passage of an act giving them the power to supply the town of Sullivan with pure water, reported that "same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 255 of the Public Laws of 1885."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the employment of legislative counsel and agents and to provide for return of legislative expenses."

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of E. M. Steadman and others that in cases of voluntary insolvency no discharge shall be granted except where a dividend of fifty per cent. is paid.

Mr. HILL from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to abolish imprisonment for debt."

Mr. BOYNTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act regulating the use of bicycles by the municipal officers of towns."

Mr. WALTON from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to the expediency of amending the insolvent law so that no discharge shall be granted except in cases where a dividend has been paid.

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at Portland.

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as wild lands."

Mr. SPEAR from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act authorizing abatement of poll taxes to certain soldiers of the late war."

Mr. FOGG from the Committee on Military Affairs, on report of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum at Bath, reported that "same be accepted."

Mr. JONES from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lake Onawa Dam Company."

Mr. STAPLES from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of J. S. Runnels

and others that the throwing of mill refuse into Wilson river be prohibited.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act relating to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary."

Mr. FOGLER from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime."

Mr. HAMILTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act authorizing the town of Lebanon to contract with the city of Rochester, N. H., to supply the village of Lebanon with water for fire and domestic use."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Union Gas and Electric Company."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition reported bill "An Act to incorporate the Harpswell Village Corporation."

Mr. FLOYD from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco."

Mr. SAUNDERS from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company and to authorize municipalities in Cumberland and Oxford counties to aid in the construction of its railway," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company and to authorize municipalities in Cumberland county to aid in the construction of its railway."

Mr. HUTCHINSON from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "An Act additional to chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to mutual fire insurance companies," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act additional to the act incorporating the Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act in relation to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as wild lands.'"

Mr. TALBOT from the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College."

Mr. DURGIN from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 and chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to inland fisheries and game."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 171 of the Private and Special Laws of 1872, of chapter 137 of Private and Special Laws of 1866, of chapter 569 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, of chapter 161 of Private and Special Laws of 1895, of chapter 55 of Private and Special Laws of 1887, of chapter 266 of Private and Special Laws of 1895, of chapter 142 of Private and Special Laws of 1887, of chapter 183 of Private and Special Laws of 1887, of chapter 46 of Private and Special Laws of 1878, of chapter 347 of Private and Special Laws of 1877, of chapter 261 of Private and Special Laws of 1849, of chapter 574 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and other obsolete laws relating to close time for fishing on the public waters of the State," reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to repeal certain old and obsolete Private and Special Laws relating to close time for fishing in the public waters of the State."

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Towns, on petition reported bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Perham."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Rome and annex the same to the town of Belgrade."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Majority report of the Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to establish the State

College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,''' with statement of facts.

Signed, Messrs. W. E. Parsons,
 A. J. Billings,
 Tilson B. Salley, of the Senate.
 Messrs. A. V. Martin,
 R. H. Reed,
 E. L. Houghton,
 A. L. Talbot,
 Thos. Searls, of the House.

Minority report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on same bill.

Signed, Messrs. J. M. Hutchins,
 A. C. Day, of the House.

The majority report was accepted and both reports and bill ordered printed.

Bill "An Act to establish the Sanford municipal court." House Document No. 319;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company, and enable it to cross navigable tide waters." House Document No. 321;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvency proceedings." House Document No. 317,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to regulate the organization and control of street railroads.'" House Document No. 318,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. SAUNDERS of Ellsworth, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve relating to the Maine Gettysburg Commission. House Document No. 320;

Resolve providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office. House Document No. 322;

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute. House Document No. 323;

Were severally read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading under suspension of rules.

Bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the county attorney of Hancock county;"

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Piscataquis;"

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of Cumberland;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the mortgaging of ward's estate by guardians;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 59, 60 and 61 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of insurance companies;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A" and "B," and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 116 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the schooling of children in unorganized townships,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls;
Resolve in aid of the Maine Gettysburg Commission;
Resolve in favor of the town of Topsfield;
Resolve in favor of breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge;"
Resolve in favor of purchase and distribution of photographic views;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the holding of terms of the supreme judicial court in Franklin county;"

Bill "An Act to provide for procuring statistics relating to the poultry industry in Maine;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 18 of the Public Laws of 1891, and to amend section 5 of chapter 58 of Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 125 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the board of agriculture,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lamoine Beach Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Maine Polyclinic;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 26 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, relating to the taxation of plantations letter E, 27, Franklin, E, Franklin county and Lang, 45, Franklin, 2, Range 3, West Bingham's Kennebec Purchase;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to negotiate a loan for the payment of land damages incurred by the widening of the highway known as Forest avenue, in the city of Deering, in said county;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make report to the State superintendent of public schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend an act, entitled 'An Act to supply the people of South Gardiner Village in the city of Gardiner with pure water;'"

Bill "An Act to further regulate banking hours on Saturdays which are not bank holidays;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 260 of Public Laws of 1885, and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to migratory fish and fish ways;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 506 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Deering,' " as amended by chapter 439 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 633 of Private and Special Laws of 1893, and by chapter 238 of Private and Special Laws of 1895;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company, and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters;"

Resolves in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts;

Resolve in favor of the executors of the will of Cyrus Cole;

Resolve in favor of the town of Peru;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. PEARL of Bangor, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion to indefinitely postpone was lost by a vote on division 33 to 70.

The bill was read twice.

On motion of Mr. FERNALD of Levant, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the promotion of medical education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in dead human bodies."

Came up as a special assignment, and was read twice.

Mr. DAY of Turner, offered House amendment "A," which was rejected.

Mr. HOLMES of Addison, offered House amendment "B," which was also rejected.

Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford, offered House amendment "C," which was adopted by a vote on division 50 to 43.

On motion of Mr. O'NEIL, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "C," and was sent to the Senate.

The motion to reconsider the votes whereby bill "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Biddeford," passed to be enacted and engrossed,

Came up as a special assignment and was reassigned to Wednesday, March 23, for its consideration, on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

On motion of Mr. KALER of Scarboro,

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide that all general hospitals receiving aid from the State of Maine, shall be obliged to have, at least, one homeopathic physician on its medical staff; one homeopathic surgeon on its surgical staff, and one homeopathic physician and surgeon on its staff of consulting physicians and surgeons,"

Was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RODICK of Eden,

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "G," which was adopted and the bill as amended by House amendments "A," "B," "D," "E" and "G," and Senate amendments "A" and "B" passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 319 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company,'"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the House, March 11, accepted the report, was reconsidered and report recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Bill "An Act additional to section 104, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to the duties of the State Superintendent of Schools,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor,
Bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries,"

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,
Bill "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law,"

Was taken from the table, read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland,
Bill "An Act additional to chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of property deposited in public warehouses on which the charges thereon shall not have been paid,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

The bill was then read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,
Bill "An Act relating to instruction in the use of tools and in cooking in public schools,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was adopted.

Pending passage of the bill to be engrossed, Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

The motion prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,
Resolve in favor of the State Reform School,

Was taken from the table and read once.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor,
Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the House non-concurred in the adoption of Senate amendments "A" and "B."

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to provide for an investigation of the causes of fires, and the publication of statistics relating to the same,"

Was taken from the table. Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, withdrew amendment "A," offered by him March 11.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was adopted and the bill as amended by House amendment "B" passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor,

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries,

Was taken from the table and read once.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland,

Adjourned to afternoon at 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting county estimates of the several counties of the State for the years 1897 and 1898.

Was read and with estimates referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

The Speaker appointed Mr. GREENLEAF of Southport, to serve on the Committee on County Estimates in place of Mr. AMES of Jefferson, who declined to serve.

Mr. FOGG from the Committee on Military Affairs, on petition of the Seventeenth Maine Regiment Association and Third Army Corps Union, for the erection of a monument to the memory of Major General Hiram G. Berry, reported that same be referred to the next legislature.

Mr. AUSTIN from the Committee on Towns, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Mary N. Dunham that a certain parcel of land with buildings thereon situated in the town of Bethel be set off from said Bethel and annexed to the town of Mason.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MURCHIE from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to permit the Patten and Sherman Railroad Company to sell or lease its road."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,
Bill "An Act additional relating to the Bath municipal court,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton,
Bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and
commoding public travel,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. SIMPSON of York, offered House amendment "B,"
which was adopted and the bill as amended by House amend-
ments "A" and "B" and Senate amendment "A," passed to be
engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CURRIER of Farmington,
Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and
Power Company,"

Was taken from the table. House amendment "A" offered by
same gentleman was adopted. The bill was then read a second
time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. AUSTIN of Milford,
Resolve in favor of an appropriation to aid in erecting a high
school building in the town of Frenchville in the county of
Aroostook,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be
engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea,
Bill "An Act repealing section 87, chapter 11, Revised Stat-
utes of 1883, and acts amendatory thereto, and substituting
therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the
manner of electing town superintendents and defining the pow-
ers and duties of school committees and school superintend-
ents,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. SEARLS offered House amendment "A," which was
adopted. The bill was then read a second time and to-morrow
assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn,
Bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds,"

Was taken from the table and Tuesday, March 23, assigned
for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. HATHORN of Medford,
Bill "An Act to repeal acts incorporating the town of Maxfield,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion prevailed by vote on division, 46 to 2.

Mr. AUSTIN of Milford, raised the point of order of no quorum.

The Chair ruled that the point was not well taken as a quorum appeared to be present.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,
Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes,"

Was taken from the table. House amendment "A" offered by same gentleman was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias,
Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,
Bill "An Act amending section 28 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, and section 31 of said chapter 11 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to free high schools,"

Was taken from the table and Tuesday, March 23, assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton,
Bill "An Act to provide for the examination of candidates for positions as teachers in the public schools of the State,"

Was taken from the table and Tuesday, March 23, assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend paragraph 4 of section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of estate and property of religious societies,"

Was taken from the table and Tuesday next, assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. WEEKS of Fairfield,

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 8 of chapter 86 and section 17 of chapter 81, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of trustee writs,"

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Bill "An Act to authorize the correction of errors in proceedings for collection of taxes,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to establish wards and ward lines in the city of Augusta,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, the bill given its three several readings, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 182 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was adopted and the bill as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Mars Hill and Blaine Water Company,"

Was taken from the table, indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland,
Bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to compensation of surviving partners,"

Was taken from the table. House amendment "A" offered by same gentleman was adopted.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, the bill was tabled.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,
Resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of same gentleman, resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum,

Was taken from the table, rules suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. THURSTON of Appleton,
Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Dickey brook in Frenchville in the county of Aroostook,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MARTIN of Liberty,
Resolve in favor of aid in blasting a ledge in town of Frenchville in Aroostook county,

Was taken from the table.

Mr. GAGNON of Frenchville, moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

A viva voce vote being doubted a division was called for, and the motion prevailed by a unanimous vote.

On motion of Mr. GREENLEAF of Southport,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
SATURDAY, March 20, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act to amend section 102, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, relating to the title of State Superintendent of Schools,"

"An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Franklin,"

Was read in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire whether the secretary of the board of cattle commissioners has entered into a bond to the State of Maine, in accordance with section 11, chapter 177, of the Public Laws of 1889, and report the facts in relation to the same to the legislature.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to ways,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 12,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 17,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on report of the commissioners on uniform legislation, reporting that "same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on order relating to the expediency of the State supporting and maintaining the large bridges, reporting that "same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to the expediency of granting Seward Dill of Phillips, county of Franklin, the right to create and maintain a fish pond; and the said Seward Dill be granted exclusive right to catch, kill or destroy fish in said pond for a term of five years.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Military Affairs.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Indian Affairs.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to revive and amend the charter of the city of Calais.'"

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order reporting resolve in favor of heirs of John Robertson.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading under suspension of rules.

Report of the Committee on State Prison, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to the duties and compensation of the State Prison physician."

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 150 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act in relation to the municipal court of the city of Portland.'"

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

Resolve to repair the block house at Fort Kent,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 54 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to service of criminal warrants by constables."

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 313 of the Public Laws of 1893."

Mr. STEVENS from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 127 of the Public Laws of 1895," reported that same be indefinitely postponed.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. TALBOT from the Committee on Ways and Means, on order relating to the rate necessary for the assessment of the State tax for the years 1897 and 1898 reported the accompanying:

Mr. WEEKS from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to prevent the use of diseased meat for domestic purposes," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to prevent the use of diseased meat for food purposes."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, on bill "An Act authorizing the county commissioners of York county to locate and establish a highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannet river in Wells," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a townway or highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannet river in Wells."

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to regulate the use of bicycles."

Mr. SPEAR from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company."

Mr. MERRILL from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to loan and building associations," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to loan and building associations."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bath Gas and Electric Company to issue additional bonds." House Document No. 324;

Bill "An Act to amend section 45 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of milk." House Document No. 326;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company." House Document No. 327;

Bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll bridges across the St. John river." House Document No. 329;

Bill "An Act to enforce the payment of State and county taxes on timber and grass on reserved lands in this State." House Document No. 330;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Improvement and Navigation Company." House Document No. 331;

Bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco." House Document No. 334;

Bill "An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime." House Document No. 335;

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Lebanon to contract with the city of Rochester, N. H., to supply the village of Lebanon with water for fire and domestic use." House Document No. 337;

Bill "An Act relating to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary." House Document No. 338;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act in relation to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as wild lands.'" House Document No. 339;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College." House Document No. 336,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the new city hall commission of Waterville under the name of the City Hall Commission." House Document No. 332,

Was read twice.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company and to authorize municipalities in

Cumberland county to aid in the construction of its railway." House Document No. 340,

Was read twice.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve providing for the expenses of the Governor and staff while attending the ceremonies relating to formal transfer of the Grant monument to the city of New York. House Document No. 328,

Was read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading, under suspension of rules.

Resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in town of Moscow. House Document No. 325,

Was read once, rules suspended on motion of Mr. LANE of St. George, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company, and enable it to cross navigable tide waters;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 8 of chapter 86 and section 17 of chapter 81, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of trustee writs;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law;"

Was reported from same committee read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "B" and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Sanford municipal court;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A," and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the vote passing the bill to be engrossed was reconsidered and bill tabled.

On motion of same gentleman, taken from the table.

A viva voce vote on the question of passing the bill to be engrossed being doubted, a division was called for 30 voting in the affirmative and 6 in the negative. Mr. PALMER of Bangor, raised the point of order of no quorum.

The Chair ruled that "the point was well taken."

The bill was retabled.

Bill "An Act repealing section 87, chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883 and acts amendatory thereto and substituting therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the manner of electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school committees and school superintendents,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School;

Resolve relating to the Maine Gettysburg commission;

Resolve providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the Adjutant General's office;

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the York Sewer Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 205 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 11 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to taxes;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to lease a connecting railroad, which may be built from Limestone;"

Bill "An Act relating to the crossing of the new highway in Ashland and Sheridan plantation by the branch track and log spur of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of property deposited in public warehouses on which the charges thereon shall not have been paid,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended in non-concurrence, and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 396 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 204 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Deer Isle Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act to increase the efficiency of the local board of health of the town of Eden;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 463 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to the taking of bass in Winnegance creek;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 7, chapter 249, of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the use of purse and drag seines in State waters;"

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 213, Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 34 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the duties of municipal officers;"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to inspection of buildings;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 47 of chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 277 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the time of holding the September term of the supreme judicial court, Piscataquis county;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 320 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebago Railroad Company;'"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bath, Small Point and Popham Beach Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company;"

Bill "An Act providing for the registration of guides and to aid in the gathering of statistics relative to inland fish and game;"

Bill "An Act to provide for procuring statistics relating to the poultry industry in Maine;"

Bill "An Act to enable the county of Sagadahoc to rebuild the Merrymeeting Bay bridge, to issue bonds therefor and to make it and Arrowsic bridge free;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 33 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations;"

Bill "An Act to establish bank holidays and to abolish days of grace on commercial paper;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to indorsement of writs;"

Bill "An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter 29, Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Light and Heat Company;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 107 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to attachments;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 76 of chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act amendatory of and additional to

chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fish and fisheries;”

Bill “An Act in relation to accidents upon railroads and street railways;”

Bill “An Act to abate the county taxes assessed on Lang plantation since its organization, and now remaining unpaid;”

Bill “An Act to repeal chapter 246 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled ‘An Act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on Greenfield road in town of Greenbush;’”

Bill “An Act relating to the holding of terms of the supreme judicial court in Franklin county;”

Bill “An Act to amend chapter 353 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the Bluehill Water Company;”

Bill “An Act to repeal chapter 197 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to taking fish in Marble brook and pond;”

Bill “An Act in relation to suits for taxes;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 297 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to dyke in town of Milbridge;”

Bill “An Act to authorize the insurance commissioner to revoke the license of an insurance agent or broker;”

Bill “An Act to incorporate the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company;”

Bill “An Act additional to, and to extend the charter of the Cumberland Illuminating Company;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 8, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to text books, school apparatus and repairs on school buildings;”

Resolve in favor of the hospital of the society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine;

Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy;

Resolve in favor of building a bridge over the Daigle brook in the town of Van Buren and county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler for repairs on highways and bridges;

Resolve in favor of Maine Industrial School for Girls;

Resolve in favor of the town of York;

Resolve accepting the legacy to the State of Maine by the will of Joseph H. Williams of Augusta, for the benefit of the Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve in favor of the Portland School for the Deaf;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish wards and ward lines in the city of Augusta,"

Was reported from same committee and pending passage to be enacted, tabled on motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the vote whereby the House, March 19, passed to be engrossed bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to regulate the organization and control of street railroads,'"

Was reconsidered.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. GOODRICH of Maxfield, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, March 19, indefinitely postponed bill "An Act to repeal acts incorporating the town of Maxfield."

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the election of town officers,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,
Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,"

Was taken from the table and Wednesday, March 24, assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. PEARL of Bangor, moved that the House adjourn.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, raised the point of order that a quorum was not present.

The Chair ruled that "the point was not well taken."

The motion of Mr. PEARL prevailed and the House adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
MONDAY, March 22, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

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

Journal of Saturday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to suits on promissory notes,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Ordered, That the sum of forty dollars be paid Miss Sybil A. Howe for services as stenographer during session of 1897.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 184 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company,'"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 16,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 67, section 35, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the adoption of children."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to State and county taxes on organized plantations."

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Temperance.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the capital stock of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company."

Report of same committee, on petition reporting bill "An Act to amend sections 4 and 5 of chapter 636 of the Private and Special Laws of 1871, establishing a municipal court for the city of Lewiston as amended."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 132 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to punishment for intoxication."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 118, Public Laws of 1891, relating to the registration of vital statistics."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of dams and reservoirs."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on order reporting bill "An Act to establish the standard weight of a bushel of parsnips."

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Olaf H. Nilson;

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition reporting resolve for the purpose of repairing the church of the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading, under suspension of rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, relating to criminal appeals,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act authorizing and directing the treasurer of Franklin county to refund certain money to Perkins plantation,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolves in favor of the city of Calais,

On motion of Mr. MURCHIE of Calais, rules were suspended, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias,

Ordered, That there shall be appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Executive Council, a commission, whose duty it shall be to ascertain as to the desirability of establishing new normal schools in eastern or central Maine, and the most advantageous place for said school.

Said commission shall report their doings to the next legislature, and serve without pay, except that they shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred.

These bills, resolves and order were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That on and after March 23d, Major W. Bither of Linneus be excused from further attendance at this session of the legislature and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to legalize the organization of the plantation of Swans Island."

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to provide for the

incorporation and control of gas and electric companies for lighting, heating, manufacturing and mechanical purposes," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend clause 26 of chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 151 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to corporations."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 60 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to paupers, their settlement and support."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, on order to inquire into the expediency of legislation to provide for the conduct of political caucuses and primaries, reported bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in cities."

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 29 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated plantations."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Perham." House Document No. 341;

Bill "An Act to permit the Patten and Sherman Railroad Company to sell or lease its road." House Document No. 342;

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Rome and annex the same to the town of Belgrade." House Document No. 343;

Bill "An Act additional to the act incorporating the Mutual Fire Insurance Company." House Document No. 345;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Union Gas and Electric Company." House Document No. 346;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Harpswell Village Corporation." House Document No. 348;

Bill "An Act to prevent the use of diseased meat for food purposes." House Document No. 351;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 and chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to inland fisheries and game." House Document No. 344,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. JONES of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts,'" with statement of facts. House Document No. 347,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to repeal certain old and obsolete Private and Special Laws relating to close time for fishing in the public waters." House Document No. 349,

Was read once, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a town way or highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannet river in Wells." House Document No. 350,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company." House Document No. 352,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. MURCHIE of Calais.

Bill "An Act to regulate the use of bicycles." House Document No. 354,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. HOLMES of Addison.

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 61 of the Public Laws

of 1887, relating to loan and building associations." House Document No. 356,

Was read once. Mr. CURRIER of Farmington, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption and second reading of bill both were tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bath Gas and Electric Company to issue additional bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 45 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of milk;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the St. John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll bridges across the St. John river;"

Bill "An Act to enforce the payment of State and county taxes on timber and grass on reserved lands in this State;"

Bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the municipal courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Lebanon to contract with the city of Rochester, N. H., to supply the village of Lebanon with water for fire and domestic use;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act in relation to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State, as wild lands;'"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Improvement and Navigation Company,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. BURRILL of Corinna.

Bill "An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime,"

Was reported from same committee, and pending third reading tabled on motion of Mr. LEVENSALER of Thomaston, and Thursday next assigned for its consideration.

Resolve providing for the expenses of the Governor and staff while attending the ceremonies relating to the formal transfer of the Grant monument to the city of New York,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 150 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act in relation to the municipal court of the city of Portland;'"

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Calais;'"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of heirs of John Robertson,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in relation to the duties and compensation of the State Prison physician,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to regulate the organization and control of street railroads;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes as amended by section 2, chapter 18, of the Public Laws of 1891, and to amend section 5 of chapter 58 of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 125 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the board of agriculture;"

Bill "An Act relating to the crossings in the new highway in Ashland and Sheridan plantation by the branch track and log spur of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to lease a connecting railroad, which may be built from Limestone;"

Bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river;"

Bill "An Act to provide for an investigation of the causes of fires and the publication of statistics relating to the same;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 205 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 11 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to taxes;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the York Sewer Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to ways;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines;"

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to aid in erecting a high school building in the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook;

Resolve that the land agent be empowered and directed to convey settler's lots in Wallagrass plantation;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, the order directing the Committee on Legal Affairs to inquire into the necessity of amending section 113 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes so as to make the railroad commissioners elective instead of appointive, and also to provide an appeal from their decision to the supreme judicial court, and report by bill or otherwise,

Was taken from the table.

Mr. WILSON of Gorham, moved that the House insist on its former action in passing the order without amendment.

The motion prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, the order directing the State assessors to assess the State tax for the years 1897 and 1898 on the valuation as established by the said assessors for said years, at the rate of three mills on the dollar of said valuation for the year 1897, and two and three-fourths mills on the dollar of said valuation for the year 1898,

Was taken from the table, given a passage and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor,

Bill "An Act to authorize the Brewer Light and Power Company of Brewer, Maine, to transact business within the city of Brewer,"

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act repealing section 87, chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883, and acts amendatory thereto, and substituting therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the manner of electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school committees and school superintendents,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was adopted. The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis,

Was taken from the table, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 116 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the schooling of children in unorganized townships,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
TUESDAY, March 23, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Struthers of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate.

Communication from the Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz:

"An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the water works dam at Bangor;"

"An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sales of land for non-payment of taxes;"

"An Act in relation to the care of convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence;"

"An Act to further regulate banking hours on Saturdays which are not bank holidays;"

"An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 40 of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 260 of the Public Laws of 1885, and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof relating to migratory fish and fish ways;"

"An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes, relating to duties of municipal officers relative to insane persons;"

"An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property;"

"An Act to amend section 11, chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to clerks of corporations;"

"An Act to provide for filling vacancies of trustees;"

"An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make reports to the State superintendent of public

schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report;"

Was read in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in regard to the right of exceptions,"

Which was referred in the House March 11, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence. The House receded and concurred.

Bill "An Act to provide funds for the protection of the inland game of the State,"

Which was referred in the House, February 18, to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence. The House receded and concurred.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company, and to authorize municipalities in Cumberland county to aid in the construction of its railway, which passed to be engrossed in the House March 20. Came from the Senate, amended by Senate amendments "A" and "B" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendments "A" and "B" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 15.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendments "A," "B" and "C" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered. Senate amendments "A," "B" and "C" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot

River Dam and Improvement Company," as amended by chapter 74 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, and by chapter 482 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, and by chapter 620 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893."

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 16.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, and pending adoption of Senate amendment "A" in concurrence the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. JONES of Lincoln.

Bill "An Act to correct a clerical error in an act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings, approved March 17, 1897, and being chapter 232 of the Public Laws of 1897."

Came from the Senate, read twice under suspension of rules and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to amend sections 6 and 119 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the manner of assessment of common school fund," reporting that same be referred to the next legislature.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal section 3 of chapter 103 of the Public Laws of 1895."

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on bill in reference to the chronic insane.

Report of same committee on reports of the trustees, resident officers and visiting committee of Maine Insane Hospital, reporting that "same be accepted."

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Towns.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to legalize and confirm the doings of Riverside Cemetery Asso-

ciation," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to legalize the acts of Riverside Cemetery Association of Cornish."

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the South Portland Trust and Banking Company."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Little Spencer Dam and Improvement Company."

The reports were accepted in concurrence and bills severally read twice. On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on resolves providing for uniforms, camp and garrison equipage for Company M, First Regiment, N. G. S. M., and Company M, Second Regiment, N. G. S. M.

The report was accepted in concurrence and resolves read once. On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended, resolves read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on report of the commissioners appointed to investigate, revise and simplify the laws relating to sea and shore fisheries, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to sea and shore fisheries."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, Senate amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D" adopted in concurrence, rules suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to define the jurisdiction and authority of constables and city marshals in criminal matters in the county of York; amending section 54, chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bill was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Moscow,

Ordered, That C. E. Lane be excused from further attendance on this session on and after Thursday, the 25th, and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. MURCHIE of Calais,

Ordered, That F. B. Violette of Van Buren be excused from further attendance on this session after March 23d, and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay and mileage to the end of the session to the full amount.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, March 23d, after the assignments of the day shall have been disposed of, all matters on the calendar and unassigned, shall be taken up in the order in which they were tabled and disposed of.

Mr. MASON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Samuel L. Lord and others for an amendment to section 41 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, as the amendment asked for has been arranged and provided for in the revision of the fishing laws.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BOYNTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to require the use of wide tires upon team wagons," reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act relative to the use of wide tires."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend chapter 73 of the Public Laws of 1891, to provide for the recording of assignments of wages when the assignor is commorant in an unorganized place," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 73 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to the recording of assignments of wages."

Mr. SPEAR from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company."

Mr. MURCHIE from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railroad."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Perham;"

Bill "An Act to permit the Patten and Sherman Railroad Company to sell or lease its road;"

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Rome and annex the same to the town of Belgrade;"

Bill "An Act additional to the act incorporating the Mutual Fire Insurance Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Union Gas and Electric Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Harpswell Village Corporation;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the use of diseased meat for food purposes;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Brewer Light and Power Company of Brewer, Maine, to transact business within the city of Brewer;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to repeal certain old and obsolete Private and Special Laws, relating to close time for fishing in the public waters of the State,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 4 and 5 of chapter 636 of the Private and Special Laws of 1871, establishing a municipal court for the city of Lewiston, as amended;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the capital stock of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of dams and reservoirs;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 118, Public Laws of 1891, relating to the registration of vital statistics;"

Bill "An Act to establish the standard weight of a bushel of parsnips;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 132 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to punishment for intoxication;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Olaf H. Nilson;

Resolve for the purpose of repairing the church of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act amending section 28 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, and section 31 of said chapter 11 as amended by chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 212 of the Public Laws of 1889, and chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to free high schools,"

Came up as a special assignment, House amendment "A" was adopted.

Mr. SMITH of Hampden, offered House amendment "B," which was also adopted.

The bill was then read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered.

On motion of same gentleman, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. CONANT of Strong, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

Pending third reading, Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost. The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend paragraph 4 of section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of estate and property of religious societies,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. MERRILL of Portland, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to provide for the examination of candidates for positions as teachers in the public schools of the State,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. WHELDEN of Portland, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Pending action on this motion, Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, offered House amendment "A." Pending adoption of amendment "A,"

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, the bill and amendment was tabled and amendment ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston, the vote whereby the order directing the State assessors to assess the State tax for the years 1897 and 1898 on the valuation as established by the said assessors for said years, at the rate of three mills on the dollar of said valuation for the year 1897, and two and three-fourths mills on the dollar of said valuation for the year 1898, March 22, received a passage, was reconsidered, and on motion of same gentleman the order was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Agreeable to the order passed this forenoon, the following matters were taken from the table:

Bill "An Act to provide for the navigation of the Kennebec river between Shawmut dam and the south line of Skowhegan,"

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, the bill was tabled and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ashland Water Company,"

On motion of M. PATTANGALL of Machias, the bill was tabled and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 11 and 14 in chapter 58 relating to agricultural societies,"

Was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Majority report of the Committee on Labor, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the hours of labor of minors and women employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments," and

Minority report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on same bill.

Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford, moved that the minority report be accepted, and also moved that when the vote is taken it be taken by yeas and nays.

The House refused to order the yeas and nays and the motion to accept the minority report was lost on a viva voce vote.

The majority report was accepted and the papers sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Georges River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power,"

Was assigned for further consideration to to-morrow morning.

Bill "An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations,"

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

The bill was then read the third time under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An enabling act for the annexation of Deering to Portland,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering, the bill was retabled and to-morrow morning assigned for further consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to election, qualifications and compensation of school committees,"

House amendment "A," presented by Mr. GARVIN of Acton, March 15, was adopted, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended.

Subsequently Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill passed to be engrossed.

The motion prevailed. Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was adopted and the bill as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 112 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 37, Public Laws of 1891, and by chapter 121 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to normal schools and the Madawaska Training School."

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

A viva voce vote on the motion being doubted a division was called for and the motion was lost by a vote of 31 to 47.

The bill was read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the salaries of judges and registers of courts of insolvency."

On motion of Mr. KONWLTON of Portland, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island,"

Was read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law,"

Was retabled and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital,

House amendment "A" offered by Mr. PEARL of Bangor, was adopted and the resolve as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to transfers of stock."

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, the bill was retabled and assigned to afternoon for further consideration.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act additional to chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insurance.'"

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway."

Mr. ROWELL of Kittery, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvency proceedings,"

Was retabled on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, and assigned for consideration to to-morrow afternoon.

Bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to compensation of surviving partners."

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, the bill was retabled and assigned to afternoon for further consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891 as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to provide for the printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting for State and city elections.'"

Mr. PALMER of Bangor, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, the bill was retabled and assigned to afternoon for further consideration.

Bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries."

On motion of Mr. SHEPARD of Buxton, the bill was retabled and to-morrow assigned for further consideration.

Bill "An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College."

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, the bill was retabled and to-morrow morning assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to establish wards and ward lines in the city of Augusta."

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS of Augusta, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Majority report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the United Indurated Fiber Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power," and

Minority report of same committee, on same bill reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act authorizing the United States Fibre Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power."

Was assigned to afternoon for consideration.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Improvement and Navigation Company."

On motion of Mr. BURRILL of Corinna, the bill was retabled and assigned to afternoon for further consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 and chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to inland fisheries and game."

Mr. JONES of Lincoln, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company."

On motion of Mr. MURCHIE of Calais, the bill was retabled and to-morrow afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to regulate the use of bicycles."

Mr. HOLMES of Addison, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Pending action on this motion the bill was tabled and to-morrow afternoon assigned for its consideration on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to loan and building associations."

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland, the bill was tabled and assigned to afternoon for further consideration.

Bill "An Act in relation to the duties and compensation of the State prison physician."

Was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries.

Was retabled and to-morrow morning assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn,
Adjourned to afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Bill "An Act relating to the transportation by common carriers, of property, the title of which is disputed,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to change the time of holding the October and January terms of the supreme judicial court in the county of Washington."

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, rules were suspended, the bill given its three several readings, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relative to flags upon public buildings and school houses."

Mr. FOGLER from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 146 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 96 and chapter 124 of the Public Laws of 1895."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act providing for the support of the chronic insane by the State after twenty years residence at the insane hospital."

Mr. PRINCE from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported "legislation inexpedient" on communication relating to the independence of Cuba.

Mr. GOODRICH from same committee, reported same on communication relating to arbitration with Great Britain.

Mr. BURTON from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the compensation of State superintendent of common schools and his clerk."

Mr. HUTCHINS from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of investigating as to a readjustment of the salaries of the judges

and registers of probate in the various counties relative to probate proceedings and also what salaries in addition they should receive for services in insolvency matters, in case the fee system, so far as it relates to those officers, should be abolished.

The reports were accepted and were sent to the Senate.

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend section 60 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors."

Mr. JONES from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 221 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895," which is an act to incorporate the Long Pond Dam Company.

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the transportation by common carriers, of property, the title to which is disputed."

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, the bill given its three several readings, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to provide for the navigation of the Kennebec river between Shawmut dam and the south line of Skowhegan."

Came up as a special assignment, and was re-assigned to to-morrow morning on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nahmakanta Improvement and Navigation Company."

Mr. BURRILL of Corinna, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

A viva voce vote on this motion being doubted a division was called for and the motion prevailed, 30 voting in favor and 9 against. The papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893,

entitled 'An Act to provide for the printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting for State and city elections.'"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. SMITH of Hampden, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

A viva voce vote being doubted a division was called for and the motion prevailed by a vote of 67 to 4. The papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to transfers of stock."

Came up as a special assignment, was read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Majority report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the United Indurated Fiber Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power," and

Minority report of same committee, on same bill reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act authorizing the United States Fiber Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power."

Came up as a special assignment and was re-assigned to Thursday morning on motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland.

Bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law."

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland, the vote was reconsidered whereby the House assigned the bill for consideration to to-morrow.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to compensation of surviving partners,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman the vote assigning to-morrow for consideration of the bill was reconsidered.

On motion of same gentleman the vote adopting House amendment "A" was reconsidered. Mr. FOGLER then offered House amendment "B" which was adopted.

The bill was read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEVENSALER of Thomaston,
Bill "An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House assigned Thursday, March 25, for its consideration.

The motion prevailed.

The bill was then read the third time and passed to be engrossed.

Subsequently on motion of Mr. THURSTON of Appleton, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered.

Same gentleman moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost on division 39 to 46.

The bill then passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

The motion to reconsider the votes whereby bill "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Biddeford," was passed to be enacted and engrossed,

Was taken from the table.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

The vote assigning this motion to Wednesday, March 24, was reconsidered.

Mr. O'NEIL of Biddeford, presented House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill then passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to loan and building associations,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. CURRIER of Farmington, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

Mr. MERRILL of Portland, offered House amendment "B" which was also adopted.

The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SHEPARD of Buxton,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, March 24, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Thayer of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of S. C. Murphy and 9 others, members of Knowles Post, G. A. R., of Ashland in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Maine;

Petition of W. S. Leavitt and 8 others of W. S. Hancock Post of Island Falls;

Petition of F. M. Caldwell and 16 others of Ashbury Caldwell Post of Sherman, in favor of same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Ordered, That the report of the Committee on Federal Relations on resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at Portland, that the same "ought not to pass," be taken from the files and recommitted to the committee.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of George W. Hazelton and others, that stenographers be authorized to take evidence given before the grand jury, reporting that "same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of same committee, reporting same on petition of J. S. Williamson and others that suitable homeopathic medical treatment be provided at the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to the names of corporations."

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on bill "An Act to regulate the taking of clams in the towns of Georgetown and Phippsburg."

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, on report of the committee appointed to take into consideration chapter 121 of the resolves of the legislature of 1895, reporting that "same be accepted."

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Federal Relations.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Reform School.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Mines and Mining.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Library.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 258 of the

Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the taxation of savings banks."

Came from the Senate, passage to be engrossed refused.

The report was accepted in concurrence. Mr. MERRILL of Portland, moved that the bill be referred to the next legislature.

Same gentleman called for a division of the House and the motion prevailed by a vote of 85 to 2.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that all committees are directed to report finally on or before Friday, the 19th inst.

Which was passed in the House March 16,

Came from the Senate amended by striking out all after the word committees and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "except the Committee on Financial Affairs, be directed to report finally on or before Thursday, March 25, inst."

The vote whereby the order was given a passage was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the order as amended passed in concurrence.

The order directing the Committee on Legal Affairs, to inquire into the necessity of amending section 113 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, so as to make the railroad commissioners elective instead of appointive, and also to provide an appeal from their decision to the supreme judicial court, on which the House, March 22, voted to insist on its former action in giving the order a passage,

Came from the Senate that branch voting to insist in concurrence.

The Speaker appointed as the Committee of Conference on the part of the House,

Messrs. Wilson of Gorham,
Pattangall of Machias,
Walton of Skowhegan.

The papers were returned to the Senate.

Resolves in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Maine,

Which were indefinitely postponed in the House, March 11.

Came from the Senate, read twice and passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

Mr. SHAW of Saco, moved that the House recede and concur.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

The House voted to insist, and call for a Committee of Conference.

Mr. WINSLOW of Portland, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House voted to insist. The motion was lost.

The Speaker appointed,

Messrs. Murray of Pembroke,

Rounds of Paris,

Shaw of Saco,

a committee of conference on the part of the House and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the county attorney of Hancock county,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 19.

Came from the Senate recommitted to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and the bill recommitted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of Cumberland,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 19.

Came from the Senate recommitted to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

The House receded and concurred.

Bill "An Act to incorporate Newfield Academy,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, February 12.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the use of compressed air for power,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House March 10.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

The House voted to recede and concur.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, relating to division fences.

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 16, as amended by House amendment "A."

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted and bill further amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended by House and Senate amendments "A" passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve to provide for the extinguishment of the claim of Don H. Powers and Dr. A. G. Sirois against the State for services rendered in connection with the shooting of Game Warden E. O. Collins by Charles Morris,

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 17, as amended by House amendments "A" and "B."

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, House amendment "B" rejected in non-concurrence.

The vote whereby the resolve passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered. The House reconsidered the vote whereby it adopted House amendment "B," and the amendment was rejected in concurrence and the resolve as amended by House amendment "A" passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 19.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 19, as amended by House amendments "A" and "B,"

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" adopted, House amendment "B" rejected.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered.

The vote whereby House amendment "B" was adopted was reconsidered and the amendment rejected in concurrence. The bill then passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House March 22,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "C" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The votes whereby the bill passed to be enacted and engrossed were reconsidered, Senate amendment "C" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Which was indefinitely postponed in the House March 18,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended, in non-concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, the House voted on division, 87 to 5, to insist and the following committee of conference was appointed:

Messrs. Smith of Presque Isle,
Hill of Portland,
Fogler of Rockland.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to dispense with the grand jury at the January term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Waldo, and to change the time of holding the October term of said court in said county,"

reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to change the time of holding the October term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Waldo."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act relating to the organization of certain officers as parishes and religious societies as corporations," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act amendatory of section 19 of chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to officers of religious societies."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the employment of superintendents of schools."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883, as amended by chapters 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, 212 of the Public Laws of 1889 and 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, defining course of studies in free high schools."

The reports were accepted in concurrence and bills severally read twice.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on bill "An Act to amend chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act for the better protection of sheep,'" reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to amend chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the better protection of sheep."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to prevent the reproduction of prize fights by photographs,"

Was presented by Mr. DAVIS of Steuben, who moved that the rules be suspended and bill pass to be engrossed without reference to a committee.

Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, moved that it be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The motion to refer prevailed by a vote on division 59 to 10.

Bill "An Act to prevent any exhibitions in the State of Maine of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons mill at Carson City through the agency of the kinetoscope,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Henry Dawson and 11 others of E. M. Billings Post, Monroe, in favor of Maine Soldiers' Home.

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

The petition and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. THOMPSON of Standish,

Ordered, That S. B. Luce of New Vineyard, be excused from further attendance on this session on and after March 26, and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay and mileage in full to the end of the session.

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Federal Relations, on memorial to Congress relating to the "Sperry bill," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. KNOWLTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 9 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to sentence to the Reform School."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 27 of chapter 134 of the Revised Statutes, relating to criminal appeals."

Mr. FLOYD from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the correction of errors in proceedings for collection of taxes."

Mr. WALTON from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

Mr. ROWELL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act authorizing and directing the treasurer of Franklin county to refund certain money to Perkins plantation."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PEARL from the Committee on Ways and Means, on order relating to the rate necessary for the assessment of the State tax for the years 1897 and 1898, reported "ought to pass" in new draft the following order:

Ordered, That the State assessors be directed to assess the State tax for the years 1897 and 1898, on the valuation as established by the said assessors for said years at the rate of two and three-fourths mills on the dollar for each of the said years 1897 and 1898.

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

Mr. HAMILTON from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to define the jurisdiction and authority of constables and city marshals in criminal matters in the county of York; amending section 54, chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes."

Mr. WEEKS from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the repair of highways," also bill "An Act relating to the repairs of highways and bridges in towns," reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the repair of highways."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 180, Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to organizations of the Protestant Episcopal church of Maine."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the Saccarappa Aqueduct Company."

Mr. MURCHIE from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, on bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway," reported "ought

to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 634, Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50, Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Railway Company."

Mr. WILLIAMS from same committee, on bill "An Act to authorize the Penobscot Central Railway to maintain a street railroad in the city of Bangor," reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to authorize the Penobscot Central Railway to maintain a street railroad in the city of Bangor, over a route to be fixed by the municipal officers."

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on County Estimates, to which was referred the county estimates of the several counties of the State for the years 1897 and 1898, reported resolve laying a tax on counties of the State for the years 1897 and 1898.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. SEWALL from the Committee on Federal Relations, on petition of H. E. Stetson and others of the Bath board of trade; also memorial of Bath board of trade, relating to establishment of a dry dock at Bath; also resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at Kittery Navy Yard; also resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at Portland, reported resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at some port on the coast of Maine.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, rules were suspended, resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 60 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to paupers, their settlement and support." House Document No. 357;

Bill "An Act to amend section 29 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated places." House Document No. 358;

Bill "An Act to amend clause 26 of section 6 of chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 141 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to corporations." House Document No. 359;

Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in cities." House Document No. 360;

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 73 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to the recording of assignments of wages." House Document No. 362;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company." House Document No. 364;

Were read twice, rules suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relative to the use of wide tires." House Document No. 361,

Was read twice, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read the third time and pending passage to be engrossed tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford.

Bill "An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law;"

Bill "An Act to correct a clerical error in 'An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings,' approved March 17, 1897, and being chapter 232 of the Public Laws of 1897;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to probate courts;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 184 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company;'"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 59, 60 and 61 of chapter 6, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of insurance companies;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company, and to enable it to cross navigable tide waters;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 132 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to punishment for intoxication;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the mortgaging of ward's estate by guardians;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company and to authorize municipalities in Cumberland county, to aid in the construction of its railway;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 150 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act in relation to the municipal court of the city of Portland;'"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 182 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to the taking of fish from Bunganeaut pond;"

Bill "An Act additional to section 104, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to the duties of the State superintendent of schools;"

Bill "An Act additional relating to the appointment of a recorder for the Bath municipal court;"

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Piscataquis;"

Resolve relating to the Maine Gettysburg Commission;

Resolves in favor of the city of Calais;

Resolve in favor of Olaf H. Nilson;

Resolves providing for uniforms, camp and garrison equipage for Company M, First Regiment, National Guard State Militia, and Company M, Second Regiment, National Guard State Militia;

Resolve in favor of heirs of John Robertson;

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute;

Resolve in favor of the town of Topsfield;

Resolve for the purpose of repairing the church of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, offered House amendment "A," which was rejected.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was rejected by a vote on division 30 to 52.

The bill was then read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to provide for the navigation of the Kennebec river between Shawmut dam and the south line of Skowhegan,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ashland Water Company,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Georges River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity for lease or sale, heat, light and power,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted and bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries,

Came up as a special assignment, and was retabled on motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland, and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries,"

Came up as a special assignment, and was retabled and assigned to afternoon on motion of Mr. SHEPARD of Buxton.

An enabling act for the annexation of Deering to Portland,

Came up as a special assignment, and was reassigned to afternoon on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion was lost on a viva voce vote.

The bill was read twice. On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,'" with statement of facts,

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost on division 49 to 59.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, offered House amendment "A," which was rejected.

The bill was then read twice.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the capital stock of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, the vote whereby the bill, March 23, passed to be engrossed was reconsidered.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A," which was adopted and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Lincoln,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company,' as amended by chapter 74 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, and by chapter 482 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, and by chapter 620 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893,"

Was taken from the table, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Remonstrance of Frank L. Allen and others against establishment of West Washington municipal court,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

Resolve in favor of Frank E. Southard.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINSON of Auburn, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

These papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Lincoln,

Ordered, That on and after Friday, March 26, 1897, A. M. Tolman be granted leave of absence, and the Clerk be directed to make up his pay in full.

On motion of Mr. LARRABEE of Sebago,

Ordered, That N. D. Smith be excused from further attendance at this session on and after Thursday, the 25th, and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay and mileage to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. GILMAN of Houlton,

Ordered, That on and after Thursday noon, March 25, 1897, Maxim P. Gagnon, representative of Frenchville, be excused from further attendance upon this legislature, and that the Clerk of the House be directed to make up his pay roll to the end of the term.

On motion of Mr. BURTON of Union,

Ordered, That A. V. Martin be excused from further attendance on and after March 25, 1897, and that the Clerk be requested to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. BURTON of Union,

Ordered, That Milton Thurston be excused from further attendance on and after March 25, 1897, and that the Clerk be requested to make up his pay to the end of the session.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to prevent any

exhibition in the State of Maine of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons mill at Carson City, through the agency of the kinetoscope."

Mr. BURTON from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act fixing the salaries of county and State officers for a period of years."

Mr. CHATTO from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney for the county of Cumberland."

Mr. YOUNG from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the county attorney of Hancock county."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MASON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on petition of E. V. Lyman and others for the establishment and maintenance of two or more hatcheries for the propagation of lobsters, reported the following order:

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries be authorized to make such initial experiments regarding the gathering of and hatching of lobster eggs or spawn as to demonstrate the practicability of establishing hatcheries upon the coast of Maine, and to report the result of his experiments and investigations to the next legislature.

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

Mr. WEEKS from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to legalize the proceedings by which Palmyra Grange, No. 316, was organized."

Mr. PATTANGALL from the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to amend chapter 22 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the election of truant officers by the superintending school committee," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 22 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of truant officer."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to prevent the reproduction of prize fights by photographs."

The report was accepted.

Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost by a vote on division 23 to 66.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 319 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company.' "

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 60 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors." House Document No. 365;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company." House Document No. 366;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 221 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, which is an act to incorporate the Long Pond Dam Company." House Document No. 367;

Were severally read twice.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Calais;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of dams and reservoirs;"

Resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in town of Moscow;

Resolves providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the Adjutant General's office;

Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Dickey brook in Frenchville in the county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine;

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the town of Hollis;

Resolves in aid of the Maine Gettysburg commission;

Resolve in favor of breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls;

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum;

Resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine;

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvency proceedings,"

Came up as a special assignment, and was reassigned to to-morrow on motion of Mr. HILL of Portland.

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company,"

Came up as a special assignment and was read twice.

On motion of Mr. MURCHIE of Calais, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the use of bicycles,"

Came up as a special assignment.

The motion to indefinitely postpone the bill made by Mr. HOLMES of Addison, March 23, was lost on division 38 to 42.

Mr. HOLMES offered House amendment "A," and also moved that the vote on this motion be taken by yeas and nays.

The House refused to order the yeas and nays and the amendment was adopted on division 51 to 42.

Mr. STETSON of Bangor, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed and also moved that the vote be taken by yeas and nays.

The House ordered the yeas and nays and the motion prevailed by a vote of 111 to 7.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ames,	Forest,	Knowlton, Portla'd,
Andrews,	Fuller,	Larrabee, Sebago,
Blanchard,	Furbush,	Levensaler,
Boynton,	Gagnon,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,
Briggs,	Garvin,	Luce,
Britton,	Gilman,	Macomber,
Brown,	Goodrich,	Martin,
Burns,	Goodwin,	Mason,
Burrill,	Gowell,	Merrill, Bluehill,
Burse,	Greenleaf,	Merrill, Portland,
Burton,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Mitchell,
Chandler,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Moore, Deering,
Chatto,	Hancock,	Moore, Moscow,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Hathaway,	Murchie,
Conant,	Hathorn,	Murphy,
Cook,	Hill,	Murray,
Cox,	Holbrook,	O'Neil,
Cram,	Holmes,	Palmer,
Cushman,	Houghton,	Pattangall,
Daggett,	Hussey,	Patten,
Davis,	Hutchins,	Pearl,
Day,	Hutchinson,	Peirce,
Dickey,	Jewell,	Penley,
Durgin,	Jones,	Philbrook,
Edmunds,	Kaler,	Plummer,
Fernald, Levant,	King,	Pope,
Floyd,	Kneeland,	Pratt,
Fogg,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Prince,

Reed,	Shepard,	Tarbell,
Robinson,	Simpson,	Thompson,
Rounds,	Smith, Hampden,	Thurston,
Rowell, Kittery,	Spear,	Tolman,
Sanborn,	Staples,	Walton,
Sawyer,	Starbird,	Wheeler,
Searls,	Stetson,	Williams,
Sewall,	Stevens,	Wilson,
Shaw, Saco,	Talbot,	Winslow—III.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Burnham,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Young—7.
Coffin, Thorndike,	Shaw, Cumberland,	
Currier,	York,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Austin,	Kinsman,	Rodick,
Ayer,	Lane,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Bither,	Lincoln,	Saunders,
Donnell,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Smith, Masardis,
Dudley,	Longley,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Fernald, Poland,	Maxcy,	Thurlow,
Fogler,	Maxwell,	Violette,
Gardner,	McIntire,	Weeks,
Golder,	Newcomb,	Whelden,
Guernsey,	Noble,	Whiting—32.
Hurd,	Purinton,	

The papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland,

Bill "An Act to provide for the examination of candidates for positions as teachers in the public schools of the State,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment 1 to House amendment "A," which was adopted. House amendment "A," as amended by House amendment 1, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. SHEPARD of Buxton, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish traveling libraries,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Bath, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing traveling libraries,

Came up as a special assignment, and passage to be engrossed was refused. The papers were sent to the Senate.

An enabling act for the annexation of Deering to Portland,

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. MOORE of Deering, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

The bill was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relative to the use of wide tires,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents,

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee of Conference to which was referred the disagreeing action of the House and Senate on bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 174 of Laws of 1889, in relation to sale of pressed hay," reporting that same "ought to pass."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to provide for the printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting for State and city elections,'"

Which was indefinitely postponed in the House, March 23,

Came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former action in passing the bill to be engrossed and the following committee of conference appointed on its part:

Messrs. Clason of Kennebec,
Reynolds of Cumberland,
Walls of Knox.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the vote whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed was reconsidered.

On motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the House March 23, adopted House amendment "A" was reconsidered, rules suspended, bill read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and bill indefinitely postponed, in non-concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PALMER, the House voted to adhere.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. COFFIN of Shapleigh,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
THURSDAY, March 25, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Barber of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz.:

"An Act in relation to suits for taxes;"

"An Act to amend section 7, chapter 249, of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the use of purse and drag seines in State waters;"

"An Act to amend section 33 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations;"

"An Act additional to chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to inspection of buildings;"

"An Act to amend sections 6 and 8 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the indorsement of writs;"

"An Act to amend section 34 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the duties of municipal officers;"

"An Act to authorize the insurance commissioner to revoke the license of an insurance agent or broker;"

"An Act to amend section 76 of chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fish and fisheries;'"

"An Act to amend section 47 of chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 277 of the Public Laws of 1889, in relation to the time of holding the September term of the supreme judicial court, Piscataquis county;"

"An Act to establish bank holidays, and to abolish days of grace on commercial paper;"

"An Act to amend section 8, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes, 1883, as now amended, relating to text books, school apparatus and repairs on school buildings;"

"An Act to amend section 67 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 107 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to attachments;"

"An Act providing for the registration of guides, and to aid in the gathering of statistics relative to inland fish and game;"

"An Act in relation to accidents upon railroads and street railways;"

"An Act relating to the holding of terms of the supreme judicial court in Franklin county;"

"An Act to provide for procuring statistics relating to the poultry industry in Maine;"

"An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2, chapter 18, of the Public Laws of 1891, and to amend section 5 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 125 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the board of agriculture;"

"An Act to provide for the investigation of the causes of fires and the publication of statistics relating to the same;"

"An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to regulate the organization and control of street railroads;' "

Was read in concurrence.

Communication from same transmitting report of the adjutant general.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to change the time of holding the October and January terms of the supreme judicial court in the county of Washington,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 23,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A," and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote by which the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and accommodating public travel,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" and Senate amendment "A,"

Came from the Senate further amended by Senate amendment "B," and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "B" adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" and Senate amendments "A" and "B" passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 23,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to enforce the payment of State and county taxes on timber and grass on reserved lands in this State,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 22,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Maine, on which the House, March 24, voted to insist and called for a committee of conference, came from the Senate with the following committee joined on the part of that branch:

Messrs. Morrill of Cumberland,
Billings of Waldo,
Grindle of Hancock.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, on which the House, March 24, voted to insist and call for a committee of conference, came from the Senate with the following committee joined on the part of that branch:

Messrs. Engel of Penobscot,
Savage of Androscoggin,
Heald of Kennebec.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the report of the Committee on the Judiciary of the sixty-seventh legislature relating to the appointment of a State auditor, have carefully considered the matter.

The committee believe that the appointment of a State auditor would be a step in the right direction; that it would promote a system of greater accountability in the expenditure of public moneys; and that the publication of the State auditor's report, showing the items of expenditures to whom paid and for what purpose could not fail to be an improvement upon the present system. The people have a right to know in detail who gets their money. The present system, by which only the gross amounts paid out for certain purposes appear in published reports, is entirely unsatisfactory.

This committee undertook to draft a bill to provide for the appointment of State auditor, but a little examination showed that it would be necessary not only to make a thorough examination of the statutes which appropriate money and prescribe the manner of its use, but that the methods now in vogue in the several departments and the provisions of the several contracts made by the State with various parties involving the expenditure of money, would all have to be carefully examined, before a bill could be drawn which would be suitable; and the time at the disposal of the committee renders it impossible for us to do this work.

We therefore recommend that the bill be referred to the next legislature, in order that a better opportunity may be afforded for accomplishing this desired reform.

Report of same committee reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to divide the town of Mechanic Falls into two voting precincts."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, on bill "An Act relating to street railroads," reporting "legislation inexpedient" as the object sought for can be obtained under the general law.

Report of same committee, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to unjust discrimination in tolls and charges between patrons of telegraph and telephone companies.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on resolve of Somerset County Pomona Grange to prevent fraud in the manufacture and sale of cloth.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Banks and Banking.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Interior Waters.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Manufactures.

Final report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report "A" of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve concerning an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the use of money raised by taxation, for sectarian or ecclesiastical purposes.

[Signed]

Messrs. Savage,
Drummond, of the Senate.
Messrs. Knowlton,
Hamilton,
Smith, of the House.

Report "B" of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on same resolve.

[Signed]

Mr. Stearns, of the Senate.
Messrs. Philbrook,
Weeks,
Fogler, of the House.

Came from the Senate, report "B" accepted, and was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company,' " reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.' "

The report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SAWYER of Wales, rules were suspended, bill read three times, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Hartland Trust and Banking Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "B" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time, rules suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act concerning the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, and chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 313 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners."

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

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "B," which was rejected.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion was lost. The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate and House amendments "A" and was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine cattle commission.

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

Pending second reading, on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the resolve was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, moved that the vote by which the resolve was indefinitely postponed be reconsidered.

Pending action on this motion Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn, moved that the resolve be laid on the table and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

The motion was lost.

The motion to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing the resolve prevailed by a vote on division 69 to 3.

Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption the resolve was tabled on motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition reporting bill "An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Ellis river and its tributaries."

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in reference to trustees of State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

The reports were accepted in concurrence and bills severally read twice.

On motion of Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan, rules were suspended, bills read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Library, on resolve in favor of continuing the publication of York deeds reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, resolve to enable the State librarian to complete additional sets of the York deeds.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once, rules suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, to which was referred the disagreeing action of the House and Senate on resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, reporting that they were unable to agree.

Came from the Senate, report accepted and a second committee of conference appointed on its part as follows:

Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook,
Parsons of Piscataquis,
Ferguson of Sagadahoc,

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Mr. PALMER of Bangor, moved that the House further insist and join the committee of conference.

The motion was lost.

Mr. WHELDEN of Portland, moved that the House adhere.

(Discussion ensued.)

The question being on the motion to adhere, Mr. STETSON of Bangor, called for the yeas and nays which the House ordered, and the motion was lost by a vote of 62 to 70.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Ames,	Burnham,	Coffin, Shapleigh,
Ayer,	Burse,	Coffin, Thorndike,
Blanchard,	Burton,	Conant,
Briggs,	Chandler,	Cram,

Davis,	Lincoln,	Robinson,
Day,	Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Sanborn,
Donnell,	Luce,	Sawyer,
Fogg,	Martin,	Searls,
Fuller,	Maxcy,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Golder,	Maxwell,	Smith, Masardis,
Goodrich,	Merrill, Portland,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Hancock,	Moore, Deering,	Staples,
Hill,	Moore, Moscow,	Starbird,
Holbrook,	O'Neil,	Tarbell,
Holmes,	Pattangall,	Thurston,
Hutchinson,	Penley,	Walton,
Kaler,	Plummer,	Wheeler,
Kinsman,	Pratt,	Whelden,
Kneeland,	Prince,	Whiting,
Larrabee, Sebago,	Purinton,	York—62.
Levensaler,	Reed,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Andrews,	Gagnon,	Mason,
Austin,	Garvin,	McIntire,
Boynton,	Gilman,	Mitchell,
Britton,	Goodwin,	Murchie,
Brown,	Gowell,	Murphy,
Burns,	Greenleaf,	Murray,
Burrill,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,	Palmer,
Chatto,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,	Pearl,
Cook,	Hathaway,	Peirce,
Cox,	Hathorn,	Philbrook,
Currier,	Houghton,	Pope,
Cushman,	Hussey,	Rodick,
Daggett,	Hutchins,	Rowell, Kittery,
Dickey,	Jewell,	Saunders,
Durgin,	Jones,	Sewall,
Edmunds,	King,	Shaw, Saco,
Fernald, Levant,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Shepard,
Floyd,	Knowlton, Portla'd,	Simpson,
Fogler,	Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Smith, Hampden,
Forest,	Longley,	Spear,
Furbush,	Macomber,	Stetson,

Talbot,	Williams,	Young—70.
Thompson,	Wilson,	
Tolman,	Winslow,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Bither,	Lane,	Rounds,
Dudley,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Fernald, Poland,	Merrill, Bluehill,	Stevens,
Gardner,	Newcomb,	Thurlow,
Guernsey,	Noble,	Violette,
Hurd,	Patten,	Weeks—18.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor, the vote denying a second committee of conference was reconsidered, and on motion of same gentleman the following committee was joined on the part of the House:

Messrs. King of Caribou,
 Merrill of Portland,
 Spear of Rockland.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JONES of Lincoln,

Ordered, That D. S. Moore of Moscow, be excused from further attendance on this session after the 25th and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay in full to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. DURGIN of Orono,

Ordered, That C. E. Cushman of Andover, be excused from further attendance at this session of the legislature after this date and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay and mileage to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That M. D. Chatto, representative from Brooksville, be excused from further attendance on this session on and after Friday, March 26, and that the Clerk make up his pay for full amount to the end of the session, mileage included.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor,

Ordered, That the usual compensation per diem be paid to Andrew P. Andrews of Garland, for services as chaplain of this House during the present session.

Report of the Committee of Conference, to which was referred the disagreeing action of the House and Senate on resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Home in Maine, reporting that they were unable to agree.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke, the House voted to adhere. The papers were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WALTON from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Alwilda S. Martin and others that chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes, relating to hawkers and peddlers be amended.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of P. P. Mathews and others that a bill be passed to rid the country of pack peddlers.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. DAGGETT from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on resolve authorizing the land agent to sell and convey all the right, title and interest the State of Maine has in and to land in Moro plantation, county of Aroostook, reported "ought to pass" in new draft, resolve authorizing the land agent to sell certain public lots in Moro plantation.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna, rules were suspended, the resolve given its two several readings, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the Saccharappa Aqueduct Company." House Document No. 368.

Was read twice.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to the duties and compensation of the State Prison physician;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the new city hall commission of Waterville under the name of the City Hall Commission;"

Bill "An Act relating to the transportation by common carriers, of property, the title to which is disputed;"

Bill "An Act to permit the Patten and Sherman Railroad Company to sell or lease its road;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Rome and annex the same to the town of Belgrade;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 8 of chapter 86 and section 17 of chapter 81, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of trustee writs;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 4 and 5 of chapter 636 of the Private and Special Laws of 1871, establishing a municipal court for the city of Lewiston, as amended;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the packing of sardines;"

Bill "An Act to establish the standard weight of a bushel of parsnips;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to election of town officers;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the acts of Riverside Cemetery Association of Cornish;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Little Spencer Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 118, Public Laws of 1891, relating to the registration of vital statistics;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Sanford municipal court;"

Bill "An Act to establish wards and ward lines in the city of Augusta;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary;"

Bill "An Act to change the time of holding the October term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Waldo;"

Bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries;"

Resolve providing for the expenses of the Governor and Staff while attending the ceremonies relating to the formal transfer of the Grant monument to the city of New York;

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvency proceedings,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. HILL of Portland, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

The bill was then read twice.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Majority report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the United Indurated Fibre Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power." And

Minority report of same committee, on same bill reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act authorizing the United States Fibre Company of New Jersey to generate and supply compressed air and electrical power."

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, moved that the minority report be substituted for that of the majority.

Pending action on this motion the House adjourned to 2 o'clock this afternoon, on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

The motion to substitute the minority report for that of the majority under consideration when the House adjourned was called up.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. HOUGHTON of Fort Fairfield, the House ordered the yeas and nays and the motion was lost by a vote of 31 to 81.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Briggs,	Knowlton, Newb'g,	Shepard,
Burse,	Lane,	Smith, Masardis,
Chandler,	Larrabee, Sebago,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Cushman,	Levensaler,	Stevens,
Davis,	Lincoln,	Tolman,
Day,	Martin,	Whelden,
Durgin,	Moore, Deering,	Whiting,
Gagnon,	O'Neil,	Wilson,
Goodrich,	Pattangall,	Winslow—31.
Hancock,	Pratt,	
Kneeland,	Sawyer,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.

Ames,	Conant,	Fuller,
Ayer,	Cook,	Furbush,
Boynton,	Cox,	Garvin,
Britton,	Cram,	Golder,
Brown,	Daggett,	Goodwin,
Burns,	Dickey,	Greenleaf,
Burrill,	Donnell,	Guernsey,
Burton,	Edmunds,	Hamilton, Biddef'd,
Chatto,	Fernald, Levant,	Hamilton, Matt'k'g,
Coffin, Shapleigh,	Floyd,	Hathaway,
Coffin, Thorndike,	Fogler,	Hathorn,

Hill,	Merrill, Portland,	Sanborn,
Hussey,	Mitchell,	Saunders,
Hutchins,	Murchie,	Searls,
Jewell,	Murphy,	Sewall,
Kaler,	Murray,	Shaw, Cumberland,
Kinsman,	Palmer,	Shaw, Saco,
Knowlton, Portla'd,	Pearl,	Smith, Hampden,
Littlefield, Ken'b'k,	Peirce,	Staples,
Littlefield, Vinalh'n,	Penley,	Starbird,
Longley,	Philbrook,	Stetson,
Luce,	Prince,	Talbot,
Macomber,	Purinton,	Walton,
Mason,	Reed,	Wheeler,
Maxwell,	Robinson,	Williams,
McIntire,	Rodick,	York,
Merrill, Bluehill,	Rowell, Kittery,	Young—81.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Andrews,	Holbrook,	Pope,
Austin,	Holmes,	Rounds,
Bither,	Hurd,	Rowell, E. Liver're,
Blanchard,	Jones,	Simpson,
Burnham,	King,	Tarbell,
Currier,	Littlefield, Belfast,	Thompson,
Dudley,	Moore, Moscow,	Thurlow,
Fernald, Poland,	Newcomb,	Thurston,
Fogg,	Noble,	Violette,
Gardner,	Plummer,	Weeks—30.

The following pairs were announced:

Mr. Forest yes with Mr. Spear no.

Mr. Gilman yes with Mr. Patten no.

Mr. Gowell no with Mr. Hutchinson yes.

Mr. Houghton yes with Mr. Maxcy no.

The majority report was accepted and the papers sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That on and after Friday, March 26, S. A. Coffin of Thorndike, be excused from further attendance at this ses-

sion and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay and mileage to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. SAWYER of Wales,

Ordered, That on and after Friday, the 26th inst., A. L. Talbot of Lewiston be excused from further attendance on this House and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this afternoon it shall be to meet at 7.30 o'clock this evening.

Bill "An Act to define the jurisdiction and authority of constables and city marshals in criminal matters in the county of York; amending section 54, chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes." House Document No. 371;

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the repair of highways." House Document No. 372;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Penobscot Central Railway to maintain a street railroad in the city of Bangor, over a route to be fixed by the municipal officers." House Document No. 373;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company." House Document No. 375;

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 634 Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50 Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Railway." House Document No. 376;

Bill "An Act to legalize the proceedings by which Palmyra Grange, No. 316, was organized." House Document No. 377;

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 180, Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to organization of the Protestant Episcopal church of Maine." House Document No. 378;

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 22 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of truant officers." House Document No. 379;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. JONES of Lincoln, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Resolve laying a tax on counties of the State for the years 1897 and 1898. House Document No. 374,

Was read once. Mr. REED of Harmony, offered House amendment "A," which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. REED, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee of Conference, to whom was referred the disagreeing action of the Senate and House on order of the legislature relating to railroad commissioners reporting that they cannot agree.

The report was accepted.

Mr. FOGLER from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to corporations organized under the general law."

Mr. FURBUSH from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Elliott Walker and others that the medical staff of all general hospitals shall include at least one homeopathic physician and surgeon.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to place the Maine Relief Corps Home at Newport under the control of the State."

Same gentleman from same committee, on resolve in favor of a fire proof brick vault at the State Capitol, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve to repair the blockhouse at Fort Kent.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HOUGHTON from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1897, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1898,

amounting to the sum of nine hundred and five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents."

The reports were accepted.

On motion of Mr. PEARL of Bangor, rules were suspended, bills severally read three times, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 177 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1893, chapter 194, relating to the extirpation of contagious diseases among cattle."

On motion of Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn, rules were suspended, bill read once and tabled on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, and this evening assigned for its consideration.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the second Committee of Conference, to which was referred the disagreeing action of the Senate and House on resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, reporting that they were unable to agree.

The report was accepted in concurrence by a vote on division 63 to 0.

On motion of Mr. WHELDEN of Portland, the House voted to adhere.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

Mr. WHELDEN of Portland, moved to reconsider the vote by which the House voted to adhere to its former action in indefinitely postponing resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

The motion was lost.

Ordered, That the committee of the sixty-seventh legislature, to which was referred the resolve inquiring into the expediency of purchasing the homestead of the late James G. Blaine to be preserved by the State as a memorial building, be given further time, and that they be instructed to report by bill or otherwise to the next legislature.

Ordered, That the sum of fifty dollars be paid Chapin Lydstone for his services as messenger for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Ordered, That there be paid the sum of twenty-five dollars to each of the porters and night watch employed in the State House for extra services rendered during this session of the legislature.

Ordered, That the sum of fifty dollars be paid Walter B. Clark for his services as messenger for the Committee on Legal Affairs for the year 1897.

Ordered, That there be paid to Fred W. Lee of Augusta, the sum of three hundred dollars for services as clerk and stenographer rendered to the Judiciary Committee.

Ordered, That there be paid to Maurice W. Russell the sum of fifty dollars for his services as messenger for the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, for the year 1897.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

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

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to election, qualifications and compensation of school committees,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 23, as amended by House amendments "A" and "B."

Came from the Senate, House amendments "A" and "B" adopted and bill further amended by Senate amendment "A."

On motion of Mr. GOWELL of Berwick, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the bill as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" and Senate amendment "A" passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to secure the better observance of the Lord's day,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 9.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

A motion to recede and concur was lost on division by a vote of 25 to 30.

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor, the House voted to adhere.

The papers were sent to the Senate.

An enabling act for the annexation of Deering to Portland.

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 24, as amended by House amendment "A."

Came from the Senate, House amendment "A" amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered.

The vote whereby House amendment "A" was adopted was reconsidered. Senate amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and House amendment "A" as amended by Senate amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Legal Affairs.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to suits on promissory notes."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, rules suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and councillors, to provide for a board of examiners and to repeal conflicting acts."

The report was accepted in concurrence. On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, the bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence. Subsequently on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the vote by which the bill was indefinitely postponed was reconsidered. The motion to indefinitely postpone was lost. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK, the bill was referred to the next legislature in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve for amendment to the Constitution relating to elections of senators to fill vacancies.

The report was accepted in concurrence and resolve read once. On motion of Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Damariscotta and Bristol Telephone Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read twice, rules suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 177 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1893, chapter 194, relating to the extirpation of contagious diseases among cattle."

Came up as a special assignment.

The bill was read a second time.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, moved that it be indefinitely postponed. The motion was lost.

Mr. MERRILL of Portland, moved that the bill be laid on the table and printed.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot, raised the point of order that discussion upon the motion to table was out of order.

The Chair sustained the point of order.

The motion to table prevailed.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Cattle Commission.

Was tabled and to-morrow assigned for its further consideration on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
FRIDAY, March 26, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ringold of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, That the sum of twenty-five dollars be paid Walter D. Bean for extra service rendered the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game as messenger.

Ordered, That H. J. Noble and C. E. Morrison each be paid the sum of seventy-five dollars for extra and efficient service on the elevator.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act repealing section 87, chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883 and acts amendatory thereto, and substituting therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the manner of electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school committees and school superintendents,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 22, as amended by House amendments "A" and "B."

Came from the Senate, House amendments "A" and "B" rejected in non-concurrence, bill amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered. The votes by which House amendments "A" and "B"

were adopted were reconsidered and amendments rejected in concurrence.

Pending adoption of Senate amendment "A" in concurrence the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Bangor,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 19, as amended by House amendment "A."

Came from the Senate that branch voting to adhere to its former action in passing the bill to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendments "A" and "B" in non-concurrence.

The House receded and concurred in the adoption of Senate amendments "A" and "B."

On motion of Mr. PALMER of Bangor, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Brewer Light and Power Company of Brewer, Maine, to transact business within the city of Brewer,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 23.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the House receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition reporting bill "An Act to amend section 2, chapter 169 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to the Oxford Village Corporation."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and bill read a second time. On motion of Mr. MURCHIE of Calais, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That on and after this date G. E. Mitchell be excused from further attendance at this session and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That on and after March 27, A. J. Ames be excused from further attendance at this session and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That on and after this date, G. H. Smith be excused from further attendance at this session and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That on and after this date, S. H. Garvin be excused from further attendance during this session and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. FOGLER of Rockland,

Ordered, That T. J. York, representative from Nobleboro, be excused from further attendance on this House on and after this date and that the Clerk make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Ordered, That Joseph M. Hutchins be excused from further attendance after Saturday noon, March 27th, and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay for full term and mileage.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Deering,

Ordered, That Representative Coffin of Shapleigh, be excused from further attendance at this session of the legislature and that the Clerk make up his pay including mileage to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Masardis,

Ordered, That P. P. Larrabee of Sebago be excused from further attendance at this session after this day, and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay and mileage in full to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Moscow,

Ordered, That R. H. Reed of Harmony, be excused from further attendance on this session after to-day, and that the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay with mileage to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Mattawamkeag,

Ordered, That on and after March 27th, H. W. Golder be excused from further attendance at this session, and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. SHEPARD of Buxton,

Ordered, That on and after Friday, the 26th instant, W. E. Sanborn of Sanford, be excused from further attendance on this House and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HOLBROOK of Brunswick,

Ordered, That Eben S. Goodrich be excused from further attendance after to-day, and that the Clerk be authorized to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. JEWELL of Hallowell,

Ordered, That the sum of fifty dollars be paid from the State treasury to each of the following named porters, laborers and night watch at the State House, for extra services during the legislative session: H. M. Breen, C. B. Pettingill, Fred Brown, Joseph Fossett, D. W. Pettingill, J. M. Libby, E. Pedder, O. I. Stone, J. A. McDonald, W. H. Holmes, Joseph Fuller, C. D. Cram, F. W. Miller, C. W. Weymouth, John Jones, W. L. Stevens, O. O. Stetson.

Pending passage the order was tabled on motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 177 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by chapter 194 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the extirpation of contagious diseases among cattle,"

Was presented by Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, who moved that the rules be suspended, the bill take its three several readings and pass to be engrossed.

Pending second reading Mr. SEWALL of Bath, moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

Pending action on the motion to indefinitely postpone, the bill was tabled, on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

Subsequently, on motion of same gentleman, taken from the table and by unanimous consent withdrawn by the gentleman presenting it.

Bill "An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property."

On motion of Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, rules were suspended, bill read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent.

Resolve to care for the unfinished buildings of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford, rules were suspended, resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WILLIAMS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on resolve, Ex-Governor King's monument, reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolve in favor of the Ex-Governor King lot, in Oak Grove Cemetery in the city of Bath.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Bath, rules were suspended, resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend paragraph 4 of section 6 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of estate and property of religious societies;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Saint John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll bridges across the Saint John river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a town way or highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannet river in Wells;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the town of Lebanon to contract with the city of Rochester, New Hampshire, to supply the village of Lebanon with water for fire and domestic use;"

Bill "An Act relating to transfer of stock;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 45 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of milk;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 116 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the schooling of children in unorganized townships;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the town of Perham;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to compensation of surviving partners;"

Bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the cities of Biddeford and Saco;"

Bill "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Biddeford;"

Bill "An Act additional to the act incorporating the Mutual Fire Insurance Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 3, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;"

Bill "An Act relating to the employment of superintendents of schools;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the better protection of sheep;"

Bill "An Act amendatory of section 19 of chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to officers of religious societies;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bath Gas and Electric Company to issue additional bonds;"

Bill "An Act additional to section 88 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to returns of town superintendents;"

Bill "An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 11 and 14 in chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes, relating to agricultural societies;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Harpswell Village Corporation;"

Bill "An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to sea and shore fisheries;"

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,
Resolve in favor of the Maine State cattle commission,
Was taken from the table.

Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, withdrew House amendment "A."

Mr. HOLBROOK of Brunswick, offered House amendment "B," which was adopted.

Mr. KING of Caribou, offered House amendment "C," which was adopted.

Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, offered House amendment "D," which was also adopted.

Mr. SHAW of Saco, offered House amendment "E," and pending its adoption Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, moved that the bill be laid on the table.

The motion was lost.

House amendment "E" was rejected.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, rules were suspended.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, offered House amendment "F," which was rejected.

The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "B," "C" and "D" and Senate amendment "A" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 177 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1893, chapter 194, relating to the extirpation of contagious diseases among cattle,"

Was taken from the table and by unanimous consent withdrawn by Mr. BRIGGS of Auburn, the gentleman presenting it.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,
Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of Public Acts approved by the Governor, viz.:

"An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to regulate the organization and control of street railroads;'"

"An Act to amend sections 59, 60 and 61 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of insurance companies;"

"An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to probate courts;"

"An Act to correct a clerical error in 'An Act to amend chapter 30 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to liens on buildings,' approved March 17, 1897, and being chapter 232 of the Public Laws of 1897;"

"An Act to amend sections 6 and 9 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to ways;"

"An Act relating to the transportation by common carriers of property the title to which is in dispute;"

"An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Piscataquis;"

"An Act to amend section 12 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes relating to the mortgaging of ward's estate by guardians;"

"An Act additional to section 104, chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes relating to the duties of the State Superintendent of Schools;"

"An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of dams and reservoirs;"

"An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 132 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to punishment for intoxication;"

Was read in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 304 of the Public Laws of the year 1889, in relation to the compensation of the sheriff of the county of Aroostook,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House February 26,

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed.

The votes whereby the bill passed to be enacted and engrossed were reconsidered and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 24,

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

Mr. BLANCHARD of Wilton, moved that the House recede and concur.

Mr. HAMILTON of Mattawamkeag, moved that the House insist, and called for a committee of conference.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion to insist and call for a committee of conference prevailed by a vote on division 61 to 11.

The Speaker appointed

Messrs. Burns of Westbrook,
Hamilton of Mattawamkeag,
Burton of Union,

And the papers were returned to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House March 25.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "D" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The votes whereby the bill passed to be enacted and engrossed were reconsidered, Senate amendment "D" was adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RODICK of Eden,

Ordered, That George E. Brown of Milton plantation be excused from further attendance at this session after to-day and the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford,

Ordered, That on and after Friday, March 26, Cyrus W. Murphy of Lyman be excused from further attendance at the present session, and that his compensation and mileage be made up in full to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINS of Penobscot,

Ordered, That John M. Merrill of Bluehill be excused from further attendance at this session and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Portland,

Ordered, That Representative Boynton of Sullivan be excused from further attendance on this House on and after this date and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston,

Ordered, That on and after the 26th instant, J. W. Sawyer of Wales be excused from further attendance on this House and the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. STEVENS of Cutler,

Ordered, That Ephraim Burnham of Edgecomb be excused from further attendance at this session and that the Clerk make up his pay with mileage to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. DAGGETT of Smyrna,

Ordered, That E. W. Penley of Greenwood be excused from further attendance on this House after to-day's session and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook,

Ordered, That Isaac Rounds of Paris be excused from further attendance at this session on and after March 26, and that the

Clerk be instructed to make up his pay and mileage in full, to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. PURINTON of Topsham,

Ordered, That from and after this date W. C. Fogg of Freeport be excused from attendance on this session and that the Clerk be ordered to make up his pay and mileage in full to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. GARVIN of Acton,

Ordered, That after to-day, C. K. Littlefield of Kennebunk be excused from further attendance at this session of the legislature and that his pay and mileage be made up to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. MITCHELL of Newfield,

Ordered, That from and after this date, H. P. Wheeler of Gilead be excused from attendance on this session and that the Clerk be ordered to make up his pay and mileage in full to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. LARRABEE of Sebago,

Ordered, That Richard Cook of Casco be excused from further attendance at this session after this date and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay and mileage to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. SEWALL of Bath,

Ordered, That George H. Fisher, William J. Smith and Fred A. Stevens, Messengers; Walter I. Neal and Harry P. Hawes, Mail Carriers; J. F. Frederick and Louis J. Brann, Folders; and Randall C. Noyes, Doorkeeper, be allowed fifty dollars; and that Walter D. Bean, Doorkeeper, and Henry J. Mitchell and Edward W. Delano, Pages, be allowed twenty-five dollars, for extra services in addition to their pay already ordered, and that the Clerk be directed to make up their pay account accordingly.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke,

Ordered, That when the House adjourn it be to meet at 7.30 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Hartland Trust and Banking Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South Portland Trust and Banking Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 65 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act in relation to State taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as wild lands;'"

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of property deposited in public warehouses on which the charges thereon shall not have been paid;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, relating to division fences;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Georges River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for use, lease or sale, heat, light and power;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 30 and chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to inland fisheries and game;"

Bill "An Act to repeal certain old and obsolete Private and Special Laws relating to close time for fishing in the public waters of the State;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company;"

Bill "An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College;"

Bill "An Act to change the time of holding the October and January terms of the supreme judicial court in the county of Washington;"

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts;'"

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale of agricultural seeds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 112 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 37 of the Public Laws of 1891, and by chapter 121 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to normal schools and the Madawaska Training School;"

Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in cities;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the capital stock of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the reproduction of prize fights by photographs;"

Bill "An Act to amend clause 26 of section 6 of chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 141 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to corporations;"

Bill "An Act in reference to trustees of State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 73 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to the recording of assignments of wages;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 55 of chapter 38 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 174 of Laws of 1891, in relation to sale of pressed hay;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 31 of chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883, as amended by chapters 100 of the Public Laws of 1887, 212 of the Public Laws of 1889, and 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, defining course of study in free high schools;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 29 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated places;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the use of diseased meat for food purposes;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 319 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company;'"

Bill "An Act for the better preservation of highways and accommodating public travel;"

Bill "An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1897, amounting to the sum of nine hundred five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents;"

Bill "An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1898, amounting to the sum of nine hundred five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents;"

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve to provide for the extinguishment of the claim of Don H. Powers and A. G. Sirois, M. D., against the State for services rendered in connection with the shooting of Game Warden E. Q. Collins by Charles Morris;

Resolve in favor of purchase and distribution of photographic views;

Resolve in favor of summer training school for teachers and the distribution of educational documents;

Resolve requesting the senators and representatives in Congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at some port on the coast of Maine;

Resolve to enable the State librarian to complete additional sets of the York deeds;

Resolve in favor of Frank E. Southard;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan,

Bill "An Act repealing section 87, chapter 11, Revised Statutes of 1883, and acts amendatory thereto and substituting therefor an additional section to said chapter, regulating the manner of electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school committees and school superintendents,"

Was taken from the table. Senate amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence; House amendment "C" offered by Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan, was adopted and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent,

Bill "An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. LEVANSALER of Thomaston said:

I wish to extend to each and every member of this House my kindest regards, especially to the Speaker for the fairness and impartiality with which he has presided over our deliberations. I would further state for the minority party that we recognize the courtesy which he has extended us. We recognize the fact that he has treated both Trojan and Tyrian without discrimination. It gives me pleasure to present the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this House are due and hereby are extended to the Speaker for the indulgence, dignity and justness with which he has presided over the deliberations of this House.

I move the passage of the resolve.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent said:

I wish to say to the House that I second this resolve most heartily. In my legislative experience we have had great and learned men as Speakers of this House, but we never had a man who presided with more impartiality and more honor or one who has pushed our business forward faster. I do not believe that any member here can find any fault whatever and I think that they will all say that we have had perhaps as good a presiding officer, as dignified and honorable a man, as Maine has ever had. This will probably be the last time that I shall ever be present at the close of a legislature; and the last time is always sad to me. The district which I represent is almost out of the State. There on the St. John river, on the border of our State, some twenty years ago, I commenced to build up our schools, and I thank the members for what they have done for me. One thing I wish might have been done at this session, a resolve passed giving us a hundred dollars to fix up an old land mark, our blockhouse at Fort Kent. Somehow or other the committee on military affairs thought it ought not to be done. I do not want to have it rot down. It is a building that has been managed by such men as General George B. McLellan, General Hancock, General Burnside, General Pope, and all the great men connected with the late unpleasantness with the South. It has been preserved by my hands. I was appointed by old General Jessop as quartermaster to take charge of the United States

property there. It has become dear to me in consequence. I bought the barracks and fitted it up for a house to live in. I sleep in the same room where General Pope and General Hancock and all those boys slept, and I would not swap it for any house in Maine because it is that building, and it is beautifully situated. If any of you ever go there I would be most thankful to receive you and I think I could convince you that the block-house ought to be preserved.

But to return to the matter under discussion, I think we have a right to congratulate ourselves upon having had such a man for our presiding officer. And I wish also to say of our Clerk, that I know of no better one in any legislature that I have been in, and I have been in a good many different legislatures in different states. When I leave this House I expect it will be my last farewell to this hall. My age reminds me, now nearly 87, that I should stay at home. My children have determined that I shall, and I promised them that I would. Circumstances may come up that I may return. (Applause.) But in all probability I never shall. I thank you all a thousand times for your attention to my rambling remarks, and I assure the Speaker that I give my hearty indorsement to that resolve. And I would say to our reporters that James G. Blaine, as a reporter, sat where this reporter does and I had this seat, and Chief Justice Fuller, as a reporter, sat there, and old Mr. Dennett of York, who was a member of the Massachusetts legislature before we were divided, sat in that seat. I watched the course of those two young reporters with the greatest interest. It is not ordinarily expected that two long hand reporters for a common newspaper will ever become President or chief justice of the United States, but such was really the case in regard to them, although the name of President was not accorded to Mr. Blaine, but yet he was President in reality. (Applause.) A man whom I always admired, a man whom I was associated with more than any man in Augusta, except James Bradbury, and I always admired him as a friend and a social man, and almost every week when he was at home I was in his house and spent an hour when going and coming from the legislature. I hope that our reporters may take this same course and become as great men as they were. I don't believe any two reporters, and not shorthand, but

longhand reporters, ever attained to such a height in the public estimation or to such a position as those two boys. (Applause.)

Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston said:

I feel that I would not be doing justice to myself if I were not to say a few words to express my appreciation of the gentleman who has so ably presided over this House. I know I voice the sentiment of every member when I say that the Speaker, by his courteous bearing and gentlemanly conduct, has won the respect and esteem of all the members of the House. When the announcement was made that he was to be a candidate for the Speakership I was more than gratified, because I had made his personal acquaintance in the last legislature, and knew he would fill the position with honor to the State and credit to himself. That he has done so all of us can testify; and as we leave here it will be with best wishes for his future prosperity and happiness; and I wish to convey to you all, to the Speaker, the Clerk and other officers of the House, my best wishes for your future happiness. I heartily second the resolution that has been offered, and would move that when the vote is taken it be by rising, and I have no doubt that it will be unanimous.

Mr. KNOWLTON of Portland said:

In further seconding the resolution that has been presented, at the unanimous request of the associates of our Speaker, representing the district of Portland, I wish to express our appreciation for the able manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body during the present legislature. This legislature has been marked with several distinctive features from any other. The deliberations have been so conducted that there have been no party lines at all. We have all united under our leader in working together for the benefit of all, and as we believed for the best interests of this State. During this term now closing there has been no appeal from any decision of the Chair. All of the rulings have been prompt, fair, and in everything we have distinctly understood what our rights were; we have known that our rights would be fairly protected and that everything we were entitled to would be guaranteed to us all. At the opening of the session, in the organization of this House, I had some pleasant things which I intended to say in

regard to our Speaker, to those who had not had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with him in the past, but now all I had contemplated saying of his ability, integrity, fairness and courtesy, to satisfy those who were not acquainted with him, has been abundantly proved to you. In all of our deliberations we have been treated fairly and we appreciate all of the courtesies that have been extended by our Speaker, which have been uniform at all times; and I wish for you, Mr. Speaker, in the future, the success which your ability and integrity merit.

Mr. ANDREWS of Garland said:

I felt perhaps that it would be right for me to say something here, as I was requested or invited to do so, and I most heartily would respond to that request or invitation. Before I came here it was thought by some of my friends that the trip down here might injure me somewhat. (Laughter.) In avoirdupois I am some five or six pounds heavier; so I think I have held my own in this direction. At my boarding house there have been twenty-one of us. Our stay here has been very pleasant indeed. In this house I can say that every member here has always given me the respect which I expected and more perhaps than I deserved. And when I go from this place I shall go with a feeling somewhat of sadness mixed with joy. It gives me joy to meet again with my loved ones, but to part with those with whom I have formed so pleasant an acquaintance gives me also a feeling of sadness. I remember before the session that from the east and west and north and south I would get a letter asking me perhaps to help someone to obtain some official place, and many of those letters I never answered; I did not want to commit myself. I remember that I had one from the Speaker of our House, who has so ably fulfilled this responsible office that I feel belongs to him; and I can say now, to-day, that if in four or six or eight years from now a letter should come to me to support him as our Chief Executive of this State, that letter would receive from me a most hearty and sincere response. (Applause and cheers.) I would say, in the place that I occupy, that this experience with our dear brother, for he has certainly endeared himself to us all, I feel it has been an advantage to me, and I shall try to be a better man all the days of my life, which

perhaps will not be many. I feel that our Speaker has been an example to us, and I hope that we shall all emulate his efforts so that by and by, when the warfare of life is over, when our cares shall cease, that in a brighter clime we shall meet these with whom we have formed so pleasant an acquaintance, and when we shall meet on the other shore by and by, I hope that we may meet him there with all the rest. I hope this will be our happy lot. (Applause.)

Mr. PEARL of Bangor said:

At this time we stand upon the very threshold of the doorway through which we must very soon pass to our homes and our various avocations. It hardly seems possible that three months have elapsed since we first met in this hall. We have formed many acquaintances that will add much to the life that may be spared to us. In our business relations while gathered here we have had differences of opinion which are right, but I am sure as we part from each other we shall do so as true friends. I desire to say to every member of this House that I am very grateful to you for the courtesies I have received at your hands. And should you at any time ever visit the city of Bangor, you may be sure that you will find the latch-string of my office and my home out for any one of you. We have most certainly been wonderfully blest in our Speaker. The ability and the courtesy with which he has graced his high office has been much to our advantage and enjoyment. He has treated each and every one of us as friends and has filled the position to which he was called at the beginning of this session with dignity to himself, and I am sure that as we part with him we do so with sincere regret. And I feel also that we owe a debt of gratitude to the Clerk and Assistant Clerk and to all the officers of this House, and I would not forget the courtesies that have been extended to us by the reporters of the various newspapers. There are others whom I would not forget in the few words I shall say at this time. I would not forget those over whom the dark cloud of sorrow has hovered during the weeks that we have gathered here, for such we have among our number; and I am sure that I voice the sentiment of every member of this House, when I say to such: "To you our hearts go out in the deepest and truest sympathy."

And now, gentlemen, as we return to our various homes, let us do so remembering that we have tried to do right. Though we may have erred, in the future as life may be spared to us let us stand as true citizens of the good old State of Maine, striving in every honorable way to do what we can to promote her welfare. I am very glad to second these resolutions. (Applause.)

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville said:

In these closing hours of our legislative life, I find that we tune the sweetest harp-strings, and although there is a prelude of joy by reason of the fact that we are soon to meet those whom we have left at home, yet the songs soon modulate into the minor key as we realize that the parting soon must come upon us, which with all its joy we dread.

It is a solemn thing, sir, to pass a mile-stone in life, and to-day we are passing a mile-stone. This is the occasion and now is the time for some introspection to see if we can say to ourselves that, "We have finished a good work."

These are the times, gentlemen, when there can be found in retrospection, safety for the future and hope in the present.

We came here, I believe, thoroughly imbued with the sense of our duties. I think we came here fully realizing the responsibility which rested upon us. I think we came here with high hopes and high ambitions, and whatever we may have accomplished in our better moments and from whatever mistakes we may have been saved in our worse ones we owe much to the present Speaker of the House of Representatives. Himself a gentleman in every way, he has made us feel by his kindly presence, by his words of wisdom, his ability and his fairness that we were here for duty, that we were here for work, and where otherwise our feet might have wandered from the path and where otherwise our aims might have been wrong, he has stood by us to guide us, to direct us, and to uphold us, and so, gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to second this resolve, and to extend as a personal remark to him who has so ably presided over our doings this winter, my own personal high and warm approbation and esteem. (Applause.)

Mr. HAMILTON of Biddeford said:

I once attended church—an Episcopal church; (laughter,) and I there heard the congregation devoutly and in unison proclaim the passage from the Litany—"Oh, Lord, we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and we have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and there is no good in us." But while it may be true that we, as a legislative body, "have done those things we ought not to have done, and have left undone those things which we ought to have done," it would hardly be fair to you, Mr. Speaker, to subscribe to the sentiment that "there is no good in us."

We came here nearly three months ago, most of us untrained and untried in legislative experience; we made many mistakes—we had grown rusty in our Parliamentary laws—we made the wrong motion at the wrong time. But you, sir, throughout this long session, with patience and perseverance have guided us through the mazes of legislation.

That we have been a business legislature, and have formulated into law or consigned to oblivion in so comparatively a short time the very many measures which have demanded our attention is to a large degree due to the fact that we have had a "business Speaker"—one who not only had business to do but knew how to do it.

And while, as a member of this swiftly departing sixty-eighth legislature, I bid you as its Speaker an official adieu, it is a personal pleasure to know that an acquaintance, formed long ago and broadened into friendship during these weeks, does not end as we go hence. And in the name of that friendship I thank you for the courtesies and kindnesses you have accorded me.

No man, however indifferent, could have been here through this session without gaining and growing in knowledge and experience. These very contentions we have had upon the floor of this House—the arguments in which we have engaged—the war of words which we have from time to time carried on, have served to broaden our intellects and our judgment, and at the same time bring us nearer together as men. To me it has been a pleasant experience, and one to which I shall look back with a full measure of satisfaction. The hard thing about it all is that we must separate. Many of us are no longer boys; the

afternoon sun is now shining in at our windows, and some of us are already gazing toward the sunset and thoughtfully contemplating the scene. Never again will we all meet together. Two years hence those who come back here will look upon many new faces. Two years hence we know not how many of us who, to-day, are looking forward to a pleasant return to a pleasant home, may have gone upon that long journey to our Last Home. So again I say, the hard thing about it all is, that we must part. But life is made up of meetings and partings—a mixture of pleasure and pain; pain because we have parted, pleasure as we review the events which brought us together and made us friends.

The cheerful man—the optimist, gathers the good fruit from the tree of life as he passes along. I have gathered some good fruit in the weeks I have been here with you, gentlemen.

And in concluding I can only express the hope that you will carry to your homes as pleasant recollections of “your Uncle Benjamin” as he will take to his home of you. (Applause.)

Mr. HAMILTON of Mattawamkeag said:

I do not feel at this time as though I could refrain from saying a few words in behalf of this resolve. I want to say to the members of the House that my associations with you have been most pleasant during the three months that we have been here, and as it is drawing near the time when we are to say goodbye and return to our several homes and likely many of us never to meet again, I have been thinking while looking upon that group of pictures which I shall carry to my home, and as I shall there read the names of my associates here, that it will be with feelings of the deepest friendship and regard for every member of this House and with a longing to once more clasp the hands of him with whom I shall part here so soon. In regard to him who has presided so ably over our deliberations during this session, I feel that all the qualifications for that position may not have been more completely combined in any one man to fit him for the position he has occupied, as in our Speaker; and I have thought, with the gentleman from Garland, as I looked into the face of our Speaker, that I too would like to support him for the future Governor of our State. (Applause.)

Gentlemen, when I go to my home I shall go with feelings of gratitude and kindness toward every one whom I have met in this Capitol during this session. If any of you should come to the humble town which I represent, I wish to say that I should be very grateful to have you visit me at my home, and I can assure you of a most cordial welcome. I take great pleasure in seconding the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. STETSON of Bangor said:

I don't suppose that it would be hardly expected that the members of the Bangor delegation would be in condition to rise to their feet and make any remarks at the present time. Perhaps you may have realized the nervous strain and the final shock under which we have been laboring for the past month. A ray of hope for a moment flashed through my mind as the gentleman from Fort Kent appealed to the sympathies of the House, and I almost had an idea that I would rise in my place and ask for a reconsideration of the Bangor hospital resolve; but my better feelings showed me that it would be wrong, and I believe that the best thing for the Bangor delegation is to go to the Keeley cure and get a little nervine to settle our nerves. Gentlemen, we all believe in applying the golden rule: "Do unto others as you would that others would do unto you;" and we have the best of feeling toward every member of the House here present, for we believe that you have each tried to do your duty and what you thought was for the best interest of the State. As to our Speaker, I believe we can all agree that he has presided over this House in its deliberations with the utmost fairness, and I simply rise to second the passage of the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias said:

The debate on this resolution so far has been so one-sided that I feel a little out of place to engage in it. I have not been able, however, to find anything in the remarks of any of the gentlemen who have preceded me, to oppose. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to second the motion for the passage of this resolution. There is only one thing that could give me greater pleasure, and that thought came to me forcibly during the remarks of the gentleman from Garland, that if we could convert

this assembly into a Republican State convention, I should be very glad to second the nomination of our Speaker for Governor of Maine. (Applause.) We shall all of us, I am sure, carry away with us from this House the pleasantest possible remembrances and feelings toward the gentleman who has presided over our deliberations, and I believe we shall carry away more than that, the pleasantest possible feelings toward one another. I shall recall with especial pleasure in my country home, when in the future I meditate on the doings of the sixty-eighth legislature, the brilliant repartee of the gentleman from Waterville, the incisive wit of the gentleman from Biddeford, the eloquent profanity of the gentleman from Fort Kent, (applause,) and the rustic simplicity of my friend, the gentleman from Presque Isle; (laughter) and the general remembrance that whatever the shortcomings of the House of Representatives of the sixty-eighth legislature have been, lack of independence has not been one of them. I believe that the people of the State, to whom we return, whatever other opinion they may have of us, will credit this House with having been a conscientious, hard-working body of men. I believe we go away from here with honor. The mistakes we have made have been ours, and for the good we have done we are entitled to credit. I believe if ever a legislature has registered its own will, in its votes, this legislature has done so.

I do not desire to detain the House at this time. I do feel, however, that this resolve now under discussion is a subject upon which there can be no difference of opinion. (Applause.)

Mr. TALBOT of Lewiston said:

I would not feel quite justified in remaining in my seat during these exercises. We are about to terminate this legislature. It has been a diligent, hardworking legislature. We may have erred in judgment. We have been honest to our convictions and have done what seemed to us to be right. You, gentlemen, have an advantage over me, sitting as I do down here in this front seat. You have been able to see me, while I have not had the same privilege; but your names are familiar to me; the roll call I can almost call myself. Your names will always be remembered, and the most of you I recall from your counte-

nances. It has been a very pleasant session. Everything has been done that could be done and the personal remembrances will be carried away with me as one of the most pleasant milestones in my life. But half has not been said in regard to our able Speaker. Many have presided here, who were able parliamentarians, skilled in the laws and usages of legislatures, but there are few so skilled, that have that natural ability that they are able to preside so skillfully, so naturally and so correctly, and who at all times deal with such exact justice and fairness, that we have at all times felt that we have one who is not only versed in parliamentary usages but one who is well qualified for the position of this chair. It has been to me a restful session, I have never desired to go out into the lobby for a rest or a change, for I have always felt that I was losing something if I was not in my seat, some points of parliamentary usages, some points of natural ability in conducting the business of this body. It is an unusual qualification, I think, that our Speaker has and I feel the joy of the gentleman from Garland in his wish that he may at some time reach the office of chief magistrate of this State, but knowing his eminent fitness and ability my ambition for him would be that he may some day reach the National House and be assigned to the National chair now so ably filled by the distinguished statesman from his own district. (Applause.)

Personally I desire to return to you my own thanks for the courtesies extended to me at all times; and even to the reporters, for if some have at times drawn upon their imagination, I know they did it innocently, and they are freely forgiven. Gentlemen, I most heartily join in seconding the motion for the passage of the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. SEWALL of Bath said:

It only remains for me to nominate our Speaker for the Presidency. (Laughter.) The resolutions that have been presented have met with that ready response from the House that we all knew would be forthcoming, not only from those who have spoken, but from those who have sat silent, but sympathetically in their seats. But if there is anything I have learned from my intercourse with the gentleman who has crowned an already successfully public career with a position second only in dignity

to that of the Governorship itself, it is that no man less than he in this House desires to have what is said here to pass off into anything like fulsome eulogy; and if in what I say briefly it shall be addressed as much at least to my fellow members as it is to him. I know I shall do so with his fullest approbation.

Gentlemen, this is the last time we shall ever all be assembled together here. But few of us ever again will sit within these walls, but none of us I believe are so likely to do so as our oldest brother, the distinguished gentleman from Fort Kent. (Applause.) I believe he will be here when many of us are gone and forgotten, and that he will still be young when the rest of us are old.

Gentlemen, I came here a stranger to this House, more of a stranger I think than any one among you. For it had been my fortune, I will not say it has been my good fortune, to have lived a large part of my life beyond the limits of my State and to have been deprived of that acquaintance with her people which was my birthright. That acquaintance in common with others of you I have formed here, and with the rest of you I go forth a better citizen, prouder of my State, worthier of her citizenship and all that that name should imply; and I can assure you that there has not been a hand outstretched or a greeting given me which I have not reciprocated from the bottom of my heart; and if you will pardon this personal digression, when in pursuance of what I hope you will agree with me was an honorable ambition, I came to you fellow members, asking your indorsement, I met with such a reception that it gave me a gratification scarcely less than success if my ambition should be attained; and if while absent from you I was seemingly derelict to my duties here, I want to assure you that no one regretted it so keenly as I did, and I can only hope that if I realize my ambition I may in some degree, by service in another and perhaps a larger field, render compensation and atonement to my State and my country; and all I have to say now is that from you all who in personal intercourse and our official relations have been kind and considerate beyond what I fear are my deserts, from our Speaker who, with the dignity and ability seldom equalled in that high office but never excelled, with an ease and a grace that comes not by acquirement but must be inborn and is neces-

sary and a fit adjunct to any proper administration of the duties of that chair—from you all I ask only, now as you go into the undefined and the unknown future, something in your hearts of a personal regard and esteem which I have and shall always have for you all. (Applause.)

Mr. WALTON of Skowhegan said:

I cannot refrain from saying a few words in support of the resolution for several reasons. One is that I have been contending during a portion of this session upon the floor of this House, and perhaps if I should keep silent my silence might be misconstrued. Another reason is that I desire to say something to the members of this House collectively as I shall hope to do individually, of my appreciation of their kindness, of the delightful winter I have spent here with you and also to express to our presiding officer my appreciation of his ability, his courtesy and the satisfaction I feel that we have this winter done what good work we have done, because, as one of the gentlemen suggested, we have had a presiding officer who was a man of business. The gentleman from Bath arose as I did and he omitted one step which I intend to supply so far as our honored Speaker was concerned, and that is, that I was to suggest that I hoped to see him presiding over another body which required a Maine man to be its presiding officer, that it might get down to business, and I was to supply this link before the gentleman from Bath placed him in the Presidential chair; but unfortunately the gentleman from Bath was recognized first.

I have another thing to thank our Speaker for. Yesterday afternoon I had the pleasure, by his courtesy, of occupying the chair where I could look into your faces as you listened to the arguments, and as you were considering the question in regard to a matter about which a great deal has been said in regard to lobbying upon one side and the other; but I want to say that as I sat in that position, and I have our honored Speaker to thank for that courtesy, I had the opportunity of learning and fully understanding that this House was composed of gentlemen who were anxious to get at the exact truth, not men who had been lobbied with and who had made up their minds and who cared nothing of what was said on the other side, but as I sat there

and looked into your faces I could see that you were anxious to do what was right and that you were listening to the arguments with an intention to vote conscientiously; and I am glad that I could have the privilege of looking into your faces and knowing it thoroughly as I believed it before.

It is a sad thing when we do almost anything for the last time. It is sad when we part with friends, and certainly we have many friends in this body. I fully appreciate the kindness which I have received in this House. Certainly, gentlemen, we can all indorse every word that has been said in regard to our Speaker, and I would most heartily second the passage of the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. FOGLER of Rockland said:

The sentiments contained in the resolution presented by the gentleman from Thomaston meet my most hearty, my most sincere and my most unqualified approval; and I as heartily and as sincerely and as unqualifiedly concur in all that has been expressed here this afternoon by the gentlemen who have preceded me. The great ability displayed by the Speaker of this House in conducting its business affairs, his exact impartiality in all measures upon all occasions and under all circumstances, the courtesy which he has uniformly extended to every member, his great patience, his unfailing good nature, his kindly counsel and his valuable assistance to the members and especially to those who like myself came here wholly inexperienced in matters of legislation—all these command not only our confidence, our esteem and our respect, but impress upon our hearts feelings of profound gratitude and friendship. Personally I am under great obligations to the Speaker which I can never hope to repay. My associations with the members of this House have been very, very pleasant; and I shall always recall each and every member with feelings of the kindest friendship; and there will be no man who will have a warmer corner in my heart or a stronger claim upon my friendship than the distinguished Speaker of this House. Whatever the successes he may achieve in public or private life, and I hope he will achieve to all the positions for which he has been named this afternoon, whatever successes he may have in after life will always be hailed with joy by the members of this House.

And now, Mr. Speaker, for myself—and I know I am justified in saying in behalf of all those members who have not made their feelings known by their voice this afternoon—I tender you my sincere thanks for the eminent services which you have performed in this House and for the kindness which you have extended to its members; and I tender to you and to yours my best wishes through life. (Applause.)

Mr. YORK of Nobleboro said:

I wish to indorse what has been said in regard to the Speaker who has been so kind and courteous to us all. I would most heartily second, if I had an opportunity, the nomination made by my friend from Bath. (Applause.)

Mr. COX of Randolph said:

This has been my first legislative experience and it has been very pleasant, not only with the members but also with the Speaker. I fully approve the resolution that has been offered, and I endorse all that has been said by the previous speakers. (Applause.)

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, a rising vote was taken and the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The SPEAKER: Gentlemen of the House: Your kind and friendly words have touched my heart. I have known for many weeks that I enjoyed your company, but I greatly under-estimated the esteem and regard to which you have now given expression. I thank you for your frank and generous speech. I wish to acknowledge my great obligation to you one and all for the constant support and assistance you have given me in the disposition of every matter upon which I have been called to act. I wish to acknowledge also my great obligation to our efficient clerk, upon whom I have daily relied, and to all the subordinate officers of this House for their courtesy and fidelity in the discharge of their duties. My friends, when you with absolute unanimity elected me your Speaker, you conferred a distinguished and a peculiar honor. For that a grateful heart shall ever testify my thanks and appreciation. With that election came responsibilities greater than I knew or realized. I tried to meet them fearlessly and conscientiously. You have

seconded every effort heartily. Relying upon your assistance and friendship and upon the ultimate supremacy of right and honor, I have discharged the duties of this position to the best of my ability; and I lay this gavel down, conscious of no act performed by its authority that I would if I could recall. In this parting hour one truth we know: You are my friends and I am ever yours. (Long and continued applause.)

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House be tendered to W. S. Cotton, clerk, and to E. M. Thompson, assistant clerk, for their uniform patience, courtesy and ability in the performance of their respective duties.

Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent said:

I have been here with our clerk for many years, and I never knew a better clerk. I never met one more efficient, and I think every member of the House will so testify; and I second the passage of the resolve.

Mr. WINSLOW of Portland said:

Two years ago, I was a member of the House of Representatives and I came here a stranger to legislative matters; and when it came to the time for that body to separate I felt that I knew very little concerning the methods and ways employed to make our laws. I have been here this winter. I think I have added a little to the knowledge I gained at that time, and yet how broad is the field still unexplored; how much there is for us all to learn in the way of making laws that shall give satisfaction to the people of our State. I believe that in the heart of every one of us there is a consciousness that we have done our duty. I think we will all admit that it would have been impossible for us to accomplish what we have accomplished were it not for the unremitting toil and labor of those whom we choose to be our servants. They have served us faithfully and well. They are deserving of all the words of eulogy and encomium that have been pronounced upon them, and I take pleasure in seconding the resolution that has been offered in regard to our clerk. Personally I have for him the highest regard, and he has been

equally true and gentlemanly to every member as to myself. I had hoped, two years ago, to see him promoted to a higher office, but circumstances came up that made it seem wise to retain him in the present position; and I rejoice in this as far as we are concerned for we have been well served and he can wait. He possesses the qualifications for higher duties and higher responsibilities; and I trust that he in connection with our distinguished Speaker may sometime fill a wider and larger field of usefulness and serve the State of Maine in some higher capacity even as he has faithfully served the present and the past House of Representatives. (Applause.)

The question being on the passage of the resolution, a rising vote was taken and the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. ROUNDS of Paris, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the messengers, mail carriers, folders, doorkeepers and pages of this House for the faithful, efficient and kindly manner in which they each and all have discharged the duties of their respective offices.

The resolution was given a unanimous passage by a rising vote.

Mr. HILL of Portland, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due and are hereby tendered to the official reporters and the members of the press, who have been in attendance upon the sessions of this House, for the marked accuracy and fairness with which they have reported the proceedings of the sixty-eighth legislature of Maine.

The resolution was given a unanimous passage by a rising vote.

Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan, presented the following order:

Ordered, That the gavel used by the Speaker be presented to him.

Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan said:

In common with the people which I represent, we can express better by our acts rather than by words the feelings which we have for those whom we love and respect. In rising to present to you this emblem of your office, Mr. Speaker, I can only say that

I hope its possession will recall to your mind recollections as pleasant as those which we cherish toward you, and those which will linger with us so long as memory turns the pages of our minds. I can only say for myself, and I will say it for all, that from you we have learned in a deeper and wider and better sense the meaning of the grand old name of "gentleman." (Applause.)

The order received a passage.

The SPEAKER: The harp of friendship gives forth no monotone. It startles us and surprises us with its infinite variety and resources. I accept the gift with the greatest pleasure and as an emblem of your friendship. (Applause.)

On motion of Mr. CURRIER of Farmington,
Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes,"

On which the House, March 26, voted to insist and called for a committee of conference.

Came from the Senate that branch insisting and the following committee of conference joined on its part:

Messrs. Savage of Androscoggin,
Stearns of Aroostook,
Engel of Penobscot.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Claims.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 60 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Union Gas and Electric Company;"

Bill "An Act for the promotion of medical education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in dead human bodies;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act to enforce the payment of State and county taxes on timber and grass on reserved lands in this State;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Ellis river and its tributaries;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company,' as amended by chapter 74 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, and by chapter 482 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, and by chapter 620 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893;"

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook,
Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

AUGUSTA,
SATURDAY, March 27, 1897.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate.

Resolve providing for the payment of the contingent expenses of the legislature.

On motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea, rules were suspended, the resolves severally read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, to which was referred the disagreeing action of the Senate and House on bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture of cigarettes and the sale thereof to minors."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, rules were suspended, the bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House.

Was read twice under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GILMAN of Houlton,

Ordered, That the stenographer to the Clerk of the House be allowed the same compensation as has been voted to the stenographer to the Secretary of the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to suits on promissory notes;"

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1887, and to chapter 274 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to loan and building associations;"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 634, Private and Special Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 50,

Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Railway;”

Bill “An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of apothecaries;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 22 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 206 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of truant officers;”

Bill “An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company;”

Bill “An Act to amend chapter 221 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, which is an act to incorporate the Long Pond Dam Company;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law;”

Bill “An Act to incorporate the Damariscotta and Bristol Telephone Company;”

Bill “An Act relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations;”

Bill “An Act to legalize the doings of the Saccarappa Aqueduct Company;”

Bill “An Act to legalize the proceedings by which Palmyra Grange, Number 316, was organized;”

Bill “An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 180, Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to organization of the Protestant Episcopal church of Maine;”

Bill “An Act to authorize the Penobscot Central Railway to maintain a street railroad in the city of Bangor, over a route to be fixed by the municipal officers;”

Resolve authorizing the land agent to sell certain public lots in Moro plantation;

Resolve laying a tax on counties of the State for the years 1897 and 1898;

Resolve to care for the unfinished buildings of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve in favor of the Ex-Governor King lot, in Oak Grove cemetery in the city of Bath;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SEARLS of Chelsea, the order that the sum of fifty dollars be paid from the State treasury to each of the following named porters, laborers and night watch at the State House for extra services during the legislative session: H. M. Breen, C. B. Pettingill, Fred Brown, Joseph Fossett, D. W. Pettingill, J. M. Libby, E. Pedder, O. I. Stone, J. A. McDonald, W. H. Holmes, Joseph Fuller, C. D. Cram, F. W. Miller, C. W. Weymouth, John Jones, W. L. Stevens, O. O. Stetson, was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered the following amendment:

- Amend by striking out the word fifty in first line and inserting in lieu thereof the word twenty-five.

The amendment was adopted and the order as amended passed.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate:

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Financial Affairs.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Mr. FURBUSH from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to provide for the expenditures of government for the year 1898."

The reports were accepted. On motion of Mr. FURBUSH of Lewiston, rules were suspended, the bills severally read three times, passed to be engrossed and were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, and chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 313 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvency proceedings;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes of 1883 as now amended, relating to election, qualifications and compensation of school committees;"

"An enabling act for the annexation of Deering to Portland;"

Bill "An Act regulating the manner of electing town superintendents and defining the powers and duties of school committees;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff;"

Bill "An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter 259 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property;"

Bill "An Act to prohibit the manufacture of cigarettes, and the sale thereof to minors;"

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the expenditures of government for the year 1898;"

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the repair of highways;"

Bill "An Act to define the jurisdiction and authority of constables and city marshals in criminal matters in the county of York, amending section 54, chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 60 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to paupers, their settlement and support;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2, chapter 169 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to the Oxford Village Corporation;"

Resolves for amendment to the Constitution relating to election of senators to fill vacancies;

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Cattle Commission;

Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate;

Resolve providing for the payment of the contingent expenses of the legislature;

Resolve on the pay roll of the House;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

A life sized portrait of the Speaker was brought into the House and placed on the Clerk's desk.

Mr. MURRAY of Pembroke said:

Mr. Speaker: In behalf of the members and officers of this House, and of all those who are in any way connected with it, I have the honor to present to you this portrait of the Speaker

of the House of Representatives of the sixty-eighth legislature of Maine.

In making this presentation it is only just to say that it is not because of its money value that it is presented, but because it is a token of the regard, the esteem and the affection which all who have contributed toward its purchase feel for you personally.

The winter which we have spent so agreeably here together, will long be held in memory by us as one of the bright spots in our life. In after years when you may happen to look upon the kindly face and the pleasing features here portrayed, we trust that only pleasant recollections may be awakened by this gift.

In severing our official relations I am permitted to say that wherever the path of duty may lead your footsteps in future years, you will have the sincerest wishes of all, both members and officers of this body for your good health, happiness and abundant prosperity.

The SPEAKER: My friends, I sincerely thank you for this gift. I accept it with much pleasure, and it will be prized not for what it is but because it comes from you. I regard it as a token of your friendship. It will ever recall to me some of the pleasantest associations of my life. (Applause.)

A message was received from the Senate through Senator McCullough of Washington, informing the House that it had transacted all business before it and was ready to adjourn without day.

On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that body that the House had transacted all business before it and was ready to adjourn without day.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that both branches of the legislature have acted on all matters referred to them and are now ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Came from the Senate, read and passed with the following committee appointed on its part:

Messrs. Savage of Androscoggin,
Merrill of Somerset,
Chamberlain of Lincoln.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and the committee joined on the part of the House by

Messrs. Staples of Bridgton,
Peirce of Frankfort,
Andrews of Garland,
Williams of Augusta,
Mason of Bristol,
Burton of Union,
Hamilton of Mattawamkeag.

The papers were returned to the Senate.

Mr. STAPLES from the committee, subsequently reported that the Governor would soon communicate with the House, through the Secretary of State, and would transmit a list of acts and resolves passed by the legislature, which had received his approval, and that he had nothing further to communicate.

Forthwith, a communication was received from the Governor transmitting a list of the acts and resolves passed by this legislature and approved by the Governor, numbering four hundred and eight acts, and one hundred and thirty-one resolves, the titles of which are as follows:

PUBLIC LAWS.

An Act in relation to the Bonds of Trustees and Guardians.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to contributions by Husbands and Fathers to the support of Wives and Children.

An Act to amend section one of chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Forgery.

An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter sixty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to Migratory Fish.

An Act to amend section seventeen, chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, relating to change of name in Divorce Proceedings.

An Act to amend section thirty-eight of chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relative to notice in Probate Proceedings.

An Act to repeal section forty-two of chapter one hundred and forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to re-sentencing convicts sentenced to the State Prison.

An Act relating to Expenditures of the Railroad Commissioners.

An Act to amend section thirty-one of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Unpaid Executions issued by deceased Trial Justices.

An Act to amend section six of chapter seventy-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the January term of the County Commissioners' Court of Hancock County.

An Act to amend section four of chapter one hundred and twenty-four, Revised Statutes, relating to Polygamy.

An Act to amend section one of chapter two hundred and seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to Clerk of Judicial Courts in Piscataquis County.

An Act additional to chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Railroads.

An Act to amend section eight, chapter forty-nine of the Revised Statutes, providing for investments of the capital and other assets of stock insurance companies incorporated in this State.

An Act to amend section fifty-nine, paragraph six of said section of chapter three of the Revised Statutes, in relation to Town, Village and City by-laws and ordinances.

An Act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate of the County of Knox.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and sixty of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the State Liquor Commissioner.

An Act in relation to suits by organized unincorporated Societies and Associations.

An Act in addition to chapter fifty-five of the Revised Statutes, relating to the incorporation of Libraries, Charitable Societies, and other like corporations.

An Act to amend rule four of section one of chapter seventy-five of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Descent of Real Estate.

An Act relating to the salary of the County Commissioners of Cumberland County.

An Act to establish a bounty on Wildcats.

An Act to amend section one of chapter seventy-five of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to title by descent.

An Act to amend Section four, Chapter two hundred and fifty-six of Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the sale and analysis of Commercial Fertilizers.

An Act to amend section seven of chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section one of chapter three hundred and eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to Fines and Forfeitures collected by trial justices and judges of municipal and police courts.

An Act in relation to Voluntary Trusts.

An Act relating to service of process on Foreign Corporations acting as trustees under mortgages.

An Act to provide for the better protection of Public Records.

An Act to permit Inland Game to be taken for park purposes in this State.

An Act relating to the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief.

An Act to create a lien on Leather.

An Act to regulate the taking of Eels and White Fish.

An Act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of Lincoln.

An Act to amend section two of chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Libels for Divorce.

An Act authorizing towns and cities to establish Sinking Funds.

An Act to create a lien on Spool Timber and Bars.

An Act to amend section sixteen of chapter two hundred and fifty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Itin-erant Vendors.

An Act to amend sections one and two of chapter three hundred and fifty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to the salary of the Treasurer of the County of Waldo.

An Act to amend section forty-four of chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Intox-icating Liquors.

An Act for the better protection of Girls.

An Act relating to appeals in case of damages for land taken for Ways.

An Act additional to chapter three hundred and fourteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the sale of land for Taxes.

An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept conveyances upon trusts in public burial places, and providing for the record of deeds of burial lots.

An Act in relation to the disposition of Unclaimed Baggage by common carriers.

An Act amendatory and additional to chapter forty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Bank Examiner.

An Act for the protection of Beaver.

An Act to amend section forty-five, chapter one hundred and forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the State Prison.

An Act relating to waiving the provisions of a will by the widow of the testator, and to wills in which no provision is made for the widow of the testator, and the interest which the widow shall have in the estate of the testator in such cases.

An Act to amend section two of chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act for the better protection of Sheep."

An Act to amend section two of chapter fifty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter ninety-four of Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to election of members of Board of Agriculture.

An Act to amend section sixty-nine of chapter eighty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to Auditors.

An Act to amend section eighteen of chapter forty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter eighty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Corporations.

An Act relating to the costs in Municipal, Police and Trial Justice Courts.

An Act to grant the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game authority to destroy Mink in and around all fish hatcheries in the State.

An Act to amend section six of chapter seventy-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the terms of the County Commissioners' Court for the County of Lincoln.

An Act additional to chapter one hundred and five of the Revised Statutes, relating to limitation of real actions and rights of entry.

An Act relating to the April term of the Surpeme Judicial Court in the County of Aroostook.

An Act to amend section nineteen of chapter one hundred and forty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

An Act to amend chapter thirty of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Liens on Buildings.

An Act authorizing the establishment of Free Libraries in villages and of branch libraries in towns and cities.

An Act to amend section twenty-seven, chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Liens.

An Act to amend sections seven, nine and fourteen of chapter one hundred and six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the issue and serving of Venires.

An Act to repeal chapter fifty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to amend section two of chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven," relating to the fortnightly payment of Wages.

An Act to amend section one hundred and two, chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, relating to the title of State Superintendent of Schools.

An Act to fix the compensation of the sheriff of the County of Franklin.

An Act to amend section forty-one of chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of Salmon in the Penobscot River above the water works dam at Bangor.

An Act to amend chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Sales of Land for non-payment of taxes.

An Act in relation to the care of Convicts who are sick at the expiration of sentence.

An Act to amend section twenty-seven of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property.

An Act to amend section eleven, chapter forty-six of the Revised Statutes, relating to Clerks of Corporations.

An Act to amend section thirteen of chapter one hundred and forty-three of Revised Statutes, relating to duties of municipal officers relating to Insane Persons.

An Act to provide for filling vacancies of Trustees.

An Act requiring all educational institutions receiving State aid to make report to the State Superintendent of Public Schools, who shall publish the same as a part of his annual report.

An Act to further regulate banking hours on Saturdays which are not Bank Holidays.

An Act to amend section thirty-one of chapter forty of Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixty of Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five and by subsequent acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to Migratory Fish and Fish Ways.

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act to regulate the organization and control of street railroads."

An Act in relation to Suits for Taxes.

An Act to amend section seven, chapter two hundred forty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the use of Purse and Drag Seines in State waters.

An Act to amend section thirty-three of chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes on stock of banks and other corporations.

An Act additional to chapter one hundred and one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Inspection of Buildings.

An Act to amend sections six and eight of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to Indorsements of Writs.

An Act to amend section thirty-four of chapter three of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and sixty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the duties of Municipal Officers.

An Act to authorize the Insurance Commissioner to revoke the license of an Insurance Agent or Broker.

An Act to amend section seventy-six of chapter one hundred and four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Fish and Fisheries."

An Act to amend section forty-seven of chapter seventy-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and seventy-seven of the Public Laws of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, in relation to the time of holding the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court, Piscataquis County.

An Act to establish Bank Holidays, and to abolish Days of Grace on commercial paper.

An Act to amend section eight, chapter eleven, of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to Text Books, School Apparatus and repairs on School Buildings.

An Act to amend section sixty-seven of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Attachments.

An Act providing for the registration of Guides and to aid in the gathering of statistics relative to Inland Fish and Game.

An Act in relation to accidents upon Railroads and Street Railways.

An Act relating to the holding of terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Franklin County.

An Act to provide for procuring statistics relating to the Poultry Industry in Maine.

An Act to amend section four of chapter fifty-eight of the Revised Statutes as amended by section two, chapter eighteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and to amend section five of chapter fifty-eight of Revised Statutes as amended by chapter one hundred twenty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the Board of Agriculture.

An Act to provide for an investigation of the causes of Fires, and the publication of statistics relating to the same.

An Act to amend section two hundred and five of chapter six of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section eleven of chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to taxes.

An Act to amend sections six and nine of chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to Ways.

An Act relating to the transportation by common carriers of property, the title to which is disputed.

An Act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate in the County of Piscataquis.

An Act to amend section twelve of chapter sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the mortgaging of Ward's estate by Guardians.

An Act additional to section one hundred and four, chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to the duties of the State Superintendent of Schools.

An Act to amend sections fifty-nine, sixty and sixty-one of chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taxation of Insurance Companies.

An Act to amend section eleven of chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Probate Courts.

Chapter 276 is omitted from this publication by direction of the Legislature, its purpose being only to correct a clerical error in chapter 232, Public Laws of 1897, which error has been corrected and the said chapter 232, printed in its amended form.

An Act to amend section forty-two of chapter ninety-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Inspection of Dams and Reservoirs.

An Act to amend section six of chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to Punishment for Intoxication.

An Act to regulate the packing of Sardines.

An Act to amend section thirteen of chapter three of the Revised Statutes, in relation to election of Town Officers.

An Act to amend sections three and eight of chapter eighty-six and section seventeen of chapter eighty-one, Revised Statutes, relating to the service of Trustee Writs.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and eighteen, Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the Registration of Vital Statistics.

An Act to establish the standard weight of a bushel of Parsnips.

An Act to change the time of holding the October term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Waldo.

An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and sixteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Schooling of Children in unorganized townships.

An Act to amend paragraph four of section six of chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Taxation of estate and property of religious societies.

An Act to amend sections eleven and fourteen, in chapter fifty-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to Agricultural Societies.

An Act additional to section eighty-eight of chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to returns of Town Superintendents.

An Act to amend section thirty-two of chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Compensation of Surviving Partners.

An Act relating to the manufacture, sale and shipment of lime.

An Act to amend section forty-five of chapter thirty-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to the inspection of Milk.

An Act relating to Transfers of Stock.

An Act in relation to the duties and compensation of the State Prison Physician.

An Act to amend section three, chapter eleven, of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

An Act relating to the employment of Superintendents of Schools.

An Act to amend chapter two hundred and eighty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the better protection of Sheep.

An Act amendatory of section nineteen of chapter twelve of the Revised Statutes, relating to Officers of Religious Societies.

An Act to amend section thirty-one of chapter eleven, Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as amended by chapters one hundred of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, two hundred and twelve of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine and two hundred and sixteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, defining course of study in Free High Schools.

An Act to amend section fifty-five of chapter thirty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-four of laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, in relation to sale of Pressed Hay.

An Act to amend section six of chapter one hundred and eleven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter seventy-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the recording of Assignments of Wages.

An Act to amend clause twenty-six of section six of chapter one of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and forty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Corporations.

An Act to amend section twenty-nine of chapter twenty-four of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter thirty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the Support of Paupers in unincorporated places.

An Act additional to chapter thirty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of property deposited in public warehouses on which the charges thereon shall not have been paid.

An Act to amend chapter thirty and chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Inland Fisheries and Game.

An Act to amend chapter sixty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act in relation to State Taxes on organized plantations taxed by the State as Wild Lands."

An Act to amend section one of chapter twenty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to Division Fences.

An Act to amend section one hundred and twelve of chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter thirty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, and by chapter one hundred and twenty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Normal Schools and the Madawaska Training School.

An Act to prevent the reproduction of prize fights by Photographs.

An Act in relation to Political Caucuses in cities.

An Act to prevent the use of Diseased Meat for food purposes.

An Act to change the time of holding the October and January terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Washington.

An Act to regulate the sale of Agricultural Seeds.

An Act for the better preservation of Highways and accommodating Public Travel.

An Act for the promotion of Medical Education and the prevention of unauthorized uses of and traffic in Dead Human Bodies.

An Act to enforce the payment of State and County Taxes on Timber and Grass on reserved lands in this State.

An Act to amend section sixty of chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to Intoxicating Liquors.

An Act to amend section nine of chapter three hundred and fifteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the salary of the Assistant Librarian of the Maine State Library.

An Act amendatory and additional to chapter forty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter sixty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, and to chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Loan and Building Associations.

An Act relating to Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations.

An Act to amend section five of chapter twenty-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by chapter two hundred six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the filling of vacancies in the office of Truant Officers.

An Act relating to Suits on Promissory Notes.

An Act to amend section twenty-three of chapter seventy-nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of Attorneys to the practice of Law.

An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of Apothecaries.

An Act to amend chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes, relating to Insolvency Proceedings.

An Act to amend section eight of chapter twenty-four of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter sixty of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to Paupers, their settlement and support.

An Act to amend section eighteen of chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, as now amended, relating to election, qualifications and compensation of School Committees.

An Act to define the jurisdiction and authority of constables and city marshals in criminal matters in the county of York, amending section fifty-four, chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes.

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the repair of Highways.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and thirteen of the Revised Statutes, and chapter one hundred and thirty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by chapter three hundred and thirteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners.

An Act to correct a clerical error in chapter two hundred fifty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to the recording of attachments of personal property.

An Act regulating the manner of electing Town Superintendents, and defining the powers and duties of School Committees.

An Act to prohibit the manufacture of cigarettes, and the sale thereof to minors.

An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuff.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An Act to change the name of the Kittery and York Electric Railroad Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

An Act to legalize the lease of the Old Town Street Railway Company.

An Act to empower the Portland Elevator Company to lay a railroad track, lease its franchise, and other purposes.

An Act to amend "An Act establishing a Municipal Court in the Town of Waterville."

An Act in addition to and to amend chapter six hundred and thirty-four, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter fifty, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Electric Railway and Light Company.

An Act to amend section eleven of chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, relating to the Augusta Municipal Court.

An Act to repeal chapter five hundred and three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and twenty-eight, to regulate the taking of fish in Narraguagus River.

An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company.

An Act to fix the term of office of the Police Officers of the City of Auburn.

An Act to provide for filling vacancies in the Board of Directors of the Maine General Hospital.

An Act to authorize the County of Androscoggin to make a loan and issue bonds therefor.

An Act to authorize the United Gas and Electric Company of New Hampshire to hold property and do business in Maine.

An Act authorizing the Draper Company to issue preferred stock and hold stock and bonds of other corporations.

An Act to amend Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Glidden Water Company.

An Act to change the name of the Sanford Agricultural and Mechanical Association.

An Act to legalize the doings of the County Commissioners of Penobscot County in making temporary loans and to authorize said county to borrow money and issue bonds.

An Act relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and Sheridan Plantation.

An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Trust and Banking Company.

An Act additional to the act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter four hundred and fifty-three, to establish a ferry across Penobscot

River, between Ayer's Falls and Marsh Rips, as amended by the act of eighteen hundred and eighty, chapter two hundred and twenty-one.

An Act to provide in part for the Expenditures of Government.

An Act to provide for the preservation of the deeds now in Lincoln County, relating to land in Kennebec County in the Kennebec Registry.

An Act to establish a sinking fund for the County of Kennebec.

An Act to amend chapter two hundred and seven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company.

An Act to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company, its successors and assigns, to construct and maintain a wharf and boat house in Laks Maranocook in the towns of Readfield and Winthrop.

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Westbrook.

An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Casco Bay, and bridges over tide water, in the Town of Harpswell.

An Act concerning the Portland and Rumford Falls Railway and the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company.

An Act to ratify and make valid the doings of the First Baptist Society of New Gloucester, and to authorize the sale of its meeting house and lot.

An Act authorizing and empowering the Katahdin Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot River.

An Act authorizing and empowering the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Aroostook River.

An Act extending the charter of the Bangor Boom Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Augusta.

An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias River in the County of Aroostook.

An Act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot River.

An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Aroostook River and its tributaries, above the mouth of Beaver Brook.

An Act to extend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company, and to amend its charter and certain additions thereto.

An Act authorizing the City of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt.

An Act to divide the town of Deer Isle, and incorporate the Town of Stonington.

An Act to amend chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to fix the salary of the Recorder of the Municipal Court for the City of Portland."

An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter forty-eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Winterport Ferry Company."

An Act to incorporate the Vinalhaven Water Company.

An Act to repeal chapter one hundred and nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-three, relating to the taking of Pickerel in certain ponds.

An Act relating to the charter of the Godfrey Falls Dam Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years.

An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.

An Act to prevent the unreasonable obstruction of public travel over the Penobscot River.

An Act to incorporate Shin Pond Stream Dam and Improvement Company.

An Act to amend "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company."

An Act enabling the town of Yarmouth to build and maintain a bridge across the tide waters between the islands of Cousen's and Littlejohn's in said town of Yarmouth.

An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Pepperell Manufacturing Company.

An Act authorizing the City of Eastport to issue bonds.

An Act to extend the powers of the International North and South American Transportation and Express Company.

An Act to amend section five of chapter one hundred and eighty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, relating to the Organization of Parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

An Act in addition to acts to incorporate the Laconia Company.

An Act to authorize the Dexter and Newport Railroad Company to issue bonds and to make a mortgage securing the same, and to authorize the Maine Central Railroad Company to guarantee the payment of said bonds.

An Act to repeal so much of chapter four hundred and sixty-one of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, entitled "An Act granting additional powers to the inhabitants of school district number five, in the town of Kennebunk," and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, as relates to the maintenance of schools and school houses.

An Act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Maine Telephone Company."

An Act to incorporate the Town of Oakfield.

An Act to authorize the Auburn and Turner Railroad Company to make a loan.

An Act to change the name of the Saint Lawrence Street Congregational Parish, of Portland.

An Act relating to the incorporation of the Portland Female Provident Association.

An Act to incorporate the South Branch Improvement Company.

An Act to confirm the organization of the Hathorn Fancy Forging Company and change its name to that of the Hathorn Manufacturing Company.

An Act relating to the extension of the charter of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad Company.

An Act to organize the Plantation of Criehaven.

An Act to authorize the Town of Richmond to purchase the property and franchises of the Richmond Water Company, and to incorporate the Richmond Water Commissioners.

An Act to extend the rights and powers of the corporation organized December sixteen, eighteen hundred and ninety-two under the Revised

Statutes of Maine, chapter fifty-five, as the Bangor General Hospital, and now named Eastern Maine General Hospital.

An Act to amend chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Canton Bridge Company."

An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company.

An Act relating to the extension of time of charter of Bluehill Trust and Banking Company.

An Act to incorporate the Dexter Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company.

An Act to amend chapter five hundred and fifty of the Private Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mousam River Railroad Company."

An Act to amend the charter of the Brunswick Electric Railroad Company.

An Act to incorporate the Orono Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Monson Water Company.

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Winn Water and Power Company.

An Act to repeal chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, prohibiting the taking of fish in Little Ossipee Pond and its tributaries.

An Act to amend sections four and six of chapter three hundred and sixty-three of the Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty, relating to the election of City Assessors of the City of Belfast.

An Act to amend "An Act to incorporate the Meduxnekeag Hospital."

An Act to establish a Board of Fire Commissioners for the City of Auburn.

An Act to enable the Town of Dexter to establish a system of Water Works and Sewerage.

An Act relating to the Old Town Municipal Court.

An Act authorizing the governor and council to execute a contract for Water for the Maine State Prison.

An Act to authorize Frederick A. Staples to build and maintain a wharf into the tide waters of Piscataqua River in the town of Eliot, county of York.

An Act to ratify and confirm the organization and acts of the New Portland and Eustis Telephone and Telegraph Company, and to make legal and valid certain doings of said company.

An Act relating to the organization of the Washington County Railroad Company.

An Act relating to the Coburn Steamboat Company.

An Act in relation to the Rumford Falls and Buckfield Railroad Company.

An Act authorizing the Rumford Falls Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds of the Rumford Falls Brick Company.

An Act to change the name of the Alonzo Wing Library Association.

An Act relating to chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Sabattus Water Company."

An Act to incorporate the Misery Stream Dam Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Eastport Bridge.

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Public Works.

An Act relating to the Portland Safe Deposit Company.

An Act to authorize the Infusorial Earth Company to lower the waters of Noyes Pond, in the town of Bluehill, during certain months in the year.

An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company.

An Act to authorize the erection of Piers and Booms in the Mattawamkeag River at the Oxbow.

An Act to authorize the Madison Water Company to sell and convey its property and franchises to the Madison Village Corporation.

An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company.

An Act to incorporate the Hallowell Water Commissioners.

An Act to provide for the retirement of Police Officers of the City of Portland upon half pay.

An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Trust and Banking Company.

An Act to incorporate the Rangeley Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Deer Isle Water Company.

An Act to incorporate the Kingfield Water Company.

An Act to confirm the organization of the New York Machine Company, and to enable it to aid in the construction of railroad tracks.

An Act relating to the Hallowell Water Company.

An Act to extend the rights and privileges of the Underwood Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

An Act to amend section six of chapter four hundred thirteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Hallowell."

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Farmington Village Corporation."

An Act relating to chapter one hundred and eighty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Milbridge Water Company."

An Act granting Ernest E. Abbott the right to establish and maintain a ferry between Sullivan and Hancock.

An Act to incorporate the Sunny Side Cemetery Association.

An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Water Company.

An Act to prohibit the killing of Deer on Long Island.

An Act to regulate the shooting of Ducks on the Kennebec River and Merrymeeting Bay.

An Act to authorize the construction of a weir, in tide wates, on Sheep's Cove Ledge, in Pennamaquon River, in Pembroke, County of Washington.

An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Trust Company.

An Act to authorize and confirm the issue of preferred stock by the Poland Paper Company.

An Act to amend section thirteen of chapter four hundred and eighty-five of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and

as amended by chapter fifty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the charter of the Pemaquid, Damariscotta and Newcastle Railroad Company.

An Act to authorize the County of Aroostook to make temporary loans.

An Act establishing the Maine School for the Deaf.

An Act additional relating to Hubbard Free Library of Hallowell.

An Act authorizing the Town of Kittery to raise money for the observance of its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary.

An Act in relation to the School Committee of the City of Portland.

An Act granting a new charter to the city of Portland.

An Act to amend section four of chapter three hundred and eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended by Section one, Chapter two hundred and thirty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Thorn Brook Dam Company."

An Act to amend chapter two hundred and twenty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, entitled "An Act incorporating the trustees of the fund for the support of the episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maine," as amended by chapter three hundred and eleven of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, as amended by chapter two hundred and fourteen of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty, and as amended by chapter one hundred and six of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway.

An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company.

An Act to permit the Good Will Home Association to increase its capital and to enlarge its purpose to include aid for Needy Girls.

An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company.

An Act granting additional powers to the Long Pond Water Company, incorporated under chapter five hundred and twenty-four of the Private and Special Laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five.

An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company.

An Act to legalize the doings of School District Number Five in the town of Falmouth, and of the trustees of the Crispus Graves Fund, so called, and to enable said trustees to convey and the inhabitants of said Falmouth to purchase the school building, erected out of said fund, in said district.

An Act to extend, and additional to the charter of the Oakland Water Company.

An Act in relation to the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

An Act to incorporate the Southport, Boothbay Harbor and Boothbay Telegraph and Telephone Company.

An Act relating to the taking of Alewives in Bagaduce River and Walker's Pond.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and ninety-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Fryeburg Horse Railroad Company."

An Act to incorporate the Eastport Street Railway.

An Act to amend "An Act authorizing the City of Lewiston to refund a part of its debt," approved February eighteen, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

An Act to incorporate the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company.

An Act to provide for the retirement of members of the Fire Department of the City of Portland upon half pay.

An Act to repeal chapter five hundred and eighty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, and chapter sixty-five of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, relating to Swett's Pond, Field's Pond and Brewer's Pond in Orrington.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company.

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter five hundred and ninety-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Lawry Dam Company."

An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company.

An Act to legalize the incorporation of Wales Grange, Number Forty, Patrons of Husbandry.

An Act to establish the Maine Polyclinic.

An Act to incorporate the Lamoine Beach Water Company.

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Cumberland County to negotiate a loan for the payment of land damages incurred by the widening of the highway known as Forest Avenue, in the City of Deering, in said county.

An Act to authorize the Damariscotta Mills Water Power Company to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for lease or sale, heat, light and power.

An Act authorizing the Town of Wayne to raise money to be expended in celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation.

An Act to authorize the Maine Pulp and Paper Company to generate, sell, supply, distribute and transmit electricity for power and heating.

An Act to amend chapter five hundred six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Deering," as amended by chapter four hundred thirty-nine of Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and by chapter six hundred thirty-three of Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and by chapter two hundred thirty-eight of Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

An Act to extend an act, entitled "An Act to supply the people of South Gardiner Village in the City of Gardiner, with pure water."

An Act to amend an act incorporating the Saco River Telegraph and Telephone Company.

An Act to incorporate the Machias Lake Dam and Improvement Company.

An Act to incorporate the Kittery and Eliot Street Railway Company, and to authorize the construction of the same across navigable tide waters.

An Act to incorporate the Lubec Electric Light and Power Company.

An Act to incorporate the Old Stream Dam and Improvement Company.

An Act to amend section one, chapter twenty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the taxation of plantations Letter E, twenty-seven, Franklin, E, Franklin County and

Lang, forty-five Franklin, two, Range three, West Bingham's Kennebec Purchase.

An Act relating to chapter three hundred twenty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Kennebago Railroad Company."

An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter twenty-nine, Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Light and Heat Company."

An Act additional to, and to extend the charter of the Cumberland Illuminating Company.

An Act to incorporate the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company.

An Act to repeal chapter four hundred sixty-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, relating to the taking of Bass in Winnegance Creek.

An Act to repeal chapter one hundred ninety-seven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to taking fish in Marble Brook and Pond.

An Act to increase the efficiency of the Local Board of Health of the Town of Eden.

An Act to abate the County Taxes assessed on Lang Plantation since its organization and now remaining unpaid.

An Act to repeal chapter two hundred and forty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels on Greenfield road in town of Greenbush."

An Act relating to and amendatory of chapter two hundred thirteen, Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one entitled "An Act to incorporate the York Light and Heat Company."

An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company.

An Act to amend chapter three hundred and fifty-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to the Bluehill Water Company.

An Act to amend section eight of chapter three hundred and ninety-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter two hundred and four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the charter of the Deer Isle Telephone Company.

An Act to incorporate the Old Town Gas Light and Power Company.

An Act to enable the County of Sagadahoc to rebuild the Merrymeeting Bay Bridge, to issue bonds therefor and to make it and Arrowsic Bridge free.

An Act to extend the charter of the Bath, Small Point and Popham Beach Railroad Company.

An Act to amend section one of chapter two hundred and ninety-seven of the Private and Special Laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, relating to dyke in town of Milbridge.

An Act relating to the crossings in the new highway in Ashland and Sheridan Plantation by the branch track and log spur of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad.

An Act to incorporate the York Sewer Company.

An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta River.

An Act to authorize the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company to lease a connecting railroad, which may be built from Limestone.

An Act to incorporate the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company and to authorize municipalities in Cumberland county, to aid in the construction of its railway.

An Act to give to the Oxford Light Company certain powers not granted by the general law.

An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway Company.

An Act to set off a part of the town of Rome and annex the same to the town of Belgrade.

An Act to amend chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Castine Water Company."

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to revise and amend the charter of the City of Calais."

An Act to amend section three of chapter one hundred and fifty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An Act in relation to the municipal court of the City of Portland."

An Act additional relating to the appointment of a Recorder for the Bath Municipal Court.

An Act to repeal chapter one hundred and eighty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the taking of fish from Bunganeaut Pond.

An Act to extend the charter of the Portland and Yarmouth Electric Railway Company, and enable it to cross navigable tide waters.

An Act relating to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

An Act to establish Wards and Ward Lines in the City of Augusta.

An Act to incorporate the Wilton Electric Light and Power Company.

An Act to establish the Sanford Municipal Court.

An Act to incorporate the new City Hall Commission of Waterville under the name of the City Hall Commission.

An Act to legalize the acts of Riverside Cemetery Association of Cornish.

An Act to amend sections four and five of chapter six hundred and thirty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, establishing a municipal court for the City of Lewiston, as amended.

An Act to incorporate the Little Speneceer Dam and Improvement Company.

An Act to permit the Patten and Sherman Railroad Company to sell or lease its road.

An Act relating to the Portland Railroad Company.

An Act to amend the city charter of the City of Biddeford.

An Act to authorize the Saint John River Bridge Company to erect and maintain four toll bridges across the Saint John River.

An Act to authorize the Bath Gas and Electric Company to issue additional bonds.

An Act additional to the charter of the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway.

An Act to incorporate the Harpswell Village Corporation.

An Act additional to the act incorporating the Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

An Act authorizing the town of Lebanon to contract with the city of Rochester, New Hampshire, to supply the village of Lebanon with Water for fire and domestic use.

An Act authorizing the construction of a town way or highway over and across the tide waters of Webhannet River in Wells.

An Act to incorporate the town of Perham.

An Act to incorporate the town of Swan's Island.

An Act relating to the Jurisdiction of the Municipal Courts of the cities of Biddeford and Saco.

An Act for the assessment of a State Tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents.

An Act for the assessment of a State Tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and five thousand one hundred seventy-nine dollars and forty-nine cents.

An Act to incorporate the South Portland Trust and Banking Company.

An Act to amend section five of chapter two hundred twenty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, relating to the capital stock of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company.

An Act to repeal certain old and obsolete Private and Special Laws relating to close time for fishing in the public waters of the State.

An Act to incorporate the Chain Lake Dam and Improvement Company.

An Act to authorize the Georges River Mills to develop, sell and use electric power, and to transmit by electricity, for use, lease or sale, heat, light and power.

An Act to determine the privileges of graduates of the State College.

An Act to amend section eight of chapter three hundred nineteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Somerset Traction Company."

An Act to incorporate the Hartland Trust and Banking Company.

An Act in reference to trustees of State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

An Act to amend chapter three hundred and sixty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven entitled "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company."

An Act to amend chapter two hundred fourteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-three, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company, as amended by chapter seventy-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-seven, and by chapter four hundred eighty-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-nine, and by chapter six hundred twenty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-three.

An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company.

An Act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Ellis River and its tributaries.

An Act to incorporate the Union Gas and Electric Company.

An Act to amend chapter two hundred and twenty-one of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-five, which is an act to incorporate the Long Pond Dam Company.

An Act to authorize the Penobscot Central Railway to maintain a street railroad in the city of Bangor, over a route to be fixed by the municipal officers.

An Act to legalize the doings of the Saccarappa Aqueduct Company.

An Act to incorporate the Damariscotta and Bristol Telephone Company.

An Act to legalize the proceedings by which Palmyra Grange, number three hundred and sixteen, was organized.

An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter six hundred and thirty-four, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter fifty, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Hampden and Winterport Railway.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waldo and Somerset Railway Company.

An Act to amend section seven of chapter one hundred and eighty, Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, relating to organization of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maine.

An Act to amend section two, chapter one hundred and sixty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to the Oxford Village Corporation.

An Enabling Act for the annexation of Deering to Portland.

An Act to provide in part for the Expenditures of Government.

An Act to provide for the Expenditures of Government for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight

RESOLVES.

Resolve in favor of the Committee of the Senate appointed to attend the funeral of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis.

Resolve in favor of the Committee appointed by the House to attend the funeral of Ex-Governor Daniel F. Davis.

Resolve providing for State Pensions for Invalid Soldiers and Sailors, their widows and orphans, and the dependent children, parents and sisters of deceased soldiers and sailors, eligible thereto under existing law.

Resolve in favor of Atienne Lewi, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

Resolve in relation to the claim of the State of Maine for indemnity for expenses incurred by it in defence of the United States.

Resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of Tuberculosis, for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

Resolve for an appropriation for marking the position held by the Third Regiment of Infantry, Maine Volunteers, on the battlefield of Gettysburg.

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Resolve in favor of Horace Nicalo, Representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of committee on Eastern Insane Hospital.

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Rockland the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, on account of an imperfect school return.

Resolve in favor of the Training and Normal School at Fort Kent.

Resolve in favor of appropriation for the Maine Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital.

Resolve in favor of the town of Jefferson.

Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for women and children at Deering.

Resolve in favor of the Maine State Library, for the years eighteen hundred ninety-seven and eighteen hundred ninety-eight.

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital.

Resolve in favor of the Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum in Portland.

Resolve in favor of Cyrus Knapp and John A. Rowell, executors of the last will and testament of Abbie B. Downing.

Resolve in favor of Town of Linneus.

Resolve in favor of the Legislative Committees and members of Senate and House authorized to visit the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor.

Resolve in favor of Farmington State Normal School.

Resolve in favor of the town of Forest City, to aid in building one-half the Bridge between Maine and New Brunswick, in Forest City.

Resolve for payment of back salary of a guard at the State Prison.

Resolve relating to a settling lot in Drew Plantation.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education.

Resolve in favor of the chairman of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Resolve to secure the proper enforcement of the Inland Fish and Game Laws, and to aid in the propagation of Inland Fish and Game.

Resolve relating to the publication of a Map of the State of Maine.

Resolves authorizing a Temporary loan for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Resolves authorizing a Temporary Loan for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Resolve in favor of aid in building a bridge across Sandy Stream in Lexington Plantation.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge across Macwahoc Stream, in Macwahoc Plantation, County of Aroostook.

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Resolve in favor of the Gorham State Normal School.

Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Prison.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

Resolve in favor of Lincoln Plantation Number Five, Range Two, Oxford County.

Resolve in favor of Simon B. Gates.

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus River in the town of Milbridge.

Resolve in favor of Maine State Prison.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Military Affairs.

Resolve authorizing the County of York to procure a loan.

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of Lucinda Barrows.

Resolve in favor of Josiah T. McLellan of Gorham.

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy.

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian Township, Washington County.

Resolve in favor of George M. Coombs.

Resolve to repair the Forks Bridge in The Forks Plantation, Somerset County.

Resolve in favor of State Pension Clerk expending money for examination of claims under direction of Governor and Council.

- Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary of Parsonsfield, Maine.
- Resolve in favor of Bluehill Academy.
- Resolve in relation to the documentary history of the State of Maine.
- Resolve in favor of aid in building a highway bridge across the Mattawamkeag River at Kingman.
- Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy.
- Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy.
- Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy.
- Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy.
- Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy.
- Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute.
- Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.
- Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School.
- Resolve in favor of Castine State Normal School.
- Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy.
- Resolve in favor of the Town of Brunswick.
- Resolve in favor of the City of Calais.
- Resolve in favor of a road in Dallas Plantation.
- Resolve in favor of an appropriation to repair the bridge now existing across the Molunkus Stream in Macwahoc Plantation, County of Aroostook.
- Resolve in aid of Wiscasset Bridge.
- Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem Plantation.
- Resolve in aid of building a bridge across Mattawamkeag River in the town of Haynesville, County of Aroostook.
- Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School.
- Resolve in favor of making necessary repairs in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol.
- Resolve in favor of the town of Peru.
- Resolves in favor of the trustees of the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.
- Resolve in favor of the executors of the will of Cyrus Cole.
- Resolve in favor of building a bridge over the Daigle Brook in the Town of Van Buren and County of Aroostook.
- Resolve in favor of the town of Cutler for repairs on Highways and Bridges.
- Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy.
- Resolve accepting the legacy to the State of Maine by the will of Joseph H. Williams of Augusta, for the benefit of the Maine Insane Hospital.
- Resolve in favor of Maine Industrial School for Girls.
- Resolve in favor of the Hospital of the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine.
- Resolve in favor of the Portland School for the Deaf.
- Resolve in favor of the Town of York.
- Resolve that the Land Agent be empowered and directed to convey Settlers Lots in Wallagrass Plantation.
- Resolve in favor of an appropriation to aid in erecting a High School Building in the Town of Frenchville in the County of Aroostook.

Resolves in favor of the City of Calais.

Resolve in aid of the Little Samaritan Aid Society of Portland, Maine.

Resolve in favor of Breakwater at Mattawamkeag Bridge.

Resolve in favor of Children's Aid Society of Maine.

Resolve in favor of the Town of Topsfield.

Resolves in aid of the Maine Gettysburg Commission.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Resolve in favor of heirs of John Robertson.

Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the Town of Hollis.

Resolve in favor of granting aid in repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in town of Moscow.

Resolve providing for the preservation of Regimental Rolls in the Adjutant General's Office.

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute.

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

Resolve relating to the Maine Gettysburg Commission.

Resolve in favor of Olaf Nilson.

Resolve providing for uniforms, camp and garrison equipage for Company M, First Regiment, National Guard State Militia, and Company M, Second Regiment, National Guard State Militia.

Resolve for the purpose of repairing the church of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

Resolve in aid of building a Bridge over Dickey Brook in Frenchville in the County of Aroostook.

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago.

Resolve providing for the expenses of the Governor and Staff while attending the ceremonies relating to the formal transfer of the Grant Monument to the City of New York.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital.

Resolve to provide for the extinguishment of the claim for Don H. Powers and A. G. Sorosis, M. D., against the State for services rendered in connection with the shooting of Game Warden E. O. Collins by Charles Morris.

Resolve in favor of purchase and distribution of Photographic Views.

Resolve in favor of summer training school for teachers and the distribution of educational documents.

Resolve in favor of Frank E. Southard.

Resolve to enable the State librarian to complete additional sets of the York Deeds.

Resolve requesting the senators and representatives in congress from Maine to exert their influence to secure an appropriation for a dry dock at some port on the coast of Maine.

Resolve laying a tax on counties of the State for the years eighteen hundred and ninety-seven and eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Resolve authorizing the land agent to sell certain public lots in Moro P'antation.

Resolve to care for the unfinished buildings of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

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On motion of Mr. DICKEY of Fort Kent, the Speaker at 6.55 o'clock P. M., declared the House adjourned without day.

W. S. COTTON,
Clerk.

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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 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 chaplains 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 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 persons 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 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 the house.

17. No member shall be allowed 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 of 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 reasons shall excuse him, and when 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 courts, 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 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 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 once been made and carried in the affirmative or negative, it shall not be in order for any member who voted in the minority to move 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 or laid on the table without a certain time 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 the 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; and 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 Reed's Rules 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.

I. 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, telegraphs and expresses,
- 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 inland fisheries and game,
- On shore fisheries,
- On shore 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,
- On state college of agriculture and the mechanic arts,
- On mines and mining,
- On temperance,
- On labor,
- On taxation.

And each of said committees 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 title 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 endorsements 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 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 five hundred, 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 one hundred copies for the departments and for binding, and twenty copies for the committee having the same under consideration.

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 reference 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 it 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.

SENATE ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES.

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 as require action by a committee.

4th. Orders.

5th. The first reading of bills and resolves printed under the rules.

6th. The reports of committees, and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve.

7th. Bills and resolves reported by the committee on bills in the second reading.

8th. Bills on their passage to be enacted, and resolves on their final passage.

9th. Orders of the day.

When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but,

1st. To adjourn.

2d. To reconsider.

3d. To lay on the table.

4th. To postpone to a day certain.

5th. To commit.

6th. To amend.

7th. To postpone indefinitely.

Which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged.

Questions of concurrence or otherwise with the House shall have precedence of each other in the following order:

1st. To recede.

2d. To concur.

3d. To insist.

4th. To adhere.

A motion to adjourn shall always be first in order, and shall be decided without debate.

The name of the senator presenting petitions, memorials and remonstrances should be endorsed on the back thereof, *near the bottom*, with the name of the county which he represents.

The senator presenting an *order* should put his name thereto, on the inside at the bottom of the page, on the left, with the name of the county which he represents.

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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 is 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 at any time before the 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 consider 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 committed to the committee on bills in the second reading, to be by them examined, corrected, and so reported to the senate.

19. Upon a 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 duties 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 upon; 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 as require action by a committee.

4th. Orders.

5th. The first reading of bills and resolves laid on the table to be printed under the rules.

6th. Reports of committees, and if accompanied by a bill or resolve, the first reading of such bill or resolve.

7th. Bills and resolves reported by the committee on bills in the second reading.

8th. Bills on their passage to be enacted, and resolves on their final passage.

9th. Orders of the day.

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 precedence 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 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 a vote of a majority of the members present, resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering any subject named in the motion; and a chairman shall be appointed by the president. If a message is announced while the senate is in such committee, the president shall resume the chair for the purpose of receiving it; immediately after which the committee shall proceed, until dissolved in the usual manner.

37. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Reed's Rules, 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 of the joint rules of the two houses.

MEMORANDA.

1. Orders, motions in writing, and reports of committees should never be presented on less than a half sheet of paper.
2. When a *report* of a committee is made to either house it should be accompanied by the *order* or other paper appointing said committee to consider the subject.
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 county in which he resides.
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 county in which he resides.
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,——, 189 .

[or] IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,—— 189 .

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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