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STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, January 17, 1899.

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.

A true copy. Attest:

W. S. COTTON, Clerk. W. S. COTTON, Clerk.

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STATE OF MAINE.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, January 4, 1899.

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 1897.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Williamson 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-Ninth Legislature, as appears by the reports of the Governor and Council under date of October 25, 1898.

ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY.

Names.	Residences.
Nathan W. Harris	Auburn.
Bennett B. Fuller	Auburn.
Andrew G. Fitz	Durham.
Edmon Eaton	East Livermore.
Charles A. Jordan	Lisbon.
R. A. Ryerson	Livermore.
Alonzo M. Garcelon	Lewiston.
Francois X. Belleau	Lewiston.
Frank A. Morey	Lewiston.
Michael A. Murphy	Lewiston.
John O. Wilson	Minot.

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AROOSTOOK COUNTY.

Names.	Residences.
Howard Pierce	Blaine.
Carl C. King	Caribou.
Herbert T. Powers	Fort Fairfield.
Joseph A. Laliberte	Fort Kent.
Edward S. Cleveland	
Alpheus Craig	Island Falls.
Remi A. Daigle	
John R. Weed, Jr	
Bowdoin R. Blackstone	
George H. Smith	Presque Isle.
William C. Farrell	
John R. Hughes	Amity.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

John E. Cartret	Baldwin.
Winburn M. Staples	Bridgton.
Frederick H. Wilson	Brunswick.
George C. Hopkins	Deering.
John Marshall Brown	Falmouth.
Winthrop C. Fogg	Freeport.
Elbridge M. Wilson	Gorham.
Samuel G. Spurr	Otisfield.
Harry R. Virgin	Portland.
Richard Webb	Portland.
Frederick V. Chase	Portland.
Samuel D. Plummer	Portland.
Holman S. Melcher	Portland.
Edward H. Sargent	Portland.
Alroy Noyes	Pownal.
Henry L. Forhan	Raymond.
Melville B. Fuller	
Thurston S. Burns	Westbrook.
Harlan P. Prince	Yarmouth.
Elijah K. Hodgkins	Harpswell.
True M. Merrill	

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Names.	Residences.
Joel Wilbur	Avon.
Justus Webster	Chestervillė.
William A. Spofford	New Sharon.
George M. Esty	Rangeley.

HANCOCK COUNTY.

Isaac Britton	.Bucksport.
Charles H. Drummey	.Ellsworth.
Charles E. Brimmer	Mariaville.
John W. Somes	.Mt. Desert.
Albert R. Buck	.Orland.
Arthur Henry Sargent	Sedgwick.
John L. Goss	Stonington.
Frank T. Jellison	Surry.
Fred W. Bridgham	Sullivan.

KENNEBEC COUNTY.

Llewellyn Libby	.Albion.
George E. Macomber	.Augusta.
Joseph H. Manley	.Augusta.
Josiah S. Maxcy	Gardiner.
Joseph F. Bodwell	.Hallowell.
Howard Stetson	Monmouth.
George W. Field	Oakland.
Nelson D. Gordon	Readfield.
George Mosher, Jr	.Rome.
Warren C. Philbrook	. Waterville.
Francisco Colburn	.Windsor.
H. T. Dunning	Winslow.
F. B. Gould	.Pittston.

KNOX COUNTY.

Charles C. Wood	Camden.
Marcellus F. Taylor	Hope.
Maynard D. Bird	Rockland.
H. Irvin Hix	Rockland.

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Names.	Residences.
Joseph H. Kalloch	South Thomaston.
Chester W. Teel	St. George.
Edward K. O'Brien	Thomaston.
George W. Brown	Warren.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

Orrin McFadden	Dresden.
B. A. Woodbridge	Newcastle.
John M. Turner	Somerville.
Clarence A. Peaslee	Wiscasset.
George W. Hahn	Waldoboro.

OXFORD COUNTY.

Eben S. Kilborn	.Bethel.
Virgil P. DeCoster	. Buckfield.
Isaac H. Berry	.Denmark.
Josiah C. Donham	.Hebron.
Edgar F Gentleman	.Porter.
John Reed	.Roxbury.

PENOBSCOT COUNTY.

William W. FreeseArgyle.	
Isaiah K. StetsonBangor.	
Frederic H. ParkhurstBangor.	
Flavius O. BealBangor.	
Charles J. HutchingsBrewer.	
Moses F. Chick Clifton.	
William H. AbbottDexter.	
Hiram N. ParkerGlenburn.	
James F. BeathKenduskeag.	
James M. Sanborn Newport.	
David CarrOld Town.	
N. A. NickersonOrrington.	
Marion F. TylerBradley.	
Halbert P. GardnerPatten.	
Stillman J. RidlonStetson.	
Thomas W. PorterBurlington.	
Pitt H. JonesSpringfield.	

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY.

Names.	Residences.
Joseph W. Davis	Brownville.
Frank E. Guernsey	Dover.
Victor Wells Macfarlane	Greenville.
Charles S. Hassell	Sebec.

SAGADAHOC COUNTY.

James C. Ledyard	Bath.
John S. Hyde	Bath.
Noble Maxwell	Richmond.
John A. Purinton	Woolwich.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

C. H. Smith	.Hartland.
Benjamin W. Adams	. Mayfield Pl.
Charles H. Girdler	. Mercer.
Herman G. Johonnett	Palmyra.
Edward N. Merrill	.Skowhegan.
David Rowell	.Solon.
William L. Walker	. Starks.

WALDO COUNTY.

Melville C. Hill	Belfast.
James F. Grindel	Islesboro.
George E. Bryant	Knox.
Henry R. Dawson	Monroe.
Fred E. Spratt	Palermo.
Alfred E. Nickerson	Swanville.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

George A. Murchie	Calais.
Emerson K. Wilson	Cherryfield.
Samuel D. Leavitt	Eastport.
Charles, A. Coffin	Harrington.
George S. Thayer	Lubec.
Alexander D. McFaul	Machias.
Alvin L. Harman	Machiasport.
Albert S. Farnsworth	Pembroke.
Stephen L. Peabody	Princeton.
Winfield Isaac Crane	Whiting.

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YORK COUNTY.

Names.	Residences.
Kenneth W. Sutherland	Biddeford.
North M. West	Biddeford.
Walter P. Perkins	Cornish.
Thomas F. Staples	Eliot.
Frank M. Bennett	Hollis.
Sidney T. Fuller	Kennebunk.
Frank M. Irving	. Kennebunkport.
John R. Chamberlin	Lebanon.
Edwin Cobb	Limerick.
William H. Sawyer	Limington.
Frank C. Deering	Saco.
William Kernon	Sanford.
Isaac Libbey	South Berwick.
Freeman E. Rankin	Wells.

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

> BYRON BOYD, Secretary of State.

The certified roll of Representatives elect was called by the Clerk and 143 members responded to the call, and a quorum found to be present.

On motion of Mr. PERKINS of Cornish,

Messrs. Perkins,

Nickerson of Swanville, Hyde of Bath, Ridlon of Stetson, Berry of Denmark, Field of Oakland, West of Biddeford.

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. PERKINS 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. SANBORN of Newport,

Messrs. Sanborn,

Wilson of Cherryfield,

Fogg of Freeport,

Fuller of Kennebunk,

Eaton of East Livermore,

Farnsworth of Pembroke,

Bridgham of Sullivan,

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

The report was accepted and Isaiah K. Stetson, having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Sixty-Ninth Legislature for the years 1800-1000.

The Speaker elect was conducted to the Chair by Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport.

Mr. STETSON said:

Gentlemen of the House of Representatives: I am deeply impressed with gratitude for the confidence reposed in me, and in the discharge of my official duties I shall endeavor to be guided by a just and unstrained construction of the rules governing this House. When my memory recalls the distinguished gentlemen who have occupied this position of great responsibility, I feel how great is the honor you have conferred upon me, and I now realize how in many ways I shall need your assistance and help in conducting the business of the House. I shall discharge the duties of my office to the best of my ability, and shall enter upon their performance with entire confidence in the support of all the members.

This confidence and respect shown by you, in electing me to this high office, have inspired me with feelings of profound gratitude, and with an honest purpose to do what is right, I hope to perform my duties, impartially and for the best interests of our State.

The people of our State have entrusted to us grave responsibilities, and may we discharge the duties and burdens imposed upon us, so as to merit their approval and approbation.

We were elected to look after the interests of the people, see that no unwise laws are passed, and to practice strict economy in the expenditure of the public money, which may be conpatible with the public interest.

The people should not be taxed for more than the amount necessary to defray the expense of a wise, economical and efficient administration of our State government.

The burdens of government should, as far as practical, be distributed justly and equally among all our people.

Any discrimination in favor of corporations, individuals or interests, is unjust to the rest of the people and inconsistent with that spirit of fairness and equality which should govern us in our deliberations.

We are a growing people and are rapidly developing large manufacturing, as well as agricultural interests, and the wants of our people are necessarily increasing.

New laws must be passed, new burdens imposed, but a wise people will never object to the imposition of necessary burdens for useful ends.

Let your deliberations be fair and just, looking towards those things that will advance the material prosperity of our State and our people, so that we shall continue to occupy our present high position in the sisterhood of states of our glorious republic.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4.

Thanking you again for the great honor you have conferred upon me, I wait the pleasure of the House. (Applause.)

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor,

Messrs. Parkhurst,

Donham of Hebron, Bodwell of Hallowell, Jordan of Lisbon, Buck of Orland, Maxwell of Richmond, Murphy of Lewiston,

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

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-Ninth Legislature of Maine.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Messrs. Macomber,

Rankin of Wells,

Walker of Starks,

Davis of Brownville,

Reed of Roxbury,

Bird of Rockland,

Merrill of New Gloucester,

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

Mr. MACOMBER subsequently reported:	
Whole number of votes cast	110
Necessary for a choice	56
E. M. Thompson had	110

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-Ninth Legislature of Maine. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

That gentleman notified the Governor of the organization of the House, by the election of Isaiah K. Stetson as Speaker, W. S. Cotton as Clerk, and E. M. Thompson as Assistant Clerk.

The same information was conveyed to the Senate by Mr. HARRIS of Auburn.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

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 1897.

A message was received from the Senate by Senator Plummer of Penobscot, notifying the House of the organization of the Senate by the election of Hon. Oliver B. Clason as President, Kendall B. Dunbar as Secretary and Walter B. Clarke as Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham,

Ordered, That George H. Fisher be Messenger, William J. Smith be First Assistant Messenger, W. H. Holmes be Second Assistant Messenger, Walter I. Neal be Mail Carrier, Lawrence N. Simmons be Assistant Mail Carrier, J. F. Frederick be First Folder, Chapin Lydstone be Second Folder, Louis J. Brann be Third Folder, R. C. Noyes be First Door Keeper, Edward W. Delano be Second Door Keeper, and that the Speaker appoint the Pages.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

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. MURCHIE of Calais,

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. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

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. KING of Caribou,

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 Standard 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. BRITTON of Bucksport,

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

On motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner,

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. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

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

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Ordered, That the sum of thirty dollars and usual mileage be allowed and paid Walter D. Bean for services rendered by him at this session as Second Door Keeper.

On motion of Mr. HIX of Rockland,

Ordered, That the sum of thirty dollars and usual mileage be allowed and paid Fred A. Stevens for services rendered by him at this session as Second Assistant Messenger. On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that a Joint Special Committee consisting of seven members from the House and as many as the Senate may join be appointed to which shall be referred all matters relating to the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, and the committee shall be called the Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

The order was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, That the returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the political years of 1899 and 1900 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. Grindle of Hancock,

White of Androscoggin, Chamberlain of Lincoln, Vickery of Kennebec, Jones of Penobscot, Witham of Cumberland.

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

Messrs. Powers of Fort Fairfield, Jordan of Lisbon,

> Brown of Falmouth, Wilbur of Avon, Britton of Bucksport, Macomber of Augusta, Wood of Camden, Turner of Somerville, Gentleman of Porter, Chick of Clifton, Macfarlane of Greenville, Maxwell of Richmond, Rowell of Solon, Nickerson of Swanville, Coffin of Harrington, Deering of Saco.

Ordered, 1ne House concurring, that the Joint Rules and Orders of 1897 and 1898 be adopted as the Rules and Orders of this Legislature until otherwise ordered.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting the official returns of votes for Governor cast at the September election, 1898, was referred to the Committee on Gubernatorial votes in concurrence.

The Speaker appointed as pages of the House for this session, John D. Buck of Orland and E. Parker Craig of Island Falls.

On motion of Mr. CHICK of Clifton, adjourned to to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*

AUGUSTA, Thursday, January 5, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, informed the House that Herbert T. Powers of Fort Fairfield, a member elect, had appeared and was ready for qualification.

Mr. Smith was charged with the duty of conducting Mr. Powers to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath, and subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him, and Mr. Powers appeared and took his seat in the House.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, informed the House that Josiah C. Donham of Hebron, a member elect, had appeared and was ready for qualification.

Mr. Philbrook was charged with the duty of conducting Mr. Donham to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath, and subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him, and Mr. Donham appeared and took his seat in the House. Mr. KING of Caribou, informed the House that Remi A. Daigle of Madawaska, a member elect, had appeared and was ready for qualification.

Mr. King was charged with the duty of conducting Mr. Daigle to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath and subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him, and Mr. Daigle appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish each member and officer of the House with postage stamps to the same amount furnished to the members and officers of the Sixtyeighth Legislature.

Remonstrance of Francis Keefe against the claim of Thomas F. Staples to a seat in the House of Representatives of the Sixtyninth Legislature.

Was tabled pending appointment of House Committee on Elections, on motion of Mr. PERKINS of Cornish.

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that all matters relating to appropriations for the use of the Board of Cattle Commissioners be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

The order was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial votes came from the Senate accepted.

Whole number of votes returned for Governor.		85,91 <i>2</i>
Llewellyn Powers had		54,098
Samuel L. Lord had		28,485
Ammi S. Ladd had		2,326
Robert Gerry had		641
Erastus Lermond had		315
Scattering	••••	47
[Signed] Rufus	P. Grind	LE,
Chairman on part of Senate.		enate.
Chas. C. Wood,		OD,

Chairman on part of House.

The report 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 1899 and 1900.

Came from the Senate read and passed with

Messrs Chamberlain of Lincoln,

Fernald of Androscoggin,

Whitehouse of Sagadahoc,

appointed on its part.

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The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Manley of Augusta,

> Virgin of Portland, Eaton of East Livermore, Parkhurst of Bangor, Murchie of Calais, Sutherland of Biddeford, Merrill of New Gloucester,

Merrin of New Gloucester

were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Manley subesquently 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. HOPKINS of Deering, 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 administerinig to the Honorable Llewellyn Powers, Governorelect 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. Oliver B. Clason, President of the Senate, presiding.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. WHITE of Androscoggin,

Messrs. White,

King of Oxford, Chase of Portland, Drummey of Ellsworth, Reed of Roxbury, Fuller of Auburn, Porter of Burlington,

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. White 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 dpartments, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature, in convention assembled, before the President of the Senate, Hon. Oliver B. Clason, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Hon. Byron Boyd, Secretary of State, then made the following proclamation:

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PROCLAMATION.

The votes given in on the twelfth 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 Liewellyn 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:

We exchange congratulations on the threshold of this new year, as we approach the termination of the century, with convincing evidence on every hand that our State is moving forward on the highway of present and future progress, prosperity and industrial development.

The clouds of war, which for a time darkened the skies during the past year, have rolled away, and we are fortunately relieved from all future or further anxiety on this account.

This legislature will mark the completion of the grandest century the world ever knew. A retrospection of the nineteenth century furnishes us a valuable guide for the present, hope and inspiration for the future.

It is our first duty to rightly value the possibilities of the State we inhabit, and whose people have called and chosen you

to legislate for them. This will enable us to discover and open paths to new enterprises and beneficial industries. The past seasons have brought us abundant harvests. Our mills and factories are very generally in active operation. Labor is remuneratively employed throughout our borders. The disagreement or misunderstanding between employers and employed, that prevailed for a time in two of our cities, has been amicably and finally settled. Our people enjoy, in a marked degree, the blessings of plenty, of health, of individual liberty and personal security. Peace has once more returned to rule and bless our State and nation. We have every reason to predict, with implicit confidence, the establishment in our State before long of many more and some new industries of great value to our people. And it is my deliberate judgment that the action of this legislature may and will have a far-reaching effect upon that future progress and growth.

We have been remarkably free from contagious diseases, except the typhoid fever contracted by our soldiers in the Chickamauga camp. We are undoubtedly largely indebted for this immunity to the regulation and care of our State Board of Health, and especially to its efficient and learned Secretary, Dr. Young, who so faithfully and effectively devotes his whole time to sanitation, and to a thorough understanding of the best known methods for the control and prevention of all diseases and epidemics.

On Saturday evening, November 26, 1898, one of the severest and most destructive gales or blizzards of which we have any account, accompanied with blinding snow, visited our New England coast. It caused an unprecedented loss of life and property, wrecking many vessels and some steamers that were caught in its path, and it brought sorrow, misfortune and death to a large number of families and homes. No calamity of this kind, so terrible and distressing, has, I think, ever visited our shores before.

Among those who perished on the ill-fated steamer "Portland," was the Hon. E. Dudley Freeman of Yarmouth, member and President of the Executive Council; a gentleman of splendid and rare attainments, genial, upright, faithful and conscientious in the performance of every public and private duty. His sudden death, in the prime of manhood and in the midst of his honorable career and useful labors, was a severe blow to his grief-stricken family, and an almost irreparable loss to the State.

It is the imperative constitutional duty of the Governor "from time to time to 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 comply with that requirement, and to perform that duty, I desire to call your attention to a few, at least, of the many important measures which will come before you to be wisely and impartially considered and determined.

The always important and vital questions of taxation and revenue upon the one hand, and of expenditures or appropriations upon the other, are very largely within your province, and demand unbiased and careful judgment at your hands. The last legislature increased the rate of direct taxation for State purposes to two and three-fourths mills on the dollar. This increase of rate and the largely raised valuations which the State Assessors have, in the exercise of their judgment, placed upon property, have caused the State tax to be somewhat onerous in amount, and perhaps burdensome to certain towns and cities.

I am confident that it will not be wise to add to it, and also, that by the exercise of strict economy—not parsimony—you will find that it is not necessary to do so; for I earnestly believe, and would impress upon you, the truth that the same principles of economy, discrimination and care should be applied to all State expenditures that the prudent business man would use in conducting his own affairs.

I find also, from an examination of the methods and processes of taxation in other states that there are only three or four, at most, in the Union, where the rate is as large as in Maine, while in several states there is no direct taxation at all. If, however, you should find that I am not correct, and that some more revenue is absolutely needed than can be realized under existing laws, I think it will be both just and advisable to seek other sources from which to raise it rather than increase the rate of direct taxation.

And in this connection I will repeat substantially what I said in my address to the last legislature, that all legislation exempt-

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ing property from taxation is generally unwise, and has a tendency to work favoritism and injustice. To exempt, and therefore fail to tax is simply to add so much more to that which is included in the list, and very often this additional burden is placed upon property and persons that can ill afford to bear it. Hence, I always contend, and I do most earnestly insist, that both right and justice demand that all citizens and all the property of the State of every kind and description should bear their and its equitable share of the public burdens, and that any person who is not willing to do his part and desires that Maine shall in any sense, or to any class, be a "tax-dodgers' paradise," and threatens to emigrate in case he cannot shift his just taxes upon his neighbor, is not a very desirable citizen, and certainly it is not worth while to bribe him to remain.

Therefore, any legislation which may have a tendency to more effectually produce a greater equalization of public burdens, or to do away with or repeal any direct exemption, or indirect ones, where the assessments are returned by the State Treasurer, will be cheerfully approved by me, and I have no doubt it will be welcomed by the most of your constituents.

To enable you to legislate more understandingly, and to better determine what financial aid you can and will grant to various objects and institutions, and what you must refuse in whole or in part, it is essential that you fully comprehend the exact financial condition of the State treasury, its available resources and necessary expenditures under existing laws.

While we point with just pride and gratification to the fact that there is no State whose credit stands upon a higher plane than our own, and that moneyed institutions and individuals would gladly loan it indefinite sums at low rates of interest, yet we must not forget that there is a constitutional limit to the amount that the legislature can authorize the State Treasurer to borrow for any but war purposes, wisely placed there by an amendment since the constitution was adopted, which amendment expressly declares that the State shall not, except for war purposes, incur debts in excess of \$300,000; and at present we are very near that limit. I recommend to you a careful perusal of the reports of the State Treasurer, in which you will find itemized statements of all the receipts and expenditures for the

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past two years. By so doing it will familiarize you with many details, and be a valuable aid in legislating for this and the coming year.

I also feel that it devolves upon me to invite your attention to some of the statements and facts contained in those reports, which may, perhaps, enable you to better understand and appreciate the exact situation. The receipts from all sources, except loans, for the two years past, have been \$3,254,042.98. The expenditures for the same period, including \$100,000 paid in reduction of the public debt, have been \$3,452,819.83. At the close of the year 1896 there was in the State Treasury the sum of \$203,500.58. At the close of the year 1898 there was in the State Treasury the sum of \$154,723.73.

The amount received from State tax for the years 1897 and 1898 was \$1,683,321.65. The amount received from Savings Banks during those two years was \$775,815.86, one-half of which was refunded to the cities and towns of the State for school purposes. The amount received from railroads during those two years was \$325,081.46. The amount refunded to the various cities and towns of the tax received from railroads, under the law, was \$126,700.58. The amount paid out and expended during the years 1897 and 1898 in excess of receipts, except loans, was \$198,776.85.

The balance which is found in the Treasury at the end of the year is soon dissipated and is rather fictitious than real, as immediately after, nearly all of it is due to the various towns on account of the school fund.

These statements of receipts and expenditures contain none of the liabilities incurred, or money used in equipping the troops called for to fill the quotas of the State in the recent war with Spain. Not one cent has been taken from the Treasury for military purposes during these years except the usual appropriation for the National Guard in time of peace.

There are, therefore, considerable sums due which should be provided for and paid. The railroads have willingly furnished all the transportationasked for, and have not yet received any pay. This, I think, is one of the largest claims to be provided for, and should be paid at an early day. There are other and pressing bills which I know it will be your pleasure to take measures to meet. Yet I am confident, that when the final balances are struck, and when the State shall have received from the general government the amount that is actually due us, of which the accounting officers have already certified as correct, \$87,450.80, and there is some \$5,000 more not certified, as it has not been presented yet, it will be found that we have not incurred any very large debt over and above the sum that is due us. But the State's creditors should not wait longer. In the meantime, until the United States government shall pay, the State should settle all its debts that are just and due, which it can do with a small temporary or permanent loan for war purposes. I have not ascertained the exact amount of outstanding bills that need to be cared for; that will be presented before the proper committee.

Neither the appropriations for war purposes or any other have been overdrawn during the past two years, or applied to any other objects than that for which they were appropriated or were intended, and there will be found that a balance of unexpended appropriations was covered into the Treasury at the close of the year 1897 of \$26,646.11, and at the close of the year 1898 of \$38,045.23.

The urgent necessity and sound business proposition that we should bring our expenditures in times of peace within our income must be apparent to you all. There should be a reduction of appropriations in all cases where it can be made without crippling or injuring worthy objects of State aid until this basis has been reached. Therefore, it would be well for you to scrutinize and examine not only the measures or resolves presented to you creating new avenues to the Treasury, but also some of those acts now on the statute book, and see if their necessity is plain and urgent, and if the State is not, in some cases, paying too much for what it receives. No one should obtain for anything done for or furnished the State one cent beyond a reasonable price.

So far as I know, and I have examined with care, every department of the State Government has been and now is conducted with judicious economy, and with an earnest purpose to promote the public good. That there is a tendency to increase expenditures in all, or nearly all, of them is obvious when we compare what they cost to-day, and what they ask for, with what was appropriated for them a few years ago; still it must be remembered the duties and demands on them have largely increased within the past twenty years.

I would suggest, that, actuated by a determination to use the State's money as you would your own, you determine, through the proper committee or committees, what is absolutely necessary for the several departments of the State Government, and all its institutions, and confine all appropriations for them within that limitation.

There should be no gross sums appropriated to be used in common by several departments for express bills or for any other purposes, but each should have assigned for itself such sum and no more, for contingent and other expenses, as you find absolutely necessary.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

After years of patient waiting and timely warning and ineffectual negotiating, the people of the United States were compelled in the interests of humanity and good government to call a halt, and to put an end to the despotic, chronic and inhuman conditions, very injurious and detrimental to their interests, that had so long existed in Cuba. Congress, in the exercise of its constitutional prerogative, in the month of April last, solemnly declared that a state of war existed between this country and Happily, the contest was brief, sharp and decisive. Spain. Signal victories crowned our arms on land and sea, which have led to such an honorable settlement and treaty that all for which our Government contended, and even more, has been fully real-The last vestige of Spanish misrule and tyranny has been ized. blotted out and forever driven from the American continent. The people everywhere throughout the Union responded with patriotic and self-sacrificing alacrity to the country's call to arms.

At the commencement of the struggle we were very poorly prepared for war. For nearly a third of a century we had been cultivating the arts of peace, and the clangors of battle had been silent in our land. The difficulties encountered by reason of want of proper preparations have furnished us a salutary lesson which we shall not fail to profit by in the future. Maine furnished one Volunteer Regiment of Infantry, four Batteries of Heavy Artillery, and a Signal Corps. This was her full quota, and more. The Infantry Regiment, I think, was the largest and best equipped that went from New England. Maine has never faltered in her devotion and loyalty to the Union, and her people never will. The Infantry Regiment was ordered into camp at Chickamauga. All of its men and officers were anxious and clamoring to be sent to the front where they could participate in the struggle, and they were about to go to Porto Rico when the protocol, which put an end to hostilities, was signed.

An alarming amount of sickness, especially typhoid fever, prevailed in the Chickamauga camp. It was almost epidemic, and compelled the government to abandon it. This caused the regiment to return to Maine. It has since its return been mustered out of the service. After its return to Maine, as well as before, it suffered a good deal from the fever with which it had been infected before it returned home.

What causes may have induced so much sickness, who is responsible for it, and whether or not it could have been avoided by proper foresight, and care, I leave to others to determine. Yet it does seem to me that without some strong compelling cause, it was not good judgment to concentrate in one camp so large a body of troops as rendezvoused at Chickamauga, and to keep them there for a long period of time in the heat of summer and under a southern sun.

The number of commissioned officers that served in the 1st Regiment of Infantry Volunteers while in the United States service was forty-nine. The number of non-commissioned officers and privates furnished under the first call when the regiment left Augusta was 980. Therefore, the whole strength of the regiment at that time was 1,027, as two of the commissioned officers named were not commissioned to fill vacancies until the regiment returned to Maine, as there was no official notice of the vacancies prior to that time.

The Battery of Heavy Artillery, meaning Battery A, had a total strength of four commissioned officers, and 146 enlisted men when it left Augusta to garrison Fort Popham. The total number of officers and men furnished under the first call was 1,177.

Under the President's second call the number of non-commissioned officers and privates in the Infantry Companies was increased to 106, and Battery A, of the Heavy Artillery, increased to 200. This makes a grand total that served in both of these organizations under both calls of 1,345 officers and men.

There was also organized, largely from the 2nd Regiment of the National Guard of the State of Maine, in response to the second call, three Batteries of Artillery, having eleven commissioned officers, and 319 non-commissioned officers and privates, a total of 330.

Maine also furnished, under special instructions from the War Department, a Signal Corps, consisting of two commissioned officers and forty enlisted men, making a total of the land forces volunteering in these organizations in the war with Spain of 1,717 officers and men. A large number of soldiers, seamen and marines also volunteered and enlisted in the regular army of the United States, and in the naval service, of which we have at present no account or record.

In response to a request of the Secretary of the Navy the Volunteer Naval Reserve Associations of Portland and Bath organized for service, and enlisted for one year. There were six commissioned officers and seventy-five petty officers and seamen in the Portland organization; three commissioned officers and fifty-five petty officers and seamen in the Bath organization. Both the Signal Corps and the Naval Reserves were in excess of the quota assigned to Maine. The Signal Corps was ordered to the front, and did excellent service in the several battles on the island of Cuba near Santiago, which led to the surrender of that city and the Spanish forces occupying it. The Volunteer Naval Reserves have also been mustered out of the service. The four Batteries of Heavy Artillery are all of the Maine troops now in the service of the United States. They are at present encamped at Savannah in the state of Georgia, and will form a part of the army of Cuban occupation, as they have already received orders to prepare to go to Havana.

The health of these four batteries at the present time is excellent. All of these soldiers and Volunteer Naval Reserves, both officers and men, were and are as gallant and brave troops as ever mustered in any land to do battle for the right, and if they were not permitted to participate more extensively in actual warfare it was no fault of theirs, as they were ever ready and solicitous to be sent to the front. They have represented their State with honor and deserve its thanks.

The number of deaths in the regiment while in the service was two commissioned officers and forty-one non-commissioned officers and men. In the four batteries up to the present time, seven enlisted men. In the Signal Corps three enlisted men, making a total of fifty-three officers and men. This includes one man who died after his company was mustered out, and is not quite three per cent of the men enlisted. So low a death rate when considering the large amount of sickness, especially in the 1st Regiment of Maine Infantry Volunteers, speaks well for the care and attention which was bestowed by officers, surgeons, nurses and all others having charge of the sick.

The Secretary of War, when the first call for volunteers was issued, assigned as the quota of the State of Maine a Regiment of Infantry and one Battery of Heavy Artillery, and he expressly requested that this call be filled, so far as possible, from the National Guard of the State, as the Government desired men that were somewhat familiar with military drill and tactics. Before the call was issued Adjutant-General John T. Richards and myself had consulted together, and had foreseen that the Guard would probably be the first troops asked for, and had already taken some effective measures to prepare it to respond. An order had been issued directing all commanding officers of companies to report for honorable discharge all soldiers in their several commands having any physical disability which might prevent them from being mustered into the United States service; and another order, requesting and directing that every company be recruited, by new enlistments, to the maximum number allowed under the present military laws of Maine, and that no recruit be accepted unless he had passed the physical examination required by the regulations of the regular army. Also orders for tents, clothing, blankets and for other necessary . equipment were placed early. It was fortunate for us that we did this, otherwise, we should have experienced no little difficulty in obtaining many things that were very necessary for the proper equipment and comfort of the men.

To comply with the request of the Secretary of War to fill the quota from the National Guard as far as possible, both regiments were ordered into camp at Augusta the first of May, and found on their arrival all things prepared and in readiness to receive them. All efforts to get a change in the assignment of quota made by the War Department, so that they would receive both regiments, instead of one larger regiment and a Battery of Heavy Artillery, were unsuccessful. I then determined that, by military usage, it was the right of the 1st Regiment of the Guard to be used to fill the call for the Regiment of Infantry, as its officers claimed the right and privilege of so doing, and that the Battery of Heavy Artillery should be enlisted from the 2nd Regiment of the Guard.

Notwithstanding the order to bring none but physically sound men into camp, on an examination by the United States surgeons nearly, or quite, one-third of the non-commissioned officers and men in the regiment were rejected. This left a complement of officers with about one-half the requisite number of men. The United States officers would not accept or muster into the service any company until there was a full complement of non-commissioned officers and privates.

There were great difficulties in obtaining enlistments from the 2d Regiment to fill the companies of the 1st, as a disinclination existed on the part of most of theofficers and men of the 2d Regiment to do so, although all were very anxious to go to the front if they could be permitted to have their own organization. Besides, the officers and men believed that there would soon be another call, when they could go as a regiment. Hence, but few enlisted, with the exception of the Bangor Company, under Captain Dennett. Captain Dennett had his company examined, and used it to fill what was lacking in two companies of the 1st Regiment, taking himself a second lieutenancy which happened He was one of the best officers in the Guard. to be vacant. Had been educated at Annapolis. I commissioned him as a first lieutenant before the regiment was mustered out. I should have been glad could I have seen an opportunity to have raised him to the rank of captain.

At this time, when we sorely needed men, the University of Maine sent us more than forty splendid volunteers, familiar with military tactics and drill, who enlisted as privates. It was a timely and much needed aid. It encouraged others. It was an act that the State should not forget.

There were also quite a number of men of the several companies of the 1st Regiment who passed the examination, but declared that they did not feel that they ought to, or could, volunteer unless something was given to them to leave with their families which were very needy. While matters were in this condition, I realized that something must be done, and done quickly, as I was extremely anxious that Maine's quota, for the credit of the State, should be filled at an early date, and we succeeded in being the eighteenth state to do so.

About this same time there was considerable anxiety in some of the towns and cities along the coast, fearing that they might be attacked by gun-boats or cruisers of the Spanish navy. And some persons were very urgent that an extra session of the legislature be called. I could not comprehend how an extra session of the legislature would furnish to them any adequate or additional protection, or I should have called it at once. I was convinced, after a careful examination, that the only real and effective defence for our coast towns was to establish batteries and mines, and to obtain from the United States, cruisers to sail along the shores, and in conjunction with our delegation in Congress we succeeded in obtaining two cruisers, and having the coast very generally and effectually fortified.

It turned out in the end, however, that all fears of an attack were groundless. Personally, I should have much preferred to have called an extra session, and been relieved from the responsibility by legislative action. But I was confident that a very large majority of the people in Maine were opposed to calling it, and I felt constrained to obey what I felt to be the wishes of that majority, unless some exigency should compel me to do otherwise.

I examined as to what the State did to aid enlistment in the early part of the war of 1861. I found that an extra session of the legislature, called by Governor Washburn in April of that year, passed an act (chapter 63, section 2, Laws of 1861) authorizing and directing that a gratuity or bounty of \$22 be paid to each private; \$24 to each musician; \$26 to each corporal; \$34 to each sergeant and to a first sergeant \$40, who should enlist and be mustered into the service of the United States, and that these several sums were paid to the first ten regiments organized. Later on very much higher bounties were offered and paid.

I consulted with Colonel Kendall, who commanded the regiment, and with several captains of the different companies, and they informed me that some of their men had been in the strikes in Lewiston and Biddeford, and must have aid. I told them to send out recruiting officers to the towns and cities where the companies of the 1st Regiment had been organized, and endeavor to fill up these companies with the least possible delay, and I authorized him and them to state to all men enlisting that they should have the same treatment and the same gratuity as was given by the act of April, 1861, to the soldiers of the first ten regiments, assuring them that I would either raise the necessary funds to do this myself, or call an extra session of the legislature, and recommend that it be done, in which event I had no doubt it would be.

After due deliberation, I finally decided, under all the circumstances, to pay this bounty to the men on my own personal responsibility, trusting and believing that after you had a full knowledge of the facts, the needs of the men and the urgency of immediate enlistments, that the wisdom and propriety, as well as the necessity of so doing, would commend itself to your judgment, and the act be ratified by you. There are certainly as cogent reasons for paying this small bounty to these volunteers, as there were to those in 1861. Many of the men were in pressing need of some money to purchase little necessary articles for themselves, and others must have something to send to their very destitute families or leave them in want.

While we were grappling with and overcoming these difficulties, incident to filling the quota by using the National Guard, I was constantly receiving numerous applications, from all parts of the State, from patriotic citizens who desired to raise companies, and who expected to be commissioned in those companies, offering services of themselves, and various numbers of volunteers, and if I had felt at liberty to disregard the instructions from Washington to use the Guard, and to accept these volunteer companies, I could have raised several regiments in a very short time, and at less cost to the State.

For the reason above stated, and for others which are obvious, I am very decidedly of the opinion that there should be some radical amendments or changes in the laws relating to the National Guard of Maine. At the present time both regiments of the Guard are very much shattered and disorganized from the results of the war, and orders have been issued, furloughing the entire Guard to the first of May next. I do not in the least desire to reflect upon the officers or men who constitute the National Guard of our State. It is not their fault if the march of events has outgrown the regimen provided by our military laws and demands something of a different character. The difficulties, to my mind, can be obviated and removed, not by repealing, but by properly amending in some important sections the law creating and regulating the Guard as it now stands upon our statute books.

It is certainly better and less expensive to the State to have a single regiment and have every company full to the standard of the United States requirements, than a larger number of organizations with less men in them, such as our present laws What National Guards the State of Maine may provide for. have in the future should be composed of companies of not less than the same number of physically sound men that the United States regular army requirements specify. They should be armed with modern guns, thoroughly equipped and drilled, and ready to take the field at any time upon short notice, and when any call by the general government has exceeded their numbers, and more soldiers are needed, there will be no lack of eager volunteers. But two regiments, with full complements of officers, so that no commissions can be given to those who desire to bring men in, in which only from thirty to forty men are physically fit for duty, are expensive and difficult to raise to the United States standard and requirements when called into active service, and should cease to exist in our State.

In short, I submit that it is very desirable to so change our military laws as to form our National Guard in every particular, so far as we can, upon the regular army standard. There were some soldiers enlisted and sent to join the 1st Regiment of Infantry and Battery A of the Heavy Artillery, under the supervision of the United States Government, and constituted a part of our quota under the second call. None of these men have received any of the gratuit, Jefore referred to. I believe that it is right that it should be paid to them as the State of Maine always has been and can afford to be not only just but generous to the brave men who came forward and enlisted in her behalf at the country's call. All of the officers in these four batteries were officers in the Guard though some of them do not hold as high rank in the batteries as in the Guard, and all of their men and the men of the Signal Corps have received the gratuity as above stated, with the exception of the few that enlisted in Battery A.

For some of these soldiers in the late war with Spain, and for the old soldiers of the War of '61, whose valor saved the Republic and made it indeed a nation, where the "fires of liberty will continue to burn on the altars of freedom," I recommend that you make such reasonable provision as shall help to smooth the path of their declining years, and save them from want.

The last legislature appropriated \$75,000 per annum, which has been very carefully and judiciously distributed to the most needy and deserving through the agency of Colonel E. C. Milliken. There are also some needy families of soldiers in the late War with Spain, that have received aid while their husbands were absent in the service, from certain cities and towns. I submit that this aid should not pauperize them but should be assumed and paid by the State in the same manner that State aid was furnished in the War of the Rebellion; thus treating them and their families as the State treated the soldiers and their families in the War of 1861.

I desire, in closing these already lengthy suggestions and remarks on military matters—for I can only recommend and suggest, action and the initiative is with you—to call your attention to the fact that in all the State has done in filling its quotas, in equipping the men, in caring for the returned sick and suffering, the service, foresight and experience of Adjutant Generc. I Richards have been most valuable to the State, and indispensible to me. He has devoted assiduously his whole time and attention

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to the additional duties placed upon him and his department, by the war, and to the wants and welfare, health and comfort of the soldiers. And as his compensation or salary is very inadequate for the service performed, and is based upon what should be paid in a time of peace, therefore, I know it will be your pleasure to grant him such additional sum as is reasonable and just, and I recommend that this be done.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

During the past two years the dormitory, in connection with the State Normal School at Gorham, and the Normal School building at Farmington, have been completed and properly furnished for use. Both buildings are all that could be reasonably wished for to serve the purposes for which they were intended.

An additional building has been constructed in connection with the Industrial School for Girls at Hallowell. Also, there have been marked and much needed changes, improvements and repairs in and about the State House, especially in the Senate Chamber. The moneys appropriated to be used for these purposes about the State House have been very judiciously and economically expended by Col. Stevens, the Superintendent of Public Buildings.

The Training School at Fort Kent has been so altered as to better serve the purposes for which it was established, and it is doing most excellent and much needed work in that section of our State.

The last legislature made no appropriation to continue the work on the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital. It merely placed at the disposal of the Governor and Council the sum of \$1,500 per annum, to be used in caring for it. Only a part of that sum has been expended in so doing. The State has already used a large amount of money purchasing, locating and improving grounds for this hospital, and in the partial erection of buildings thereon. So far as the work has progressed, it has been most thoroughly and properly done. The site, to my mind, is an ideal one, and the location is in the central part of the State, easily accessible by rail.

This institution was determined upon, and the work upon it has thus far been carried on, in response to a well settled conviction that more, and perhaps better, in the light of modern improvements, accommodations should be provided for the unfortunate insane, as it was the conviction of former legislators that already as many insane persons were aggregated and treated in the Insane Hospital at Augusta, as it was prudent or desirable to have in one place. These unfortunate people are peculiarly the wards of the State. Every humane consideration urges and demands that they should not only receive the best possible care, nursing and medical treatment, but that their every surrounding should be made pleasant and comfortable. They should not be too closely crowded together.

The number of patients now in the Insane Hospital at Augusta is 733, an increase of some twenty within the last year, certainly all and perhaps more than can be suitably and properly cared for, as this number is 150 in excess of what the buildings were intended to furnish proper accommodations for.

I believe that this humanitarian enterprise, the building of a new insane hospital at Bangor, which shall contain all the best known modern improvements, and sanitary methods, in its construction and equipment, should not be abandoned or any longer neglected.

There were by the last legislature many thousands of dollars appropriated, in somewhat small sums, for objects and purposes, very proper, no doubt, but not nearly as urgent and deserving as this one. These expenditures this year may well be called upon to wait and permit the money to be applied to this philanthropic work, so urgently needed by the State. I desire, therefore, to impress upon you the truth that this Eastern Maine Insane Hospital is a State necessity, an institution for which there is a pressing need, and that it should receive at your hands such aid as shall fit it to receive patients at an early day. Its management could be under the Board of Trustees of the Insane Hospital at Augusta, if you should deem it best to place it there.

SCHOOLS.

The reports of the Superintendent of Public Schools will furnish you with much valuable information and suggestions upon a subject of vital importance to the welfare of our State, and the perpetuity of free republican government. I refer especially to our common schools. They were never in a more prosperous condition than at the present time. We are obtaining better results with each recurring year, and more competent teachers. Especially is this true in the rural districts. The State, cities and towns expend very large sums of money to maintain and advance our educational interests. The object and necessity fully justify all the outlay.

The number of teachers which our present normal schools can graduate, even if they all remained in Maine and followed the vocation of teaching, are indeed very inadequate to the demand. Normal schools have ceased to be an experiment in this and other States. They have become a recognized and established factor essential to promote the best interests of education, especially to furnish teachers for our common schools. Mindful of this fact. and also desiring more fully to supply the call for more teachers, the last legislature authorized the Governor to appoint a committee of three persons to examine and decide upon the desirability of establishing a normal school, or schools, in the northern and eastern part of the State, and also to determine as to the place or places where these schools should be located, in case they believed them necessary.

Acting under this authority, I appointed a committee of three gentlemen, the Hon. Frederick S. Walls, Gen. John Harper and Albert R. Hawkes, persons of large business experience, good judgment and sincerely interested in the subject of education. They accepted the trust, have visited the several localities, have examined into, and investigated the workings and results from normal schools in our own and other States, and also the desirability of establishing more, and their conclusions, embodied in their report, and also their recommendations, will be placed before you and should receive careful attention.

The University of Maine, formerly the Maine State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, which, in fact, is Maine's chief school of science and technology, during the past two years has had a large, and constantly increasing, attendance and is doing an excellent and much needed work. The results obtained, I have no doubt, fully compensate for the outlay and expense which the State has incurred in its behalf. Its faculty and management is of the best, and it furnishes an opportunity to obtain a good, practical and scientific education at comparatively low cost.

It has recently established in Bangor, as one of its departments, a law school, which, if we may judge from the number of students who attended its auspicious beginning, will, in the near future, be a decided success.

It has an endowment from the State, for the next eight years, of \$20,000 per annum. This sum, added to the amount which it is entitled to receive, and does receive from the United States government, under the Act of Congress creating it, places at its disposal, if I mistake not, a larger yearly sum of money than any other collegiate institution in our State, and is a potent factor in enabling it to provide so many educational advantages within the reach of students of limited means.

As a general rule, however, I doubt the advisability of making grants of money to continue through a series of years. Upon careful reflection I am convinced that it is safer legislation, and more in keeping with the spirit, at least, of our Constitution, to leave to each successive legislature the right and the duty to provide for and decide how much the State will aid or appropriate for any institution, or contribute for any purpose, and to confine its appropriations strictly to the two years for which it has been chosen. And I would suggest, that in any grants of money which you may deem it necessary and proper to make you confine them to that period, unless there is some very cogent reason for extending it a longer time.

When the laws creating the high school system in our State, were enacted, it was very generally supposed and believed that these schools would take the place of, and furnish the means of instruction that had been obtained largely in the several academies, and for a time this supposition appeared to be, in a great measure, realized. More recently, however, nearly all the academies of our State have been coming here and obtaining quite large financial aid, sometimes for a series of years, and in several cases beyond what, in my judgment, the attendance of pupils will warrant. I am confident that on careful investigation you will find that there are some of these academies where further aid can be discontinued without serious detriment to our educational interests.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS.

The several reports of the Railroad Commissioners, Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Secretary of the State Board of Health, and others having in charge various penal and reformatory institutions, will, I think, furnish you all the necessary information as to their present workings and condition, and enable you to legislate understandingly in reference to their future wants, and I shall not further trespass upon your time with any extended remarks in reference to them.

In building the Washington County Railroad and in determining and settling very many controversies, growing out of the location and completion of several lines of electric railroads in our State, many very important questions have arisen for the decision of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, involving a large amount of labor and investigation, and I feel justified in stating that the board has acted with such wisdom, fairness and enlightened judgment that its decisions have very generally been acquiesced in, and given satisfaction to all concerned, and when appealed from sustained by the court.

A large section of our State, abounding in many undeveloped resources, has been brought into direct and much needed communication by rail with other parts, through the building of the Washington County Railroad. This enterprise, so necessary to that county, and so advantageous to us all, reflects great credit upon the people of that section, through whom and by whose efforts, energy and enterprise the road has been constructed.

FISHERIES AND GAME.

Maine proffers to the sportsman and the tourist beautiful scenery, numerous and delightful lakes and rivers, grand and magnificent forests and an unrivaled sea coast. Nearly, or quite, two- thirds of its area is covered with water and woods. In the abundance and excellence of its game, in its vast forests, and in the extent of its inland fisheries, it has no rival on this continent. These fishing and hunting grounds are all easily accessible by rail, the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad passing for many miles directly through the very best of them. With each recurring season large and constantly increasing numbers visit our State to hunt and to fish, and to enjoy the blessings of its invigorating and health restoring climate. It costs the State no small sum to stock and replenish these rivers and lakes with fish, and to protect and care for this large game preserve.

Under the vigorous and also economical management of the Inland Fish and Game Commissioners, who have so very generally and effectively enforced the laws for the preservation of fish and game and prevented illegal hunting and fishing in close time, and in prohibited and protected sections of the State, thereby putting an end to the indiscriminate slaughter of game at any and at all times, once so prevalent, the quantity of game is very rapidly increasing, and poaching is fast becoming a thing of the past.

The "Guide Law," so called, against which, in some sections, when it was first enacted, there were some very strong protests and clamor, has been found, after due trial, to be of great value in preserving the game, preventing fires and furnishing strangers and sportsmen, who come from other states, with competent and efficient guides, and all classes now interested recognize that the enactment of this law was a wise step in the right direction. Doubtless other and further legislation will be sought in reference to this matter, in respect to which the commissioners will more fully inform you, but in any legislation which you may deem it proper to enact. I hope you will bear constantly in mind the desirability so far as possible of compelling those who enjoy the privileges and pleasures of these fishing and hunting grounds. to so contribute to the expense of maintaining them as to relieve the taxpayers and the State in the near future from any further large appropriations for their benefit and support, and make this industry, if I may be permitted to call it by that name, self-sustaining.

Our sea and shore fisheries have been very profitable to those who enjoy and are interested in them. They furnish healthy, though perhaps perilous, employment to many thousands of our working people, living along the coast. They are the nursery for hardy seamen and sailors so much needed and called for in our country at the present time. They should receive from you liberal care and such appropriation of funds as you may deem necessary to maintain and enforce all the laws and for their proper preservation and use.

BANKS, ETC.

The savings banks, trust companies and other moneyed institutions of our State are apparently doing a conservative, legitimate and reasonably paying business, and are, I think, deserving the confidence the people in general place in them. They are a necessity in conducting our business affairs and a very potent agency in promoting thrift and prosperity among our people. Their methods of business, assets, resources and liabilities are carefully scrutinized by the Bank Examiner, whose report will give you a detailed statement of the exact standing of each. The deposits in our savings banks constantly increase, indicating the frugality and marked prosperity of our industrial classes and wage-earners, who so very generally deposit their savings with them.

The tax assessed upon trust companies is placed upon the stock of the companies, and the basis is the same as that which prevails in taxing national banks. I believe this is equitable and right, as they do substantially the same business. The method of taxing savings banks is very different, and depends to some extent on the securities which they possess. Most of the persons who have charge of the savings banks, and they are men as a rule of sound judgment and large business experience, assert and believe that the taxes assessed on them, under existing laws, are not only burdensome, but in excess of what they should equitably pay, and that if continued, will cripple them and very seriously impair their usefulness and ability to pay dividends in the near future. The Bank Examiner, as will more fully appear by his report, concurs in this view.

It is claimed that a large part of their assets which have yielded a high rate of interest, have matured or soon will, and that in their places the banks have been compelled to invest in securities paying much lower rates, thus very largely reducing their profits and impairing their ability to continue to pay from their net earnings such dividends as will satisfy depositors; and that it is wise and just that they should be relieved from a part of the tax as now placed upon them. For these and other reasons which the banks will present to you through their officers and agents, they may ask of you, I am informed, a reduction in the amount of tax assessed upon them under existing laws. Whether any relief, and if so, to what extent, should be granted them or not, and whether their contentions and claims are well founded or not, is for you to consider and decide.

SALARIES.

Maine has never paid high salaries to its public servants, yet it has never failed to obtain competent, faithful and efficient ser-It is a principle generally recognized that all offices vices. should and do carry with them something of value beyond pecuniary compensation. It is for the best interest of the State that this view should continue. The salaries paid to the members of this legislature, and also to the executive, sufficiently illustrate and prove that the money consideration is not the sole compensation. vet for those who devote all their time to the duties of their office, and especially one calling for a high grade of talent, there should be at least reasonable pecuniary payment. You will be called upon by petitions to raise the salaries of the judges of our Supreme Judicial Court, and very likely those of very many State and county officers. In reference to these State offices and especially the justices of the Supreme Court, whatever increase, after investigation, you shall determine to be right and equitable, if any, you will not hesitate to give.

The salaries of the county officers are, and should be, largely within the province of the several county delegations. They are presumed to know what the people of their respective counties are willing to pay for the services performed. Hence, all bills and petitions, effecting in any way their salaries are uniformly, I believe, referred to the county delegation, where the officers live, and their reports have usually been adopted by the legislature. There has grown out of this, from a misunderstanding of the facts, a practice to refer any petitions or bills to increase compensation of a county attorney to his county delegation, and so far as I know, a favorable report has always been forthcoming. This reference, I do not think, is a correct one, as the county attorney is not a county, but a State officer, though chosen by the electors in the county where he lives and serves. His salary is not paid by the county but by the State, and should, therefore, be determined by a committee representing the whole State, in the first instance. The practice referred to has produced a marked inequality in the compensation now received by the several county attorneys, tested by the services required as based upon the population of their counties.

I submit, as I have no doubt you will have petitions before you for further increase of the salaries of some of these attorneys, that it would be wise for you to carefully investigate as to what sum in justice should be paid by the State as a fair equivalent for the services performed, to each one of them, if the State is to continue to pay them, or if you deem it better that the county delegation shall settle and continue to determine them, primarily, then change the law so as to have the several counties pay.

STATE AUDITOR.

In my former address I called attention to the fact that I had received communications from quite a number of men, familiar with State affairs, declaring that in their judgment there was an urgent necessity of creating the office of State Auditor, and insisting that the State would save much money by so doing in excess of the cost of the department. After two years' experience in examining and auditing bills against the State by committees of the Executive Council, I am fully convinced of the truth and correctness of these statements, and the pressing need of such an I care not how faithful committees of the council may officer. be, they cannot so fully protect the interests of the State as an experienced auditor would. I think there are but two states in the Union beside our own that do not have this officer. To create this office it will be necessary perhaps to submit an amendment to the State Constitution, as Section 4, Article 5, now imposes very many of the duties of the auditor upon the Governor and Council.

REVISED STATUTES OF MAINE.

I would also invite your attention to the desirability of providing for another revision of the statutes. The last revision was in 1883, and if measures are taken at this session with a view of effecting another, there will be a space of eighteen years intervening, as the new statutes will be submitted to the legislature that is to meet in 1901. It would also seem eminently fitting and proper that we should mark the threshold and beginning of the twentieth century with a new revision. Not only necessity, but something of sentiment, and the placing of a time mark for future reference points to this as the proper thing to be done.

I trust as to this revision of the statutes and the creating of the office of State Auditor, you will give to both subjects such careful consideration as their importance and necessity deserve.

LABOR, ETC.

The best interests of labor and all laws relating thereto, and also to temperance, and all the important industries and enterprises of the people are to a certain extent, at least, for the next two years, committed to your care and judgment. We need markets, and a demand for our surplus products, if we would utilize our labor and have it constantly and remuneratively employed. We must necessarily, to accomplish this end, inform other countries what we produce and have to dispose of to find the best markets, or perhaps any at all.

There is to be an Industrial Exposition in Paris in the Republic of France either in 1900 or 1901. These expositions are one of the most potent agencies by and through which the nations of this world inform each other of their products and resources, both from the soil and by manufacture.

The United States government has secured ample space and has taken steps to have this country make an exhibit worthy of this great progressive western nation. It is for you to determine what, if anything, the State of Maine shall appropriate to be used in this behalf.

It has been suggested by His Excellency, Governor Wolcott of Massachusetts, that it may be advisable for all the New England States to unite and present a New England exhibit. Doubtless by so doing we could make it much more creditable and attractive, with less cost to the several states participating, and at his suggestion an informal meeting of the governors of the several New England states was held in Boston, last spring, to discuss this proposition of having the New England states represented together in the exposition. It was the consensus of opinion that a joint exhibit would be the better policy. Nothing definite was formulated or agreed upon, as most of the governors, at that time, had no authority to act, and I now submit the matter to you with this statement of facts without any further special recommendation.

It falls to your lot to put a period to the legislation in our State for the nineteenth century, for your term of office will extend a few days beyond its sunset hour, and it is your privilege, as well as duty, to enact laws in harmony and keeping with the spirit of the time. Maine will in the future, as in the past, be true to every requirement and demand imposed upon it by the march of events. It will cheerfully accept its share and do its full duty in helping to settle any problems relating to the future responsibilities of our national government, growing out of the recent war with Spain.

Whatever new obligations changed conditions shall place upon us in our career as a nation, we shall not shrink from them, but as in duty bound, accept them in honor and good faith, confident in our ability, and realizing our imperative obligation to assumeand solve them, in the interests of humanity, of progress and of good government.

An honest and determined purpose to aid our State and nationato do this, and also to legislate for the best interests of every section and all classes of our people, should guide your deliberations, dominate and determine your votes.

In conclusion, gentlemen, permit me to express the wish that you may find your duties here and your associations with each other very pleasant to yourselves, and profitable to the State.

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

At the conclusion of the address the Governor and Suite retired and the convention was 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, Attorney General, State Assessor, State Printer, State Binder, and seven Executive Councillors, and asking the concurrence of the House.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, 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 or State, Attorney General, State Assessor, State Printer, State Binder and seven Executive Councillors.

The hour for the joint convention for the election of a Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Assessor, 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. VICKERY of Kennebec,

Messrs. Vickery,

Chamberlain of Lincoln,

Hopkins of Deering,

King of Caribou,

Noves of Pownal,

Esty of Rangeley,

Sargent of Sedgwick,

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

Mr. Vickery subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast	112
Necessary for a choice	57
Byron Boyd had	
Thomas J. Goodwin had	1

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 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. HAMLIN of Hancock,

Messrs. Hamlin,

r'ike of York, Beal of Bangor, Hassell of Sebec, Maxwell of Richmond, Rowell of Solon, Hill of Belfast.

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

Mr Hamlin subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast	129
Necessary for a choice	65
Winiam T. Haines had	124
Henry Hudson had	4
Scattering	I

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 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. HURD of York,

Messrs. Hurd,

Dudley of Washington, Bennett of Hollis, Jordan of Lisbon, Craig of Island Falls, Wilson of Brunswick, Spofford of New Sharon,

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

Mr. Hurd subsequently reported,Whole number of votes cast.II6Necessary for a choice.59George Pottle had.II6

The report was accepted and Hon. George Pottle having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected State Assessor for the term of six years.

On motion of Mr. STEARNS of Aroostook,

Messrs. Stearns,

Young of Oxford, Maxcy of Gardiner, Brown of Warren, Turner of Somerville, Reed of Roxbury,

Hutchings of Brewer,

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

Mr. Stearns subsequently reported,Whole number of votes cast.117Necessary for a choice.59Clarence B. Burleigh had.113Fred W. Plaisted had.4

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 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. HEALD of Kennebec,

Messrs. Heald,

Johnston of Piscataquis, Hyde of Bath, Smith of Hartland, Dawson of Monroe, Thayer of Lubec, Cobb of Limerick,

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

Mr. Heald subsequently reported.Whole number of votes cast.90Necessary for a choice.46H. E. Smith had.89ScatteringI

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 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. BLANCHARD of Franklin,

Messrs. Blanchard,

Grindle of Hancock, West of Biddeford, Adams of Mayfield, Gardner of Patten, Berry of Denmark, Mosher of Rome.

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

Mr. Blanchard subsequently reported,

Whole number of votes cast	100
Necessary for a choice	51
Albion P. Gordon had	- 99
Charles Sumner Cook had	99
Albert G. Blunt had	- 09
John F. Hill had	99
Sidney M. Bird had	99
Henry W. Mayo had	99
Don A. H. Powers had	99
Clark S. Edwards had	I
D. W. Park had	I
Emery O. Bean had	I
Joseph E. Moore had	I
James Archibald had	I

The report was accepted and Honorables Albion P. Gordon, Charles Sumner Cook, Albert G. Blunt, John F. Hill, Sidney M. Bird, Henry W. Mayo and Don A. H. Powers, having received a majority of all the votes cast, were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political years 1899 and 1900.

The Secretary of the Convention was directed to notify Hon. Byron Boyd of his election as Secretary of State, 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. Albion P. Gordon, Charles Sumner Cook, Albert G. Blunt, John F. Hill, Sidney M. Bird, Henry W. Mayo and Don A. H. Powers of their election as Executive Councillors for the current political years 1899 and 1900, also to notify Hon. George Pottle of his election as State Assessor for the term of six years.

Communications were subsequently received from Hon. Byron Boyd, signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State, 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. Albion P. Gordon, Charles Sumner Cook, Albert G. Blunt, John F. Hill, Sidney M. Bird, Henry W. Mayo and Don A. H. Powers, signifying their acceptance of the office of Executive Councillors for the current political years 1899 and 1900, also from Hon. George Pottle, signifying his acceptance of the office of State Assessor for the term of six years.

On motion of Mr. DRUMMOND of Cumberland, 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 administer to them the oaths of office necessary to qualify them to discharge their official duties.

Thereupon the Executive Councillors, Hons. Albion P. Gordon, Charles Sumner Cook, Albert G. Blunt, John F. Hill, Sidney M. Bird, Henry W. Mayo and Don A. H. Powers, 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. WITHAM of Cumberland,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor informing him of the election of Hon. Byron Boyd as Secretary of State, Hon. William T. Haines as Attorney General, Hon. Clarence B. Burleigh as State Printer, Hon. H. E. Smith as State Binder, Hons. Albion P. Gordon, Charles Sumner Cook, Albert G. Blunt, John F. Hill, Sidney M. Bird, Henry W. Mayo and Don A. H. Powers as Executive Councillors for the current political years 1899 and 1900, also of the election of Hon. George Pottle as State Assessor for the term of six years.

The Secretary of the Convention 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, 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. Hamlin of Hancock,

Weeks of Somerset, Pike of York.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and

Messrs. Chase of Portland,

King of Caribou, Donham of Hebron, Sanborn of Newport, Dawson of Monroe, Perkins of Cornish, Morey of Lewiston,

joined on the part of the House.

The order providing for the appointment of a Joint Special Committee, consisting of seven members from the House and as many as the Senate may join, to which shall be referred all matters relating to the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, and the committee shall be called the Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, which was read and passed in the House January 4, Came from the Senate read and passed in concurrence with

Messrs. Adams of Penobscot,

Grindle of Hancock,

Heald of Kennebec,

appointed on its part.

Messrs. Beal of Bangor,

Macomber of Augusta, Pierce of Blaine, Jordan of Lisbon, Peaslee of Wiscasset, Parkhurst of Bangor, Garcelon of Lewiston.

were appointed on the part of the House.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, January 10, at 10.30 A. M.

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 was joined on the part of the House, and is as follows:

On Judiciary.	
Messrs. Stearns of Aroostook,	
Drummond of Cumberland,	
Hamlin of Hancock.	<i>—of the Senate.</i>
Messrs. Philbrook of Waterville,	
Smith of Presque Isle,	
Merrill of Skowhegan,	
Virgin of Portland,	
Manley of Augusta,	
Harris of Auburn,	
Perkins of Cornish.	—of the House.
On Legal Affairs.	
Messrs. Reynolds of Cumberland,	
Weeks of Somerset,	
Plummer of Penobscot.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Guernsey of Dover,	·

Sanborn of Newport, Chase of Portland, Hopkins of Deering, McFaul of Machias, Gentleman of Porter,

Morev of Lewiston.

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Messrs. Hargraves of York, Merrill of Somerset, White of Androscoggin.	of the Senate.
Messrs. Manley of Augusta, Burns of Westbrook, Beal of Bangor, Hyde of Bath,	
Powers of Ft. Fairfield, Rankin of Wells, Hix of Rockland.	—of the House.
On Federal Relations.	
Messrs. Hurd of York,	
Merrill of Somerset, Stearns of Aroostook.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Parkhurst of Bangor, Fuller of South Portland, Prince of Yarmouth, Field of Oakland,	
Spratt of Palermo,	
Taylor of Hope, Hahn of Waldoboro.	-of the House.
On Education.	•
Messrs. Blanchard of Franklin, Plummer of Penobscot, Chamberlain of Lincoln.	—of the Senate.
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Messrs. Whitehouse of Sagadahoc,
White of Androscoggin, Shepherd of Knox. —of the Senate.
Messrs. Webb of Portland, Fuller of Auburn, Maxcy of Gardiner, Hutchings of Brewer, Keefe of Eliot, Wood of Camden, Thayer of Lubec. —of the House.
On Banks and Banking.
Messrs. Hurd of York, Drummond of Cumberland, Adams of Penobscot. —of the Senate.
Messrs. Maxcy of Gardiner, Fuller of Kennebunk, Ledyard of Bath, Bennett of Hollis, Kilborn of Bethel, Cleveland of Houlton, Deering of Saco. —of the House.
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Messrs. Fernald of Androscoggin, Chamberlain of Lincoln, Sawyer of Washington. —of the Senate. Messrs. Wilson of Cherryfield,
Staples of Bridgton, Brimmer of Mariaville, Gordon of Readfield, Forhan of Raymond,
Fitz of Durham, Gould of Pittston. —of the House.

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Weed of Monticello, Jones of Springfield.	—of the House.
On Shore Fisheries.	
Messrs. Chamberlain of Lincoln, Peirce of Waldo, Sawyer of Washington.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Buck of Orland, Wood of Camden, Turner of Somerville, Goss of Stonington, Sargent of Portland, Fogg of Freeport,	
Harmon of Machiasport.	—of the House.
On Counties. Messrs. Weeks of Somerset, Grindle of Hancock, Peirce of Waldo. Messrs. Hill of Belfast, Ridlon of Stetson, Adams of Mayfield, Cartret of Baldwin, Jellison of Surry, Kalloch of South Thomaston,	—of the Senate. , ,—of the House.
Libbey of South Berwick.	of the mouse.

On Towns.

Messrs. Pike of York, Hodsdon of Cumberland, Sawyer of Washington. Messrs. Britton of Bucksport, Wilson of Cherryfield, Stetson of Monmouth, Beath of Kenduskeag, McFadden of Dresden, Wilson of Gorham, Hughes of Amity.

-of the Senate.

-of the House.

On Indian Affairs.

- Messrs. Dudley of Washington, Adams of Penobscot, Sharp of Aroostook.
- Messrs. Peabody of Princeton, King of Caribou, Carr of Old Town, Colburn of Windsor, Esty of Rangeley, McFaul of Machias, Jones of Springfield.

-of the Senate.

-of the House.

On Claims.

Messrs. Drummond of Cumberland, Pike of York, Dudley of Washington.

Messrs. Fuller of Auburn, Hill of Belfast, Jellison of Surry, Smith of Hartland, Dunning of Winslow, Deering of Saco, West of Biddeford. ---of the Senate.

-of the House.

On Pensions.

Messrs. Plummer of Penobscot, Johnston of Piscataquis, Hodsdon of Cumberland. Messrs. Melcher of Portland,

Messrs. Melcher of Portland, Dawson of Monroe, Mosher of Rome, Ledyard of Bath, Libbey of Albion, Fitz of Durham, Brown of Warren. -of the Senate.

-of the House.

On Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Grindle of Hancock, Fernald of Androscoggin, Heald of Kennebec.

-of the Senate.

Messrs. Wilson of Gorham, Parkhurst of Bangor, Peaslee of Wiscasset, Donham of Hebron, Irving of Kennebunkport, Sargent of Sedgwick, Woodbridge of Newcastle.

-of the House.

On Reform School. Messrs. Peirce of Waldo,

King of Oxford, Witham of Cumberland.

Messrs. Porter of Burlington, Nickerson of Swanville, Pierce of Blaine. Irving of Kennebunkport, Tyler of Bradley, Somes of Mt. Desert, Bennett of Hollis.

-of the Senate.

-of the House.

On State Prison.

Messrs. Sharp of Aroostook, Hurd of York, Whitehouse of Sagadahoc. —of the Senate. Messrs. Sutherland of Biddeford, Parker of Glenburn, Donham of Hebron, Hassell of Sebec, Ridlon of Stetson, Eaton of East Livermore, West of Biddeford.

-of the House.

On Public Buildings and Grounds. Messrs. Shepherd of Knox, Vickery of Kennebec, Fernald of Androscoggin. —of the Senate. Messrs. Fogg of Freeport, Kernon of Sanford, Woodbridge of Newcastle, Beath of Kenduskeag, Cartret of Baldwin, Johonnett of Palmyra, Wilson of Minot. -of the House.

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

On Library.	
Messrs. White of Androscoggin,	
Weeks of Somerset,	
Reynolds of Cumberland.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Field of Oakland, Guernsey of Dover,	
Sutherland of Biddeford,	
Ryerson of North Livermore	
Buck of Orland,	, ,
Noyes of Pownal,	
Teel of St. George.	—of the House.
On University of Maine.	
Messrs. Adams of Penobscot,	
Heald of Kennebec,	
King of Oxford.	—of the Senate.
Messrs. Nickerson of Swanville, Chick of Clifton,	
Weed of Monticello,	
Walker of Starks,	
Burns of Westbrook,	
Perkins of Cornish,	<i></i>
Leavitt of Eastport.	—of the House.
On Mines and Mining.	
Messrs. Grindle of Hancock,	
Witham of Cumberland,	of the Countr
Jones of Penobscot.	of the Senate.
Messrs. Prince of Yarmouth, Spurr of Otisfield,	
Spratt of Palermo,	
Sawyer of Limington,	
Noyes of Pownal,	
Noyes of Pownal, Libbey of South Berwick,	
Noyes of Pownal,	—of the House.
Noyes of Pownal, Libbey of South Berwick,	—of the House.
Noyes of Pownal, Libbey of South Berwick, Taylor of Hope. On Labor. Messrs. Sharp of Aroostook,	—of the House.
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On Temperance.

Messrs. Witham of Cumberland, Hargraves of York, Dudley of Washington. Messrs. Walker of Starks,

Parker of Glenburn. Fuller of Kennebunk, DeCoster of Buckfield, Craig of Island Falls, Prince of Yarmouth, Hodgkins of Harpswell. -of the Senate.

-of the House.

On Taxation.

Messrs. Hodsdon of Cumberland, Pike of York, Fernald of Androscoggin. ---of the Scnate. Messrs. Hutchings of Brewer, Bodwell of Hallowell, Jordan of Lisbon, Girdler of Mercer, Sawyer of Limington, Kalloch of South Thomaston, Garcelon of Lewiston.

-of the House.

The Speaker announced the following Standing Committees of the House:

On Ways and Means. Messrs. Plummer of Portland, Jordan of Lisbon, Bodwell of Hallowell, Britton of Bucksport, Kernon of Sanford, Webb of Portland, O'Brien of Thomaston.

On Leave of Absence.

Messrs. Wilson of Brunswick, Plummer of Portland, Berry of Denmark, Wood of Camden, Girdler of Mercer, Spofford of New Sharon, Teel of St. George.

On Bills in the Third Reading.

Messrs. Chamberlin of Lebanon, Fitz of Durham, Smith of Hartland, Libbey of Albion, Hill of Belfast, Teel of St. George, Merrill of New Gloucester.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Powers of Ft. Fairfield, Webster of Chesterville, Purinton of Woolwich, Sawyer of Limington, Pierce of Blaine, Morey of Lewiston, Brown of Warren.

On Elections.

Messrs. Hopkins of Deering, McFadden of Dresden, Gordon of Readfield, Taylor of Hope, Sargent of Sedgwick, O'Brien of Thomaston, Belleau of Lewiston.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5.

On Business of the House. Messrs. Philbrook of Waterville, Chase of Portland, Belleau of Lewiston.

On County Estimates.

Messrs. Harris of Auburn, Cleveland of Houlton, Staples of Bridgton, Webster of Chesterville, Somes of Mt. Desert, Maxcy of Gardiner, Hix of Rockland, Peaslee of Wiscasset, Kilborn of Bethel. Beal of Bangor, Guernsey of Dover, Ledyard of Bath, Merrill of Skowhegan, Hill of Belfast. McFaul of Machias, Kernon of Sanford.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, January 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of Thursday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the Fortieth Annual Report of the Railroad Commissioners for the year 1898,

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

Communication from same transmitting the Eighth Annual Report of the Board of State Assessors for the year 1898,

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

Communication from same, transmitting the Twelfth Annual Report of the Bureau of Industrial and Labor Statistics for the year 1898,

Was read, and with report referred to the Committee on Labor 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 the appropriate committees,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to provide and assign suitable rooms for the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Clerl: and Assistant Clerk of the House, in which to transact their business.

Pending passage in concurrence the order was tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Bath Light and Power Company to acquire certain properties, and issue its bonds in payment thereof;" Bill "An Act to prevent the wearing of boots or shoes in hotels or other public places with spikes or spindles in the soles thereof;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to licenses to sell real estate,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Mrs. A. W. Longféllow and 4 others, officers of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering, for an appropriation in aid of said Home;

Petition of Galen C. Moses and others of Bath in favor of same;

Report of committee of city council of the city of Portland, relative to aid furnished families of needy volunteers in the war with Spain;

Resolve in favor of the city of Portland, to re-imburse it for the amount of money expended in aid of the needy families of soldiers who served as volunteers in the army of the United States in the late war with Spain;

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

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the Patten Academy, Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company for amendment and extension of charter;

Bill "An Act amendatory of the charter of Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company, and to extend the same;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 54 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to assignment of charter or rights under it by railroad corporations;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act ratifying the purchase of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, and authorizing a mortgage thereof by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company;" Bill "An Act for the extension of the Somerset Railway;"

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 313 of Public Laws of 1897, relating to the sale of agricultural seeds,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition in favor of an amendment of the charter of the Penobscot Boom Corporation and the Penobscot Lumbering Association, with bill accompanying;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 130 of the Private Laws of 1866, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company;' "

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Piscataquis River Improvement Company;' "

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "An Act providing for a State hunting license and to obtain revenue for the protection of moose, deer and caribou,"

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of George L. Skolfield and 223 others, relating to the use of purse or drag seines in Casco bay;

Petition of George A. Stover and 133 others of Brunswick and Topsham relating to shad and alewives in the Androscoggin river and Merrymeeting bay;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Andrew Hawes and 49 others in favor of the annexation of Deering to Portland,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. WILBUR of Avon,

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. FARNSWORTH of Pembroke,

Ordered, That the officers and members of the legislature be furnished with express transportation to their homes, for all packages of department reports in the sum, not exceeding five dollars for each officer and member thereof, and that such transportation be furnished and expended under the direction of the State library department. On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That the time for the reception of petitions and bills for private and special legislation be limited to Wednesday, January 25, 1899, 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, resolves and orders were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

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

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be, and hereby is requested to furnish this House, with a statement of the expenses incurred for printing, advertising, delivery, and for extra clerk hire, under the Australian Ballot Law, so called, since its adoption.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be authorized to purchase and deliver to each member of the House, one copy of "Reed's Rules."

On motion of Mr. WILBUR of Avon,

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

Credentials of Thomas Bailey, representative elect of the Passamaguoddy tribe of Indians,

Were received and ordered placed on file.

Mr. Leavitt of Eastport, informed the House that True M. Merrill of New Gloucester, a member elect, had appeared and was ready for qualification.

Mr. Leavitt was charged with the duty of conducting Mr. Merrill to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath, and subsequently reported, that the Governor and Council were not in session. On motion of Mr. PERKINS of Cornish,

Remonstrance of Francis Keefe, against the claim of Thomas F. Staples to a seat in the House of Representatives of the Sixtyninth Legislature,

Was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, January 11, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Newbert of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of George I. Trickey and 34 others of Caribou, in favor of increasing the salaries of the supreme judicial court justices.

Pending reference to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence, the petition was tabled, on motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham.

Memorial of Albert W. Paine and 64 others, members of the Penobscot bar in favor of same;

Petition of Colby University for change of name;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 203 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to the education of the deaf, dumb and blind;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Resolve providing for the payment to the town of Jay, the amount deducted from said town's proportion of the school fund for the year 1898, on account of an imperfect school return; Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to regulate the increase of the capital stock of street railroad companies;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Street Railway to increase its capital stock;"

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

Petition of George C. Eastman and 110 others for the protection of trout in Swift river, Oxford county,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve in favor of Ignace Blais;

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation;

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

Petition of John P. Rackliff and others of Industry for annexation to the town of Farmington,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance add to the general appropriation bill, such sums as may be necessary for the maintenance of the Maine School for the Deaf,

Was read and passed 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 receive proposals from the publishers of the Maine State Year Book for furnishing the State with a sufficient number of copies for the years 1899 and 1900,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on report of the Commissioners on Uniform Legislaion. (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors, and councilors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts." (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.)

Report of same committee on petition of George W. Heselton that stenographers be authorized to take evidence given before the grand jury. (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to establish the West Washington municipal court." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the city of Eastport." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on petition of J. S. Williamson and others that suitable homeopathic medical treatment be provided at the Eastern Maine insane hospital. (Taken from the files.)

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition of Moses Hawkins and others that an act be passed giving them the power to supply the town of Sullivan with pure water. (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act providing for election with the secret ballot." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Water Company." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on order relating to the expediency of the State supporting and maintaining the large bridges. (Taken from the files.)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs on resolve in favor of a fire-proof brick vault at the State Capitol. (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on resolve to repair the blockhouse at Fort Kent. (Taken from the files.)

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations on memorial to Congress relating to the "Sperry Bill." (Taken from the files.)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Report of the Committee on Education on bill "An Act relating to common schools." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee 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." (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 bill "An Act to establish an additional normal school." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on bill "An Act to establish a normal school at Presque Isle." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee 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." (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school in the city of Calais. (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.)

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking 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." (Taken from the files.)

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

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on bill "An Act providing for a topographic survey and map of Maine." (Taken from the files.)

Was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

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Report of 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. (Taken from the files.)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of John Ross and others for an act regulating the sale of unmarked logs and stray logs and providing for the distribution of the proceeds received therefor. (Taken from the files.)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on petition of B. F. Barker and others for aid in building a bridge across Sandy river in the town of Starks. (Taken from the files.)

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

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on resolve for a better enforcement of the game laws, and for the propagation of fish in Maine by establishing a permanent fund. (Taken from the files.)

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

Report of the Committee on Towns on petition of William Thompson and others, that certain islands may be set off from the town of Jonesport and annexed to the town of Roque Bluff. (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on petition of D. A. Meaher and 135 others that a city charter for Willard in the town of South Portland be granted. (Taken from the files.)

Report of same committee on petition of the parish of St. Agatha in the town of Frenchville, that the parish be incorporated into a town. (Taken from the files.)

Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims on resolve in favor of Eben N. Garland. (Taken from the files.)

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Claims.

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Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the official returns of votes for representatives to the legislature cast at the September election 1898,

Was read and with returns, referred to the Committee on Elections.

Petition of members of the bar of the supreme judicial court in the State of Maine, in favor of an increase in salary of the supreme court justices;

Petition of L. J. Moore and 32 others of Bangor, in favor of same;

Petition of Webster Woolen Company for an act authorizing it to supply the village of Sabattus with water for municipal purposes;

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act authorizing a guardian to carry out the power of his ward in certain cases ;' "

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to limit the interest on loans on personal property,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of William H. Newell and 17 others of Lewiston in favor of granting aid to the Society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston;

Petition of H. H. Burbank and 28 others of Saco for an appropriation in aid of the Children's Aid Society of Maine, at Belfast;

Petition of William McLellan and 35 others of Caribou;

Petition of A. R. Bixby and 19 others of Skowhegan;

Petition of Nicholas Fessenden and 27 others of Fort Fair-field;

Petition of R. G. Harbutt and 20 others of Searsport;

Petition of John G. Brooks and 24 others of Belfast;

Petition of John G. Hopkins and 26 others of Ellsworth;

Petition of Elliot Wood and 48 others of Winthrop;

Petition of Joseph Symonds and 6 others of Portland, in aid of same;

Resolve in aid of the Children's Aid Society of Maine;

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

Resolve in favor of the town of Waldoboro;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy;

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary, Parsonsfield, Maine;

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy;

Resolves for an endment to the Constitution relating to education;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act to require street railway companies operating electric cars, cable or other cars propelled by steam, cable or electricity, to protect certain of their employees from the inclemency of the weather during certain months of the year;"

Bill "An Act to extend the time for construction of the Boothbay Railroad;"

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

Resolve in relation to bounties to be paid Maine soldiers in the Spanish war,

Was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of J. F. Sprague and others for an amendment of chapter 491, Private and Special Laws of 1893;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 549 of the Private Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Wilson Stream Dam Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Cornelius Murphy and 285 others for repairs of Sebois road;

Resolve in favor of repairing Sebois road;

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian Township, Washington county;

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

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Petition of Charles L. Brown and others for permission to take and transport for sale, white perch during the months of July and August, from East Machias river, its lakes and tributaries;

Petition of W. P. Greenlaw and others for same;

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the West Outlet of Moosehead lake;"

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the tributaries of Moosehead lake;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Joseph M. Bell and 6 others to be set off from the town of Trescott and annexed to the town of Edmunds;

Remonstrance of Isaac L. Elder and 499 others against uniting the cities of Portland and Deering;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Governor and Council of Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians for an appropriation to repair church at Pleasant Point,

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Petition of Stephen Clark and 47 others in favor of claim of Cyrenus B. Downs,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs consider the expediency of the adoption of the Torrens system of land transfer, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. WEST of Biddeford,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of providing a fund to be at the disposal of the attorney general for the detection and punishment of criminals, or other means to that end, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That the State librarian be instructed to keep the library open continuously, from 8 o'clock A. M. to 6 P. M., and

from 7.30 to 10.30 P. M. each day, when the legislature is in actual session; and that he be authorized to employ sufficient extra help to carry out this order at a cost not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars for the session.

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

Bill "An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland,"

Pending reference, on motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, * the bill was tabled and ordered printed.

Mr. Leavitt of Eastport, who was charged January 10, with the duty of conducting True M. Merrill of New Gloucester, a member elect, to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath, reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and Mr. Merrill appeared and took his seat in the House.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

The following order was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds in non-concurrence, and sent to the Senate.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to provide and assign suitable rooms for the Secretary, and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Clerk and Assistant Clerk of the House in which to transact their business.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes, and appropriating the same,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Finacial Affairs.

The Speaker announced the following list of monitors:

1 st	Division	Mr. Bennett of Hollis.
2d	"	Mr. Parkhurst of Bangor.
<u>3</u> d	"	Mr. Bodwell of Hallowell.
4th	"	Mr. Macomber of Augusta.
5th	<i></i>	Mr. Macfarlane of Greenville.
6th	"	Mr. Noyes of Pownal.
7th	"	Mr. Denning of Winslow.
8th	"	Mr. Maxwell of Richmond.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 12.

On motion of Mr. NICKERSON of Swanville, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*

AUGUSTA, Thursday, January 12, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wyman of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Memorial of Eugene Hale and others of Hancock county bar in favor of increasing the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of John Wilson and 19 other business men of Houlton in favor of same;

Pending action in concurrence the memorial and petition was tabled on motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden.

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

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

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the care and protection of burial grounds;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the election of road commissioners,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act requiring persons, associations and corporations owning or operating street cars to provide for the protection of employees,"

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 350 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the erection and maintenance of booms in the Penobscot river,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior-Waters.

Resolve in favor of soldiers of the Spanish war who received medical treatment at their homes,

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Hospital for the insane, Was referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Bill "An Act relating to the compensation of county commissioners for Franklin county,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Franklin County Delegation.

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that all matters relating to appropriations for the use of the board of cattle commissionersbe referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs,

Which was read and passed in the House January 5, came from the Senate amended by substituting the words, "Committee on Agriculture" for words, "Committee on Financial Affairs" in the fifth line of the order, and as amended, was read and passed in non-concurrence.

Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor, moved that the House nonconcur in the adoption of the amendment.

A viva voce vote being doubted, a division was called for and the motion to non-concur was lost by a vote of 52 to 63.

The vote whereby the order received a passage was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, and the order as amended passed in concurrence. The following Committee on Maine State Year Book was appointed by the Senate:

Messrs. Chamberlain of Lincoln, Hurd of York, Blanchard of Franklin.

The House joined

Messrs. McFadden of Dresden, Coffin of Harrington, Smith of Hartland, Staples of Bridgton, Bodwell of Hallowell, Cobb of Limerick, Grindel of Islesboro.

Resolve in favor of Central Maine General Hospital,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on resolves authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes and appropriating the same.

The report was accepted in concurrence, and resolves read once, rules suspended, resolves read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of D. A. Sargent and 41 others in relation to raising the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court,

Pending reference to Committee on the Judiciary, the petition was tabled on motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham.

Petition of Willis P. Emmons and 19 others, members of York county bar, for increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of C. E. Littlefield and 21 others of Knox county for increase of same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; subsequently Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, moved to reconsider the

vote whereby the petitions were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. The motion was lost by a vote on division, 48 to 67.

On motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, the following order was presented out of order:

Ordered, That hereafter, all petitions for increase of salaries or for any other purpose, be referred to the petitioners themselves, with instructions to report forthwith by bill or otherwise.

The order was refused passage.

Petition of H. M. Heath and 22 others, members of the Kennebec bar, in favor of an increase of salary for judges of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of D. D. Stewart and 24 others;

Petition of N. C. Ayer and 40 others in favor of same;

Petition of William E. Sargent and others for incorporation of the Hebron Water Company;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of C. J. McPherson and 102 others of Easton and Presque Isle in favor of repealing chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, relating to repair of highways;

Bill"An Act repealing chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of John D. Hopkins and others in favor of appropriation for temporary home for women and children at Deering;

Resolve in favor of the Augusta city hospital;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the Leavitt Institute;

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition in favor of the extension of the Atlantic Shore Line Electric Railroad,

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

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Bangor to construct a bridge over Kenduskeag stream, near the European and North American Railroad bridge;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river, in the town of Bucksport;"

Bill "An Act granting the Dennysville Lumber Company additional rights;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of H. A. Robbins and 21 others in favor of aid in repairing or re-building the bridge across the Thoroughfare;

Resolve in favor of building a bridge over Fish river, in the town of Fort Kent, and county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of repairing and maintaining, Babbitt Ridge Road, in the town of Moscow, in the county of Somerset;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis by cattle commissioners,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of O. F. Stackpole and 100 others of Biddeford, for the protection of deer in York county;

Bill "An Act to secure the better protection of inland fish and game, by regulating the registration of guides and providing for properly trained guides;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of George A. Welch and 100 others, requesting that the taking of fish with trawls between the islands known as the Brothers, and Double Headed Shots, be prohibited;

Petition of George N. Warren and others, relating to the taking of fish in Bagaduce river;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Charles O. Burns and 10 others of Pittsfield, in favor of setting off certain territory, from Pittsfield Village Corporation with bill accompanying,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Matthias A. Cullnan for increase of pension, Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Resolve in favor of Thomas Bailey, Representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians,

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the register of probate in Lincoln county," Was referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

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On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

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 the joint standing committees as may be necessary to the proper discharge of their official duties.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Brunswick,

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be directed to inquire into the expediency of continuing the close time on deer for a series of years in the counties of York, Cumberland and Sagadahoc, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That the Committee on Library be instructed to inquire into the inexpediency of enacting a general law for a system of traveling libraries, and to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Ordered, That the State treasurer be requested to furnish the Committee on Financial Affairs, all information relating to the appropriations in the possession of other committees.

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

On motion of Mr. DeCOSTER of Buckfield,

Ordered, That the Board of Agriculture be allowed the use of this hall on Wednesday evening, January 18th.

On motion of Mr. HASSELL of Sebec,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be authorized to furnish wrappers and postage stamps to each member of the House, and to the clerk himself, not to exceed ten dollars in amount, for the purpose of distributing the various reports of the departments of State and other public documents, such as they may desire to mail to citizens of the State.

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor,

Ordered, That on Tuesday next, the House shall proceed to vote for a senator in Congress for a full term, from March 4, 1899, in accordance with the laws of the United States. Mr. FREESE from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "An Act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Boom Corporation, and of the Penobscot Lumbering Association" reported that the same be printed, and recommitted.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Piscataquis River Improvement Company."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 130 of the Private Laws of 1866, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company.'"

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KILBORN of Bethel, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUS ΓΑ. Friday, January 13, 1899.

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 the Forty-second Annual Report of the Bank Examiner for the year 1898,

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

Communication from same, transmitting the report of the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game for the year 1898,

Was read and with report, referred in concurrence to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Symonds, Snow and Cook and 82 others for increase of salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of William DeW. Hyde and 39 others;

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Petition of John Cassidy and 15 others for same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 323 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law;"

Bill "An Act to change the name of Colby University,"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of William J. Wheeler and Joseph H. Stewart for a corporation to be known as the South Paris Water Company, for domestic and other purposes,

Pending reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs, in concurrence the petition was tabled, on motion of Mr. DONHAM of Hebron.

Petition of Matilda Burleigh and 37 others in favor of the Belfast Children's Home,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 34, of chapter 11, of the Revised Statutes;"

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;"

Resolve in favor of Bluehill George Stevens Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Resolve for the purpose of operating the fish hatcheries and feeding stations for fish and for the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws;

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

Resolve for State Pensions;

Resolve to provide means for examination of claims for State pensions;

Were referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be instructed to consider the advisability of protecting deer in that part of Oxford county lying south of the Androscoggin river. *Ordered,* The House concurring, that the Committee on Reform School, State Prison, Insane Hospital, Eastern Maine Insane Hospital, Education, Agriculture, Military Affairs and University of Maine, 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 Tuesday, January 17, at 4.30 P. M.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting a detailed statement of the expenses entailed upon the State for the printing and folding, advertising in newspapers, delivery of ballots and clerk hire, incident upon each election held in this State since the adoption of the Australian Ballot Law, as called for by House order dated January 10, 1899.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, the communication was tabled and ordered printed.

Petition of A. D. M. Gilchrist and others of Portland in favor of repeal of twenty-sixth amendment to the Constitution of Maine relating to manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors;

Petition of C. H. Willis and others of Portland;

Petition of Wyer Green and others of Portland;

Petition of Clyde W. Pierce and others of Portland in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Subsequently on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, the vote whereby these petitions were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman, the petitions were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Petition of 14 members of Waldo county bar, for increase of salary of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Bill "An Act to authorize the municipal court of Lewiston to naturalize;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of E. S. Means and 455 others for an amendment of section 1, chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to itinerant vendors;

Petition of Elton W. Allen and 90 others for a modification of the law relating to election of road commissioner;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1897;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 436 of the Special Laws of 1834, entitled, 'An Act to incorporate the city of Bangor, approved February 12th, 1834;' "

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the appointment of a State highway engineer, to improve the public roads, and to define his powers and duties;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Frank A. Perkins and 45 others for an appropriation in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 as amended by section 1, chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897;"

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy; Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Co. "G," 1st Maine Regiment, M. V. M., for relief and reimbursement of amount charged for clothing;

Resolve in favor of Adjutant General John T. Richards;

Resolve providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Resolve in favor of repairing a road leading from Van Buren to Caribou, Aroostook county, at a point in Cyr Plantation leading to Connor Plantation,

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

Resolve to restock with smelts the brooks, tributaries to the Penobscot river between the north and south lines of the town of Winterport,

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Tomah Joseph and 27 others for an appropriation for road from Peter Dana's Point to Turnpike road;

Petition of the Governor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians and 8 others, for a location of the line between their reservation and the town of Perry;

Were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate of the county of Knox;"

Was referred to the Knox County Delegation.

Petition of W. P. Thompson and 10 other members of the Waldo county bar, in relation to the salary of the register of probate for Waldo county;

Petition of W. P. Thompson and II other members of the Waldo county bar, in relation to the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Waldo;

Bill "An Act to fix the salaries of the judge and register of probate for the county of Waldo;"

Were referred to the Waldo County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of disclosure commissioner, and making the probate courts, courts of disclosure, and abolishing imprisonment for debt and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of altering or amending the present ballot laws, and report by bill or otherwise.

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

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes and appropriating the same,

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. WILSON of Gorham,

Petition of George I. Trickey and 34 others of Caribou, in favor of increasing the salaries of the supreme judicial court justices,

Was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion of same gentleman,

Petition of D. A. Sargent and 41 others in relation to raising the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court,

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering,

Bill "An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland," House Document No. 1,

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Towns and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be authorized to furnish wrappers and postage stamps to each member of the House, and to the clerk himself, not to exceed ten dollars in amount, for the purpose of distributing the various reports of the departments of State and other public documents, such as they may desire to mail to citizens of the State.

Which was read and passed January 12th, was called up and on motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the order received a passage was re-considered and the order indefinitely postponed.

Mr. BENNETT of Hollis, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That we extend to the American Red Cross Association and its honored president, Miss Clara Barton; to the many nurses, doctors and agents of the heroic Red Cross Army, who served during the Cuban war, underwent great privations and suffered severely from hunger, thirst, fever and malarial diseases; and to the women of all auxiliary societies who upheld their hands, and rendered possible all admirable and humane work; to the volunteers who served their country in the peaceful ranks of the Red Cross, without money and without price; to all persons in every part of the world who have contributed money and supplies with a munificence never known before in the history of the world and to all transportation companies who have aided in distributing those generous gifts of the people, free of charge. Voicing the sentiments of the people of Maine, the House of Representatives desires to place on record its heartfelt thanks for these valuable services rendered.

The resolution received a unanimous passage.

On motion of Mr. NOYES of Pownal, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, January 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Penney of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting the tenth report of the State Board of Health for the years, 1896-1897,

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

Bill "An Act defining the jurisdiction of the municipal court for the city of Lewiston, and the municipal court of the city of Auburn relating to the naturalization of aliens;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 330 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act amendatory of, and additional to chapter 458 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled, 'An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company,'"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be instructed to consider the feasibility of legislation against hunting partridges with dogs,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of C. F. Creamer and 66 others in favor of an amendment to chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of Augusta Board of Trade in favor of passage of bill to prevent the use of trading stamps and other similar devices;

Petition of John E. Warren and 47 others of Westbrook in favor of increasing the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of Selden Conner and 15 others of Augusta;

Petition of Charles W. Larrabee and 14 others of Sagadahoc county, in favor of same;

Petition of Charles F. Libby and 72 others for the passage of an act providing for three women on the school board of the city of Portland;

Petition of E. G. Greeley and 54 others;

Petition of Zenas Thompson and 39 others;

Petition of A. H. Wright and 61 others;

Petition of J. B. Shepherd and 20 others;

Petition of Percival Bonney and 65 others for same;

Bill "An Act relating to the sale of Paris green and poisonous preparations used for the destruction of insects;"

Bill "An Act to prevent the use of trading stamps and other similar devices;"

Bill "An Act to secure the secret ballot;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry in the State of Maine;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Alex Ross and 61 others of Mapleton, for the repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to highways;

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of Rangeley plantation in Franklin county;"

Blli "An Act additional to chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to the school board of the city of Eastport, and to amend chapter 450 of the Private Laws of 1893;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. B. Winslow and 54 others in favor of an appropriation in aid of the Home for Friendless Boys in Deering;

Petition of Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens and others, officers of the W. C. T. U., for an appropriation for Women's Christian Temperance Union;

Resolve in favor of the city of Augusta;

Resolves in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital; Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy;

Resolve in favor of Anson Academy;

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Edgar W. Stevens and others for charter for telephone line from some point, or place in Lincoln village, to and through the towns of Lee, Springfield and Carroll to a point in Lakeville plantation;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lincoln, Lakeville and Winn Telephone Company;"

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

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Manufacturers' Trust Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Willis H. Leighton and 35 others, for an appropriation to be expended on the roads and bridges in the town of Whiting;

Petition of J. C. Potter and 258 others for an appropriation in aid of the town of Kingman;

Resolve in favor of blasting a ledge in the town of Frenchville, in the county of Aroostook;

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "An Act to protect tern in the county of York,"

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 285, of the Public Laws of 1897,"

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of inhabitants of Franklin Plantation, to be annexed to Rumford, Peru and Woodstock;

Petition of I. F. Clark and 64 others, in favor of annexing Deering to Portland;

Petition of Hiram Norton and others, for annexation of certain lands in Industry, to Farmington;

Bill "An Act to set off certain lands from Industry and annex the same to Farmington;"

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 294 of the Public Laws of 1889, fixing the salary of the county commissioners of Kennebec county,"

Was referred to the Kennebec County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. DONHAM of Hebron,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the election of selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor.

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

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

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.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, moved that the House proceed to ballot for a United States senator,

The motion prevailed.

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, raised the point of no quorum.

The Chair ruled that a quorum was present.

The hour having arrived to vote for a senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years, from the fourth of March next; and this being the second Tuesday subsequently to the meeting and organization of the legislature of this State, the day designated by sections 14 to 19 inclusive, of chapter 1, title 2 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the election of senators, the House proceeded openly and by viva voce vote of each member present, on call of the roll to name a person for senator in Congress from this State, for a term of six years from the fourth of March next, with the following result:

Whole number of votes cast	- 99
Necessary for a choice	50
Eugene Hale had	84
Samuel L. Lord had	15
Absent	51

And Eugene Hale had a majority of all the votes cast.

Those who voted	for Eugene Hale wer	e Messrs.
Abbott,	Carr,	Donham,
Adams,	Cartret,	Drummey,
Beal,	Chamberlin,	Dunning,
Beath,	Chase,	Esty,
Bennett,	Chick,	Farrell,
Bird,	Cobb,	Forhan,
Bodwell,	Craig,	Freese,
Brimmer,	Crane,	Fuller, Auburn,
Britton,	Daigle,	Fuller, So. Portland,
Brown, Falmouth,	Davis,	Gardner,
Burns,	De Coster,	Girdler,

Gordon,	Maxwell,	Sargent, Portland,
Goss,	McFaul,	Sargent, Sedgwick,
Guernsey,	Merrill, Skowhegan,	Sawyer,
Harris,	Murchie,	Smith, Presque Isle,.
Hopkins,	Nickerson, Swanville	e,Somes,
Hutchings,	Noyes,	Spofford,
Hyde,	Parker,	Spratt,
Irving,	Parkhurst,	Spurr,
Jellison,	Peabody,	Staples, Eliot,
Johonnett,	Perkins,	Stetson, Bangor,
Kernon,	Philbrook,	Sutherland,
King,	Powers,	Tyler,
Laliberte,	Prince,	Virgin,
Macfarlane,	Reed,	Webb,
Macomber,	Ridlon,	Webster,
Manley,	Rowell,	Wilbur,
Maxcy,	Sanborn,	Woodbridge-84.

Those who voted for Samuel L. Lord were Messrs.

Bridgham,	Hodgkins,	Merrill, N. Gloucester
Deering,	Hughes,	Murphy,
Farnsworth,	Jones,	Porter,
Grindel,	Leavitt,	West,
Harman,	Libbey, So. Berwick,	Wilson, Minot—15.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Belleau,	Fogg,	Libbey, Albion,
Berry,	Fuller, Kennebunk,	McFadden,
Blackstone,	Garcelon,	Melcher,
Brown, Warren,	Gentleman,	Morey,
Bryant,	Gould,	Mosher,
Buck,	Hahn,	Nickerson, Orrington
Cleveland,	Hassell,	Peaslee,
Coffin,	Hill,	Pierce,
Colburn,	Hix,	Plummer,
Dawson,	Jordan,	Purinton,
Eaton,	Kalloch,	Rankin,
Field,	Kilborn,	Ryerson,
Fitz,	Ledyard,	Smith, Hartland,

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Staples, Bridgton,	Thayer,	Wilson, Brunswick,
Stetson, Monmouth,	Turner,	Wilson, Cherryfield,
Taylor,	Walker,	Wilson, Gorham,
Teel,	Weed,	Wood—51.

The speaker announced the following committee, appointed during adjournment to attend the funeral of the late E. K. O'Brien held January 17, 1899.

Messrs. Brown of Warren,

Teel of St. George, Hahn of Waldoboro, Wood of Hampden, Kalloch of South Thomaston, Peaslee of Wiscasset, Ledyard of Bath.

Papers from the Senate : Communications from the Executive Department.

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

AUGUSTA, January 17, 1899.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

It is with feelings of profound sorrow that I perform the painful duty of announcing to you that the Honorable Nelson Dingley, representative in Congress, from the second district, died in the city of Washington last Friday evening, at half past ten o'clock.

For some time, the people of Maine, and of the whole country, have watched with deep anxiety his brave struggle for life, earnestly praying that he might be spared for further usefulness to the nation. And as hope of recovery had begun to cheer and gladden their hearts, a sudden change for the worse ended his grand life, and put a period to his noble, practical and eminently useful career.

We all sincerely mourn the loss of one so good, so just and so great, and tender our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family.

As a statesman he takes a high rank among those who have widely guided aright the republic in its onward march, and who have written their names in imperishable letters high upon the nation's roll of honor. As a journalist, a legislator, a congressman, a governor, and an upright citizen, he has shown us a life and character worthy of imitation and reverence. In his longand varied career he has been scrupulously faithful to every trust and duty—just and impartial. "Hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may," was the principle that dominated and controlled all his acts.

Maine will never forget his devotion to his native State and her interests, and though dead, he will continue to live in the grateful hearts and memories of all her citizens. In the halls of her legislature he began his distinguished public labors, they have closed in the Capitol as a tried and trusty leader of his party in the National House of Representatives.

His integrity, devotion to duty, love of right and justice, vast research, sound learning, thorough mastery and comprehension of all questions relating to finances and tariff, commanded forhim on all occasions an attentive hearing, and made him a recognized authority, not only among his friends, but also with his political opponents. It is my deliberate judgment that in reference to these subjects he has never had a superior and but few equals on the floors of Congress.

As a mark of respect, I have directed that all flags on publicbuildings be placed at half mast, and also that the executivedepartments of the State government be closed during the day of the funeral services.

It is for this legislature to take such further action in the premises as it shall deem fitting and proper.

LLEWELLYN POWERS,

Governor.

Was read in concurrence.

When from some point of vantage we are permitted to look out over a mighty forest we see scattered sparingly, here and there, a fewtrees towering above their fellows like mighty rulers.

So here and there among their fellowmen occasionally thereappears a great leader commanding the attention and respect, the confidence and devotion of mankind.

Conspicuous among the distinguished men the State of Mainehas produced, whose fame and field of action have not been confined to the limits of our State or even of the nation, stands. Nelson Dingley.

Honest, able, learned, pure in private and in public life, he has endeared himself to the people and enshrined himself in their confidence and affections.

As a token of respect to his memory and in response to that silent sorrow which oppresses us all at his death, it is,

Ordered, That a committee consisting of the president of the Senate and two senators, on the part of the Senate, with such members as may be joined on the part of the House, be appointed to attend the funeral at Lewiston, Wednesday, January 18th at ten o'clock, A. M.; that the Secretary of State transmit a copy of this order to the family, and that as a further mark of respect to the memory of the dead, the Senate and House stand adjourned.

Came from the Senate, read, and unanimously adopted with the President, Mr. Clason of Kennebec,

Messrs. White of Androscoggin,

Hamlin of Ellsworth,

appointed on the part of that branch.

Mr. HARRIS of Auburn said:

Mr. Speaker: The State of Maine is indeed in the shadow of a great sorrow. We sit here with bowed heads. A distinguished son of Maine, who, by his life, character and public services, has placed himself well in the front ranks of the men of his generation, our own fellow-citizen, Nelson Dingley, is dead. It is not my purpose at this time to enter into any extended eulogy which may more fittingly be done at some other time. The order from the Senate aptly expresses the sentiments of this House on this occasion. I therefore move its adoption in concurrence, and that the House join the Senate in appointing a committee of seven, of whom the Speaker shall be chairman, to attend the funeral at Lewiston, to-morrow.

The order was unanimously adopted in concurrence, and the following committee joined on the part of the House.

The Speaker, Mr. Stetson of Bangor,

Messrs. Harris of Auburn,

Manley of Augusta, Murphy of Lewiston,

Messrs. Brown of Falmouth, Hix of Rockland, Donham of Hebron.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Philbrook of Waterville, speaker pro tem, for to-morrow.

Mr. MANLEY of Augusta said:

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. Nelson Dingley. This is not the time to refer to his pure life or to his illustrious public services. I shall, at a later time, ask that a day may be set apart that appropriate tributes may be paid to his memory. And it seems to me to be eminently fitting that this should be done. For it was in this hall that he commenced his great legislative career. He was six times elected a member of this House. He was twice its honored Speaker. He was twice elected Governor of this State. He was ten times elected to that great parliamentary body, the National House of Representatives. His life has been given to his State and to his country. And by his upright life, his pure character, his untiring industry, he has won for himself imperishable fame, and he has added glory and honor to the State and the nation. And, Mr. Speaker, as a further mark of respect to his memory, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, January 18, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

House called to order by the Clerk.

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle said:

Yesterday afternoon, just before adjournment, we elected the Hon. Warren C. Philbrook, speaker pro tem for to-day in the absence of Speaker Stetson. A difference of opinion has arisen as to the power of the House to elect yesterday, a speaker pro tem to act for to-day, and as to-day we have the very important matter of the election of a United States senator to consider in joint convention, and in order that there may be no difficulty, no misunderstanding and that no legal technicalities may arise, I wish to introduce, and do now introduce, an order, to cover any question that might arise under our action of yesterday.

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, W. C. Philbrook of Waterville be elected speaker pro tem.

The order received a passage.

A message was received from the Senate by Senator Drummond of Cumberland, notifying the House of the election of Hon. E. C. Reynolds of Cumberland as president pro tem.

On motion of Mr. CHICK of Clifton, that gentleman was charged with, and conveyed a message to the Senate notifying that body, that in the absence of the Speaker, the Hon. W. C. Philbrook of Waterville had been elected speaker pro tem.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the executive department.

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

AUGUSTA, January 17, 1899.

To the Honorable President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a communication from the chief executive of the state of Florida, and my reply thereto,

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accompanied by a call for a national militia convention to be holden at Tampa, Florida, on the 8th day of February next.

The object of this convention is to discuss, suggest and perhaps formulate some general plan upon which the National Guard may be re-organized and placed upon a more effective basis.

Since this question of re-organization of the Guard has already assumed national importance it seems proper that I should call the attention of the legislature to the subject that it may provide for such representation of our State in the proposed convention as may seem expedient and wise.

(Signed) LLEWELLYN POWERS, Governor.

STATE OF FLORIDA.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, TALLAHASSEE, September 17, 1898.

Impressed with the necessity for a thorough re-organization of our state militia service, as discussed by members of the national harbor defence convention at Tampa in 1896, I have deemed it proper to issue a call for a national convention in this interest to assemble at Tampa, Fla., on the 8th day of February, 1899.

The object of this convention will be to discuss and suggest methods for placing state troops on the most effective footing. Questions relating to arms, equipments, tactics, clothing, food and transportation will be considered and discussed by experts. Special attention will be given to the subject of camp sites, sanitation, and all precautionary measures that modern science can suggest to insure the comfort and health of troops.

A commodious building will be arranged for exhibits of such articles as may be deemed desirable for army and navy use.

In the interest of patriotism and the welfare of the country I respectfully urge governors of the various states of the Union to appoint delegates from their land and naval militia service to this convention.

The army and navy of the United States will be represented by prominent delegates. A circular will be issued in due time giving full details as to proposed work desired by this convention.

Hoping that you will have your state fully represented, I have the honor to remain,

Respectfully yours,

W. D. BLOXHAM, Governor of Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

TALLAHASSEE, January 10, 1899.

Hon. Llewellyn Powers, Governor of Maine, Augusta, Maine:

DEAR SIR—Again referring to our invitation extended to Your Excellency requesting representation from your commonwealth to the national militia convention to assemble at Tampa, Florida, on the 8th day of February next, we respectfully urge the importance of representation from Maine to this convention.

Re-organization of the National Guard is now a matter of vital importance to the nation, and to the states. We trust, therefore, that Maine will aid her sister states in formulating plans for re-organizing our present defective militia system.

Respectfully requesting Your Excellency to appoint delegates and kindly mail list of the same to Hon. H. Cunningham, Tampa, Fla., at your earliest leisure. With assurance of respect, I am, dear sir,

Faithfully yours,

(Signed)

W. D. BLOXHAM, Governor of Florida.

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, AUGUSTA, January 16, 1899.

Hon. W. D. Bloxham, Governor of Florida:

DEAR SIR—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of January 10th.

I will submit the matter of sending a delegation to the convention to be held at Tampa, on the 8th of February, to the legislature. It seems to me that it would be a very desirable thing to do. I think that the National Guard of the various states is sadly in need of re-organization, and that it should be in many respects upon a very different basis from what it is to-day. Therefore this move has my cordial sympathy.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

LLEWELLYN POWERS.

(Signed)

Governor of Maine.

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Henry B. Cleaves and 27 others of Portland, in favor of the passage of an act providing for three women on the school board of the city of Portland;

Petition of S. D. Livermore and 31 others of Portland;

Petition of J. Henry Rines and 23 others of Portland in favor of same;

Petition of William G. Davis and 106 other persons and firms for an increase in the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of Frederick A. Powers and 25 other members of Aroostook bar;

Memorial of George M. Warren and others of Hancock county bar for same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Charles R. Hall and 20 others of Wilton, for change in the law relating to the election of road commissioners;

Petition of Joseph Miller and 75 others of Wilton;

Petition of A. H. Adams and 30 others of Wilton for same;

Petition of Steven Cabot and others of Andover for a village corporation;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of S. T. Mallett and 46 others, in favor of an appropriation for Lee Academy,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

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

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Nathaniel Hobbs and 25 others, in favor of extending the close time on deer in York county,

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 25 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of clams and shell fish,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

Petition of E. H. Benson and 27 others, in favor of an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of Josiah Crosby for continuance of one-half of salaries of judges of supreme judicial court after resignation or nonappointment, with bill annexed;

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the fire department of the city of Portland;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John B. Marsh and 34 others of Newport, for the establishment of a municipal court in the town of Newport;

Petition of Charles E. Cook and 46 others of Tremont, for a charter to build a dam and bridge across the outlet to Norwood's cove, in said Tremont, with bill accompanying;

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Newport;"

Bill "An Act to legalize and make valid, the meeting and doings of the corporation known as the Trustees of the Charity Fund of Caribou Lodge, located at Caribou, in the county of Aroostook, in the State of Maine;" Bill "An Act establishing a town council in the town of Skowhegan, for municipal purposes;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of B. W. Hewes and 190 others of Danforth and vicinity, for an appropriation to aid the town of Danforth in establishing a normal school,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of J. Lyman Ripley and others to be incorporated as the Ripley Water Company of Andover,

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of E. M. Blanchard and 212 others, in favor of election of game wardens;

Petition of F. A. Ladd and 40 others for an amendment to the fish and game laws, so as to allow the transportation and sale of white perch in any quantity, during July and August of each year, on East Machias river, lakes and tributaries;

Petition of J. W. Brackett and 16 others for the propagation and protection of fish and game, in Lufkin pond in the town of Phillips;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

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

On motion of Mr. BRITTON of Bucksport,

Ordered, That Representative A. R. Buck of Orland be granted leave of absence for one week, on account of illne'ss.

On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to include in the pay roll of the House, the name of E. K. O'Brien, deceased.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, the House took a recess until 11.50 A. M.

The hour of twelve meridian having arrived, the time fixed by a law of the United States, for the two Houses of the legisla-

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ture to meet in joint assembly, for the purpose of comparing the votes cast for a senator in Congress, for the term of six years from the fourth of March next;

The Senate came in and a convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

So much of the records of both branches, as related to the choice of the senator in Congress was then read.

The president pro tem then announced the result, and on motion of Mr. STEARNS of Aroostook, of the Senate, declared that the Hon. Eugene Hale had been elected a senator in Congress for the term of six years, commencing March 4, 1899.

On motion of Mr. STEARNS of Aroostook,

Ordered, That the secretary of the convention be directed to inform the Governor that Hon. Eugene Hale of Ellsworth had been duly elected by the legislature a senator in Congress from this State for the term of six years from the fourth day of March, A. D. 1899.

The secretary of the convention subsequently reported that he had left a written communication at the executive department, that the Hon. Eugene Hale had been elected senator from this State for the term of six years commencing on the fourth of March next.

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

The House was called to order by the speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. LIBBY of Albion, Adjourned.

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W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, THURSDAY, January 19, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stackpole of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to abolish the X marking of ballots at elections and provide for the use of official party tickets, so arranged and attached to ballot sheets, that the voter may select, and remove therefrom, his party ticket, and vote by putting his ticket only into the ballot box,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of James Aug. Healy in favor of an appropriation for St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to inquire into the necessity of assigning a room, or rooms, in the State House, for an office for the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, and for the further purpose of providing room for a collection of the birds and animals of Maine, and report by bill or otherwise.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve providing for the payment to the town of Jay the amount deducted from said town's proportion of the school fund for the year 1898, on account of an imperfect school return.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading. Petition of Sanford Mills, to have its organization ratified, confirmed and declared to be legal and valid, and to have its charter and rights extended;

Petition of F. M. Drew and others, in favor of raising the salaries of the supreme court judges;

Petition of A. L. Boyd and 32 others, in favor of same;

Bill "An Act in relation to the municipal court of Waterville, Maine;"

Bill "An Act in relation to the police court of the city of Gardiner;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of S. J. Ridlon and 40 others of Stetson, for the repeal of chapter 329, of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the election of road commissioners;

Petition of William Collins Hatch in favor of an amendment to chapter 170, acts of 1895, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Marine Society;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2, chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887," entitled "An Act creating the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation;"

Bill "An Act amendatory to chapter 170, acts of 1895, entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Seth L. Larrabee and 8 others of Portland, in favor of an appropriation in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of James H. Camplin and 25 others of Eastport, in favor of a better observance of Memorial Day,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Stevens Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river, in the town of Fort Fairfield,"

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Jacob Witham and 64 others for the repeal of the law prohibiting the trapping and killing of beaver, Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Tilton Emery and 100 others of Eastport, for an amendment to the law, so as to permit the taking, selling, and transportation of smelts,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Fred V. Matthews and 86 others, in favor of annexation of Deering to Portland;

Petition of Edward H. Winslow and 127 others;

Petition of Ira F. Tibbetts and 21 others, in favor of same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of C. J. Bartlett and 52 others, for repeal of law relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of the Cape Porpoise Land Company for authority to erect, construct and maintain a toll bridge across tide waters between the main land at Cape Porpoise and Trott's Island, and between said main land and Stage Island, in the town of Kennebunkport, in the county of York,

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of Augustus L. Walker and 9 others of Swanville in favor of establishing travelling libraries,

Was referred to the Committee on Libraries.

Bill "An Act relating to the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Aroostook,"

Was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Petition of George A. Curran and 23 others, for an amendment of chapter 115, section 5, Revised Statutes, fixing the salary for clerk of courts in Washington county, in lieu of fees;

Petition of John H. McFaul and 15 others, for an amendment to chapter 78, section 6 of Revised Statutes relating to date for holding sessions of county commissioners;

Were referred to the Washington County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be requested to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 17 of the Revised Statutes, that one-half of the fines paid under said chap-

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ter for violation of the liquor law shall be paid to the municipalities where the person resides, or maintains the nuisance for which the fine is imposed, and report by bill or otherwise.

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

On motion of Mr. MACFARLANE of Greenville,

Ordered, That C. S. Hassell of Sebec be excused from attendance on this House for one week, on account of the death of his mother.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to include in the pay roll and mileage of the House, the name of Thomas F. Staples of Eliot.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve for better enforcement of the game laws, and for the propagation of fish in Maine, by establishing a permanent fund.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to provide for the appointment of a State highway engineer, to improve the public roads and to define his powers and duties," reported "that the same be printed and re-committed."

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 extend the charter of the Waterville & Wiscasset Railroad Company."

Mr. LEAVITT from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 54 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to assignment of charter or rights under it, by railroad corporations."

Mr. MACOMBER from same committee reported same on bill "An Act ratifying the purchase of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, and authorizing a mortgage thereof, by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Report of the Committee on Elections, to which was referred the petition of Francis Keefe of Eliot, praying that he may be admitted to the seat now held, and claimed, by Thomas F. Staples of Eliot as representative for the classed towns of Kittery and Eliot, have had the matter under consideration, and after hearing the evidence in the case and the arguments of counsel, beg leave to report that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted; that said Francis Keefe was legally elected as representative from the classed towns of Kittery and Eliot, and ought to be seated as such and ask leave to report the accompanying resolves.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this House that Thomas F. Staples of Eliot, the sitting member from the representative district comprising the towns of Kittery and Eliot was not legally elected and shall no longer act as the representative from said district.

Resolved further, That Francis Keefe of Eliot was legally elected as the representative from said district and that he be admitted to take his seat as soon as he shall have taken and subscribed the oaths of allegiance and of office.

(Signed)

George C. Hopkins, Orrin McFadden, N. D. Gordon, Arthur H. Sargent, Marcellus F. Taylor, F. X. Belleau.

Pending acceptance, Mr. MELCHER of Portland, moved that the report be tabled and Thursday next assigned for its consideration.

The motion was lost.

The report was then accepted and the resolves adopted.

On motion of Mr. PERKINS of Cornish, that gentleman was charged with the duty of conducting Mr. Keefe of Eliot to the Governor for the purpose of taking the required oath of office, and subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned him.

On motion of Mr. DONHAM of Hebron,

Petition of William J. Wheeler and Joseph H. Stewart for a corporation to be known as the South Paris water Company, for domestic and other purposes, was taken from the table, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta said:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House: In consequence of the practical unanimity with which Senator Hale was elected on Tuesday last by this legislature, the impression has gone forth that we endorse all the opinions of Senator Hale growing out of the Spanish war. I believe that they are contrary to the sentiments, both of this legislature and of the State of Maine; and that we may place ourselves squarely on record on these matters, I present for your consideration a resolution which I will ask to have adopted without reference to a committee.

Resolves approving the administration of William McKinley, President of the United States, and inviting him to visit the State of Maine.

Whereas, within the past year under the wise and firm leadership of William McKinley, President of the United States, the forces of the United States, regular and volunteer, by their skill and valor on land and sea have brought the war with Spain to a speedy and victorious termination; American statesmen have negotiated a treaty ensuring to Cuba the freedom for which the war was undertaken, and, to their country, the right to extend under its flag the domain of civilization and to bear the blessings of good and stable government to peoples who have never known them; and the United States has been advanced to a recognized place among the great powers of the world. Therefore—

Resolved, That President McKinley has well earned the gratitude of his country in the conduct of his great office; that the treaty with Spain should be speedily ratified; that the supremacy of the United States should be established and all the rights and obligations of sovereigntv should be exercised and discharged in the Philippines in accordance with the instructions which have been given by the President to the commanding

officer of those islands; and that the relinquishment of sovereignty over them should not be considered until it shall appear that the duties and responsibilities of government may with safety to the interests of all concerned be committed to the people of the Philippines.

Resolved, That the State of Llaine pledges her earnest and faithful support to the President in the execution of this policy.

Resolved, That the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, be authorized to invite, in the name of the government and people of the State of Maine, William McKinley, President of the United States, to visit this capitol at such time in the present session of this legislature as he may be pleased to appoint, as the guest of the State.

The resolves were unanimously adopted by a rising vote and sent to the Senate.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Keefe of Eliot to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, caused by the retirement of Mr. Staples of Eliot.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Grindel of Islesboro, to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Ways and Means, caused by the death of Mr. O'Brien of Thomaston.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Friday, January 20, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Degen of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the executive department transmitting the second biennial report of the board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States,

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

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the reports of the trustees, resident officers and visiting committee of the Maine Insane Hospital,

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

Petition of L. B. Deasy and others in favor of an act to establish a municipal court at Bar Harbor;

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Bar Harbor municipal court;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to prevent immoral exhibitions;"

Bill "An Act to repeal section 1 of chapter 293 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the transfers of stock;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 445 of the Special Laws of 1875, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Masonic trustees of Lewiston, as amended by chapter 354 of the Private Laws of 1877;'"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Statement of facts in regard to Bluehill Academy,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of G. E. Carleton and 5 others in favor of the passage of an act to reduce the rate of taxation on savings bank deposits;

Bill "An Act to amend section 92 of chapter 155 of the Public Laws of the year 1880, relating to savings banks;"

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

Petition of Herrick Kelley for a change in charter of the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company;

Petition of the president and directors of the Mattawamkeag-Log Driving Company for same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "An Act to repeal so much of section 5 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as relates to the bounty on bears,"

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

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Cumberland,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Cumberland County Delegation.

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

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of the State supporting and maintaining the large bridges.

Pending acceptance the report was tabled on motion of Mr. CARR of Old Town.

Report of the Franklin County Delegation reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the compensation of county commissioners for Franklin county." The report was accepted in concurrence.

Petition of E. E. King and 26 others of Orono, in favor of increasing the salaries of the supreme court justices,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

..... "An Act to prevent a preference of creditors;"

Bill "An Act to amend subdivision 7 of section 1 of chapter 18 of the laws of 1895, relative to fire insurance;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of A. B. Stantial and 44 others for an amendment to the laws, relating to free high schools,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor and Newcastle Railroad Company,"

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

Resolve in favor of the city of Lewiston to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in aid of the needy families of soldiers who served as volunteers in the army of the United States in the late war with Spain;

Resolve in favor of the city of Westbrook to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in aid of the needy families of soldiers who served as volunteers in the army of the United States in the late war with Spain;

Were referred to the Committee on Mulitary Affairs.

Petition of F. W. Brown and 36 others of Brooks, for repeal of the present road commissioner law,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Bill "An Act to permit the breeding and raising of quail for purposes of sale, by Henry J. Simpson of Sullivan, Maine,"

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of F. S. Stevens and 40 others to prohibit trawling within three miles of the shore,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of the Penobscot tribe of Indians for an appropriation for the benefit of said tribe, for the ensuing two years,

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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Resolve in favor of the town of Beddington, Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of D. D. Graffam and 9 others, in favor of establishing travelling libraries connected with the State library,

Was referred to the Committee on Library.

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

On motion of Mr. FULLER of Auburn,

Ordered, That seat numbered 100 be assigned to Hon. N. W. Harris of Auburn for the remainder of the session.

Mr. BLACKSTONE from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county.

The report was accepted and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Monday, January 23, at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Monday, January 23, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Lesher of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolve in reference to the York deeds,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of A. T. Clark and 187 others of Sidney for repeal of Public Law of 1897 creating office of road commissioner;

Petition of F. C. Fickett and 18 others against establishing the office of State road commissioner;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal 2.ffairs.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company,"

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to change the name of Colby University."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Ara Cushman and 20 others in favor of increasing the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of R. T. Rundlet and 50 others of Wiscasset;

Petition of R. S. Partridge and 7 others of Whitefield in favor of same;

Petition of W. W. Stetson and 24 others of Auburn, for an amendment of charter of the city of Auburn in relation to the construction of sidewalks;

Petition of F. L. Hersey and 9 others of Augusta, in favor of prohibiting the use of trading stamps;

Petition of Frank Redington and 47 others of Waterville;

Petition of B. F. Dennison and 47 others of Freeport in favor of same;

Petition of Fred C. Marden and 43 others in favor of an act to amend chapter 570 of the Private and Special Laws of 1874, as amended by chapter 85 of the Private and Special Laws of .1875;

Petition of W. S. Carver and 15 others in favor of same;

Remonstrance of J. F. Libby of Fairfield against the passage of the veterinary bill;

Remonstrance of D. G. Wood and 26 others of Mercer against increasing the salaries of the supreme court judges;

Bill "An Act relating to mortgages by corporations;"

Bill "An Act additional, relating to the appointment and compensation of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter III of the Private and Special Laws of 1872 entitled, 'An Act authorizing the city of Gardiner to raise money for the maintenance of a public library;'"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, of chapter 525 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885, relating to the Presque Isle village fire department;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to minors;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the appointment and powers of receivers of corporations;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 570 of the Private and Special Laws of 1874, as amended by chapter 85 of the Private and Special Laws of 1875;"

Bill "An Act relating to returns by foreign or domestic corporations;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the American Ice Company;" Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Petition of Joseph T. Gagnon and 67 others for the repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of Remi Cyr and 126 others;

Petition of A. B. Burnham and 18 others of Hollis;

Petition of Lewis O. Bradbury and 28 others of Hollis for repeal of same;

Petition of Gardner J. Nash and 140 others of Waldoboro for repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to highways;

Petition of William M. Robinson and, 162 others of Presque Isle, Easton and vicinity;

Petition of John Cyr and 47 others of Hamlin;

Petition of Antoine Michaud and 37 others of Cyr plantation; Petition of Asa Smith and 75 others of Wellington;

Petition of Omar G. Hussey and 11 others of Waldo;

Petition of Calvin Roberts and 19 others of Hollis;

Petition of C. M. Morris and 42 others of Limestone;

Petition of E. B. Sprague and 57 others of Presque Isle and Easton;

Petition of Joel Bean and 37 others of Presque Isle and Easton;

Petition of L. E. Bearce and 96 others of Woodland, for repeal of same;

Petition of the selectmen of the town of Burnham, and 43 others, that an act be passed legalizing all doings of said town previous to this date;

Bill "An Act relating to practice in probate courts of Maine;"

Bill "An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 522 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, by providing an additional term each month of the Sanford municipal court;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of F. W. Plaisted and 28 others of Augusta, in favor of an appropriation for the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering, Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act relating to the charter of the Wiscasset and Quebec Railroad,"

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

Bill "An Act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Resolve in favor of the city of Rockland, Maine.

Was referred to the Committee on Mulitary Affairs.

Bill "An Act giving a lien for shoring and running logs," Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of George H. Jones and 18 others for an appropriation to be expended on roads and bridges in the town of Trescott, during the year 1899,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Communication of T. S. Bowden relative to protection of salmon in Crystal lake;

Petition of H. A. Furbish and 109 others, of Franklin county, for the enactment of a law to prohibit bait fishing in the seven ponds in said county;

Petition of M. T. Rokes and 50 others of Hope and Rockport for an act to protect pickerel in Grassy pond;

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in Littlefield ponds in Sanford, in the county of York;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Sewell E. Peters and others relating to the taking of fish in Bagaduce river;

Petition of J. T. McKellar and 15 others of South Thomaston for an act to protect the weir fishermen;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Asher C. Hines and 75 others for the annexation of Deering to Portland;

Petition of Joseph W. Symonds and 12 others in favor of annexing Willard to Cape Elizabeth;

Petition of Ephraim Dyer and 75 others of Cape Elizabeth for same;

Petition of William G. Davis and 12 others, non-resident real estate owners in Willard, in favor of incorporating the town of Willard, or annexing it to Cape Elizabeth;

Petition of H. E. Willard and 66 others to divide South Portland, incorporate the town of Willard or annex it to Cape Elizabeth;

Petition of A. D. Boyd and 46 others, to incorporate the town of Willard;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of George W. Metcalf and 11 others for an amendment to section 1 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of State prison officials;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of public officers;"

Were referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin,"

Was referred to the Androscoggin County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that a committee consisting of the Governor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House, be appointed a committee to arrange for suitable memorial exercises to be held in the House of Representatives, on Wednesday the fifteenth day of February, in order that the executive department and members of the legislature may pay their tribute of respect to the memory of the late Nelson Dingley.

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

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of creating the office of State auditor in accordance with the recommendation relating thereto, contained in the inaugural address of Governor Powers and report what legislation is necessary or otherwise. Pending passage the order was tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of revising the Public Laws of the State of Maine, and report a resolve relating thereto or otherwise.

Pending passage the order was tabled on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred the petition of C. F. Creamer and 66 others, relating to chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, reported "that the petition be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs."

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company." House document No. 6;

Bill "An Act ratifying the purchase of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, and authorizing a mortgage thereof by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company." House document No. 7;

Bill "An Act to amend section 54 of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes, relating to assignment of charter or rights under it by railroad corporations." House document No. 8;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county. House document No. 9,

Was read once and Wednesday of next week, assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the expenses entailed upon the State for the printing and folding, advertising in newspapers, delivery of ballots and clerk hire incident upon each election held in this State since the adoption of the Australian ballot law,

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

The vote whereby bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company,"

Was referred, January 20, to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence, was re-considered and on motion of same gentleman, the bill was referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and sent to the Senate.

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

Messrs. Weeks of Somerset,

Stearns of Aroostook, Hargraves of York, of the Senate.

Messrs. Wilson of Gorham, Plummer of Portland, Bryant of Knox, Field of Oakland, Spurr of Otisfield, Brown of Falmouth, West of Biddeford, of the mouse.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, January 24, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ladd of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries for 1898;

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

Communication from same transmitting report of the inspectors, warden and subordinate officers of the Maine State prison for the year 1898,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on State Prison.

Petition of Lyman W. Hanna and 48 others, for the right to construct a dam at Mill pond at New Harbor in the town of Bristol;

Bill "An Act to authorize Lyman W. Hanna and William Mears, Jr., to build and maintain a dam at the Mill pond at New Harbor, in Bristol;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of T. H. Jackson and 49 others of Sebago, for an amendment to chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, relating to road commissioners;

Petition of I. W. Sargent and 100 others of Temple for same;

Bill "An Act for the better protection of ship masters and seamen;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Fred Emery Bean and 100 others, urging the passage of an act requiring electric railway companies to run and use vestibule cars, Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Petition of William J. Maybury and others for an act to establish the York County Trust Company, with bill accompanying;

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

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

Bill "An Act to amend subdivision 7, of section 1, of chapter 18 of the laws of 1895, referred in the House January 20 to the Committee on Legal Affairs,

Came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, the House voted to recede and concur.

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Affairs be directed to inquire into the expediency of having the annual report of the department officers of the G. A. R. printed at the expense of the State, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Hallowell Granite Works for an act relating to the distribution and use of compressed air in the city of Hallowell;

Petition of Edwin Riley and 30 others for a charter for Livermore Falls municipal court;

Remonstrance of G. L. Farrand and 131 others against increase of salary for judges of the supreme judicial court;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Messalonskee Water Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to improve the condition of highways;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1, of chapter 201 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854, relating to Bridgton Center Village Corporation;"

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

Bill "An Act to amend sections 2, 7 and 13 of chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church;"

Bill "An Act to permit and authorize the use of votingmachines at all elections;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. H. Tornquist and 24 others for repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to repairs of highways;

Petition of J. B. Cook and 43 others of Unity;

Petition of the selectmen of Blaine and 105 others;

Petition of Rufus Williams and 90 others of Wells for same;

Petition of Benjamin Desjardin for the enactment of a law granting him authority to maintain his wharf within the tidal water of New Meadows river;

Petition of James Crawford for charter for water works in Van Buren village with accompanying bill;

Petition of W. S. Mildon and 50 others for an amendment tochapter 450 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating toelection of overseers of the poor and assessor of taxes in Eastport;

Bill "An Act relative to the election of selectmen, overseers of the poor and assessors;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation of the Second Baptist Society of North Bowdoin;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation, the records and the doings of the Hartland Hall Association of Hartland;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Nathanal Butler and 14 others of Waterville in: favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine;

Petition of Parker Spofford and 40 others of Bucksport;

Petition of A. N. Pulsifer and 15 others of Auburn in favor of same;

Resolve in favor of the town of Somerville;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset Academy;"

Resolve in favor of Wiscasset Academy; Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of John Collins, president of Van Buren College and other citizens of Van Buren and vicinity, that a charter be granted to build a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou:

Petition of Arthur Daigle and others of Madawaska:

Petition of Florent Sanfason and others of Grand Isle for same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2, of chapter 96 of the laws of the year 1887 providing for the extension of railroads;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Wiscasset and Moosehead lake Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

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

Resolve in favor of Joshua Gray of Gardiner, and William B. Snow of Skowhegan,

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 334 of the Public Acts of 1897, regulating the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuffs,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of S. A. Bennett and 11 others of Norway, for better observance of Memorial Day;

Petition of the municipal officers of Dresden for reimbursement for money spent in caring for soldiers' families during the late war with Spain;

Resolve in favor of the city of Bath to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in equipping a volunteer naval reserve;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Charles Lawrence and others for right to erect dams, side-dams and make other improvements on the Enchanted stream, so called, in Upper and Lower Enchanted towns in the county of Somerset;

Petition of Manufacturing Investment Company for authority to erect booms in the Kennebec river; Bill "An Act authorizing the Manufacturing Investment Company to locate, erect and maintain in the Kennebec river, piers and booms;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve in favor of Charles T. Powers,

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

Petition of M. B. Hunt and 98 others of Belmont, relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of J. O. Tobey and 38 others of Machiasport relating to same;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of T. F. Hastings and 35 others of Bethel that the streams flowing into Songo pond in the towns of Albany and Bethel, be closed to all fishing for a term of years;

Petition of William M. Shaw and others to be allowed to take and transport for sale, white perch from the St. Croix river, its lakes and tributaries, during the months of July and August;

Petition of George D. Bisbee and 59 others of Rumford Falls, for an amendment to the fish and game laws;

Bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in the county of Sagadahoc;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of L. W. Stone and 104 others of Biddeford, in favor of prohibiting the taking of fish in Saco bay by purse seines;

Petition of Frank Cole and 38 others of Biddeford;

Petition of George H. Hussey and 75 others of Biddeford Pool;

Petition of George F. Owen and 25 others of Saco in favor of same;

Petition of Oscar Hill and 39 others of Northport to prohibit the taking of mackerel and porgies with seines or purse nets in any of the waters or tributaries of the Penobscot bay;

Petition of W. E. Pendleton and 36 others of Islesboro;

Petition of R. W. Perry and 67 others of Lincolnville for same;

Remonstrance of Alvah Jackson and 317 others against the amendment of the fish and game laws relative to the taking of smelts with purse or drag seines in Casco bay;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of George W. Turner and others of Deering for annexation of Deering to Portland;

Petition of D. D. Cheney and 110 others of Deering;

Petition of F. A. Kimball and 40 others of Deering;

Petition of John J. Frye and 43 others of Deering;

Petition of G. C. Partridge and 41 others of Deering;

Petition of L. P. Hawkins and 84 others of Deering;

Petition of C. A. Weston and 114 others of Deering for same;

Petition of 68 voters of Deering who voted "no" last spring, and who now wish its annexation to Portland;

Petition of J. H. Littlefield and 22 others of Wells that Ogunquit be set off from the town of Wells, and incorporated as a town;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Isaac Moore for reimbursement for commutation money paid during the war of the rebellion;

Resolve in favor of Charles M. Bradbury of Biddeford in the county of York;

Resolve in favor of Isaac Moore;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "An Act to secure a better enforcement of the laws prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors,"

Was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Petition of Abel Davis and 18 others for an increase of salary of the judge of probate for the county of Somerset;

Petition of the county officers of Somerset county for same;

Petition of Abel Davis and 18 others for an increase of salary of the register of probate for the county of Somerset;

Petition of the county officers of Somerset county for same; Were referred to the Somerset County Delegation. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That the time for the reception of petitions, bills and resolves for private and special legislation be extended to Wednesday, February I, 1899, and that all such petitions, bills and resolves presented after that date, be referred to the next legislature.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 126 of the laws of 1872, which applied to the town of Eastport, so that the same shall apply to the city of Eastport, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on Shore Fisheries be requested to enquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 279 of the laws of 1897, as to make them consistent with the best interests of the State, and report by bill or otherwise; and as to repeal of chapter 172 of the laws of 1895 regulating the packing of fish in hermetically sealed cans.

On motion of Mr. FIELD of Oakland,

Ordered, The Senate concurring that the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be directed to inquire and report what changes if any, are necessary in the laws pertaining to ice fishing in the lakes and ponds in the Belgrade waters, so called.

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

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham,

Ordered, That all matters pending, pertaining to salaries which have been referred to county delegations, be re-referred to Committee on Salaries, and that all matters pertaining to salaries which shall be hereafter presented be referred to the Salary Committee.

Pending passage the order was tabled on motion of Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,

Ordered, That the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs be granted the use of this hall on Thursday afternoon, January 26. Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Elections to which was referred the returns of votes for representatives to the sixtyninth legislature, reported that the official list of representatives prepared by the Hon. Secretary of State and duly submitted is the true list of the persons elected to said House of Representatives of the sixty-ninth legislature, except that Thomas F. Staples shown to be elected from the classed towns of Kittery and Eliot and acting as representative until January 19, 1899, was declared by this House not legally elected and Francis Keefe was declared legally elected representative from said towns.

The report was accepted.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act ratifying the purchase of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, and authorizing a mortgage thereof by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 54 of chapter 51, of the Revised Statutes, relating to assignment of charter or rights under it by railroad corporations;"

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.

On motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden,

Memorial of Eugene Hale and others of Hancock county bar in favor of increased salaries for justices of the supreme judicial court, and,

Petition of John Weston and 19 others for same,

Were taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

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AUGUSTA, Wednesday, January 25, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Phillips of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate Pond's Sheer Boom Company,' "

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of D. B. Melvin and 32 others of Monticello for the repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways;

Petition of T. B. Weston to set off certain lands owned by him, from Madison Village Corporation;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Portland Past Chancellors' Association;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to extend and amend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navagation Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Patten, Allagash and Northern Railroad Company;"

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

Bill "An Act to authorize the building of piers in Fish river," Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Ordered, The House concurring that the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be required to consider the advisability of granting power to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, to authorize the taking and keeping of deer for private park purposes and report by bill or otherwise.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs to which was referred resolve in favor of the city of Portland to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in aid of the needy families of soldiers who served as volunteers in the army of the United States in the late war with Spain reporting "that same be referred to the Committee on Military Acairs."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association."

Report of same committee reporting same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 203 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the education of the deaf, dumb and blind."

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 reporting "ought to pass" on resolve for the purpose of operating the fish hatcheries, and feeding stations for fish and for the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve to provide means for examination of claims for State pensions.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital reporting "ought to pass" or resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Hospital for the insane.

The reports were accepted in concurrence resolves severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to create a board of overseers of the poor and workhouse for the city of Portland."

Pending reference the bill was tabled and ordered printed, on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland.

Bill "An Act to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 250 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, and also of chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, providing for the building of a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou."

Pending reference the bill was tabled and ordered printed, on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

Petition of Joseph Francis for an act authorizing the Public Works Company to extend its mains to Indian island;

Petition of H. J. Cross and 9 others in favor of increased salaries for judges of the supreme judicial court;

Petition of the selectmen of Parsonsfield for a voting precinct in Kezar Falls in said town;

Bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the public works;"

Bill "An Act to further regulate the organization and control of business corporations;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Orono Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend sections 22, 24 and 28 of chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections;"

Bill "An Act relating to the organization, and stock and bonds of the United States Envelope Company;"

Bill "An Act relating to the title of real estate;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885 and chapter 377 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to school district No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk;"

Bill "An Act to amend charter of city of Hallowell;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and the Laconia Company to consolidate;"

Bill "An Act to provide for notice of actions against railroad and steamboat companies;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Walter G. Loud and 25 others of Plymouth for repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897 relating to the election of road commissioner;

Petition of M. C. Chapman and 42 others of Newburg;

Petition of Joseph E. Friend and 52 others of Etna;

Petition of W. T. Barton and 36 others of Perham;

Petition of E. B. Briggs and 28 others of Westfield plantation; Petition of C. L. Stoddard and 101 others of Washburn for same:

Petition of the municipal officers of Jefferson for an act to legalize the calling and doings of their town at its annual meeting in 1897 with bill accompanying;

Petition of Wayland Knowlton and 11 others, members of the Waldo county bar, for a law giving trial justices concurrent jurisdiction with the police court of the city of Belfast in civil cases wherein the debt or damage does not exceed twenty dollars;

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 472 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes relating to the appointment of register of probate;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of lot owners in Pine Grove cemetery in the town of Cherryfield;"

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court at Rumford Falls in the town of Rumford;"

Bill "An Act giving trial justices within and for the county of Waldo concurrent jurisdiction with the police court of the city of Belfast in all matters wherein the debt or damage does not exceed twenty dollars and in actions of forcible entry and detainer;"

Bill "An Act relating to 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 48 of chapter 77, Revised Statutes;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Statement of facts relative to the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering;

Petition of Mrs. L. W. Stevens and 8 others of Fort Fairfield in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of E. M. Goodall and others for authority to build a street railroad from Biddeford to York beach;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Cumberland and Oxford Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Ossipee Valley Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

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

Bill "An Act extending certain powers of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Maine Annuity Company," Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Seth E. Berry and 45 others of Bridgton for a bounty on henhawks;

Petition of C. W. Kimball and 48 others of Bridgton;

Petition of William F. Perry and 41 others of Bridgton;

Petition of J. M. Hill and 26 others for a law for the extermination of weeds;

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, establishing a bounty on henhawks;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of food;"

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society;' "

Resolve in favor of the extirpation of diseased cattle; Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

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Petition of the city of Lewiston for permission to take water for domestic purposes;

Petition of E. and I. K. Stetson and others for amendment of charter of the Bangor Boom Company;

Petition of C. H. McKenney and 19 others for an appropriation to improve and render navigable, throughout the entire summer season, that part of the interior water way known as the Sebago lake steamboat route, at the places known as Chute's river and at the source and mouth of Songo river;

Petition of Warren B. Chute and 78 others;

Petition of J. C. Richardson and 59 others;

Petition of J. S. Chaplin and 32 others;

Petition of I. S. Webb and 53 others for same;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Bangor Boom Company;"

Resolve for improvement of Songo and Chute's rivers;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of F. L. Palmer and 24 others for better observance of Memorial Day;

Bill "An Act to establish a naval reserve as a part of the national guard of the State of Maine;"

Resolve to reimburse Deering for supplies furnished families of volunteers in late war;

Resolve in favor of the city of Gardiner to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in aid of Private Charles L. Rice, Battery C, 1st Maine Heavy Artillery;

Resolve in favor of Howard Whittier;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Lewis Parent and others in favor of road from Van Buren to Caribou,

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

Petition of C. P. Brown and 39 others of Knox county in favor of allowing open time on deer in said county during the month of October in each year;

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Petition of W. S. Marble and 68 others of Rangeley, to prohibit fishing for or taking landlocked salmon or trout in outlet of Rangeley lake above the bridge, between July 1st and May 1st for a term of six years;

Petition of H. A. Furbish and 36 others for same;

Petition of W. S. Marble and 63 others to prohibit the taking of bluebacks from the Rangeley lakes for a term of six years;

Bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on the Isle au Haute in Hancock county;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of H. W. Eaton and 120 others in favor of extending the time for weir fishing below the breakwater in the St. Croix river;

Petition of A. I. Brown and 50 others of Belfast for a law prohibiting the use of any purse net or seine in the waters, bays or tributaries of Penobscot bay;

Petition of F. S. Stevens and 49 others in regard to fishing with nets in the waters of the town of Cutler;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of C. S. Lougee and 53 others for the repeal of chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of N. L. Woodman and 40 others of Monroe for same;

Petition of E. A. Wyman and 75 others for an appropriation in aid of repairing a bridge across the Narraguagus river at Milbridge;

Petition of G. R. Campbell and 44 others of Cherryfield in aid of same;

Resolve in favor of aid in building bridge across St. Croix stream in the town of Masardis, county of Aroostook;

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of William Robertson and 12 others to be set off from Plantation No. 7 and annexed to town of Sullivan; Petition of E. R. Michaud and 14 others for the division of the town of Frenchville and incorporation of the town of St. Agatha;

Remonstrance of F. B. Jeffords and 203 others of Deering against the annexation of Deering to Portland;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolve in favor of the town of Waterford;

Resolve in favor of the town of Norway;

Resolve in favor of the town of Canton;

Were referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Bill "An Act to provide for establishment and maintenance of free public libraries in cities and towns and for the purchase of books for the use of plantations out of the money raised and collected from the licensing of dogs,"

Was referred to the Committee on Libraries.

Bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Aroostook,"

Was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Petition of A. D. Brown and others of Chester for an increase in the salary of the judge of probate for Penobscot county;

Petition of A. B. Farnum and 252 others of Bangor and Brewer;

Petition of N. R. Packard and 57 others of Corinna;

Petition of H. W. Lord and others of Lowell;

Petition of Jacob Bemis and others of Lagrange;

Petition of Joseph E. Friend and 30 others of Etna;

Petition of F. H. Drummond and 62 others of Corinth, Old Town and Bangor;

Petition of Charles E. Sutton and 16 others of Old Town and "Orono;

Petition of Albert W. Paine and 57 others, members of the Penobscot Bar;

Petition of Jessie Prentiss and 15 others of Milford;

Pctition of James D. Murphy and 20 others of Kingman;

Petition of Samuel Libby and 8 others of Orono for same;

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Penobscot;"

Bill "An Act relating to the salary of the judge of the Bangor Municipal Court;"

Were referred to the Penobscot County Delegation.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 625 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to establish a board of police of the city of Biddeford,' "

Was referred to the York County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. KILBORN of Bethel,

Ordered, That the Committee on Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the constitution that a citizen of the United States, not less than thirty years of age, who has been five years a resident of the State, may be eligible to the office of Governor, though he be not a natural born citizen of the United States.

On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses be requested to inquire into the expediency of soamending chapter 207 Private and Special Laws of 1895 and chapter 344 Private and Special Laws of 1897 so that the acts shall apply to present wants of company and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordercd, The Senate concurring, that the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game inquire into the expediency of requiring the county attorneys and sheriffs of the several counties to enforce the laws for the protection of game; the fines collected to go one-half to the county attorneys and sheriffs and the other half to the counties, making such changes in the laws relating to game protection as may be needed, and report by bill or otherwise. On motion of Mr. PURINTON of Woolwich,

Ordered, That the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries inquire into the necessity of amending the law pertaining to Nequasset stream in Woolwich and other towns in Sagadahoc county, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden,

Ordcred, That the State superintendent of schools be requested to furnish a detailed statement for the school year ending June 30, 1898, showing the number of free high schools; the whole amount paid by the State in aid of same; the amount raised by the towns in aid of same; number of scholars registered and average attendance on same.

Also the number of academies or private institutions of learning receiving aid from the State; amount special appropriation for each, and amount received by them under the Free High School act; amount of fund, if any, possessed be each, with the whole number of scholars, and average attendance of each; and that the same be printed and laid upon the desks of members.

On motion of Mr. CHICK of Clifton,

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.

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

On motion of Mr. PIERCE of Blaine,

Ordered, That the State treasurer be and hereby is requested to furnish forthwith for the information of this House, a detailed statement of the State tax assessed against and paid by the electric street railway companies for the years 1895, 1896, 1897 and 1898.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of Miliken, Cousens and Short and 257 others, business men and tax payers and business firms of Portland in favor of the annexation of Deering to Portland;

Petition of John F. Procter and 47 others, legal voters of Deering;

Petition of Ira F. Tibbetts and 4 others of Deering who voted against annexation at the last election in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock, A. M., Thursday, January 26,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Seventeenth Maine Regiment Association and Third Army Corps Union, for the erection of a monument to the memory of Major General Hiram G. Berry.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. KING from the Committee on Interior Waters reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river in the town of Bucksport."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules.

Resolve providing for the payment to the town of Jay the amount deducted from said town's proportion of the school fund for the year 1898, on account of an imperfect school return,

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

An Act to change the name of Colby University,

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. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

The order instructing the Committee on Legal Affairs to inquire into the expediency of creating theoffice of State Auditor in accordance with the recommendations relating thereto contained in the inaugural address of Governor Powers, and report what legislation is necessary or otherwise,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, The order was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. HASSELL of Sebec, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Thursday, January 26, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cochrane of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the Executive Department transmitting⁻ report of the Board of Registration of Medicine for the year 1898,

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

Petition of the Ellsworth Electric Illuminating Company for an act to enable it to sell its plant and property;

Bill "An Act to enlarge the powers of the Castine Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to enable the Winter Harbor Company to purchase stock of the Grindstone Neck Water Company;"

Were referred ot the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act amendatory to section 9 of chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 47 of the Public Laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 197 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to public cemeteries and burying grounds,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs .

Resolve in favor of procuring portraits of the past presiding officers of the Senate,

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Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of J. M. Larrabee and 45 others of Gardiner in favor of the passage of the bill for protection of street railway employes;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway;"

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

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 as amended by chapter 502 of the Private and Special Laws of 1852, relating to the free bridge across Salt pond in Bluehill,"

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

Petition of S. Elizabeth C. Haskell and others in favor of exempting women from taxation;

Petition of Mary Sawyer Thomas and others;

Petition of Sarah B. S. Stratton and others;

Petition of Roxanna F. Hanscom and others;

Petition of Jennie Fuller and others;

Petition of Elizabeth W. Smith and 71 others in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Petition of George P. Wescott and others in favor of the annexation of South Portland to the city of Portland;

Petition of Andrew S. Sawyer and others;

Petition of Fred E. Richards and others;

Petition of William T. Studley and others in favor of same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of amending the laws relating to the support of State paupers, and report by bill or otherwise,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of J. O. Tobey and 38 others relating to the repair of highways, and

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Petition of M. B. Hunt and 98 others relating to same, referred in the House January 25 to the Committee on Ways and Bridges, came from the Senate, referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs;

The House voted to recede and concur.

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> Petition of Arthur T. Hall and 22 others of Portland in favor of bill prohibiting the issue of trading stamps;

Petition of L. B. Andrews and 19 others of Paris;

Petition of James H. Kidder and 9 others of Aroostook county in favor of same;

Petition of Emery Andrews and 90 others for the repeal of charter of School District No. 5 in Kennebunk;

Remonstrance of H. C. Webber and 76 others of Newport against increase of salaries of judges of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of W. H. Vinton and 50 others of Gray against same;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Water District;"

Bill "An Act to repeal section 3 of chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1891;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George D. Chandler and 24 others of Brunswick for an amendment to section 2, chapter 287 Public Laws of 1893, relating to license fees for dogs;

Petition of Joseph Williamson and 9 other members of the Waldo County Bar in favor of an act to amend the powers and jurisdiction of the police court of the city of Belfast;

Petition of E. C. West and 70 others in favor of repeal of chapter 329 Public Laws of 1897, relating to the election of road commissioners;

Petition of John D. Gallagher and 50 others of Presque Isle;

Petition of A. S. Nickerson and 27 others of Swanville in favor of same;

Petition of P. H. Gillin and 30 others for an amendment to section 39, chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the practice of law;

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapters 9 and 146 of the Public Laws

of 1889, and chapter 60 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to dependent soldiers and sailors;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1879, establishing the police court of the city of Belfast, as amended by chapter 428 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885;"

Bill "An Act to authorize Benjamin Desjardin to maintain a. wharf into the tide-waters of New Meadows river in the town of Brunswick, county of Cumberland;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of V. C. Plummer and 32 others of Addison for change in the law relative to the raising of money by towns for support of common schools;

Petition of J. E. White and 22 others of Columbia for same;

Petition of Leroy Lord and 40 others of Lebanon for an appropriation in favor of West Lebanon Academy;

Petition of Henry E. Lord and 79 others of Lebanon;

Petition of William B. Wentworth and 56 others of Lebanon in favor of same;

Resolve in favor of West Lebanon Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act to amend an act relating to the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company,"

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

Remonstrance of F. H. Allen and 18 others of Bluehill against an amendment of Bluehill Falls bridge charter,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of E. I. Herrick and 142 others in favor of screeningthe outlet of Gull pond in Franklin county;

Petition of R. E. Scammon and 18 others for a law regulating the taking of pickerel in Weld pond;

Petition of Thomas Golder and 68 others of Belgrade for an amendment to the law so that ice fishing for black bass, whiteperch and pickerel be permitted on Great and Long ponds in the county of Kennebec through the months of December, January, February and March with not more than five lines to be used by any one person;

Remonstrance of J. W. Dudley and 48 others of Mapleton against the proposed hunters license law;

Remonstrance of E. R. Wingate and 146 others against allowing a close time on deer in York and Cumberland counties except such as may be applicable to all other counties;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of Wallace J. Shaw for an amendment to the law so that it shall be unlawful to take smelts other than by hook and line in Casco bay, between the head of Fore river, Portland Harbor and Lookout point in Harpswell;

Remonstrance of Joshua Robinson and 25 others against an amendment to the laws of 1897 relative to the taking of smelts in Casco bay;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petiton of John U. Chandler and 20 other non-resident tax payers of Roque Bluffs for annexation of Roque Island and adjacent island to the town of Roque Bluffs;

Petition of Foster M. Thompson and 31 others of Roque Bluffs for same;

Petition of John B. Robinson and others relating to setting off certain lands from Oxford Village Corporation;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "An Act to amend Chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the sheriff of the county of Waldo,"

Was referred to the Waldo County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending the laws relating to tramps, and report by bill or otherwise. On motion of Mr. DONHAM of Hebron,

Ordered, That the Committee on Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the public statutes as to require contractors upon public or private works to indemnify municipalities in which they operate, for any expenses which said municipalities may necessarily incur by reason of non-resident laborers who have been employed by said contractors falling into distress in said municipalities on account of the non-payment of wages due them from such contractors.

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

On motion of Mr. MACFARLANE of Greenville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game have the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for public hearings to be held February 1st and 22d at 2:30 P. M.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the city of Eastport."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to establish the West Washington municipal court."

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 relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Manufacturers Trust Company."

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the West outlet of Moosehead lake."

Mr. PEABODY from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Thomas Bailey, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 2, 7 and 13 of chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church."

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 203 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the education of the deaf, dumb and blind;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

The vote whereby bill "An Act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of free public libraries in cities and towns and for the purchaseof books for the use of plantations out of the money raised and collected from the licensing of dogs," was, January 25, referred to the Committee on Library, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman, the bill was tabled and ordered printed pending reference.

On motion of Mr. DONHAM of Hebron, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Friday, January 27, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Miller of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petiton of assessors of Farmington Village Corporation for authority to take water from Sandy river for municipal purposes,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Kingfield to purchase the property and franchises of the Kingfield Water Company, and to incorporate the Kingfield water commissioners,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Blue Hill and Bucksport Electric Railroad Company,"

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

Petition of George E. Lufkin and 49 others of Bangor in favor of an act prohibiting the use of trading stamps;

Petition of the members of Bangor Board of Trade in favor of same;

Remonstrance of Mark T. Newton and 102 others of Webster against an increase of salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of Arthur R. Gould and 42 others of Presque Isle against changing the limits of the Presque Isle village fire department;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of John H. Hobbs and 19 others of the town of Winterport for the repeal of the road commissioner law; Remonstrance of F. C. White and 15 others, members of the Portland Marine Society, against proposed amendment of its charter;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the People's Trust Company,"

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

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 280 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to the use of rafts or floats in fishing for smelts in Bagaduce river,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Resolve in favor of the town of Rockport,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when we adjourn it be to Monday, January 30th, at 4:30 o'clock P. M.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Communication from State treasurer transmitting detailed statement of the State tax assessed against and paid by the electric street railway companies for the years 1895, 1896, 1897 and 1898, in compliance with an order of the House passed January 25,

Was read, tabled and ordered printed on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle.

Petiton of E. Dyer and 63 others for preventing the taking of smelts by seines in Saco river,

Was tabled pending referrence, on motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco.

Bill "An Act to permit the city of Lewiston to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding fifty-one thousand dollars, to meet its bonds now outstanding and maturing in the year 1899,"

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of E. R. Michaud and 22 others of the town of Frenchville that the Van Buren and Caribou Railroad Company be subrogated to all the rights and privileges of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company; Bill "An Act to amend chapter 282 of the Laws of 1889, relating to railroad crossings;"

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

Bill "An Act to incorporate the North Berwick Trust Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of William B. Tobey and 11 others, directors of the North Berwick Agricultural Association of North Berwick, for an appropriation in favor of said association,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Rose G. White, division president of the Ladies' Aid Society, and 4 others of Waldoboro in favor of an act entitled "An Act to regulate the observance of Memorial Day;"

Petition of Blanche Whithee and others of Pittsfield;

Petition of Rose Fairbanks and 15 others of Westbrook;

Petition of W. L. Harris and 32 others of Portland;

Petition of Nellie J. Mosman and 25 others of Belfast;

Petition of Ida M. Hodgkins and 7 others of Warren;

Petition of Freda L. Jewett and 15 others of South Etna;

Petition of Mary L. Thompson and 14 others of Brunswick; Petition of Emma R. Farnsworth and 13 others of West Pem-

broke;

Petition of Myra Coombs and 6 others of Waterville;

Petition of Charles L. Carr and 22 others of Freeport;

Petition of Sadie H. Mains and 9 others of Casco;

Petition of I. T. Wade and 12 others of Monson;

Petition of Sarah Emerson and 9 others of Gardiner;

Petition of Mary Hurd and 6 others of North Berwick;

Petition of J. Noyes and 10 others of Newhall;

Petition of Florence A. Lewis and 11 others of Springfield;

Petition of Hannah A. Welch and 15 others of Strong;

Petition of Mary M. Rising and 24 others of Rockland;

Petition of Carrie N. Davenport and 16 others of Castine;

Petition of J. D. Stanwood and 16 others of Winn; Petition of Anne Clifford and 39 others of Belfast; Petition of Ida Holmes and 16 others of Livermore Falls; Petition of Maude Olsen and 10 others: Petition of Emma F. Benson and 22 others of South Lewiston; Petition of Carrie A. Cushman and 11 others of Phillips; Petition of Mittie A. Smith and 11 others of Chesterville; Petition of Sarah L. Haskell and 30 others of Camden; Petition of Martha Merrill and 12 others of Damariscotta; Petition of Margaret E. Smith and 25 others of Gardiner; Petition of Cora F. Harvey and 21 others of Leeds: Petition of J. P. Ellis and 9 others of South China; Petition of Anna Simpson and 21 others of Waterville; Petition of F. H. Calderwood and 23 others of Vinalhaven; Petition of Louise C. Weston and 16 others of Warren; Petition of A. L. Butler and 44 others of Lewiston; Petition of Harriet Wetherbee and 23 others of Houlton; Petition of T. L. McAvery and 16 others of North Bradford; Petition of J. H. Burns and 23 others of South China; Petition of Alonzo Sylvester and 21 others of Farmington; Petition of William M. Dow and 15 others of Gray; Petition of John C. Morton and 23 others of Washington; Petition of Alden Buckman and 9 others of Athens; Petition of G. F. Tarbell and 9 others of Benton; Petition of E. H. Davis and 15 others of Madison; Petition of Joseph H. Townsend and 6 others of Freeport; Petition of Edwin Savage and 10 others of Lincoln Center; Petition of J. W. Thompson and 7 others of Canton; Petition of B. C. Morrill and 9 others of Caribou; Petition of D. B. Green and 8 others of Lewiston; Petition of Charles Meserve and 7 others of North Berwick; Petition of A. M. Sawtelle and 12 others of Sidney; Petition of L. B. Jennings and 8 others of Windsor;

Petition of John Fox and 26 others of Lovell; Petition of W. F. Haines and 13 others of Litchfield; Petition of M. H. Dawser and 11 others of Springvale; Petition of A. A. Skinner and 16 others of East Jefferson; Petition of Charles Dolloff and 19 others of Mt. Vernon; Petition of George W. Speers and 9 others of East Stoneham; Petition of Sewall C. Shaw and 13 others of Foxcroft; Petition of Josiah G. Butler and 7 others of Westham; Petition of W. S. Randlet and 17 others of East Newport; Petition of George W. Young and 12 others of Winn; Petition of Jere Bowen and 13 others of Monroe; Petition of A. S. Strout and 8 others of Guilford : Petition of James F. Rogers and 23 others of Bingham; Petition of Frank H. Oliver and 10 others of Orono: Petition of O. A. Spear and 16 others of Warren; Petition of William Fenelly and 17 others of Bar Harbor; Petition of T. U. Whiting and 22 others of Hampden; Petition of John Noyes and 4 others of North Whitefield; Petition of Abram T. Gamage and 14 others of Newcastle; Petition of D. L. Field and 10 others of Ellsworth: Petition of William D. Mitchell and 12 others of St. Albans: Petition of J. Edwin Nye and 54 others of Auburn; Petition of Francis A. Dunn and 17 others of New Sharon; Petition of Joshua L. Chamberlain and 25 others of Brunswick:

Petition of Calvin P. Vinal and 27 others of Vinalhaven; Petition of James Elliot and 12 others of Livermore Falls; Petition of Charles O. Wadsworth and 6 others of Gardiner; Petition of Charles H. Rouse and 24 others of Togus; Petition of John H. Howe and 22 others of Hallowell; Petition of M. L. Fisher and 10 others of Kenduskeag; Petition of G. E. Barnes and 14 others of Camden; Petition of Daniel F. Davis and 26 others of Bucksport;

Petition of R. M. Daniels and 17 others of Pittsfield; Petition of Edward Butler and 24 others of Rockland; Petition of L. B. Heald and 6 others of West Sumner; Petition of Isaac S. Vinal and 12 others of Fort Fairfield: Petition of H. A. Robinson and 34 others of Lewiston; Petition of A. P. Russell and 28 others of North Turner: Petition of Elmer Brooks and 19 others of Corinna; Petition of F. O. Talbot and 19 others of Machias; Petition of Charles H. Harvey and 13 others of Presque Isle; Petition of S. C. Cushman and 13 others of Sherman Mills; Petition of Stephen Clark and 10 others of Winterport; Petition of W. H. Clifford and 16 others of Belfast: Petition of W. H. Miles and 16 others of Lisbon; Petition of John B. Murphy and 29 others of Calais; Petition of Jessie H. Higgins and 7 others of Bar Harbor; Petition of Edwin A. Leighton and 21 others of Westbrook; Petition of Roscoe E. Doty and 9 others of Winterport; Petition of W. G. Hussey and 13 others of Belfast; Petition of E. M. Courson and 7 others of Brunswick; Petition of A. G. Young and 11 others of Bradford; Petition of A. F. Orr and 10 others of Old Town: Petition of C. A. Davis and 9 others of Warren; Petition of H. M. Nickerson and 32 others of Portland; Petition of Willie A. French and 12 others of Mt. Vernon; Petition of H. G. Means and 7 others of Freeport; Petition of J. S. Dyer and 13 others of New Sharon; Petition of Fred H. Brown and 9 others of South Standish; Petition of John S. Folsom and 18 others of Auburn; Petition of William Clark and 43 others of Bar Harbor; Petition of E. A. Davis and 19 others of Old Town; Petition of G. W. F. Hill and 64 others of Waldoboro; Petition of F. I. Wilson and 33 others of Belfast; Petition of George A. Merrill and 37 others of New Sharon;

Petition of Walter Brasier and 10 others of Abbott village; Petition of J. Young and 6 others of South Etna; Petition of Marcus T. Merrill and 0 others of Augusta; Petition of King S. Raymond and 40 others of Westbrook; Petition of C. E. Townsend and 41 others of Brunswick; Petition of H. C. Brewer and 30 others of Freeport; Petition of M. F. Scott and 11 others of Winn; Petition of Daniel M. G. Spencer and 15 others of Winterport; Petition of J. L. Thompson and 13 others of East Wilton; Petition of Frederick A. Robie and 50 others of Gorham; Petition of Ella A. Butler and 13 others of Waterville; Petition of Mrs. A. N. Jones and 36 others of North Turner; Petition of Eva Bryant and 26 others of Pittsfield:

Petition of Mrs. George E. Merrill and 15 others of Westbrook in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to regulate the observance of Memorial Day;"

Resolve in favor of the Rev. C. S. Cummings of Auburn, chaplain of the First Regiment National Guard;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ripley Water Company of Andover, Maine,"

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of Samuel D. Wyman and 49 others for the repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897;

Petition of the selectmen of Moscow and 26 others for an appropriation to aid in the construction of a bridge across the Kennebec river between the towns of Bingham and Concord;

Petition of the selectmen of Jackman and 18 others;

Petition of the assessors of Carratunk and 31 others;

Petition of the selectmen of Concord and 25 others;

Petition of the assessors of Pleasant Ridge plantation and 30 others;

Petition of the selectmen of Bingham and 110 others, in favor of same;

Resolve in aid of building a bridge across the Kennebec river between the towns of Bingham and Concord, in Somerset county;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Resolve in favor of John G. Fleming,

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 72 Special Laws of 1887, in relation to the taking of fish in Neguasset lake,"

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Susan J. Tukey for payment of certain sums of money to her on account of services and disbursements of the late George W. Tukey, for and in behalf of the State of Maine,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "An Act to provide State pensions for the soldiers in the late war with Spain,"

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs be requested to report on the advisability of co-operating with the Pemaquid Monument Association, a corporation established by law, in preserving as a public monument the existing remains of Fort William Henry at Pemaquid Beach in the county of Lincoln.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS of Brownville,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of requiring that all mortgages on real estate when there has been a full performance of the conditions shall be discharged by the mortgagee or his legal representative on the records in the registry of deeds in the county where the land lies, and report by bill or otherwise.

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

Mr. VIRGIN from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to regulate the fire department of the city of Portland," reported that same be printed and re-committed. Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of J. S. Williamson and others, that suitable homeopathic medical treatment be provided at the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the municipal court of Lewiston to naturalize."

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of B. F. Baker and others that aid be given by the State in building a bridge across Sandy river in the town of Starks.

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition of Cape Porpoise Land Company, that it be authorized to erect and maintain a toll bridge for foot and carriage travel across tide-water between Cape Porpoise and Trott's island, reported that the petition be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HARRIS from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Webster Woolen Company to supply the village of Sabattus with water for municipal purposes."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide-waters of Penobscot river in the town of Bucksport." (House document No. 11);

Bill "An Act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society." (House document No. 14);

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the west outlet of Moosehead lake." (House document No. 16);

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of Thomas Bailey, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians. (House document No. 15),

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading. An Act to amend section 54 of chapter 51, Revised Statutes, relating to the assignment of charter or rights under it by rail-road corporations;

An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company;

An Act to amend chapter 203 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the education of the deaf, dumb and blind;

An Act ratifying the purchase of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, and authorizing a mortgage thereof by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company;

An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association;

Resolve providing for the payment to the town of Jay, the amount deducted from said town's proportion of the school fund for the year 1898, on account of an imperfect school return;

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.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Bill "An Act to create a board of overseers of the poor and workhouse for the city of Portland." (House document No. 12),

Was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Bill "An Act to provide for establishment and maintenance of free public libraries in cities and towns and for the purchase of books for the use of plantations out of the money raised and collected from the licensing of dogs." (House document No. 17),

Was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Library.

These bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham,

Adjourned.

E. M. THOMPSON, Acting Clerk.

AUGUSTA, Monday, January 30, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Peckham of Hallowell.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to foreigners not naturalized,"

Was tabled pending reference in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs, on motion of Mr. BELLEAU of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act for the maintenance of free high schools in cities and towns having a population of one thousand or more,"

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of G. S. Perkins and others of Sidney for repeal of close time on deer in Kennebec county,

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

Petition of George A. Wilson and others in favor of increase of salary of the register of probate in Oxford county,

Was referred in concurrence to the Oxford County Delegation.

Petition of George W. Burkett and 28 others of Belfast in favor of law prohibiting the use of trading stamps and similar devices;

Petition of G. W. Irving and others, merchants of Caribou;

Petition of Biddeford Board of Trade in favor of same;

Petition of Edwin Riley and others for passage of an act relating to the Livermore Falls Water Company;

Remonstrance of Fred S. Wiggin and 27 others of Presque Isle against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of William J. True and 78 others of Yarmouth;

Remonstrance of R. M. Dyer and 21 others of Sabago;

Remonstrance of P. J. Phinney and 33 others of Starks;

Remonstrance of E. T. Burnham and 13 others of Hollis against same;

Bill "An Act to amend sction 6 of chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1885 entitled 'An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intelligence offices;'"

Bill "An Act to amend paragraph 6 of section 55 of chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes, relating to trustee process;"

*Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ticonic Footbridge Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 304 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 40 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to boards of registration;"

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 authorizing the Hallowell Granite Works to lay and maintain pipes in the city of Hallowell for the use and distribution of compressed air;"

Bill "An Act additional to acts, to incorporate the Lockwood Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of E. T. Spear and 27 others of Montville in favor of repeal of chapter 329 Public Laws of 1897, relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of F. M. Adams and 52 others of Morrill;

Petition of W. S. Mayberry and 180 others of Albion;

Petition of F. A. Luce and 34 others of Mars Hill;

Petition of A. W. Miller and 63 others of Hartland;

Petition of C. W. Haley and 12 others of Hollis;

Petition of S. B. Littlefield and 31 others of Stockton Springs;

Petition of Fred L. Paul and 22 others of Eliot;

Petition of F. P. Grant and 47 others of Fort Fairfield in favor of same;

Petition of James T. Moore and 85 others for an act to incorporate the Sullivan Harbor Water Company; Bill "An Act to amend section 23, chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the city of Biddeford, ' Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Hartland Academy, Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of H. A. Edwards and 56 others of Caribou that the Van Buren and Caribou Railroad Company be subrogated to all the rights and privileges of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company as to the line between Van Buren and Caribou;

Bill "An Act to revive and extend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company;"

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

Remonstrance of Charles P. Bartlett and 18 others against the petition of E. C. Eastman and others to prohibit the dumping of sawdust into Swift river in Oxford county;

Remonstrance of Lewis H. Reed and 17 others;

Remonstrance of H. H. Richards and 34 others;

Remonstrance of I. W. Mason and 38 others against same;

Remonstrance of J. P. Bass and 99 others of Bangor against the bridging of Kenduskeag stream;

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to take water for municipal purposes;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve to reimburse Daniel S. Chadbourne for repairs on breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge;

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Petition of H. K. Stearns and 18 others to prohibit the catching of pickerel or any other fish in Marshall's pond through the ice;

Petition of L. H. Mosher and 40 others for the enactment of a law protecting trout in Sandy stream and tributaries in the town of Unity for a period of three years;

Remonstrance of H. J. Lane and 7 others against the extension of close time on deer in Cumberland county;

Remonstrance of Charles S. Hayden and 39 others against same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 21 chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Inland Fisheries and Game as amended by chapter 125 of the laws of 1895;"

• Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of J. C. Curtis and 23 others of Camden in favor of prohibiting the use of purse or other seines in any of the waters, bays, tributaries or harbors of Penobscot bay, except for taking smelts and salmon;

Petition of T. L. Cleaves and 100 others of Old Orchard in favor of prohibiting the use of purse seines in Saco bay;

Petition of Eben Seavey and 24 others of Scarboro in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of lobsters off the coast of Maine;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Claim of A. J. Cameron for binding and stitching for State government of 1878,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Penobscot county,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Bill "An Act to fix the clerk hire of the probate court in the county of Kennebec,"

Was referred to the Kennebec County Delegation.

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

Mr. HIX from the Committee on Financial Affairs reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Waldoboro.

Same gentlèman from same committee reported same, on resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine.

The reports were accepted and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Manufacturers' Trust Company. (House document No. 18);

Bill "An Act to authorize the Webster Woolen Company to supply the village of Sabattus with water for municipal purposes." (House document No. 20);

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide-waters of Penobscot river in the town of Bucksport;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society;"

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the west outlet of Moosehead lake;"

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.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,

Bill "An Act to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 250 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, and also of chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, providing for the building of a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou,"

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, Adjournd.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, January 31, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boardman of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of the State superintendent of public schools for the year 1898,

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

Remonstrance of Henry S. Jones and 43 others of Scarboro against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of Thomas J. Carle and 36 others of Hollis against same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for assault and battery and other misdemeanors;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act amendatory to chapter 144, section 2 of the Special Laws of 1869, relating to an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company."

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

Petition of C. H. Clark and Company and 18 others of Lubec for a law prohibiting the use of trading stamps and similar devices; Petition of O. A. Dennen and others in favor of the enactment of a law prohibiting the wearing of spiked boots in public places;

Petition of Nathan T. Swan and others for same;

Remonstrance of R. W. Simpson and 18 others of Carmel against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of John Martin and others;

Remonstrance of J. S. Bearce and 25 others of Foxcroft;

Remonstrance of Thomas G. Hall and 40 others of Gore;

Remonstrance of E. F. Robinson and 51 others of Carmel;

Remonstrance of Steven Mudgett and 70 others of Dixmont;

Remonstrance of J. C. Holman and 38 others of Mt. Vernon; Remonstrance of Jessie Spaulding and 20 others of Mt. Vernon;

Remonstrance of A. P. Clifford and 40 others of Mt. Vernon; Remonstrance of Charles C. Bean and 31 others of Readfield; Remonstrance of C. W. Buzzell and 27 others of Steuben; Remonstrance of James Gowan and 42 others of Duck pond; Remonstrance of S. R. Cushman and 36 others of Steuben; Remonstrance of John F. Libby and 27 others of Prospect; Remonstrance of A. P. Ritchie and 27 others of Monroe;

Remonstrance of B. W. Eames and 26 others of Prospect;

Remonstrance of C. F. Cushman and 14 others of Searsmont; Remonstrance of Warren Sheldon and 43 others of Searsmont;

Remonstrance of M. B. Hunt and 41 others of Belmont;

Remonstrance of J. P. Rowell and 75 others of Kenduskeag;

Remonstrance of C. F. Gerald and 10 others of West Palmyra; Remonstrance of William G. Harriman and 17 others of Meddybemps;

Remonstrance of C. A. Merrill and 64 others of Smithfield; Memonstrance of C. H. Jones and 69 others of Athens;

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Remonstrance of L. E. Webb and 52 others of Unity;

Remonstrance of A. C. Waugh and 52 others of East Corinth;

Remonstrance of George W. Hosmer and 16 others of Pittsburg;

Remonstrance of Elisha L. Totman and 18 others of Ashdale; Remonstrance of Joseph H. Davis and 24 others of South Durham;

Remonstrance of O. L. Jones and 19 others of Corinna; Remonstrance of L. A. Fletcher and 31 others of East Corinth; Remonstrance of Edward Roy and 4 others of Hope; Remonstrance of J. E. White and 51 others of Columbia;

Remonstrance of A. M. Nash and 110 others of Harrington;

Remonstrance of Edgar F. Allen and 78 others of Columbia;

Remonstrance of E. T. Coffin and 34 others of Harrington;

Remonstrance of E. Z. Brown and 19 others of Clifton;

Remonstrance of M. C. Lynott and 62 others of East Eddington;

Remonstrance of Robert Simmons and 13 others of Rockport; Remonstrance of A. J. Tolman and 35 others of Rockland; Remonstrance of Alvin E. Studley and 18 others of Warren; Remonstrance of Marcellus Metcalf and 17 others of Hope; Remonstrance of W. L. Kaler and 9 others of Waldoboro; Remonstrance of George E. Cram and 38 others of Winthrop; Remonstrance of J. W. Hatch and 58 others of Winthrop; Remonstrance of J. Henry Moore and 97 others of Winthrop; Remonstrance of A. Thomas and 65 others of Readfield;

Remonstrance of E. J. Beal and 63 others of Readfield;

Remonstrance of George W. Merrow and 48 others of Read-field;

Remonstrance of W. T. Mace and 60 others of Readfield Depot;

Remonstrance of J. F. Taylor and 34 others of Readfield Depot;

Remonstrance of Wellington Bailey and 35 others of Princeton;

Remonstrance of Daniel Luce and 78 others of Readfield against same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895 relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives;"

Bill "An Act relating to the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland, Maine;"

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 511 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Water and Electric Light and Power Company, as amended by chapter 494 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889;'"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years;"

Bill "An Act to establish the Bath and Brunswick Water District;"

Resolve to enable the county of Aroostook to refund its debt; Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. E. Estabrook and 37 others in favor of the repeal of chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, relating to road commissioners;

Petition of J. D. Emery and 87 others of St. Albans;

Petition of F. M. Caldwell and 13 others of Sherman;

Petition of A. P. Dudley and 40 others of Rome in favor of same;

Petition of F. C. Foster and 24 others relating to ice fishing on Great and Long ponds in Kennebec county;

Petition of Arthur P. Libby and others for an act to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Water Company;

Petition of H. M. Blake and 68 others of Monmouth for an act to incorporate the Monmouth Center Village Corporation;

Remonstrance of Fontier Water Company against incorporation of Fort Fairfield Water Company;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Water Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Francis Keefe, in payment of witnesses' magistrates' and officers' fees and other disbursements made by him in the Kittery and Eliot contested election case;

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to establish an additional normal school;"

Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy;

Resolve in favor of the Houlton State Normal School;

Resolve in favor of Ricker Classical Institute;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. S. Chadbourne and 62 others of Hallowell in favor of electric railroads providing vestibule cars;

Petition of S. F. Humphrey and 209 others in favor of same;

Petition of A. N. Waterhouse and 41 others of Westbrook in favor of amendment of charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of Daniel A. Holmes and 45 others of Westbrook in favor of same;

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

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Bath Safe Deposit and Trust Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 83 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to private, associated and foreign banking;"

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Mark Cyr and others for an act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Resolve in favor of the town of Lisbon to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in aid of needy families of soldiers who served as volunteers in the army of the United States, in the late war with Spain;

Resolve in favor of Mrs. J. Durant for aid of soldier in Spanish war;

Resolve in favor of Dr. R. E. Donnell for aid of soldier of Spanish war;

Resolve in favor of the city of Gardiner to reimburse it for the amount expended in aid of needy soldier who served as volunteer in the army of the United States in the late war with Spain;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of George H. Eaton and others for incorporation as Water Power Company upon the St. Croix river;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Enchanted Stream Dam and Improvement Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of A. B. Daigle and others for aid to town of Frenchville to repair highway by blasting a ledge in said town;

Statement of facts relative to resolve in favor of D. S. Chadbourne;

Were referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of W. W. Sawtelle and 43 others against repeal of law providing a bounty on bears;

Remonstrance of E. A. Dudley and 268 others of Monmouth and Winthrop against any law prohibiting winter fishing in Cochnewagan pond in Monmouth, and Anabessacook pond in the towns of Monmouth and Winthrop;

Bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in York county;" Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of J. H. Pierce and 35 others in favor of prohibiting the catching of smelts in the waters of Casco bay other than by hook and line between the head of Fore river, Portland harbor, and Lookout point, Harpswell;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 29 and 35 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws, relating to sea and shore fisheries;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians,

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Bill "An Act relating to the salary of the county commissioners of York county,"

Was referred to the York County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 673 of the Private and

Special Laws of 1871 to meet the present necessities of mill owners on the Narraguagus river, and report by bill or otherwise.

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

Bill "An Act requiring railroad corporations to issue mileage tickets at a uniform rate, good for passage of bearer."

Pending reference to committee the bill was tabled and ordered printed on motion of Mr GARDNER of Patten.

Mr. DAIGLE from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition of C. J. Bartlett and others, for repeal of the present road commissioner law, reported "that the petition be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on petition of F. W. Brown and 36 others of Brooks for repeal of the present road commissioner law.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering.

The report was accepted and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Manufacturers' Trust Company;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the Webster Woolen Company to supply the village of Sabattus with water for municipal purposes;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset,

The order that all matters pending, pertaining to salaries which have been referred to county delegations be re-referred to Committee on Salaries, and that all matters pertaining to salaries which shall be hereafter presented be referred to the salary committee. Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered Houseamendment "A" and pending its adoption Mr. KING of Caribou, moved that the order and amendment be tabled.

Subsequently the motion to table was withdrawn.

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

On motion of Mr. SPOFFORD of New Sharon, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, February 1, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Barber of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the executive department transmitting report of the commissioners appointed by the Governor, by authority of an order of the last legislature, to investigate and ascertain as to the desirability of establishing new normal schools in eastern or central Maine, with a bill for the expenses of same, accompanying,

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

Remonstrance of R. B. Parsons and 66 others of Wilton against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of E. R. Wilkins and 38 others of East Wilton; Remonstrance of B. W. Brown and 56 others of Wilton;

Remonstrance of D. D. Graffam and 78 others of Phillips;

Remonstrance of E. E. Hardy and 15 others of East Wilton;

Remonstrance of Frank W. Chick and 37 others of Madrid;

Remonstrance of E. E. Johnson and 14 others of Pittsfield;

Remonstrance of L. C. Dillingham and 77 others of St. Albans;

Remonstrance of W. B. Richards and 25 others of Rockland against same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to assign to the town of South Portland the juror apportioned to the town of Cape Elizabeth;"

Bill "An Act to repeal section 7 of chapter 194 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of F. A. Ayer and 40 others of Randolph in favor of the passage of an act for the protection of street railway employes,

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

Petition of Lizzie A. Googins and others in favor of the enactment of a law exempting women from taxation;

Petition of Mrs. E. H. Jackson and others;

Petition of Abbie T. Harbach and others;

Petition of Olive Stevens Hanson and others;

Petition of Julia W. Butler and others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Remonstrance of H. J. Crommett and 48 others of Clinton against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of F. J. Libby and 10 others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of 1. W. Gould and 2^r others of Woolwich;

Remonstrance of William Dunning and 16 others of Topsham;

Remonstrance of F. C. Meader and 20 others of Chelsea;

Remonstrance of F. E. Tarr and 15 others of Castle Hill;

Remonstrance of John Waddell and 32 others of Mapleton;

Remonstrance of J. S. McDormand and 41 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of John Humphries and 29 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of John H. Trott and 19 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of H. B. Frost and 24 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of D. F. Hibbard and 36 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of Hugh S. McPhail and 17 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of Randall Harriman and 45 others of Auburn;

Remonstrance of W. B. Clark and 40 others of North New Portland;

Remonstrance of H. P. Norton and 38 others of Lexington against same;

Remonstrance of citizens of Oakland against bill to extend jurisdiction of Waterville municipal court;

Remonstrance of Charles C. McLean and 176 others of Presque Isle against the passage of any act making the use of trade discount stamps illegal;

Bill "An Act authorizing Melville V. Spinney and others to construct and maintain bridges across Morse's and Sprague's rivers in the town of Phippsburg;"

Bill "An Act in reference to Boston Auction Company;"

Bill "An Act in reference to chattel mortgages;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Laws of 1895 and acts additional thereto;"

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

Resolve in favor of Frank E. Southard;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. A. Brown and 40 others of Liberty in favor of repeal of chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of Edwin Smart and 20 others;

Petition of G. F. Rowe and 40 others of China in favor of same;

Bill "An Act for the prevention of certain kinds of nuisances;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to imprisonment for debt;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Guilford Electric Light and Power Company;"

Bill "An Act to make valid the doings of the Methodist and Baptist Meeting House Corporation of Whitefield;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the city of Old Town,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 407 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the trustees of Van Buren college and to authorize the faculty of said college to confer degrees;'"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Ellsworth relating to the school Board;"

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Eastport the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund for the year 1898, on account of an imperfect school return;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of C. B. Burleigh and 100 others for the enactment of a law requiring electric railroad companies to run vestibule cars;

Petition of R. W. Soule and others for same;

Petition of H. J. Lane and 60 others of Raymond in favor of renewal of charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway;

Petition of H. C. Cook and 31 others of Casco in aid of petition of S. O. Hancock and others for a street railroad from Gorham to Naples;

Petition of M. W. Page and 46 others of South Harrison;

Petition of Horatio Hall and 44 others of Naples in aid of same;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Castine and Eastern Railroad Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company;"

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 87 of chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes as amended, relating to insurance,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of M. E. Sprague and 25 others for repeal of chapter 65, Public Laws of 1895, relating to State taxes on organized plantations;

Petition of Charles Boyce and 7 others of Lakeville plantation;

Petition of W. H. Lamb and 23 others of Webster plantation;

Petition of F. W. Hanscom and 3 others of Reed plantation for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Petition of Newton Clough and 18 others, members of G. A. R. Post No. 160 in favor of a law for the better observance of Memorial Day;

Bill "An Act to exempt soldiers from paying a poll tax;"

Resolve in favor of the University of Maine;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bill "An Act to regulate the tolls of the Machias Boom," Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Resolve in favor of settling lots in Drew plantation,

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

Petition of G. M. Warren and 17 others in favor of a law to prevent the seining of mackerel and porgies in Penobscot bay;

Petition of E. P. Spofford and 116 others for a close time on the digging of clams in Hancock county;

Petition of L. D. Snow and 23 others of Brunswick in favor of abolishing all laws relating to clams;

Bill "An Act to authorize Wilford F. Levenseller, Waldoboro, Lincoln county, Maine, his successors, associates, heirs and assigns to propagate lobster's;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of J. H. Littlefield and 126 others in favor of division of town of Wells;

Petition of Joseph L. Robinson and 38 others in favor of setting off the town of South Windham from Windham; Bill "An Act to divide the town of Windham in the county of Cumberland and to fix the names of the respective portions thereof;"

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolve in favor of estate of H. E. Eaton,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Hancock,

Was referred to the Hancock County Delegation.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Acts of 1895 and acts additional thereto;"

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Sagadahoc county;"

Were referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses inquire into the expediency of so changing the law relating to the organization of railroad corporations under the general law that the hearing before the railroad commissioners as to public cosvenience of the proposed lines shall be had on presentation of the articles of association, rather than on the petition for approval of location as the order of procedure is now arranged.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of M. C. Morrill and 116 others of Gray and Raymond for the continuation of close time on deer in Cumberland -county,

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

Mr. VIRGIN from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of John S. Harlow and others that stenographers be authorized to take evidence given before the grand jury.

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act to improve the condition of highways."

Mr. PEABODY from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Piscataquis River Improvement Company." Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, on resolve in favor of Howard Whittier, reported that same bereferred to the Committee on Pensions.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to prevent the wearing of boots or shoes in hotels. or other public places with spikes or spindles in the soles. thereof, reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to prevent the wearing of spiked boots or shoes in public places."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "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."

Mr. MERRILL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds."

Mr. HARRIS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intelligence offices.'"

Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Brownville Water Company."

Mr. MOREY from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to licenses to sell real estate."

Mr. REED from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend chapter 491 of the Private Laws of the year 1893."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Resolve in favor of the town of Waldoboro. (House document No. 22);

Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine; (House document No. 23);

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

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

Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Hospital for the Insane; Resolve for the purpose of operating the fish hatcheries and feeding stations for fish and for the proper enforcement of the

Inland Fish and Game Laws;

Resolve to provide means for examination of claims for State pension;

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, bill read the third time, resolves severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian Township. Washington county;

Resolve in favor of Thomas Bailey, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act to amend sections 2, 7, and 13 of chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of 1869, relating to parishes of the Protestant Episcopal church,

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 by Mr. MOSHER of Rome,

The vote whereby the petition of F. C. Foster and 24 others, relating to ice fishing on Great and Long ponds in Kennebec county was referred in the House January 31 to the Committee on Legal Affairs, was re-considered and the petition referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Thursday, February 2, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. George of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from secretary of State transmitting report of the board of managers and officers of the Maine Industrial School for Girls for the year 1897,

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 305, relating to the control of infectious diseases;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Damariscotta to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds;"

Bill "An Act relating to the powers of the Lewiston Gas Light Company;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Frank B. Felker and 11 others of Ripley in favor of amending the law relating to election of road commissioners;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sebasticook Manufacturing and Power Company;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve respecting the cemetery lot of the late Governor William King;

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Remonstrance of H. B. Williams and 14 others against granting a charter to the city of Bangor to bridge Kenduskeag stream unless a majority of the voters of said city so vote;

Remonstrance of J. F. Snow and 43 others against same;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Winn Water and Power Company and to amend the same;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of William White and 59 others for a close time on Rogers pond in the town of Ripley,

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

Remonstrance of John K. Ames and 32 others against legislation affecting trawling at Machias bay,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 493 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885 relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Ordered, That the trustees of the University of Maine be instructed to obtain for the benefit of the members of the legislature, the salary and perquisites received by the president, professors and instructors and all other attachees, including clerks, stenographers and typewriters, and all others drawing compensation at the University of Maine, and the duties of each and report the same as soon as practicable to the legislature,

Was tabled pending passage in concurrence on motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on report of the railroad commissioners, reporting "that the same ought to be accepted;"

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of George C. Eastman and others for the protection of trout in Swift river, Oxford county;

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 350 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the erection and maintenance of booms in the Penobscot river; Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 458 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company;"

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

Petition of J. W. Church and others in favor of an act to prevent the use of trading stamps and other devices;

Petition of S. Sherlock and 50 others of Eastport in favor of same;

Remonstrance of George F. Hale and 5 others against an act to amend section 1 of chapter 201 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854, relating to the Bridgton Centre Village Corporation;

Remonstrance of C. A. Knights and 99 others of Newport and Plymouth against an act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry;

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the business of an apothecary;"

Bill "An Act to amend and extend chapter 556 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Lisbon Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to repeal section 5 of chapter 306 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to taxes on wild lands;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Frank Lord and 29 others of Belgrade for the repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways;

Petition of B. W. Phillips and 18 others of Winslow for repeal of same;

Remonstrance of Charles E. Varney and 18 others of Winslow against creating the office of State highway engineer;

Bill "An Act to authorize the record of contracts for sale of land;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to divorce;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapters 217 and 218 of the Public Laws of 1889 entitled 'An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent debtors;'"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company;" Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of A. R. Bixby and 66 others of Skowhegan for the enactment of a law requiring railroads to issue mileage books at two cents per mile, good to bearer;

Petition of J. Putnam Stevens and 49 others of Portland;

Petition of J. F. Parkhurst and 26 others of Bangor;

Petition of E. Merritt and Sons and 69 others;

Petition of John A. Decker and 120 others;

Petition of C. J. Clukey and 125 others;

Petition of Willis M. Gates and 64 others;

Petition of Joseph A. Berry and 28 others;

Petition of J. A. Rawson and 45 others for same;

Petition of Henry Harmon and 64 others of Raymond for renewal of charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company;

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

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Town Navagation Company,"

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of H. B. Hartford and 17 others of Standish for a close time on deer in Cumberland county for a term of six years except the month of October;

Remonstrance of Stephen Rounds and 54 others of Cornish against the passage of any game law discriminating between York and Cumberland counties and the remainder of the State;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Bill "An Act to amend and additional to chapter 285 Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries,"

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of L. S. Starky and 18 others of Winslow against increasing the salaries of judges of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of J. M. Curtis and 68 others of Bowdoinham;

Remonstrance of Charles Weymouth and 13 others of Rockland;

Remonstrance of M. M. Richardson and 108 others of Monmouth;

Remonstrance of S. N. Keep and 33 others of North Jay;

Remonstrance of A. Moulton and 14 others of North Jay;

Remonstrance of A. E. Paine and 19 others of Jay;

Remonstrance of Arthur C. Macomber and 32 others of North Jay;

Remonstrance of Eugene E. Ham and 58 others of Wales;

Remonstrance of R. A. Keene and 68 others of West Poland;

Remonstrance of A. A. Soper and 52 others of Orland against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. MACFARLANE of Greenville,

Whereas, chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes and the acts of every session of the legislature since the revision in 1883, contain laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game, and whereas, chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes and the acts of the legislature in every session passed since 1883, contain laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game, and sea and shore fisheries as well, all combined and intermingled, thereby creating much confusion, therefore be it,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game be directed to inquire into the expediency of consolidating into one chapter and revising and amending the laws, public, private and special, pertaining to inland fisheries and game and report by bill or otherwise.

Was read and tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville. Subsequently on motion of same gentleman, taken from the table and passed.

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On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the several joint standing committees be and are hereby instructed to make their final reports on or before March 3d, 1899.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending the law relative to the sale of real estate for the non-payment of taxes, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to the support of paupers so that any town in the State that has or may hereafter furnish pauper supplies to any person whose settlement has been or shall be made void by the action of the legislature, shall be reimbursed by the State upon sufficient proof of the loss of such pauper settlement, and upon report by bill or otherwise.

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

Petition of Joseph Walker and others in favor of setting off Ocean Park, so called, from the town of Old Orchard and annexing the same to the city of Saco;

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Old Orchard and annex the same to the city of Saco;"

Pending reference the petition and bill was tabled on motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco.

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to secure the secret ballot," reported that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on bill "An Act providing for a State hunting license and to obtain revenue for the protection of moose, deer and caribou," reported that same be referred to the next legislature.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of L. M. Blanchard and 212 others in favor of electing fish and game wardens.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of Charles L. Brown and others to be allowed to take and transport for sale, white perch during the months of July and August from East Machias river, its lakes and tributaries.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to protect tern in the county of York."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve to restock with smelts the brooks tributary to the Penobscot river between the north and south line of the town of Winterport.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of requiring the county attorneys and sheriffs of the several counties to enforce the laws for the protection of game; the fines collected, to go, one-half to the county attorneys and sheriffs and the other half to the counties; making such changes in the laws relating to game protection as may be needed.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on resolve to enable the county of Aroostook to re-fund its debt.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

Mr. GENTLEMAN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 436 of the Special Laws of 1834, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Bangor, approved February 12, 1834.'"

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895."

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on petition of E. B. Winslow and others, reported resolve in favor of the Home for Friendless Boys in Deering.

Mr. DRUMMEY from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 as amended by chapter 344 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the Rockland and Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company."

Mr. BIRD from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 96 of the laws of the year 1887 providing for the extension of railroads."

Mr. DeCOSTER from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 334 of the Public Acts of 1897, regulating the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuffs."

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in the county of Sagadahoc," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in the counties of Cumberland, York and Sagadahoc."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899."

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill tabled and ordered printed.

Mr. McFADDEN from the Committee on Towns, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland."

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Gorham, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds." House Document No. 25;

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to licenses to sell real estate." House Document No. 26;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company." House Document No. 27; Bill "An Act to amend chapter 491 of the Private Laws of the year 1893." House Document No. 28;

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 155 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intelligence offices.'" House Document No. 30;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Brownville Water Company." House Document No. 31;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to prevent the wearing of spiked boots or shoes in public places." House Document No. 29,

Pending first reading, Mr. FARRELL of Van Buren moved that the bill be tabled. The motion was lost on a viva voce vote. The bill was then read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering. House Document No. 32,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

An Act for the protection of fish in the west outlet of Moosehead lake;

An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot river in the town of Bucksport;

An Act to extend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company;

An Act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society;

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Resolve in favor of the Eastern Maine Hospital for the Insane;

Resolve to provide means for examination of claims for State pensions;

Resolve for the purpose of operating the fish hatcheries and feeding stations for fish, and for the proper enforcement of the inland fish and game laws;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally

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passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

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Communication from secretary of State transmitting report of the trustees, superintendent, treasurer and teachers of State Reform School,

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

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the vote whereby the following remonstrances were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, was re-considered and on motion of same gentleman the remonstrances were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject, and sent to the Senate.

Remonstrance of F. W. Gould and 25 others of Woolwich against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of F. J. Libby and 10 others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of H. J. Crommet and 48 others of Clinton;

Remonstrance of H. T. Norton and 38 others of Lexington;

Remonstrance of W. B. Clark and 40 others of North New Portland,

Remonstrance of Randall Harriman and 45 others of Auburn; Remonstrance of Hugh S. McPhail and 17 others of Perry; Remonstrance of D. F. Hibbard and 36 others of Perry; Remonstrance of H. B. Frost and 24 others of Perry; Remonstrance of John H. Trott and 19 others of Perry; Remonstrance of John H. Humphries and 29 others of Perry; Remonstrance of J. S. McDormand and 44 others of Perry; Remonstrance of John Waddell and 33 others of Mapleton; Remonstrance of T. E. Carr and 15 others of Castle Hill; Remonstrance of F. C. Meader and 20 others of Chelsea; Remonstrance of William Dunning and 16 others of Topsham against same;

On motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*

AUGUSTA, Friday, February 3, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Lewis of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from secretary of State transmitting copy of report passed by the governor and council February 1, 1899, relating to the report of the Commission appointed to examine the State treasurer's accounts,

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

Remonstrance of 217 citizens of Paris against granting Hebron Water Company the right to take water from Hall's pond in Paris,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine State Normal School,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Annie E. Belden,

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

Petition of the selectmen of the town of Phippsburg relating to certain islands in Casco bay,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Subsequently on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, the vote whereby the petition was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the petition was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Remonstrance of William T. Studley and 112 others against proposed division of the town of South Portland;

Remonstrance of the selectmen of Woodstock anl 149 others against the division of Franklin plantation, Oxford county and the annexation of any part of the territory to the town of Woodstock;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act defining the jurisdiction of the municipal court for the city of Lewiston and the municipal court of the city of Auburn, relating to the naturalization of aliens,"

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act for the better preservation of early records," Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Freeman L. Small and 43 others of Ludlow in favor of repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways;

Petition of A. M. Stackpole and 43 others of Bridgewater in favor of same;

Petition of F. B. Morris and 22 others for an amendment to section 2, chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to license fee on dogs;

Petition of Frank Bigelow and others for same;

Bill "An Act to provide for sprinkling streets in the city of Deering." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893 relating to the better protection of sheep;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of W. W. Hamlin and 175 others of Otisfield in favor of granting charter for a street railway from Gorham through Standish, Windham and Raymond to Casco village;

Petition of S. E. Davis and 85 others of Casco in favor of same;

Petition of Joseph G. Bodge and 78 others of Gorham in favor of extending the charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of Lemuel Lane and 44 others of Westbrook in favor of same;

Petition of Andrew C. Perry and 68 others of Presque Isle that the Caribou and Van Buren Railroad Company be subrogated to the rights and privileges of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company between Caribou and Van Buren;

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

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon monumental work," • Was referred to the Committee on Manufacturers.

Petition of John K. Ames and others for extension of charter of the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company;

Remonstrance of Morse and Company and 36 others of Bangor against the passage of an act to authorize the city of Bangor to build a bridge across Kenduskeag stream unless by vote of the people;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of W. H. Stevens and 23 others for an amendment to the law relative to the catching of smelts in Casco bay other than by hook and line between Fore river, Portland harbor and Lookout point in Harpswell;

Petition of James R. Burns and 148 others of Knox county for an amendment to chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, relating to shore fisheries;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of W. F. Mansfield and 59 others of Jonesport against the annexation of Roque and other islands to the town of Roque Bluffs;

Remonstrance of H. L. Watts and 159 others of Jonesport against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "An Act relating to the Indian reservation in the town of Perry, Washington county,"

Was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Resolve to reimburse F. I. Campbell, treasurer of the town of Cherryfield, for money paid to State pensioners,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine,"

Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Resolve in favor of Committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Col. E. K. O'Brien at Thomaston,

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. GRINDEL of Islesboro,

Ordered, That the Committee on Shore Fisheries be requested to return to me bill "An Act to regulate the taking of lobsters off the coast of Maine;" said act having been introduced by me January 20, 1899.

On motion of Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset,

Ordered, That the Committee on Sea Shore Fisheries return to me bill "An Act to authorize Wilford F. Levensaler to propagate lobsters;" said act having been introduced by me February 1st.

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

Mr. GUERNSEY from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 137 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to imprisonment for debt," reported "that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

Mr. HIX from the Committee on Financial Affairs on resolve in favor of the city of Old Town, reported that same be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. DAIGLE from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on petition of Samuel D. Wyman and 11 others, also petition of A. H. Lailer and 38 others that the present road commissioner law be repealed, reported that the petition be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of C. S. Lougee and 53 others.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of N. L. Woodman and 40 others.

Mr. HARRIS from the Androscoggin County Delegation on bill "An Act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the

county of Androscoggin, reported "the delegation recommends that the bill be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries and unanimously recommends that the salary be fixed at ten hundred dollars."

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act establishing a town council in the town of Skowhegan, for municipal purposes."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEBB from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend subdivision vii of section 1 of chapter 18 of the Laws of 1895."

Pending acceptance the report was tabled and bill ordered printed on motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston.

Mr. SANBORN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Newport."

Same gentleman from same Committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend chapter 450, Private Laws of 1893, relating to school board of Eastport."

Mr. TYLER from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Charles T. Powers.

Mr. BLACKSTONE from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of repairing a road leading from Van Buren to Caribou, Aroostook county, at a point in Cyr plantation leading to Conner plantation.

Mr. MELCHER from the Committee on Pensions, on bill "An Act to provide State pensions for the soldiers and sailors in the late war with Spain," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes, relating to State pensions."

Mr. FITZ from same committee on resolve in favor of Howard Whittier, reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolve to pay to Howard Whittier of Mt. Vernon, in the county of Kennebec, a pension of two dollars per month.

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The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers." House Document No. 33,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 344 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the Rockland and Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company." House Document No. 34;

Bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in the counties of Cumberland, York and Sagadahoc." House Document No. 35;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 96 of the Laws of the year 1887, providing for the extension of railroads." House Document No. 36;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895." House Document No. 38;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 436 of the Special Laws of 1834 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Bangor, approved February 12, 1834.'" House Document No. 41;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve to enable the county of Aroostook to re-fund its debt. House Document No. 37,

Was read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of the Home for Friendless Boys in Deering. House Document No. 39,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 334 of the Public Acts of 1897, regulating the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuffs." House Document No. 40, Pending first reading, the bill was re-committed to the Committee on Agriculture on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 458 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company,' "

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 350 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the erection and maintenance of booms in the Penobscot river,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to licenses to sell real estate;"

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 prevent the wearing of spiked boots or shoes in public places;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intelligence offices;' "

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

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 491 of the Private Laws of the year 1893,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. REED of Roxbury.

An Act to authorize the Webster Woolen Company to supply the village of Sabattus with water for municipal purposes;

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An Act to incorporate the Manufacturers' Trust Company;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate :

Ordered, That when the Senate and House adjourns, the House concurring we adjourn to meet February 6 at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LIBBEY of South Berwick, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Monday, February 6, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Struthers of South Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, said:

I desire to ask the indulgence of the House while I read a telegram which I have just received, and which I think will meet with the hearty approval of every member of this House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 6.

J. H. Manley, Augusta, Me.:

The treaty of peace between the United States and Spain has been ratified by a majority of three.

(Signed) WM. P. FRYE.

(Applause and cheers).

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the executive department transmitting the following letter received from the President, in response to the joint resolution and invitation to visit Maine, as the guest of our State: Executive Mansion, Washington, February 2, 1800.

My DEAR SIR—The President has requested me to acknowledge the courteous invitation extended to him by yourself and the legislature of your State, and to express his deep regret that the pressure of his engagements is so great as to preclude the possibility of giving himself the pleasure of visiting Maine at this time.

In accordance with the President's wishes I have great pleasure in assuring you, and through you the members of the legislature, that he is very much gratified by the cordial personal expressions contained in the resolution, copy of which you were good enough to enclose.

Very truly yours,

J. A. PORTER,

Secretary to the President.

Hon. LLEWELLYN POWERS, Governor, Augusta, Me.

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of the treasurer of the State of Maine for the year 1898.

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

Bill "An Act relative to marriage and the legitimacy of children,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of printed copies of the Public Laws;"

Bill "An Act to define the jurisdiction of trial justices;"

Bill "An Act relating to the taxation of costs in trial justice actions;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries;"

Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of W. R. Gilchrest and others against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of Peter W. Ayer and 65 others of Freedom; Remonstrance of C. H. Waterman and 31 others of Belfast; Remonstrance of H. F. Smith and 27 others of Waldo; Remonstrance of S. M. King and 258 others of South Paris; Remonstrance of G. E. Terry and 50 others of Montville; Remonstrance of D. O. Bowen and 32 others of Morrill; Remonstrance of Joseph Ellis and 22 others of South Brooks; Remonstrance of J. S. Hoxie and 14 others of North Fairfield; Remonstrance of R. A. Davis and 59 others of Norridgewock; Remonstrance of C. L. Wadlin and 62 others of Monticello; Remonstrance of Benjamin R. Walker and 42 others of Island Falls:

Remonstrance of George Metcalf and 31 others of Sherman Mills;

Remonstrance of C. W. Davis and 57 others of Guilford;

Remonstrance of W. S. McKusick and 38 others of Parkman;

Remonstrance of B. D. Hewett and 63 others of East Dover against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Ordered, That the State of Maine cattle commission be and are hereby directed to furnish the Committee on Agriculture as soon as practicable, a full and itemized account of all their expenditures for the years 1897-1898, including the names of owners of all animals destroyed by their orders, with appraisal of each animal; the amount of money paid veterinarians or other agents; the amount expended in travelling expenses for themselves and their employes; expenses of disinfecting premises, cars or other places, which shall be fully designated; the full amount of the compensation of each of the commissioners and the number of days each has been actually engaged in his duty as commissioner.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings to which was referred the order of the legislature relating to the assignment of rooms in the State House to the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, reporting the accompanying order assigning a room to the Secretary of the Senate and to report that further action at the present time on said order, is inexpedient.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be assigned room No. 120 in the State House, and that the superintendent of public buildings be directed to furnish the same suitable for that purpose.

Was recommitted to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read once, Senate amendments "A" and "B" adopted in concurrence, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 34, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes."

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.

Remonstrance of C. W. Jones and 24 others of China against the passage of an act creating a board of veterinary examiners;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 16 and 17 of chapter 102 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 261 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to writs of mandamus;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 393 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company.'" (Received under suspension of rules):

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Petition of I. N. Stanley and 37 others of Kingfield for the passage of a law so that paupers in plantations shall be cared for by the county commissioners;

Petition of W. H. McLaughlin and 50 others of Scarboro for repeal of chapter 329, Public Laws of 1897, relating to election of road commissioners;

Remonstrance of Lewis Anderson and 12 others of North Warren against the creation of the office of State highway engineer;

Bill "An Act to abolish the use of seals on deeds and other contracts;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school at Machias to be known as Washington County Normal School,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of M. H. Martin and 52 others of Fort Fairfield that the Van Buren and Caribou Railroad Company be subrogated to the rights and privileges of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company as to that part of the line between Van Buren and Caribou;

Petition of I. Hampton Page and others of Fort Kent for same;

Petition of H. S. Raymond and 45 others of Westbrook in favor of renewal of charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad Company;

Petition of T. J. Mann and 43 others of Windham;

Petition of A. R. Hawks and 81 others of Windham;

Petition of Goff, Plummer and Company and 80 others of Gorham in favor of same;

Petition of O. S. Pease and 40 others of Old Town in favor of an act requiring railroads to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer;

Petition of Charles T. Walker and 32 others;

Petition of T. R. Savage and Company and 87 other business men of Bangor;

Petition of John G. Fleming and 45 others of Chester;

Petition of D. S. Chadbourne and 27 others of Madawam-keag;

Petition of W. A. Vinal, Jr., and 90 others of Ashland;

Petition of D. O. Orcutt and 65 others of Ashland;

Petition of C. E. Knowlton and 67 others of Freedom;

Petition of D. D. Finnigan and 37 others of Bangor;

Petition of L. E. Jackman and 65 others of Sherman;

Petition of H. C. Brewer and 64 others of Freeport;

Petition of J. R. Oxnard and 89 others of Freeport;

Petition of D. H. Bates and 143 others;

Petition of Charles McNeal and 30 others of Portland in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Eastport Street Railway;"

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

Remonstrance of H. M. Prentiss and 39 others of Bangor against granting a charter to build a bridge over Kenduskeag stream in said city without first being authorized by a vote of the people;

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company." (Received under suspension of rules);

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of E. B. Ingraham and 38 others for open time on deer in Knox county;

Petition of A. F. Fellows and 35 others in favor of a law to prohibit fishing through the ice in the ponds of Chesterville;

Bill "An Act to prohibit ice fishing in the ponds in the town of Chesterville in the county of Franklin." (Received under suspension of rules);

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of Lester Robinson and 42 others of Jonesport against taking Roque and other islands from the town of Jonesport and annexing same to Roque Bluffs,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of V. M. Theriault and others of Fort Kent in favor of reimbursing the town for money expended under direction of the State Board of Health,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Petition of Lendon W. Soule and others in favor of an increase of salary for the register of probate of Lincoln county; Petition of F. Irving Carney and 27 others of Newcastle; Petition of A. B. Erskins and 10 others of Alna; Petition of Thomas J. York and 62 others of Nobleboro; Petition of A. L. Trouant and 53 others of Bremen; Petition of L. H. Bickford and 93 others of Dresden;

Petition of William H. Hilton and 91 others of Damariscotta; Petition of H. W. Hawes and 112 others of Wiscasset;

Petition of Q. C. Hodgdon and 16 others of Westport in favor of same;

Were referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

Remonstrance of W. H. McLaughlin and 60 others of Scarboro against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of F. M. Day and 34 others of Greene;

Remonstrance of J. R. Rideout and 53 others of New Gloucester;

Remonstrance of E. D. Tasker and 26 others of Jackson;

Remonstrance of J. H. Barton and 32 others of Windsor;

Remonstrance of Jacob Eastman and 46 others of Exeter;

Remonstrance of V. E. Wilder and 21 others of Washburn;

Remonstrance of H. M. Starbird and 80 others of Litchfield;

Remonstrance of E. T. Benner and 9 others of North Warren;

Remonstrance of Milton W. Herrick and 17 others of Penobscot;

Remonstrance of C. H. Perkins and 56 others of Brooksville against same;

Remonstrance of Charles W. Wescott and 40 others against hunters' tax;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be requested to inquire into the expediency of placing fire insurance upon the normal school buildings of the State.

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

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That the Speaker of the House be authorized toexpress by message to the President of the United States the gratification of the members of this Maine House of Representatives at the ratification of the treaty of peace between the United. States and the nation of Spain.

Mr. MERRILL from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to minors."

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HARMAN from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897."

Mr. McFAUL from the Washington County Delegation on petition, reported bill "An Act to change time for holding sessions of county commissioners in Washington county."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 450, Private Laws of 1893, relating to school board of Eastport." House document No. 46;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes, relating to State pensions." House document No. 47;

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Newport." House document No. 48;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve to pay to Howard Whittier of Mt. Vernon, in the county of Kennebec, a pension of two dollars a month. House document No. 43;

Resolve in favor of repairing a road leading from Van Buren to Caribou, Aroostook county, at a point in Cyr plantation leading to Conner plantation. House document No. 45;

Were severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of Charles T. Powers. House document No. 44,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 344 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the Rockland and Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company;"

Bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in the counties of Cumberland, York and Sagadahoc;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 96 of the laws of the year 1887, providing for the extension of railroads;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 436 of the Special Laws of 1834, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Bangor, approved February 12, 1834;'"

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 to enable the county of Aroostook to refund its debt,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta.

An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland;

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 458 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company;" An Act to amend section I of chapter 350 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the erection and maintenance of booms in the Penobscot river;

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county;

Resolve in favor of Thomas Bailey, representative of the Passamaquoddy 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.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

The order directing the Committee on Legal Affairs to inquire into the expediency of revising the Public Laws of the State of Maine and report a resolve relating thereto or otherwise,

Was taken from the table.

Mr. MANLEY offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the words "legal affairs" and insert in place thereof the word "judiciary."

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

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899." House document No. 42,

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman moved that the bill take its first and second readings at the present time.

The motion prevailed. The bill was read once.

Pending second reading Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, moved that it be laid on the table.

Mr. MANLEY raised the point of order that the House had just voted that the bill should take its first and second readings.

The Chair ruled that the point was well taken.

Mr. GUERNSEY moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House voted to give the bill its first and second readings. The motion was lost.

The bill was then read a second time.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock was assigned for the third reading of the bill.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA. Tuesday, February 7, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Father Nelligan of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Remonstrance of 138 citizens of Paris against granting the Hebron Water Company the right to take water from Hall's pond in Paris,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the city of South Portland,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents,

Was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Job Abbott and 92 others of Dexter in favor of an act requiring railroads in this State to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer;

Petition of M. R. Stubbs and others for the passage of a law for protection of street railway employes;

Petition of W. H. Sanborn and others;

Petition of J. A. Boyd and others for same;

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

Petition of N. W. Brainard and 16 others of Somerset county for aid in repairing the Forks bridge, so called,

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

Petition of Hannah J. Bailey and others in favor of enacting a law exempting women from taxation;

Petition of Rebecca R. Usher and 18 others;

Petition of L. Jane Landers and 4 others;

Petition of Mrs. C. E. Perkins and 58 others of Bangor;

Petition of E. L. Albee and others of China;

Petition of Ruth A. Bray and others;

Petition of Mrs. Ann M. Lancey and others;

Petition of Olive C. Dodge and others;

Petition of Ann F. Greely and others;

Petition of Louisa A. Wagg and others;

Petition of Jane H. Spofford and others for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Charles K. Thorpe and others of Raymond against increasing the salaries of judges of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of E. J. Judkins and 62 others of St. Albans against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for assault and battery and other misdemeanors."

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

Remonstrance of R. W. Pattee and others of Caribou against the enactment of a law prohibiting the use of trading stamps,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Nathan Brackett and 35 others of Clinton for an amendment to the law so that the election of road commissioner may be optional with towns;

Petition of S. H. Abbott and 84 others of Benton;

Petition of A. G. Clifford and 8 others of Winslow for same; Resolve of Aroostook Pomona Grange in favor of repeal of road commissioner law;

Resolutions of Aroostook County Pomona Grange No. 7 relating to repeal of the law relating to election of road commissioners;

Remonstrance of Albert Fuller and 19 others of Winslow against creating the office of State highway engineer;

Remonstrance of H. G. Jordan and 29 others of South Lewiston;

Remonstrance of S. W. Porter and 19 others of Castle Hill;

Remonstrance of George E. Withee and 89 others of Benton;

Remonstrance of D. Y. Sullivan and 29 others of Clinton against same;

Bill "An Act to provide for the rebuilding and maintenance of the old warehouse wharf in Portland lower harbor." (Received under suspension of rules);

Bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 507 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889 entitled 'An Act to establish the Dover municipal court." (Received under suspension of rules);

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

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon hay for the cutting and pressing thereof;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve of the Aroostook Pomona Grange relating to the establishment of a normal school in Aroostook county;

Resolutions of Aroostook County Pomona Grange No. 7 relating to same;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Walter K. Spofford and 62 others of Holden for the passage of a law requiring railroads to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer; Petition of F. S. King and 33 others of Readfield; Petition of Albion Oakes and 50 others of Milford; Petition of E. J. Penney and 19 others of Clifton; Petition of E. B. Corning and 18 others of Holden; Petition of George H. Hayes and 150 others of Eastport; Petition of C. H. Weeden and 38 others of New Sweden; Petition of Gideon Bearce and 39 others of Minot; Petition of C. M. Giles and 78 others of Unity; Petition of Arthur C. Perry and 81 others of Presque Isle; Petition of H. A. Osgood and 79 others of Lewiston; Petition of C. P. Fiske and 60 others of Lewiston: Petition of C. H. Segars and 24 others of Dresden; Petition of Andrew Chute and 40 others of Naples; Petition of E. A. Plummer and 27 others of Ravmond; Petition of Howard W. Dodge and 82 others of Clinton, Petition of F. A. Simpson and 28 others of Carmel; Petition of N. D. Smith and 50 others of Masardis; Petition of E. A. Carpenter and 78 others of Brooks; Petition of Charles F. Achorn and 46 others of Whitefield; Petition of James A. Place and 33 others of Berwick; Petition of S. A. Randall and 55 others of Stockton Springs; Petition of C. G. Littlefield and 90 others of Caribou; Petition of H. E. Truworthy and 76 others of Island Falls; Petition of W. C. Todd and 28 others of Georgetown; Petition of Benjamin O. Sargent and 61 others of Searsport; Petition of A. K. Goud and 65 others of Topsham; Petition of T. J. Young and 108 others for same;

Petition of Loring, Short and Harmon and 46 other businessmen and firms of Portland in favor of the extension of charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railroad;

Petition of John P. Lovell's Arms Company and 46 other business firms of Portland;

Petition of Rufus Deering Company and 39 other business firms of Portland;

Petition of Charles McLaughton and Company and 42 other business firms of Portland;

Petition of C. C. Phelan and 36 others of Westbrook;

Petition of W. G. Chute and 109 others of Naples;

Petition of Horace B. Harmon and 52 others of Casco;

Petition of Shaw, Hammond and Carney and 45 other business men of Portland;

Petition of Albert Strout and 26 others of Casco;

Petition of Milliken, Cousens and Short and 39 other business men of Portland;

Petition of George C. Shaw and 40 others of Westbrook in favor of same;

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

Petition of George V. Cunliff and others in favor of granting a charter to improve the Allagash river. (Received under suspension of rules),

Was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Petition of E. T. Faunce and 12 others in favor of a law for the better observance of Memorial Day,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Silas B. Adams and others of Cumberland county for an amendment to the game laws relating to sale of ruffed grouse and woodcock,

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of John McNamara and 20 others in favor of close time on lobsters in Milbridge bay;

Petition of J. P. Kelsey and 39 others of Freeport, relating to close time on clams in Cumberland county;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of E. A. Sidelinger and 9 others of Washington against an increase of salaries for justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of W. C. Morton and 43 others of Union;

Remonstrance of D. M. Norton and 29 others of North Anson;

Remonstrance of L. H. Appleby and 32 others of Palmyra;

Remonstrance of W. B. Whittier and 109 others of Skowhegan;

Remonstrance of E. W. Sprague and 31 others of Easton;

Remonstrance of D. S. Moore and 39 others of Moscow;

Remonstrance of E. J. Gilvery and 67 others of Strong;

Remonstrance of F. A. Hubbard and 26 others of North Newport;

Remonstrance of Howard Doane and 19 others of Nealy's Corner;

Remonstrance of Frank Martin and 138 others of Auburn;

Remonstrance of Z. R. Doten and 40 others of South Lewiston;

Remonstrance of C. S. Adams and 7 others of Searsmont;

Remonstrance of C. M. Howes and 17 others of South Montville;

Remonstrance of E. G. Tilley and 20 others of Castle Hill;

Remonstrance of W. I. Cain and 29 others of Clinton;

Remonstrance of C. S. Hicks and 5 others of Auburn;

Remonstrance of J. B. Cole and 14 others of Winslow;

Remonstrance of G. F. Tarbell and 87 others of Benton against same;

Remonstrance of C. A. Wren and 83 others against hunters' license;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 318, Public Laws of 1885 in relation to disclosure on Mesne process to correct an error and report by bill or otherwise.

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

On motion of Mr. CHICK of Clifton,

Ordered, That the Speaker of this House be required to transmit to the Hon. Wm. P. Frye the approbation of this House in his loyal and manly course in supporting our noble President throughout the trying scenes of the past months. And that we have watched with pride his record in the United States Senate from the beginning of hostilities with Spain to the ratification of the peace treaty yesterday afternoon.

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School.

Mr. PEASLEE from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Patten Academy.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on resolve in favor of Calais Academy.

Mr. RYERSON from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy.

Mr. WEBSTER from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Anson Academy.

Mr. GARDNER from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy.

Mr. WALKER from same committee reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy.

Mr. JOHONNETT from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake.

Mr. PEABODY from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve making appropriation for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

The reports were accepted and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendments "A" and "B" in concurrence. Bill "An Act to amend section 34 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes,"

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 chapter 450 Private Laws of 1893, relating to the school board of Eastport;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes, relating to State pensions;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Newport,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, Mr. Sanborn of Newport 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.

Papers from the Senate :

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs to which was referred the report of the State treasurer and also the report of the commission appointed to examine the accounts of the State treasurer, reporting that the legislature proceed to the election of a State treasurer.

Te report was accepted in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the members of the legislature convene forthwith in the hall of the House of Representatives in joint convention for the purpose of electing a State treasurer for the years 1899 and 1900.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

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 electing a State treasurer, and asking the concurrence of the House.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, 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 electing a State treasurer.

The hour for the joint convention having arrived, the Senate came in and a convention was formed, Hon. Oliver B. Clason, President of the Senate, presiding.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. WHITEHOUSE of Sagadahoc, Messrs. Whitehouse,

Peirce of Waldo, Sanborn of Newport, Libbey of South Berwick, Burns of Westbrook, Deering of Saco, Noyes of Pownal,

Were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State treasurer.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE from the committee subsequently reported:

Whole number of votes cast, 148; necessary for a choice, 75; F. M. Simpson had, 130; E. W. Staples had, 18.

The report was accepted and Honorable F. M. Simpson having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected State treasurer for the current political years 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Somerset the secretary of the convention was directed to notify the Honorable F. M. Simpson of his election, also the Governor and Council of the election of Honorable F. M. Simpson as State treasurer for the current political years 1899 and 1900, and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

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

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899,"

Came up as a special assignment.

(Discussion ensued.)

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, the bill was tabled and Tuesday, February 14 at 11 o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers" was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan,

Resolve in favor of Charles T. Powers,

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. WILSON of Gorham,

The order instructing the trustees of the University of Maine to obtain for the benefit of the members of the legislature, the salary and perquisites received by the president, professors and instructors, and all other attachees, including clerks, stenographers and typewriters, and all others drawing compensation at the University of Maine, and the duties of each and report the same as soon as practicable to the legislature,

Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered the following amendment:

Amend said order by adding after the word "each" in the sixth line the words 'also, to accompany the same by a complete and thorough statement of the receipts and income of said institution, from all sources, including tuition, invested funds, and all funds received from the State of Maine and the United States, and a complete and itemized statement of the present resources and property of the same. The statement of receipts and expenditures to be in full for the years 1897 and 1898.'

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

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, February 8, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ringold of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lily Water Company," (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the town of Damariscotta to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds;"

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 25 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of clams and shell fish;"

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" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation.

The report was accepted in concurrence resolve read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Petition of E. B. Bray and 42 others of Auburn against the giving away of trading stamps and other similar devices;

Petition of I. N. Avery and others of Ellsworth for an act to amend the present ballot law;

Petition of Omar G. Harris of Waldo;

Petition of H. H. Lampson of Freedom;

Petition of J. D. Remick of Trenton;

Petition of James A. Staples of Ellsworth;

Petition of L. C. Poor of Searsmont;

Petition of E. E. Brady of Ellsworth;

Petition of Peter Harmon of Thorndike for same;

Remonstrance of the merchants of Hermon against the so called stamp bill;

Bill "An Act to amend sections I and 2 of chapter 119 of the Revised Statutes, relating to offences against habitations and other buildings;"

Bill "An Act relating to attorneys at law;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Lock J. Randall and 29 others of China relating to repairs of highways;

Petition of W. V. Totman and 10 others of Clinton relating to same;

Petition of Solon A. Long and 25 others of East Bluehill in favor of abolishing the draw in the bridge across foot of Salt pond in the town of Bluehill. (Received under suspension of rules;)

Petition of the selectmen of Athens and 24 others for the passage of a law that paupers in plantations shall be cared for by the county commissioners;

Petition of William M. Kidder and 24 others of Dixfield for an act authorizing the Dixfield Fire Engine Company to own real estate not to exceed invalue, one thousand dollars. (Received under suspension of rules;)

Petition of the Congregational parish of Buxton for an act enabling said society to expend the interest of its ministerial fund. (Received under suspension of rules;)

Petition of H. L. Davis and others relating to license fees on dogs;

Remonstrance of Manley Morrison and 25 others of Clinton against creating the office of State highway engineer;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of H. T. Harding and 13 others of East Machias in favor of the location of a normal school at Machias;

Petition of E. H. Bryant and 131 others of Machias;

Petition of W. E. Tupper and 15 others of Jonesboro;

Petition of W. C. Hanson and 30 others of Machiasport;

Petition of W. M. Flynn and 21 others of Whitneyville in favor of same;

Petition of F. S. Call and 68 others for an amendment to the law so that it shall be the duty of all school boards to provide pupils with the necessary means of studying physiology and hygiene with special reference to the effects of alcoholic drinks upon the human system;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of C. S. Stetson and 26 others of Greene in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books at two cents per mile, good to bearer;

Petition of Fred A. Libby and 86 others of Westbrook; Petition of J. P. Ricker and 24 others of Westbrook; Petition of Charles A. Moses and 151 others of Westbrook; Petition of George T. Springer and 23 others of Westbrook; Petition of Mark Coolbroth and 32 others of Standish; Petition of Edward Sibley and 153 others of Belfast; Petition of Elliot Orbeton and 34 others of Rockport; Petition of H. M. Gates and 37 others of Lincoln; Petition of Charles A. Lang and 72 others of Harrison; Petition of W. A. Jackson and 32 others of Jefferson; Petition of M. T. Crawford and 81 others of Cantden: Petition of B. C. Powers and 58 others of Madrid; Petition of F. J. Rich and 34 others of Mattawamkeag; Petition of Orrin Tufts and 52 others of Kingfield; Petition of E. L. Hatch and 63 others of Parsonsfield; Petition of J. A. Russell and 49 others of Rangeley; Petition of J. A. Tabor and 105 others of Corinna; Petition of H. H. Landers and 19 others of Eustis; Petition of W. H. Wheeler and 33 others of Orrington; Petition of Charles Campbell and 111 others of Cherryfield; Petition of I. W. Sylvester and 43 others of Etna; Petition of C. M. Hill and 34 others of Moscow;

Petition of C. R. Nickerson and 14 others of Swanville; Petition of Edwin Woodside and 34 others of Webster; Petition of M. E. Ingraham and 50 others of Mapleton; Petition of Arthur T. Libbey and 81 others of Fort Fairfield; Petition of J. F. Jeffords and 67 others of East Livermore; Petition of E. S. Drew and 34 others of Sedgwick; Petition of M. T. Dodge and 32 others of Troy; Petition of H. J. Lane and 36 others of Raymond; Petition of A. H. Harriman and 117 others of Bridgton;

Petition of James Lawrence and 35 others of North Yarmouth;

Petition of Thomas Keegan and others of Hamlin;

Petition of H. A. Peers and 45 others of Caswell plantation;

Petition of Thurston Hunt and 32 others of Hermon;

Petition of Charles F. Plumley and 83 others of Lincoln;

Petition of Edwin A. Reed and 22 others of Springfield;

Petition of George H. Haskell and 60 others of Lee;

Petition of Samuel A. Hill and 89 others of Buxton;

Petition of C. F. Clark and 47 others of Hollis;

Petition of T. F. Warren and 21 others of Buxton, in favor of same;

Petition of Elias Thomas and 19 others of Portland in favor of extending the charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company;

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

Petition of Thomas Perkins and 50 others of York county for a bounty on hen hawks,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of Fred E. Hooper and 14 others of T. W. Hyde Camp, S. of V. of Bath, in favor of a law for a better observance of Memorial Day;

Resolve in favor of the town of Otisfield; Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs. Remonstrance of Warren Foss and 17 others of New Gloucester against any change in the present law relative to the shooting and sale of woodcock,

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of M. D. Chatto and 35 others of Brooksville for the enactment of a law to prevent the seining of fish in Penobscot bay and its tributaries;

Petition of C. H. Hooper and 11 others of Castine for a close time on clams;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore fisheries.

Fesolve in favor of Harriet Upton,

Was referred to the Committee on pensions.

Fetition of Eben Chase and others for an increase of salary for the register of probate of Lincoln county,

Was referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

Remonstrance of E. E. Merrill and 24 others of Clinton against increasing the salaries of the supreme court judges of the State;

Remonstrance of George H. Donham and 26 others of Island Falls against the hunters license bill;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

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

Bill "An Act requiring railroad corporations to issue mileage tickets at a uniform rate, good for passage of bearer,"

Was tabled pending reference to committee and ordered printed on motion of Mr. Webb of Portland.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Edwin Riley and others for passage of an act relating to the Livermore Falls Water Company, reported that same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. GOSS from the Committee on Shore Fisheries on order to inquire into the expediency of amending the laws pertaining to Nequasset stream, reported that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Company "G" 1st

Regiment Maine National Guard that they be reimbursed for amount charged for clothing.

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to exempt soldiers from paying a poll-tax."

Mr. DEERING from the York County Delegation, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 625 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to establish a board of police of the city of Biddeford."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PERKINS from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act additional, relating to the appointment and compensation of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford."

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolves providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office.

Mr. FARRELL from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Boom Corporation and of the Penobscot Lumbering Association."

Mr. PEABODY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend chapter 130 of the Private Laws of 1866 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company."

Mr. KING from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Stevens Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Fort Fairfield."

Mr. BUCK from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "An Act for protection of fish in Bagaduce river, bay and tributaries."

The reports were accepted and bill and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to change time for holding sessions of county commissioners in Washington county." House document No. 50;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897." House document No. 51;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake. House document No. 52,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. GARD-NER of Patten.

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy. House document No. 53;

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy. House document No. 54;

Were tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon.

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy. House document No. 55;

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy. House document No. 55;

Were tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. GARD-NER of Patten.

Resolve in favor of the Leavitt Institute. House document No. 57,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon.

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School. House document No. 58;

Resolve in favor of Patten Academy. House document No. 59:

Were tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. GARD-NER of Patten.

Resolve in favor of Anson Academy. House document No. 61,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. WALKER of Starks.

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Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians. House document No. 60,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for assault and battery and other misdemeanors,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor.

Resolve in favor of the town of Waldoboro,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading, Mr. HILL of Belfast 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.

Rsolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Deering,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled, on motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of the Home for Friendless Boys in Deering,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled, on motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

An Act to amend chapter 154 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the Wiscasset Water Company; An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intelligence offices;

An Act to incorporate the Brownville Water Company;

An Act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds;

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.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, That the governor, the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House extend an invitation to the Hon. William P. Frye, our senator in congress and a member of the commission to negotiate a treaty of peace with Spain, to visit the State capitol at his convenience, during this session of the legislature, as the guest of the State.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MOSHER of Rome, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Thursday, February 9, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Quimby of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

The following telegram was read by the speaker:

Washington, Feb. 8, 1899.

To Isaiah K. Stetson, Speaker of the House of Representatives :

Please convey to the House my appreciation of their resolution of confidence and approval, and assure them that no message ever before gave me so much comfort.

(Signed) WM. P. FRYE. Applause.

Papers from the Senate:

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Communication from State treasurer elect, transmitting official bond as treasurer of the State of Maine for the years 1899 and 1900, for approval by the legislature,

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

Petition of Thomas Griers and 6 others of Bluehill in favor of abolishing the draw in the bridge across foot of Salt pond in the town of Bluehill;

Petition of Frank T. Green and 86 others of Bluehill in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers;"

Bill "An Act relating to the filing of papers in cases argued before the supreme judicial court when sitting as a court of law;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of H. M. Nichols and 24 others of Casco for the enactment of a law requiring railroads in this State to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer; Petition of W. C. Smiley and 60 others of Fayette;

Petition of W. B. Ireland and 32 others of Stetson for same; Petition of L. Macomber and 159 others in favor of the passage of the bill for the protection of street railway employes;

Petition of H. C. Basney and 18 others;

Petition of Columbus Knight and 26 others in favor of same;

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

Ordered, That the trustees of the University of Maine be instructed to obtain for the benefit of the members of the legislature, the salary and perquisites received by the president, professors and instructors, and all other attachees, including clerks, stenographers and typewriters, and all others drawing compensation at the University of Maine, and the duties of each, and report the same as soon as practicable to the legislature,

Which was passed in the House, February 7, as amended by House amendment "A," came from the Senate further amended by Senate amendment "A."

The vote whereby the order received a passage was reconsidered, and Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence.

Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport offered House amendment "B" which was adopted and the order as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" and Senate amendment "A" was passed and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Ignace Blais.

The report was accepted in concurrence and the resolve recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of F. A. Cummings and others of Bangor in favor of an act to amend the present ballot law;

Bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of an apothecary;"

Bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to poll taxes, by adding to said section the words 'which said poll tax shall not exceed three dollars and shall not be less than one dollar;' " Bill "An Act to amend paragraph 10, section 1 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 349 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to the northern district of Aroostook county;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Charles S. Fobes and 180 others, relating to overseers of poor of the city of Portland;

Petition of M. D. Dingley and others of Durham for repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways;

Petition of Charles P. Ames and 30 others of Westbrook in favor of an act to create a lien upon monumental work;

Remonstrance of George H. Hill and 45 others of Lyndon, against the creation of a State road commissioner;

Remonstrance of J. D. Hodgdon and 48 others of East Orrington;

Remonstrance of G. A. Knowles and 32 others of Hampden, against same;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 334 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to concentrated commercial feeding stuff;"

Bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the incorporation and control of gas and electric companies for lighting, heating, manufacturing and mechanical purposes;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Daniel R. Stover and 27 others relating to change of school district lines;

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. G. Fenlason and 73 others of Fort Kent including Major Dickey, Duke of Fort Kent, in favor of the enactment of a law requiring railroads to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer;

Petition of F. W. Dana and 49 others of Lewiston;

Petition of S. B. Libby and others of Durham;

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Petition of F. L. Chenery and 42 others of Wayne; Petition of C. D. Newell and 67 others of Richmond; Petition of L. W. Kilgore and 32 others of Moro; Petition of Weland Leighton and 54 others of Athens; Petition of George Curtis and 38 others of Brewer; Petition of J. H. Thompson and 96 others of Farmington; Petition of K. B. Stevens and 20 others of Brooklin: Petition of M. C. Chapman and 62 others of Newburg; Petition of Fred H. Gay and 52 others of Damariscotta; Petition of F. W. Patterson and 28 others of Industry: Petition of Willis E. Webster and 31 others of Wales: Petition of J. W. Maxwell and 46 others of Webster; Petition of L. L. Buswell and 20 others of Lincoln: Petition of William Parkin and 70 others of Lisbon; Petition of G. E. Havener and 19 others of Bremen; Petition of F. N. Vose and 44 others of Klondike; Petition of H. E. Lindsey and 67 others of Monmouth; Petition of W. H. Parker and 25 others of Westbrook; Petition of G. H. Morse and 77 others of Pittsfield; Petition of George D. Bridgham and 58 others of Whitneyville:

Petition of L. B. True and 71 others of Yarmouth;

Petition of E. A. Dudley and 134 others of Monmouth;

Petition of J. H. Littlefield and 18 others of Ogunquit;

Petition of J. J. Clement and 47 others of Montville;

Petition of Arthur Richie and 85 others of Liberty in favor of same;

Petition of George H. Gilman and 79 others of Houlton that the Van Buren and Caribou Railroad Company be subrogated to all the rights and privileges of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company;

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

Resolutions to congress, relating to the election of Brigham H. Roberts as representative from the State of Utah to the National House of Representatives,

Were presented by Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner who moved that the rules be suspended, the resolves take their two several readings and pass to be engrossed.

Pending action on this motion, Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport moved that the resolves be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations. The motion prevailed.

Memorial to the House of Representatives of the 56th Congress of the United States;

Was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Memorial to the House of Representatives of the 56th Congress of the United States,

Was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of Harrison, Wood and Company and 63 others of Belfast in favor of an act to create a lien upon monumental work,

Was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of J. S. Wiggin and 28 others of Bath for a law requiring a better observance of Memorial Day,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of J. M. Treat and 39 others of Stockton Springs for a law prohibiting the use of purse net or seines in any waters, bays or tributaries of Penobscot bay except for taking smelts and salmon;

Bill "An Act to authorize Wilford F. Levenseller, Waldoboro, Lincoln county, Maine, his successors, associates, heirs and assigns, to propagate lobsters;"

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of W. H. Harrison and 31 others of Windham in favor of division of town of Windham and creation of new town of South Windham;

Petition of F. E. Cobb and 25 others of Windham in favor of same;

Resolutions against division of town of Windham by Pleasant River Grange; Remonstrance of Dana T. Lovell and 60 others of Windham against division of said town;

Remonstrance of William H. Akers and 59 others of Windham;

Remonstrance of Frank Haskell and 171 others of Windham against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of J. W. Brackett and 79 others of Bristol for an increase of salary of register of probate, Lincoln county;

Petition of G. B. Kenniston and 8 others;

Petition of A. A. Skinner and 29 others of Jefferson;

Petition of George Bliss and 102 others of Waldoboro in favor of same;

Were referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

Remonstrance of George H. Hill and 59 others against increase of salaries of judges of the supreme judicial court,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Warren,

Ordered, That the State printer be directed to print three thousand additional copies of the annual report of the commissioners of inland fisheries and game for the use of this legislature.

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

On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to Mr. Brimmer of Mariaville until Monday, February 20th, on account of urgent town business.

Mr. MAXWELL from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Edgar N. Stevens and others that the Lincoln, Lakeville and Winn Telephone Company be incorporated.

Mr. LEAVITT from same Committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to require street railway companies operating electric cars, cable or other cars propelled by steam, cable or electricity, to protect certain of their employees from the inclemency of the weather during certain months of the year."

Mr. DeCOSTER from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1, chapter 313 of Public Laws of 1897, relating to the sale of agricultural seeds."

Mr. DAIGLE from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on bill "An Act to amend chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 as amended by chapter 502 of the Private and Special Laws of 1852, relating to the free bridge across Salt pond in Bluehill," reported that "same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs."

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition of M. T. Rokes and 50 others for protection of pickerel in Grassy pond, reported that "same be referred to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act for the protection of fish in Littlefields's pond in Sanford in the county of York."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on communication of T. S. Bowden for protection of salmon in Crystal lake.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of H. A. Furbush and 109 others to prohibit bait fishing in the Seven Ponds in Franklin county, reported that "same be granted, and will be incorporated in the general law to be submitted hereafter."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of F. C. Foster and 24 others that the law be so amended as to permit ice fishing for black bass, white perch and pickerel on Great and Long ponds in the county of Kennebec through the months of December, January, February and March with not more than five lines to be used by any one person, the same to be taken up at night.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of Thomas Golder and 68 others that the law be so amended as to permit ice fishing for black bass, white perch, and pickerel on Great and Long ponds in the county of Ken. nebec through the months of December, January, February and March, with not more than five lines to be used by any one person, the same to be taken up at night.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of Jacob Witham and 64 others for repeal of the law prohibiting the trapping and killing of beaver.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order directing the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game to inquire and report what changes, if any, are necessary in the laws pertaining to ice fishing in the lakes and ponds in the Belgrade waters, so called.

Mr. JELLISON from the Committee on Claims, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Stephen Clark and others for reimbursement to Cyrenus B. Downes of commutation money paid in 1863.

Mr. FULLER from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Norway.

Mr. WEST from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of the town of Waterford.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives."

Mr. HARRIS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to the organization and stock and bonds of the United States Envelopment Company."

Mr. GUERNSEY from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to establish the Rumford Falls municipal court."

Mr. CHASE from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to legalize and make valid the meeting and doings of the corporation known as the Trustees of the Charity Fund of Caribou Lodge located at Caribou in the county of Aroostook in the State of Maine."

Mr. WILBUR from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act for the extension of the Somerset railway."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the North Berwick Trust Company."

Mr. FARNSWORTH from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society.'"

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to permit the breeding and raising of quail for purposes of sale, by Henry J. Simpson of Sullivan, Maine."

Mr. WILSON from the Committee on Towns, on petition, reported bill "An Act to annex Franklin plantation, in the county of Oxford to the towns of Rumford and Peru."

Mr. DUNNING from the Committee on Claims, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the town of Beddington."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in Bagaduce river, bay and tributaries." House document No. 63;

Bill "An Act additional, relating to the appointment and compensation of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford." House document No. 65;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 130 of the Private Laws of 1866 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company.'" House document No. 67;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum. House document No. 64,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth.

Resolves providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office. House document No. 66,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Damariscotta to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 25 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of clams and shell fish;"

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 change the time for holding session of county commissioners in Washington county,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, was re-committed to the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on motion of Mr. GRINDEL of Islesboro, and sent to the Senate.

An Act in relation to the school committee of the city of Portland;

An Act to prevent the wearing of spiked boots or shoes in public places;

An Act for the better protection of deer in the counties of Cumberland, York and Sagadahoc;

An Act to amend paragraph 4 of section 1 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to licenses to sell real estate.

An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 96 of the Laws of the year 1887, providing for the extension of railroads;

An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for assault and battery and other misdemeanors.

An Act to amend section 34, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the powers and duties of the superintending

school committee to contract with the trustees of academies forfree high school instruction;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 436 of the Special Laws of 1834 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Bangor approved February 12, 1834;'

An Act to amend chapter 207 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, as amended by chapter 344 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to the Rockland and Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company;

Resolve to enable the county of Aroostook to refund its debt;

Resolve in favor of committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Colonel E. K. O'Brien at Thomaston;

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. GARDNER of Patten,

Bill "An Act requiring railroad corporations to issue mileage tickets at a uniform rate good for passage of bearer." House document No. 24,

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEBB of Portland

Bill "An Act requiring railroad corporations to issue mileage tickets at a uniform rate good for passage of bearer." House document No. 62

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TURNER of Somerville, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

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AUGUSTA, Friday, February 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Picton of South Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Remonstrance of F. K. Lane and 50 others against Farmington Corporation taking water from Wilson lake and Varnums pond in Wilton;

Remonstrance of S. J. Goodspeed and 20 others;

Remonstrance of James Walker and others against same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of J. Eaton and 46 others of South Bluehill in favor of abolishing the draw in the bridge across foot of Salt pond in the town of Bluehill;

Bill "An Act to amend section 65 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to fees in insolvency proceedings;"

Bill "An Act relating to expenses of State officials and employes;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of George T. Merrill and 49 others of Patten in favor of an act requiring railroads of this State to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer;

Petition of W. J. Foss and 55 others of Brighton in favor of same;

Bill "An Act to extend the provisions of the General Statutes, to street railway charters, relating to the location of tracks;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses. Bill "An Act to amend chapter 419 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company,' "

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Bill "An Act for the better protection of weirs,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Report of the Oxford County Delegation on petition of George A. Wilson and others, relating to increase of salaries, reporting that the petition with accompanying bill be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order to consider the feasibility of legislation against hunting partridges with dogs.

Report of the Committee on Claims, reporting "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of Eben M. Garland.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs on petition reporting resolve in favor of the St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland.

Report of the Committee on Reform School on report of the trustees, superintendent, treasurer and teachers of the State Reform School, reporting resolve in favor of the State Reform School.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and Wednesday next, assigned for second reading.

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 458 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897 entitled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House, February 6, came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "B" and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, the votes whereby the bill passed to be enacted and engrossed were re-considered, Senate amendment "B" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Remonstrance of J. B. Greaton and 15 others of Starks against the veterinary bill,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of D. S. Moore of Moscow and 26 others for the passage of an act to provide that State paupers in plantations shall be cared for by the county commissioners;

Petition of George S. Paine and 20 others of Winslow in favor of a law so that the election of road commissioner may be optional with towns;

Remonstrance of Alden Bassett and 20 others of Winslow against creating the office of State highway engineer;

Remonstrance of C. E. Freeman and 14 others of Norwav against the creation of the office of State road commission;

Remonstrance of S. S. Smith and 8 others of Norway against same;

Remonstrance of F. W. Patterson and others of Industry against setting off a part of the town of Industry and annexing the same to the town of Farmington;

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 103 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to telegraph and telephone companies;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to authorize and empower the city of Bangor to raise money by loan or otherwise for municipal purposes,"

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Elmer L. Miles and 50 others in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations in this State to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer;

Petition of Seth F. Sweetser and 68 others of New Gloucester; Petition of Charles E. Hatheway and 30 others of Midway;

Petition of M. Johnson and 31 others;

Petition of A. B. Libby and 25 others;

Petition of N. C. Martin and 24 others of Oakfield;

Petition of Alden Gerry and 70 others of Smyrna;

Petition of M. E. Linneken and 41 others of Surry;

Petition of E. S. Scruton and 32 others of Lewiston;

Petition of O. H. Wakefield and 11 others of Lowell; Petition of G. W. Young and 82 others of Blaine; Petition of W. H. Clark and 41 others of Carratunk; Petition of S. W. Parsons and 19 others of Dead river; Petition of F. E. Mayo and 73 others of Monticello; Petition of Joseph H. Davis and 26 others of Durham: Petition of C. O. Small and 100 others of Madison; Petition of W. J. Weymouth and 77 others of Easton; Petition of George F. Whidden and 28 others of Presque Isle; Petition of Samuel Daggett and 78 others of Easton; Petition of G. W. Foss and 17 others of Leeds; Petition of G. F. Tarbell and 40 others of Benton; Petition of Silas E. Bowler and 36 others of Palermo; Petition of George L. Sellers and 31 others of Penobscot; Petition of Irving Littlefield and 40 others of Penobscot; Petition of M. E. Mussley and 41 others of Burnham; Petition of J. B. Hodgoon and 93 others of Cakland; Petition of George N. Barrows and 58 others of Newport in favor of same:

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

Petition of F. E. Mitchell and 5 others that said Mitchell with his estate may be set off from the town of Litchfield and annexed to the town of Wales;

Remonstrance of H. H. Boody and 54 others against division of the town of Windham;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of Harry V. Moore and 17 others for an increase in salary of the judges of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of Charles E. Warren and 9 others of Winslow against increasing the salaries of the judges of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of W. V. Taintor and 67 others of South Carthage;

Remonstrance of G. A. Roberts and 18 others of Norway against same;

Remonstrance of G. B. Hodgdon and 27 others of Sergeant Wyman Post against any law exempting soldiers from the payment of a poll tax;

Were ordered filed with other matters relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. GRINDEL of Islesboro,

Ordered, That the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries be required to furnish an itemized account of the use of State money expended by him.

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

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses are hereby directed to ascertain, and report whether any of the railroad corporations of this State, issued any passes during the year 1898, and if so to report the number of the kinds of passes so issued to persons not in the employ of such corporations; and for that purpose said committee is hereby empowered to compel the attendance of the officers of such corporations and to require the production of all necessary books and papers.

Pending passage, Mr. CHASE of Portland, moved that the order be laid on the table. (Discussion ensued).

Mr. CHASE of Portland, raised the point of order that a motion to table was not debatable.

The Chair sustained the point of order.

The motion to table prevailed on a viva voce vote.

Mr. VIRGIN from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of William J. Wheeler and Joseph H. Stewart that they and their successors and associates be incorporated under the name of South Paris Water Company.

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act amendatory to chapter 170, acts of 1895, entitled 'An Act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery.""

Mr. CHASE from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relative to the election of selectmen, overseers of the poor and assessors."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "legislation. inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the election of selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor.

Mr. HOPKINS from same committee reported "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to amending chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes, so that one-half the fines paid for violation of the liquor law shall be paid to municipalities.

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of George A. Stover and others that section 17 of chapter 61 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to shad and alewives in the Androscoggin river and Merrymeeting bay.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of J. T. McKellor and others of South Thomaston that a law be enacted to prevent torching of fish in waters adjoining weirs, as present law already covers matter in question.

Mr. PEABODY from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of the governor of Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, that the line between their rerservation and the town of Perry be located.

Mr. DAWSON from the Committee on Pensions, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Matthias A. Cullnan for increase of pension.

Mr. RYERSON from the Committee on Library, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for establishment and maintenance of free public libraries in cities and towns and for the purchase of books for the use of plantations out of the money raised and collected from the licensing of dogs."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. VIRGIN from the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to amend chapter 570 of the Private and Special Laws of 1874 as amended by chapter 85 of the Private and Special Laws of 1875," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act granting William S. Hopkins the right to establish and maintain a ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven."

Same gentleman from same committee on petition, reported bill "An Act to incorporate the Hebron Water Company." Mr. SMITH from same committee on petition of Joseph Francis, governor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, reported bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Public Works Company."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act additional to acts to incorporate the Lockwood Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Ticonic Foot Bridge Company."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, on order relating to disclosure on mesne process, reported bill "An Act to amend section 15 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 318 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to disclosures on mesne process."

Mr. MOREY from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 2, chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 entitled 'An Act creating the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation."

Mr. SANBORN from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to legalize the doings of Rangeley plantation in Franklin county."

Mr. HOPKINS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Southwest Harbor Dam and Bridge Company."

Mr. BEAL from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home.

Mr. HIX from same committee on petition, reported resolve in favor of Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Mr. BURNS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital.

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Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, on resolve in relation to bounties to be paid Maine soldiers in the Spanish war, reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolve in relation to extra pay of Maine volunteers in the war with Spain.

Mr. PEABODY from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of Penobscot tribe of Indians, reported resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Same gentleman from same committee reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the Indian reservation in the town of Perry, Washington county."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Sabatis Shay, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Mr. MELCHER from the Committee on Pensions, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine."

Mr. FITZ from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Harriet Upton.

Mr. BROWN from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Penobscot county."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin."

Mr. BRYANT from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county."

Mr. GARDNER from the Penobscot County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to fix the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Penobscot."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Boom Corporation and of the Penobscot Lumbering Association." House document No. 68;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Stevens' Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Fort Fairfield." House document No. 69;

Bill "An Act for the extension of the Somerset Railway." House document No. 70;

Bill "An Act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon." House document No. 71;

Bill "An Act relating to the organization and stock and bonds of the United States Envelope Company." House document No. 72;

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives." House document No. 73;

Bill "An Act to permit the breeding and raising of quail for purposes of sale by Henry J. Simpson of Sullivan, Maine." House document No. 74;

Bill "An Act to legalize and make valid the meeting and doings of the corporation known as the Trustees of the Charity Fund of Caribou Lodge so called, at Caribou, in the county of Aroostook in the State of Maine." House document No. 75;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the North Berwick Trust Company." House document No. 76;

Bill "An Act to annex Franklin plantation, in the county of Oxford, to the towns of Rumford and Peru." House document No. 78;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the town of Beddington. House document No. 77,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in Bagaduce river, bay and tributaries;"

Bill "An Act additional, relating to the appointment and compensation of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 130 of the Private Laws of 1856 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Sebec 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.

An Act to amend chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes, relating to State pensions;

Resolve in favor of Charles T. Powers;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, bill passed to be enacted, resolve finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook,

The vote whereby the petition of Charles T. Ames and 30 others of Westbrook in favor of an act to create a lien upon monumental work was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs was re-considered, and on motion of same gentleman the petition was referred to the Committee on Manufactures and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Communication from State treasurer transmitting detailed statement of the State tax assessed against and paid by the electric street railway companies for the years 1895-1896-1897 and 1898. House document No. 19,

Was taken from the table and ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Starks,

Resolve in favor of Anson Academy, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Monday, February 13 at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MELCHER of Portland,

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.

AUGUSTA. Monday, February 13, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

House called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Hon. Warren C. Philbrook of Waterville be and hereby is elected and chosen Speaker pro tem.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Williamson of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker the Hon. Warren C. Philbrook of Waterville had been elected speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

The assistant clerk was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Governor and Council.

A message was received from the Senate by Senator Hargraves of York, informing the House that in the absence of the President of the Senate the Hon. Louis C. Stearns of Aroostook, had been elected president pro tem.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the executive department transmitting a copy of a concurrent resolution, recently adopted by the legislature of North Dakota, touching the submission of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

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

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of the commissioners on contagious diseases of animals,

Was read and with report referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence. Bill "An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of C. E. Perkins and 54 others of Milo in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations in this State to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer,

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

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 surety 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 Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act requiring persons, associations and corporations owning or operating street cars to provide for the protection of employes."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of procuring portraits of the past presiding officers of the State Senate.

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

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal so much of section 5 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes as relates to the bounty on bears."

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

Report of the Committee on Library, reporting resolve in favor of the Maine State Library for the years 1899 and 1900.

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

Petition of A. W. Miller and W. F. Smith of Hartland for an amendment to the present ballot law;

Bill "An Act to authorize registers of probate to receive petitions in vacation and the judge of probate to order notice thereon in vacation;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of George Crosby and 63 others of Littleton for repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897 relating to the repair of highways;

Petition of A. P. Bailey and 12 others of Harmony;

Petition of H. E. Maines and 26 others of Oakland for same; Remonstrance of E. H. Nealey and 73 others against the appointment of a highway engineer;

Remonstrance of J. M. Robinson and 70 others of Carmel against the creation of the office of State road commissioner;

Remonstrance of F. O. Prescott and 23 others of Hermon;

Remonstrance of D. D. Roberts and 23 others of Carmel;

Remonstrance of Abner T. French and 7 others of Glenburn;

Remonstrance of C. H. Cummings and 15 others of East Eddington;

Remonstrance of William A. Rowe and 3 others of East Eddington against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of W. F. Smith and 89 others of Hartland in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books, at two cents per mile, good to bearer;

Petition of James Hudson and 79 others of Guilford;

Petition of J. M. Prentiss and 44 others of Greenville;

Petition of H. W. Woods and 75 others of Knox;

Petition of F. E. Palmer and 25 others of Monroe;

Petition of I. M. Pierce and 29 others of Montague;

Petition of L. F. Hall and 36 others of Littleton;

Petition of A. H. Weymouth and 49 others of Howland;

Petition of Joseph Eaton and 34 others of Winslow; Petition of John Blethen and 39 others of South Thomaston; Petition of F. M. Hawkes and 11 others of Raymond; Petition of R. W. Stone and 29 others of Poland; Petition of R. R. Nevens and 40 others of Waldoboro; Petition of Charles Davis and 38 others of Sebago;

Petition of J. O. Peaslee and 43 others of Benton;

Petition of W. D. Blethen and 40 others of Dover;

Petition of L. B. Dennett and 24 others of Portland;

Petition of G. W. Reed and 26 others of Levant;

Petition of W. T. Merrill and 56 others of Skowhegan in favor of same;

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

Petition of L. E. Jackman and 42 others of Sherman Mills for an amendment to the law relating to the taking of salmon on the east branch of Penobscot river. (Received under suspension of rules);

Bill "An Act relating to the taking of salmon, during open season with drift nets on the east branch of the Penobscot river." (Received under suspension of rules);

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of O. W. Counce and 75 others of Warren against increase of salaries for judges of the supreme judicial court,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Credentials of Sabatis Shay, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians,

Was ordered placed on file.

Mr. GARDNER from the Penobscot County Delegation, reported "legislation inexpedient" on bill "An Act relating to the salary of the judge of the Bangor municipal court.",

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. GUERNSEY from the Committee on Library, on order reported bill "An Act to establish travelling libraries."

Same gentleman from same committee, on same order reported resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing travelling libraries.

The reports were accepted and bill and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society.'" House document No. 79;

Bill "An Act to establish the Rumford Falls municipal court." House document No. 80;

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore." House document No. 81;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2, chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act creating the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation.'" House document No. 82;

Bill "An Act to amend section 15 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 318 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to disclosures on mesne process." House document No. 84;

Bill "An Act additional to acts to incorporate the Lockwood Company." House document No. 85;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Public Works Company." House document No. 86;

Bill "An Act granting William S. Hopkins the right to establish and maintain a ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven." House document No. 87;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Hebron Water Company." House document No. 91;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Southwest Harbor Dam and Bridge Company." House document No. 94;

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of Rangeley plantation in Franklin county." House document No. 95;

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Penobscot." House document No. 96;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895." House document No. 97;

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Bill "An Act to amend chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine." House document No. 99;

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Penobscot county." House document No. 101;

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin." House document No. 102;

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county." House document No. 103;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ticonic Foot Bridge Company." House document No. 104;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property." House document No. 83,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. FIELD of Oakland.

Bill "An Act relating to the Indian reservation in the town of Ferry, Washington county." House document No. 90,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

Resolve in relation to extra pay of Maine volunteers in the war with Spain. House document No. 88;

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital. House document No. 89;

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians. House document No. 92;

Resolve in favor of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. House document No. 93;

Resolve in favor of Sabatis Shay, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians. House document No. 98;

Resolve in favor of Harriet Upton. House document No. 100;

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home. House document No. 105;

Were severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Boom Corporation and of the Penobscot Lumbering Corporation;"

Bill "An Act for the extension of the Somerset railway;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon;"

Bill "An Act relating to the organization and stock and bonds of the United States Envelope Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives;"

Bill "An Act to permit the breeding and raising of quail for purposes of sale, by Henry J. Simpson of Sullivan, Maine;"

Bill "An Act to legalize and make valid the meeting and doings of the corporation known as the Trustees of the Charity Fund of Caribou Lodge, so called, at Caribou in the county of Aroostook in the State of Maine;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the North Berwick Trust Company;"

Bill "An Act to annex Franklin plantation, in the county of Oxford, to the towns of Rumford and Peru;"

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 authorize the Stevens Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Fort Fairfield,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle.

An Act to amend section 25 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of clams and shell fish;

An Act to amend chapter 450, Private Laws of 1893, relating to the school board of Eastport;

An Act to authorize the town of Damariscotta to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds;

An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Newport; An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 458 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company;"

Resolve in favor of the town of Waldoboro;

Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of 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 tothe Senate.

On motion of Mr. CRAIG of Island Falls, the vote whereby the House, February 9, accepted in concurrence, the report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order, relating to hunting partridges with dogs, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the report was tabled.

On motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco,

Petition of E. Dyer and 63 others for preventing the taking of smelts by seines in Saco river, was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten,

Resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week, assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. FORHAN of Raymond, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*

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AUGUSTA. Tuesday, February 14, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

House called to order by the Clerk.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That in the absence of the Speaker, Hon. S. D. Leavitt be and hereby is elected speaker pro tempore.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that branch that in the absence of the Speaker, the Hon. S. D. Leavitt of Eastport had been elected speaker pro tempore.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, that gentleman was charged with and conveyed a similar message to the Governor and Council.

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 54 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to assignment of charter or rights under it by railroad corporations;

An Act to amend chapter 203 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the education of the deaf, dumb and blind;

An Act to amend paragraph 4 of section 1 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to licenses to sell real estate;

An Act to prevent the wearing of spiked boots or shoes in public places;

An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 156 of the Public Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relating to intelligence offices;"

An Act to amend section 34, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the powers and duties of the superintending school committee to contract with the trustees of academies forfree high school instruction;

An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 96 of the Laws of the year 1887, providing for the extension of railroads;

An Act for the better preservation of deer in the counties of Cumberland, York and Sagadahoc;

An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for assault. and battery and other misdemeanors;

Was read in concurrence.

Petition of Frank Perkins and 60 others of Calais in favor of requiring railroad corporations in this State to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer;

Petition of O. E. Libby and 42 others of Detroit;

Petition of O. H. Drake and 23 others of Pittsfield;

Petition of Lyman G. Jordan and 122 others, faculty and students of Bates college;

Petition of F. P. Pennell and 26 others of Skowhegan in favorof same;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Nash Telephone Company with enlarged and extended franchise and powers." (Received under suspension of rules;)

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

Bill "An Act establishing the salary of the county attorney for the county of Aroostook,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Remonstrance of J. Allen Jones and 92 others of Fairfield against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of William W. Haley and 56 others of Sebagoagainst a further special close time on deer in Cumberland county;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of the Bluehill-George Stevens Academy;

Report of the Committee on Pensions, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve for State pensions;

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Petition of J. C. Estes of Westbrook for an act to amend the present ballot law;

Petition of H. H. Harden of Gorham for same;

Petition of W. G. Stevens and others of Castine in favor of an amendment to the charter of the Castine Water Company;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1887;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registers of probate;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs and their deputies;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Alden H. Copeland and 18 others of Warren, relating to election of road commissioners;

Petition of William P. Eustis and 12 others of Dixfield for an act incorporating the Dixfield Village Corporation;

Remonstrance of U. G. Simpson and 15 others of Dixmont against the creation of the office of State road commission;

Petition of S. B. Libby and 28 others of Durham against the election of highway engineer;

Remonstrance of Fred A. Whitten and 44 others of Unity against any law creating the office of State highway engineer;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of Job Martin and 90 others of Van Buren in favor of requiring railroad corporations in this State to issue mileage books at two cents per mile good to bearer;

Petition of Fleurent Sanfacon and 30 others of Grand Isle;

Petition of F. Stone and 19 others of West Poland: Petition of C. L. Stoddard and 44 others of Washburn; Petition of C. R. Anderson and 19 others of Westbrook; Petition of Judson Roberts and 26 others of Waterboro; Petition of J. F. McManus and others of Waterville; Petition of John H. Chase and 34 others of Waterboro; Petition of S. E. Perry and 24 others of Limerick; Petition of Frank W. Libby and 76 others of Limerick; Petition of A. L. Coston and 14 others of Hartland; Petition of W. P. Kenney and 17 others of East Knox; Petition of James W. Steen and 20 others of Mt. Chase; Petition of F. L. Scammon and 36 others of Lowell; Petition of Cecil L. Pierce and 20 others of Burlington; Petition of F. W. Conant and 29 others of Camden; Petition of I. C. Tracy and 48 others of Mercer; Petition of C. M. Kneeland and 25 others of Silver Ridge; Petition of Albion Ingraham and 12 others of Rockport; Petition of E. W. Chesney and 10 others of Island Falls; Petition of F. A. Tarbell and 39 others of Dyer Brook; Petition of A. O. Frederic and 37 others of Norridgewock; Petition of C. C. Kinsman and 28 others of Cornville; Petition of A. M. Thompson and 42 others of Madison; Petition of D. W. Morin and 12 others of Embden: Petition of E. S. Baker and 61 others of Bingham;

Petition of Franklin Blake and 79 others of Waterboro in favor of same;

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

Petition of Eugene O. Hale and 43 others of Medway for a change in the law relating to the taking of salmon on the east branch of the Penobscot river;

Petition of Delmont Emerson and 20 others of Island Falls; Petition of Silas R. Mitchell and 48 others of Stacyville; Petition of J. F. Hersey and 91 others of Patten for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of John Lovejoy and 36 others of Rockland against any change in the present purse or drag seine law;

Remonstrance of J. and E. A. Weyman and 34 others of Millbridge;

Remonstrance of Ephraim Burnham and 46 others of Edgecomb;

Remonstrance of Charles E. Waltz and 78 others of Waldoboro;

Remonstrance of Phillip Murray and 38 others of Boothbay;

Remonstrance of J. P. Jones and 52 others of Boothbay;

Remonstrance of A. A. Hall and 19 others of Newcastle;

Remonstrance of R. W. Lord and 40 others of Kennebunk;

Remonstrance of W. W. Conary and 31 others of Deer Isle;

Remonstrance of E. E. Spofford and 37 others of Deer Isle;

Remonstrance of F. H. Annis and 33 others of Deer Isle;

Remonstrance of J. T. Haskell and 35 others of Deer Isle;

Remonstrance of C. H. S. Webb and 108 others of Stonington;

Remonstrance of L. W. Gibbs and 18 others of Wiscasset;

Remonstrance of M. F. Dunton and 42 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of Thomas W. Baldwin and 29 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of Fred C. Blake and 35 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of D. H. Moody and 32 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of J. A. Roderick and 32 others of Farmington;

Remonstrance of W. T. Holton and 70 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of Oscar Orne and 21 others of Southport;

Remonstrance of D. H. Glidden and 21 others of Vinalhaven; Remonstrance of John F. Landers and 27 others of Hurricane Island;

Remonstrance of George W. Yates and 71 others of Bremen;

Remonstrance of E. M. Fossett and 117 others of Bristol;

Remonstrance of R. F. Genthner and 52 others of Damariscotta;

Remonstrance of M. W. Davis and 24 others of Monhegan;

Remonstrance of Enoch H. Goudy and 73 others of Bristol;

Remonstrance of James E. Studley and 11 others;

Remonstrance of Bean Brothers and 21 others;

Remonstrance of A. F. Small and Son and 23 others;

Remonstrance of John D. Prindable and 30 others;

Remonstrance of Charles Douglas and 19 others;

Remonstrance of C. H. Crocker and 37 others;

Remonstrance of George P. Wescott and 26 others;

Remonstrance of J. W. Trafton and 40 others;

Remonstrance of Cummings Brothers and 37 others against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Resolve in favor of the York County Agricultural Society, Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Remonstrance of S. W. Potter and 24 others of West Bethel against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject. These petitions, bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Ordered, That the use of this hall be given the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on Thursday afternoon of this week for hearing on the mileage bill.

Mr. MERRILL from the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to amend charter of city of Hallowell," reported that same be printed and referred back to Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DAIGLE from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on resolve in aid of the town of Kingman, reported that "same be referred to the next legislature."

The reports were acceptd and sent to the Senate.

Mr. DAIGLE from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in the town of Moscow in the county of Somerset.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of blasting a ledge in the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook.

The reports were accepted and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

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

Bill "An Act to repeal so much of section 5 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as relates to the bounty on bears;"

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 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society;' "

Bill "An Act to establish the Rumford Falls municipal court;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2, chapter 166 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled 'An Act creating the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation;' "

Bill "An Act to amend section 15 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 318 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to disclosures on mesne process;"

Bill "An Act additional to acts to incorporate the Lockwood Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Public Works Company;"

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

Bill "An Act granting William S. Hopkins the right to establish and maintain a ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the South West Harbor Dam and Bridge Company;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of Rangeley plantation in Franklin county;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ticonic Foot Bridge Company;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Penobscot,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden 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 establish the salary of the county attorney of Penobscot county,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden 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 fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden 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.

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, and pending passage to be engrossed, Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore,"

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending third reading on motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899,"

Came up as a special assignment and was re-tabled and Thursday next assigned for its consideration, on motion of Mr. MAN-LEY of Augusta.

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

Came up as a special assignment, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Home for Friendless Boys in Deering,

Came up as a special assignment and was re-assigned to tomorrow on motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden.

Resolves providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office,

Came up as a special assignment. On motion of Mr. PHIL-BROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, the resolves read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston,

Bill "An Act to limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property," was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the bill was retabled and Thursday next assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon,

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

On motion of same gentleman,

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading. On motion of same gentleman,

Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

On motion of same gentleman,

Resolve in favor of Patten Academy, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten,

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

On motion of same gentleman,

Resolve in favor of Calias Academy, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

On motion of same gentleman,

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School, was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

The order directing the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses to ascertain and report whether any of the railroad corporations of this State issued any passes during the year 1898, and if so to report the number and kinds of passes so issued to persons not in the employ of such corporation; and for that purpose said committee is hereby empowered to compel the attendance of the officers of such corporation and to require the production of all necessary books and papers,

Was taken from the table. By unanimous consent the order was withdrawn by Mr. GARDNER of Patten.

On motion of Mr. STETSON of Bangor, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, February 15, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Newbert of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

The following telegram was read by the Speaker:

Executive Mansion, Washington, Feb. 8, 1899.

To Hon. Isaiah K. Stetson, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Augusta, Me.:

The President requests me to thank youvery sincerely for your kind telegram of the 7th, and to assure you that he heartily appreciates the cordial expressions of congratulation therein contained.

(Signed)

J. H. PORTER, Secretary to the President.

Papers from the Senate:

Remonstrance of F. E. Monroe and 320 others of Milo against any change in the law relating to trustee process,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Remonstrance of M. K. Grindle and 75 others of Brooksville against the highway commissioner law of 1897;

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes, regulating the right to trial by jury in divorce suits;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of G. F. Miller and 51 others of Cushing against further restrictions being placed upon the use of purse and drag seines within the waters of our State;

Remonstrance of Elbridge Wotton and 59 others of Friendship against same;

Remonstrance of Charles L. Wallace and 31 others of Waldoboro against any change in the seining law; Remonstrance of B. A. Greenlaw and 24 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of W. T. Marr and 19 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of J. C. Pool and 10 others of Boothbay Harbor;

Remonstrance of Joseph Huff and 29 others of Boothbay;

Remonstrance of Robert H. Oram and 18 others of Bristol;

Remonstrance of J. E. Nichols and 83 others of Bristol against same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of A. D. Brown and 92 others of Canaan against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings on order relating to assigning rooms in the State House to the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, reporting the accompanying order relative to room No. 149 now occupied by the Secretary of the Senate and also to report that further action other than contained in the accompanying order is inexpedient at the present time.

Ordered, That on and after the adjournment of the present session of the legislature, room numbered 149 be and hereby is assigned to the banking department, and that any previous order relating to this room be revoked.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to authorize Lyman W. Hanna and William Mears, Jr., to build and maintain a dam at the mill pond at New Harbor in Bristol," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the construction of a dam at the outlet of the mill pond at New Harbor in the town of Bristol."

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

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on report of the State bank examiner, reporting "ought to pass" bill "An Act relating to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust and banking companies."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reporting "ought to pass" on 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 Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Report of the Cumberland County Delegation, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Cumberland."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once, House amendment "A" offered by Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, adopted, bill read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Petition of W. Lyons and 11 others of Westbrook in favor of amending the law relating to printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting at State and city elections;

Bill "An Act relating to the decrees of courts of probate;" Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of John N. Fletcher and 53 others of Belfast against an act to create the office of State highway engineer;

Remonstrance of Otis B. Wilson and 20 others of Waldo county against same;

Remonstrance of George S. Woodman and others of Auburn against the repeal of section 1 of chapter 293 of the Public Laws of 1897 relating to the transfer of stock;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of F. P. Grant and 34 others of Fort Fairfield in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books good to bearer for two cents per mile;

Petition of George L. Foss and 13 others of Fort Fairfield;

Petition of John M. Clements and 189 others of Warren; Petition of H. E. Webster and 75 others of Newcastle;

Petition of H. W. Peaks and 35 others of Charleston;

Petition of L. W. Cross and 23 others of Palmyra;

Petition of J. N. Ward and 46 others of Limestone;

Petition of John B. Madigan and 33 others of Houlton;

Petition of Frank Haynes and 45 others of Passadumkeag;

Petition of Henry W. Briggs and 26 others of Hudson;

Petition of E. W. Kingsbury and 32 others of Greenville in favor of same;

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 562 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868, said chapter being entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank.'" (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Houlton Trust and Banking Company." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Bill "An Act to provide for the return to assessors of a proper list of the persons domiciled in hotels, boarding houses and lodging houses,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Petition of Harrison Baker and 25 others of Skowhegan in favor of the passage of an act to create a lien upon monumental work;

Petition of A. E. Hutchings and 36 others of Belfast;

Petition of Charles H. Cleaves and 51 others;

Petition of D. S. Sullivan and 24 others of Clinton;

Petition of S. E. Sawyer and 9 others of Standish;

Petition of Clarence Winslow and 42 others of Casco;

Petition of Henry P. Miller and 11 others of Readfield;

Petition of F. D. March and 19 others of Newcastle;

Petition of J. F. Frisbie and 54 others of Bridgton;

Petition of E. C. Boston of Richmond;

Petition of John B. Lord of Hallowell;

Petition of McAubry and others of Portland;

Petition of Allen E. White and 19 others of Wayne;

Petition of A. I. Fuller and others of Augusta;

Petition of N. H. Higgins and others of Ellsworth in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 119 of the Private and Special Laws of 1881, entitled 'An Act to prohibit the taking of spawn herring within certain limits in Milbridge on Narraguagus bay.'" (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of M. N. Greenlaw and 16 others of Bristol for an increase of salary for register of probate, Lincoln county;

Petition of Bryon Giles and 45 others of Boothbay for same; Were referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

Remonstrance of S. J. Hills and 42 others of Union against increase of salary of judges of the supreme judicial court,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield,

Ordered, That the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 15 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897 as to make it legal to use seines or nets in weirs in tide waters east of the west shore of Penobscot bay and river.

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

Bill "An Act to repeal the provisions of chapter 215 of the Resolves of 1897 appropriating twenty thousand dollars a year for ten years for the University of Maine so far as the same relates to the years subsequent to 1898,"

Was tabled pending reference to committee and ordered printed on motion of Mr. PLUMMER of Portland.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to extend one-half of the salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court,"

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Messalonskee Water Power Company."

Mr. CARR from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill. "An Act to amend chapter 549 of the Private Laws of 1893, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Wilson Stream Dam Company,'" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilson Stream Dam Company."

Mr. REED from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Ripley Water Company of Andover, Maine."

Mr. GARCELON from same committee, on order, reported. bill "An Act to amend chapter 230 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854 as amended by chapter 673 of the Private and Special Laws of 1871, entitled 'An Act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river.'"

Mr. DAIGLE from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on petition, reported resolve in favor of the town of Madawaska.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to establish travelling libraries." House document No. 107,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing travelling libraries. House document No. 106;

Resolve in favor of blasting a ledge in the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook. House document No. 108;

Resolve in favor of repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridgeroad in the town of Moscow in the county of Somerset. House document No. 110;

Were severally read once and Wednesdaw next assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem plantation;

Resolve in favor of the State Reform School;

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Resolve in favor of the St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and passed to be engrossed by a viva voce vote which was doubted. The question being on making certain, a division was called for and the resolve was refused passage to be engrossed by a vote of 39 to 43.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, the resolve was laid on the table. Subsequently, on motion of same gentleman taken from the table. Mr. BLACKSTONE of Perham moved to reconsider the vote whereby the resolve was refused passage to be engrossed. Pending action on this motion, Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle moved that the motion of the gentleman from Perham be tabled and to-morrow at ten o'clock assigned for its consideration. The motion prevailed.

Resolve to pay to Howard Whittier of Mt. Vernon, in the county of Kennebec, a pension of two dollars a month;

Resolve in favor of repairing a road leading from Van Buren to Caribou, Aroostook county, at a point in Cyr plantation leading to Connor plantation;

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of the town of Beddington;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Anson Academy,

Was reported from same committee and tabled pending second reading on motion of Mr. WALKER of Starks.

An Act to amend chapter 130 of the Private Laws of 1866, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company;"

An Act additional, relating to the appointment and compensation of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Biddeford;

An Act to change time for holding sessions of county commissioners in Washington county;

An Act for protection of fish in Bagaduce river, bay and tributaries;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as: truly and strictly engrossed, passed to be enacted, were signed. by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Dunbar, secretary of that body, proposing a joint assembly to beheld this day forthwith in the hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of holding memorial exercises to the memory of the late Nelson Dingley.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, that gentleman 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 assembly for the purpose of holding memorial exercises to the memory of the late Nelson Dingley.

The hour for the joint assembly having arrived, the Senatecame in and the assembly was formed. Hon. Oliver B. Clason,. r'resident of the Senate, presiding.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY.

On motion of Mr. STEARNS of Aroostook, Messrs. Stearns,

Philbrook of Waterville,

were appointed a committee to wait upon the Honorable Governor and Council, to inform him and them that the two branches of the legislature were in joint assembly in Representatives Hall for the purpose of holding memorial exercises to the memory of the late Nelson Dingley, and to extend an invitation to them to attend.

Mr. STEARNS subsequently reported that the committee had attended to the duty assigned it and the Governor was pleased to make answer that he would forthwith attend in this hall accompanied by his Council, for the purpose of joining in the exercises commemorative of the life and character of the late-Honorable Nelson Dingley.

Thereupon the Governor attended by the Council entered thehall. The Governor assumed the chair and addressed the assembly as follows:

Gentlemen of the Joint Assembly:

It is indeed an honor to respond to your invitation to preside during the ceremonies commemorating the life and public services of Nelson Dingley.

This grand citizen of our State, whose life and character you are now to commemorate, is one whom I have personally known for many years, and have known him only to respect and to honor him.

I have presented here a list of the names of those who desire to deliver memorial addresses.

If there are others not upon the list, I have no doubt they will have an opportunity to speak, and that all will be pleased to listen to them.

In compliance with the arrangement, the exercises will begin by addresses from gentlemen who are members of the Senate, then will follow those who are members of the House of Representatives.

I will now recognize as the first speaker, the senator from Androscoggin, Mr. WHITE.

Mr. WHITE of Androscoggin said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: It is not my purpose to attempt any extended eulogy upon the life and character of Nelson Dingley.

More eloquent lips than mine will tell you the story of his life and from that story draw lessons that will instruct and strengthen us all in the performance of public duty.

And yet I cannot allow this occasion to pass without bringing my tribute of love and esteem to so worthy and noble a character.

In contemplating the passing of a human life the saddest thought which comes to us is how little the world recks the change. To-day we step forth in all the restless activity of life, to-morrow the grave closes over us, and in the rush of human events we are soon forgotten. Such, at least, is the fate of the great mass of humanity, but occasionally there appears a strong and great personality, the influence of whose life and character upon human affairs is not limited to the short space of human life, but long survives and in some cases seems to increase with succeeding years.

Among the early founders of the nation a Hamilton or a Jefferson are illustrations of this persistent influence, and I am inclined to think that the influence of Abraham Lincoln upon the nation is greater to-day than at any time during his life.

To a peculiar degree Lincoln represented the joys and sorrows, the aspirations and ambitions, the thought, the life and the intelligence of the great commonalty of the nation.

Upon this commonalty rests the strength and endurance of this nation, the permanence of our institutions.

From this commonalty have sprung all its great political leaders.

No man has yet risen to enviable eminence in this nation whose heart has not beat in sympathy with the intelligent thought and conscience of the people.

Demagoges arise in abundance who for a time may deceive the populace, but the test comes when a man occupies positions of public confidence and trust for a long term of years.

There is no X-ray known to science that penetrates like the glare of the public eye when brought to bear upon the life and character of a public servant.

Tried by this supreme test, I believe Nelson Dingley will go down to posterity as one of the most useful and eminent public men the State of Maine has produced.

For more than a quarter of a century he has been a prominent figure in public affairs.

Who, now that he is gone, mourn his death? Go out among the people in his own city, throughout the State, or the nation even. There you will find the mourners. There you will hear earnest and sincere expressions of regret at his untimely taking off.

This, to my mind is the most striking testimonial to his character, the sublimest tribute to his memory.

It shows that he had in no common degree touched the hearts of the people and impressed himself upon them as worthy of their confidence and esteem.

They saw here a man whom they could trust, for during a long public career extending over a period when party passions

had been aroused to the highest pitch, the fiercest political opponents had never questioned his honesty or his integrity. He was without blemish in public as well as in private life. They saw a man whose daily life ennobled labor, for he was a mighty worker himself. The conventionalities and enjoyments of society, excusable and necessary though they may be within certain limits, had no attractions for him, for he had no time to play.

To him life was real, life was earnest.

They saw a man coming from out the common walks of life, who, by honest and industrious effort, had become a leader among the rulers of a mighty nation at a time when the nation, bursting the bonds of provincialism, had taken its proper place among the great world powers of the age, and yet who had never forgotten his simplicity of manner and address, and who was as approachable by the plainest citizen as when he was a toiler at the press.

They saw a man of courage and conviction in public affairs, who, with consistent purpose, labored and legislated for the greatest good of the greatest number.

It is no wonder that the death of such a man in the full strength of his power and influence came to our people with a sense of personal loss.

They felt that in his death they had lost a safe man in the halls of legislation and a wise and prudent man in the councils of the State.

I do not wish to claim for Mr. Dingley any merit which is not justly his due, for if I knew the man, nothing was more distasteful to him than extravagant or undeserved praise, but it can be justly and truly said of him that he was one of the best examples of that high type of manhood which represents the best thought and conscience of New England.

The people of this State, while mourning his death, have just reason for congratulation that their State has produced so worthy a figure in national affairs, and to the youth of the State his example will be a beacon to lead them in the paths of good citizenship and political integrity.

Mr. PLUMMER of Penobscot said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: Although Nelson Dingley was born 67 years ago to-day in the home of his maternal grandfather, near that noble river within the sound of whose falling waters his entire private business life was passed and his home permanently established, several vears of his early childhood were passed at his father's home, among the everlasting hills of Piscataquis county, in front of that "grand uplift of mountain brows," which extends across our State from Abraham and his fellows on the west to old Katahdin—king of mountains—on the east. And who will ever know how much of the high ambition, noble aspiration and exalted sentiment of the man was due to the influence of the magnificent natural environment of those childhood days?

There, too, among as industrious and hard-working a people as ever forced a rocky and unwilling soil to yield them the necessaries and comforts of life, may have been stimulated that remarkable prediction for unremitting labor, which distinguished his whole after life, and made illustrious his public career.

This is not a fit occasion to attempt a complete sketch of Mr. Dingley's life, nor a careful analysis of his mental and moral traits; and passing by the record of his useful and distinguished service of four terms on the floor of this hall and two terms in the chair; passing by the story of his masterful creation of a great and influential newspaper, whose columns were ever kept as clean and pure as his own life and character, and which he himself desired and designed to be the best monument of his busy and useful life; passing by the history of his two terms of distinguished service as chief magistrate of our State, I will only touch briefly upon some points of his service in that great parliamentary arena, into which it was my privilege to see him enter, in the autumn of 1881, not in the place of a deceased or defeated predecessor, but in the place of an illustrious neighbor and friend who had been promoted, on his merits, to the upper chamber of Congress.

He very soon attained among his associates an enviable reputation for steady habits, tireless industry, and conscientious devotion to his public duties. And in a few years his information upon all questions touching the tariff, currency, banking, commerce and kindred subjects had become so varied, comprehensive and thorough, and was held so readily at his command. that his associates called him the Encyclopedia of the House, in kindly recognition of the invaluable aid he was able, and ever willing, to render them, when engaged in the investigation of fiscal matters, or special preparation for their discussion. And a constantly enlarging encyclopedia of useful, valuable and welldigested knowledge did that ample, active and tireless brain remain, until the end. The possession of this vast fund of knowledge, practical and technical and his long parliamentary experience and ready command of the rules made him, by common consent, the best equipped man in or out of Congress for the doing of the crowning work of his illustrious public career : the framing of a great revenue measure, which, while affording means to keep the vast machinery of government in operation, should at the same time stimilate instead of blocking the wheels of private industry, a measure which by many is deemed the most scientific and philosophical of its kind ever enacted; which bears his honored name, and will shed lustre upon it, throughout all the generations of the future, in which study and consideration of the subjects with which it deals, shall be required.

While Mr. Dingley was broad-minded and patriotic enough to use his knowledge, and the power it gave him, in the interest of the whole country, his loyalty to his native State, and sense of duty to her, as one of her chosen representatives, ever constrained him to see to it that her interests were duly considered, and in him the State of Maine has lost one of her most alert, influential and powerful friends, as well as one of her most illustrious sons.

Mr. Chairman: The legislative career of Nelson Dingley affords the most marked example and illustration, with which I am acquainted, of what painstaking, methodical, persistent, persevering and unremitting hard work will do, to make a public man useful, influential and great. He was wise enough to know at the outset, that if he was to become a great parlimentary leader, the disadvantages of a weak and thin voice, an unimpressive presence, lack of fertile imagination, lack of a keen sense of humor, and lack of that subtle, imponderable, indefinable, but real and potential force, called personal magnetism, would have to be overcome or offset, and this he determined to do by gaining, at the earliest possible day, a most thorough and masterful knowledge of all the complex and technical, as well as the simple and practical subjects, with which our national legislature has to deal, and no man ever became the leader of his party on the floor of the House by virtue of his chairmanship of the ways and means committee, as he did, who was more unquestionably its real leader, by virtue of his superior ability, attainments and fitness for the place.

Mr. Dingley's habits were as regular and methodical as clockwork. He regularly retired at 11 o'clock, and slept while other men indulged in social relaxation or dissipation; and as regularly breakfasted at 7 o'clock and worked while other men slept.

He regarded his time as not his own to be wasted at pleasure, but as his only in trust for the public whose servant he always felt himself to be, and he safe-guarded it with the same care as a miser does his gold. His time was too precious to be freely spent in ordinary social talk; but upon due occasion in that higher type of conversation which not only entertains but instructs and inspires, he had few equals.

I remember on one occasion when he was about to start on his regular morning walk of a mile and a quarter from his hotel to the Capitol, he invited me to accompany him, saying we could thus have opportunity to chat without loss of time; and that charming talk of his, which my own reticence enabled him to turn into a familiar discourse, will long survive in my memory as a most pleasing revelation of a side of the busy man I had not before seen.

Mr. Chairman: That able, compact and influential delegation which the State of Maine for years maintained in the national Congress, with so much credit to herself and advantage to the nation, is only too rapidly breaking up. Of its six members so long associated together, and so widely known to fame, Mr. Dingley was the second to fall at the post of duty, and to our finite comprehension there has never been a time when he could not have been better spared. But while often inscrutable, the ways of the Almighty must ever be righteous altogether. This is our faith. This we are bound to believe; and we believe, too, that good men will be found to fit into the circumstances of the situation and take up and carry forward the work which has dropped out of his stricken hands in such a way that the State and the republic shall receive no lasting detriment. We will reverently bow to this inexorable decree of the Divine will, realizing that

"Leaves have their time to fall, And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath, And stars to set; but all Thou hast all seasons for thine own. O Death!"

Mr. BLANCHARD of Franklin said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: Representing a constituency distinguished for its loyalty and devotion to Mr. Dingley, I deem it a duty as well as a privilege to speak a few words as a tribute to his memory. A noble heart has ceased to beat; a long life of brilliant and self-devoted public service is finished. We now stand at its conclusion, looking back through the changeful history of that life to its beginning, and its varied events, interwoven with all that tended to the upbuilding and the advancement of our own State and the nation, throws its shadow of gloom over us to-day. Yet it is a sacred privilege to contemplate the end of the great and the good. It is profitable as well as purifying to look upon and realize the office of death in removing the environments of life and to gaze upon virtues which survive its powers of destruction. The light which radiates from the life of a great, true and patriotic statesman is often dimmed by the mists of political strife, but the blast which strikes him down purifies the atmosphere which surrounded him in life and allows recognized and unrecognized virtues alike to shine forth in bright examples and well earned renown. It is then and only then that we witness the sincere acknowledgements of gratitude by a people who, having enjoyed the benefits arising from the faithful service of an eminent statesman, embalm his name and works in sacred memory. Few, very few, have ever combined the high intellectual powers and distinguished gifts of our departed representative. Within this very hall, whose walls have echoed the voice of a Hamlin and a Fessenden and a Blaine, in early life he began his political career, being twice elected Speaker of the House of Representatives and six times elected a member of that branch. His keen discrimination and deep insight into the affairs of State gave him later the highest position within the gift of the people of Maine. His rare executive ability displayed as Governor marked him as a fitting representative of his constituency in the halls of Congress. Of the incidents of his life during the past eighteen years as a member of Congress, it is unnecessary for me to speak; they are as familiar as household words, and must be equally familiawith those who come after us.

> "But there are deeds which should not pass away, And names that must not fade."

Of such deeds the life of Mr. Dingley affords many bright examples. His name will live with a freshness which time cannot impair, and shine with a brightness which passing years cannot dim.

A great mind, a great heart, a great career have been consigned to history, and her muse will record his rare gifts of intellectual power, plain, direct and convincing logic. She will point to a career of statesmanship which has to a remarkable degree stamped itself in the public policy of this country and reached in beneficent practical results the fields, the looms, the commercial marts and the quiet homes of all the land.

Bold and skillful and determined, and possessing a remarkable fund of knowledge, he gave character to the party of which he was the acknowledged leader, impressed his opinions upon their minds and attached himself to their hearts, without arousing the clamors of rivalry or murmurs of jealousy. A Christian statesman in the glory of his age, his memory will be glorious in after years; it reflects a light coming from a source which clouds cannot dim nor shadows obscure. Such a man was Mr. Dingley. Amid all the allurements of an eminently successful political life, his early habits of temperance and democratic simplicity of living stamped him as a man of sterling integrity and spotless Christian character. In the exultation of the statesman he did not forget the duties of the man. He was ever approachable, agreeable, genial alway. In every city, town and hamlet of his district are those who will shed tears of regret that no more will they be permitted to touch the hand and listen to the affectionate advice of their beloved representative. When in the full power and strength of manhood, when his every thought was of the progress of his country, when his wise councillings were so much needed, the dread visitor, death, battles with his noble life. At length the silver cord is broken and a nation mourns for her son, as only a nation mourns when her truly great and noble die.

From Maine's bright galaxy of statesmen has fallen a brilliant

star from the sphere which it illuminated, and is lost in gloom of death, and though his work is finished, it has been so noble, so honorable, so successfully performed as to entwine his memory for all time into the imperishable history of his native State. Not alone will his own State remember his work, but throughout the nations of the globe, his noble deeds will re-echo down the corridors of time. He needs no costly monument of marble, bronze or brass to perpetuate his memory for when these shall have crumbled into dust the history of our nation will show the divinity of his handiwork.

> "When the bright guardians of a country die, The grateful tear in tenderness will start, And the keen anguish of a reddening eye Disclose the deep affliction of the heart."

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN of Lincoln said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: When we pause amid our active official duties to pay some tribute to the memory of the noble dead, we perform an act fully in keeping with the best instincts of humanity. We love to honor our fellows in life, we bow silently to reverence them in death. Here, to-day, do we honor the memory of one who was a true man; whose whole life was devoted to the best interests of his district, his State, and his nation.

Nelson Dingley was indeed a great man. He had made a study of life. He had calculated its probabilities; he had measured its possibilities. He had discovered that no course could be complete that was not founded upon the best, the purest and the noblest purposes.

He was a student and assiduously applied himself to every public task. His grasp of national questions was masterful; he brought to their consideration a native talent, developed by careful training and supplemented by a depth of knowledge rarely possessed, and only reached by continuous thought, and the most rigid research. His abilities in this direction opened up to him exceptional opportunities, and how well he improved them his great successes attest.

His statesmanship was the admiration of his people; his private life the pride of all his friends; his character a strong fortress that defied assault and that drew to him a respect and reverence that no other attribute could command. No man was ever associated with him who was not bettered because of that silent, yet powerful influence.

"For that structure that we raise, Time is with materials filled; Our to-days and yesterdays Are the blocks with which we build."

Mr. Dingley exemplified this truth by presenting to the world a life carefully guarded each day by constant, upright, honest endeavor. Each successive stage of his public career, from his first experience as a legislator within these very walls, to his exalted station in the National Congress, was marked by the ruling forces of study and perseverance.

It is not necessary that I should recount the many acts that have made his name famous. These have become a part of his nation's history. It is better that we recall the lines of reasoning he followed, and reflect upon the paths of progress he trod. He was sensible of the trust reposed in him; ready at all times to respond to the demands of his people, ever anxious to give to their business interests his impartial attention. He desired to be in close touch with all his constituents and the humblest was received with courteous consideration.

Thoroughly American, he aspired to be loyal; he held a protective policy the safest and surest road to development. His every undertaking has shown a patriotism worthy of emulation.

Speaking upon this occasion in behalf of a portion of the constituency he represented, I desire to express our appreciation of his great worth. We almost claimed him as a resident of Lincoln county, for it was upon our shores that he had built him a summer home to which he could hie when released from the burden of official cares, and seek their inspiration and strength. Our people were always glad to honor him in life; they as sacredly esteem his memory.

Mr. Dingley's life work on earth is ended; his achievements will live. We realize the lustre of his fame to-day, but future generations reading in the clear light of a true history will come to view his life, character and works in even a grander and more brilliant radiance.

"Thou art not idle in thy higher sphere,

Thy spirit lends itself to loving tasks,

And strength to perfect what it dreamed of here,

Is all the crown and glory that it asks."

Mr. YOUNG of Oxford said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Convention: This occasion is a notable one for us all. The work of the legislature has ceased for the time that these fitting honors may be paid to the memory of Mr. Dingley. The story of his life has been told, but had it not been so, that life, with all its strength and greatness would have been as an open book, known of all men, and best known and most honored by those with whom he, in his lifetime, most associated, and with whom, for so many years, he kept himself in close touch and sympathy. For a long time he has been among the foremost men of our State. Indeed, it was many years ago, that he, after holding numerous positions, was for two years Governor of the State in whose service we now are. And the same painstaking care, the same honest devotion to the duties of that high office, the same capability and tact marked the man in that position that had been his characteristics during his life. But, in that broader field which opened up to him in the Congress of the United States, he made a name and fame as enduring as the rugged hills and mountains which are so identified with the county of which, in the Senate of this State, I am now a representative, and which constitutes a part of the district which he represented in Congress. Of his business and political successes I need not speak; of his family ties, which seemed the tenderest and truest, none ever doubted their strength and worth. For me only, to say that Oxford honored the splendid abilities and the Christian character of Nelson Dingley, in no man better blended, and for him, with our State and nation, mourns.

Mr. MOREY of Lewiston said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: A great man is dead. Simultaneously with the announcement that his life had ended came an expression of profound regret throughout the nation. Rarely indeed has our country paused and bowed at the bier of a man who possessed to such a marked degree the respect of his fellowmen. And now the State, the scene of his early struggles and the witness of his many triumphs, to-day, does homage to his memory.

Mr. Dingley was a statesman of great natural ability. Persistent effort and incessant toil developed those latent natural powers with which he was so bountifully endowed. At twelve years of age we find him reading and digesting Gibbon's History of Rome; a little later, while still a mere boy, delving deep into the intricacies of political economy and philosophy; and at the age of thirteen years he sustained a discussion for more than an hour in a mock trial that resulted favorably to his contention. These incidents are recalled simply as showing that while a child he possessed those qualities of mind to a marked degree, which, later on in life, in their full development, rendered him famous. Mr. Dingley realized, however, that the possession of great natural powers was not alone sufficient for success, but that they must be supplemented by broad information to make them effective. Accordingly, he bent himself to that task, making the acquisition of knowledge one of the chief aims of his life, and, as a result, he admittedly had no superior in the nation as to the breadth and accuracy of his information on certain economical subjects. High in his moral tone, Mr. Dingley brought to the aid of his natural gifts and the vast fund of information that he had acquired, a purity of character and integrity of purpose that rendered his advancement in the political world rapid and easily held secure his high position in the national life after it was once acquired. Of the fullness of his success in his public life there can be no doubt. He aimed high and he hit the mark. The thought is beautifully expressed by Tennyson:

> "When one would aim an arrow fair, But send it slackly from the sling, And one would pierce an outer ring, And one an inner, here and there, And last the master bowman, he would cleave the mark."

Never did he find himself in that sorry plight described by Bacon when he says, "Who can see worse days than he that yet living doth follow at the funeral of his own reputation."

The citizens of Lewiston will long remember Mr. Dingley in his private life—his life among them. From a modest beginning in business he worked his way steadily upward along the lines of journalistic work, till, at his death, his paper, in its circulation and influence was easily one of the leading papers of the State. During all of these years Mr. Dingley impressed his strong personality upon his fellow citizens. His interest in the financial and moral welfare of his city, his solicitude for her educational advantages, the strong hand extended to Bates College in the time of her need, will not soon be forgotten. He was willing to recognize merit, to assist the young man, to lend a helping hand. Many the time that he interested himself to obtain a pension for the soldier's widow and orphans.

He possessed a kind heart. His instincts were those of a true gentleman. His affable and courteous ways invited confidence. But why enumerate further instances. The ten thousand persons that passed with solemn tread and viewed his remains lying in state in City hall, were witnesses to the esteem and respect in which they held their distinguished townsman. And later, at the church at which he had been an attendant for so many years, when the last sad rites were said, this honorable body, by its official delegation, witnessed the great throng that passed by the mortal remains of Mr. Dingley, eager for the last look before eternity claimed him forever.

He died a Christian gentleman. For him,

"The day has come, not gone; The sun has risen, not set; His life is now beyond The reach of death or change, Not ended but begun."

Mr. HARRIS of Auburn said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: The thoughts that arise in our hearts and gather to our lips upon this occasion may be fully and freely expressed. The life work of Nelson Dingley shines brighter than any light that can be thrown upon it.

The State of Maine has suffered a grevious loss, and dedicates this day and hour to the memory of as worthy a man as was ever reared within its borders.

He won his way without exciting the envy of others, and rose to high places of trust and responsibility solely by merit. Offered the treasury portfolio by the present administration, he declined it, believing that his duty lay in forwarding the work he had already undertaken. A member of one of the strongest delegations in the National House—one of whom was its distinguished Speaker—coming from a sparsely populated State as compared with many of her sister states, without the backing which mere numbers give in the conduct of our Republican institutions, he was, without question, made chairman of the committee of ways and means and thus became the acknowledged leader of the dominant party on the floor of the House.

No man in Congress, or out of Congress, ever did more for the welfare of this State and its citizens than did he. He had seen his tariff bill and his war revenue bill in successful operation. In the midst of his labors upon the commission which had in charge the negotiations with Canada and the English commission, respecting reciprocity he is stricken down. At the height, perhaps, of his career he is taken from us. Much was depending upon him. This feeling of dependence upon and confidence in him pervaded the entire country. Expressions of profound sorrow are heard on every side, from people of high and low degree, from the President of the United States solicitous at hisbedside in Washington during his last illness, to the aged woman whose husband and son he had befriended, kneeling beside his casket in City hall in Lewiston, thronged with the procession of mourners, and offering up her prayer and lamentation.

His life and character were a fit setting for his distinguished abilities. Simple and unostentatious in dress, in manner, and habits of life, he was the most approachable of men. His attention and interest were easily enlisted and he was helpful to all who sought his counsel.

The earlier years of his manhood were employed in establishing the newspaper which remains a lasting monument to his untiring industry and business sagacity. It was his pleasure "To scorn delights and live laborious days."

Not so very long ago, standing in front of the Journal office in Lewiston in conversation with him, he said to me: "If I have ever accomplished anything worth while it has been done by hard work. Genius! some men talk about genius. If there is such a thing I haven't any of it, nothing but a talent for hard work."

He was never an agitator or an alarmist. There was nothing negative in his way of doing things. Simple and straightforward in his methods, profound and thorough in his knowledge, he was a constructive statesman of the highest type.

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It is a matter of satisfaction and pride to us that his unusual abilities were early recognized here at home. When twentynine years of age he first became a member of this House and was Speaker for two terms, declining a third election to the Chair.

Here again, as when he declined the treasury portfolio, he chose to serve on the floor of the House rather than in executive office. His two terms, however, as chief executive of the State, demonstrated his supreme fitness for such duties.

He was a leader of men, not by reason of his oratory or what we call personal magnetism, but by reason of his integrity and the sheer force of his intelligence. His application to details was prodigious and his force of mind and clear vision carried him safely through great undertakings. He won for himself the same esteem in the broader field of his labors that he had won at home among his neighbors and his friends.

We of the State of Maine are proud of him and are loyal to his memory. We know that where he led there it was safe to follow. His career has become a part of our State and national history. He takes his place (not the least) among the men whose names shine brightest on those pages. Evans, Fessenden, Hamlin, Blaine, Dingley are names that stir the blood of the sons of Maine.

His services to the public and to humanity are not finished. The purity of his character, his modesty and simplicity, the intenseness of his purpose have left an indelible impression. The good he did lives after him.

Mr. DONHAM of Hebron said :

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: It is with gratitude to my associates that I am given an opportunity of paying a word of tribute to the memory of the great congressman whom earth has lost and Heaven has gained.

Our words, to-day, are of little consequence, except as they express our individual appreciation of those qualities of mind which characterized the man and his work.

A gentleman of eminent qualifications and ample opportunities for knowing, speaking in commendation of the remarks of his pastor at the funeral service, said: "There was of Mr. Dingley that which was both good and great and to exaggerate either, is to do an injustice to his memory." Of that which was great—of his great work in life, it is for those to speak who, by personal association, knew him best.

Of its grand results and benefits to his fellowmen, those qualified by long experience in the greater affairs of men may judge them.

To-day, I would pay tribute to that which was kind and good in Mr. Dingley's life, as made manifest by his work. And in that work, his beneficence was not characterized by individual preferences so much as by a breadth of mind, a keen judgment of what would bring to his people the most good and the greatest blessings.

His kindly nature, united to his loyalty to duty, held his mind, in active exercise, so that nothing should escape his notice wherein he might do for his people. And when by virtue of the high position he occupied as chairman of the committee to provide ways and means for the government, the people of the wholecountry became his constituents, and he was found equal to the requirements of a nation.

With all his eminence and the great prestige he had won he was not given to offering his opinions concerning great questions unasked.

We recall one instance when out of the kindness of his heart he spoke that the people might be saved from the unnecessary anxiety and the business men from an alarm that was liable tobring disaster to the business interests of the whole country.

When in November last, the senator from Ohio was understood to say that the tariff was to again undergo revision, to meet the requirements incident to the war with Spain, his words had hardly reached the masses, on their mission of danger to the great centers of trade, before it was flashed on lighting wings throughout this great land, that there would be no revision of the tariff. Contingencies were provided for, and business continued in the even tenor of its way, undisturbed, for Nelson Dingley had spoken.

As the statement of the misquoted senator from Ohio was supposed to embody the views of the administration, this timely act of our congressman was the more grand. He risked the prestige he had gained by years of toil, that he might do his people a kindness, and in their hearts they thanked God for this man, who could quiet their fears with such authority and assurance. As a citizen and neighbor, my first impression of Mr. Dingley was formed under circumstances well remembered by his friends. He had just returned from abroad. Three months of his time had been devoted to the study of the Irish question, as it then agitated America as well as all Europe. True to the nature of the man, he had chosen to go to the source of the trouble to study it. From the abject misery of the Irish hovels, he had come to a land of plenty and a home of luxury. To be once more among trusted friends, and his beloved neighbors, so affected his generous nature, that his soul overflowed with a joy I have never seen equalled. In a recent conversation he told me that he never knew what a glorious thing it was to be an American citizen, until he had lived through this home coming.

The highest to which a man may attain in life is to become fit for the Lord to make use of him in His care and control of the universe. It is from this standpoint that we may account for much that we know of in the lives and works of Washington, Lincoln and Grant, of Webster, Clay and Sumner, and of our own Hamlin, Blaine and Dingley.

One of the most cherished memories of my life is that this noble man made some use of me, in extending his kindness to others.

A desire for knowledge and a struggle in gaining it, whether by school boy or man, challenged his deepest interest.

I was accustomed to send to Mr. Dingley for books, reports, copies of speeches and government literature for the students of Hebron Academy. In preparing themselves for debates on questions pertaining to our government, and essays in graduating exercises, etc., they had come to depend upon our representative in Congress as one of their ready and most valued sources of information. Words once reached him that it was feared that the students were encroaching upon his time, giving him trouble or at least annoyance, that they were presuming upon his generosity, but his kindness was equal to their demands, and word came back that they need employ no middle man, but send direct to him whenever they thought he could help them. The boys and girls, the students of any other school, would have received from him the same kind attention. It had but to be shown to him that a boy or girl was trying to fit themselves for the work of the future, and the duties of life, to insure them the

help of his beneficent, tireless mind. It became my pleasant duty to call upon him on business in October last. With the business disposed of, I asked him if he would take under consideration the coming to Hebron Academy, to speak to those students to whom he had been so kind. I askd it, hoping he would give me encouragement that at some time in the future he would try to do so. I was gratified by his saying "I will do that---that's just what I want to do," and when he named a day in the coming week, I was indeed surprised. He said he was refusing to speak in other places, or states, but he felt as though he knew those young folks up there, and he was glad of an opportunity to go to see them. Mr. Dingley came to Hebron, October twenty. After spending a part of the day with friends he met the students in their large audience room in the academy building. He had said to me that he would speak to them without any special preparation. Together we outlined what we thought would be satisfactory to them. I speak of this, because, after he had met the students and looked into the faces of those boys and girls, something must have changed the course of his thoughts, for not once did he refer to his subject as we had outlined it. He seemed to be taken back to his own schoolday life. He told them with an accuracy as remarkable as it was interesting of his own school days, and his individual method of studying. How from the years from twelve to eighteen he had made a special study of history while tending his father's store in the country. His method was, after putting the store in order for the morning he would read until a customer came in. After the customer had gone he would repeat aloud to himself what he had read before he was interrupted. If any part was not well understood, he would read again that portion and rehearse it until it was fixed in his mind. His rule was to read about twenty or thirty minutes, close the book, rehearse it, and catechise himself. In this way he read the histories of that time. In proof of the value of his method of study he told them that since he had been in public life, whenever he wanted to refer to history studied in those years, he could recall it to mind as readily as though he had read it but yesterday.

What his talk was to the scholars they can speak for themselves. In the last number of their school journal, The Semister, edited and published by the school, there is a notice of Mr. Dingley's visit to them as follows:

"On October 20th, the Hon. Nelson Dingley, our representative to Congress, came to Hebron for the purpose of making the students of Hebron Academy a visit. It is our wish to acknowledge a kindness whatever its source. That Mr. Dingley, after doing for us as he has done in the past, should lay aside his great cares and public duties to come and speak to us, places us under an obligation which we are unable to properly acknowledge. His subject seemed to be his own school days, what he himself did when he was in our places. He explained his method of learning with such clearness and vigor that we could adopt it as our rule of study at once. His tribute to the Scriptures, the beauty of their language, the purity of their English, their value as our guide in life while young, will never be forgotten by those who heard him. He urged us to study the politics of our country, to choose and act upon those principles, which will perpetuate the New England home, to investigate well, choose and act with that party which to our minds represents that which is good and best for the people, and that which represents progress and prosperity to our nation."

To-day, those students, my neighbors and the people in the little village over in the Oxford county hills have gathered in their audience room, this morning, to speak to each other of the kindness of their friend. As my mind goes out to them assembled there to join with us, the government of our State, in honoring his memory, I know that their lips are expressing their hearts' deepest feelings, that their words are laden with a tenderness akin to and a love not unlike that in which we hold and cherish the memory of our own immortal Lincoln.

Mr. WEBB of Portland said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: We pause, to-day, in our public duties to do honor to a leading American statesman. His fame and reputation are as broad as the nation, and his name, we firmly believe, is written indelibly on the pages of American history. All the nation honored him when living, all the nation mourns him dead. But yet he was ours, our fellow citizen, our friend, our neighbor. This is the State of his birth, here is the hall where his political career began, where

for six terms he was a representative, and never in the greater honors that came to him and in the eminent positions which for so many years he filled, did he falter in his affection for his native State nor in his devotion to the interests of her people.

In another sense also he was a true representative of Maine and New England. He had inherited from his Puritan ancestors many of those better traits of the Puritan character. He had the deep and fervent religious belief, an ever present faith in the love of Christ and the nearness of God influencing all the actions of his daily life, the conscientiousness in the performance of duty, public and private, and the absolute and perfect purity of thought and action. That stalwart, historical Puritanism which has made New England famous never had a better representative in the halls of the American Congress.

His powers of memory and his industry were marvellous. He had at his immediate command, an enormous amount of information. He never wearied in the study of the subjects to which he had especially devoted his life, and seemed never to forget what he had learned. Work was his greatest pleasure. Constant industry, rare powers of concentration and utter indifference to all distracting pursuits, made him the best informed man in the country upon questions of fiscal policy. But while he was a student, he was also practical. He was the exponent of a theory, but he was no mere theorist. As the author of the present revenue legislation of the United States, he was not simply the student working out blindly theories formed in the closet, but the practical and far-seeing statesman striving for practical results.

He cared little for amusements or for the life of society. Comradeship with other men was unusual with him. He lived in a world of ideas, not of men. He was a man of kindly feeling, generous impulses and benevolent tendencies, but all his affection was centered in his family. His home life was particularly charming and beautiful. Rarely will one find a closer union than that between his wife and himself, rarely a parent more devoted to his children.

We wonder at his industry, we admire his intellect, we reverence and respect his character. Maine was proud of him while he lived. She honors herself in doing honor to his memory.

Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner said,

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: Eulogies, no matter how full of praise, no matter how eloquently delivered, can add nothing to the fame of him whose memory we now honor, and whose departure we so sincerely mourn. But having received from him courtesies that I can never forget, and having had the rare privilege, a privilege I think no other gentleman in this House enjoyed, of being a neighbor of Mr. Dingley for many years during his vacation days, I feel I should be ungrareful, did I not at this time express my appreciation of the virtue of him we knew and loved.

Upon our beautiful coast of Maine, two miles out from its rock-bound shores, cradled in the arms of the broad Atlantic, lies the peaceful island where, summer after summer, for a quarter of a century, Governor Dingley went with his family to seek his much needed rest and recreation, and there in his modest cottage by the sea, amid the firs and spruces and among the rugged rocks of his native State, he lived during his vacation months. Away from the cares of state, beyond the sound of the iron horse, miles from the distracting noise of the city, beside that sea whose soothing influence night after night lulled him to rest, he peacefully and quietly dwelt.

His brain largely conceived the idea of those homes by the sea, his hand penned the words that shaped their government, and it was mainly through his example and influence that the moral tone of that island has been of the highest; its history is a living monument to his principles and ideas.

He dwelt among his neighbors, quietly, without ostentation, as though not aware of his popularity or of his publicity. Strangers coming to our island could scarcely believe that the quiet, gentlemanly, courteous man pointed out to them as Congressman Dingley, was the same man of whom they had read and who stood so high at Washington, for no man upon our island was more unassuming than he, and yet his influence was so great among us, that I never knew him to advocate any measure that was not adopted; his earnestness of manner and his clearness of expression always carried conviction. Always ready and willing to answer any proper question concerning the affairs of our State or country, I remember with gratitude the conversations with him I was permitted to enjoy. I recall especially those concerning the great national questions of the past few years, the silver question, the tariff, and the Spanish war; in this latter affair, I realized how near he stood to the President and how important a factor he was in shaping the destiny of this country. I learned from his lips the attitude of both the President and himself concerning the war, and he said to me with an earnestness I shall never forget "view the matter as we may, the United States have embarked upon a course that will lead them no one knows where, but of this we are assured, that whether we wish it or not, the simplicity of the United States of the past is a thing of the past, and henceforth we shall take a new stand among the nations of the world."

The extent of his information upon various subjects greatly surprised me, and I recall at this moment the last evening I spent in his company. Some legal questions pertaining to the affairs of our island were discussed, and Mr. Dingley gave us his opinion with a clearness of style that any lawyer might envy, and then the conversation turning upon the war and finance he spoke of these matters, and gave us figures by the score as readily as though reading from a book. Again the conversation changed to the history of our coast, and he related many incidents in connection with the early settlements of Pemaquid, Monhegan and Fort Popham, that caused us to look with wonder upon the extent of his information. His fund of knowledge seemed inexhaustible, and from law to finance, to state craft and to history, his mind passed with scarcely an effort.

A few years ago, at the close of a beautiful Sabbath day in August, he addressed us in the open air upon the shores of our island. In conversation with him just before he began to speak, I said to him, it must be difficult for you to appear at your best when, considering the day, you would hardly expect the stimulus of applause you generally receive, and he answered, "I care not for applause, the clapping of hands or the stamping of feet make no impression upon me; if I can have the eyes of my audience fixed upon me, if I can have their undivided attention I am perfectly satisfied." Standing there in the open air, with head uncovered, with no sound save the gentle pulsing of the sea upon the weather beaten rocks, and as the sun was slowly sinking in the ocean, he addressed us in such an earnest, impressive and conscientious manner, that the scene will never be effaced from my mind, and I am sure that he then received the reward that he desired, the earnest gaze and undivided attention of his hearers.

Born in the humble walks of life, with no heritage of fame or fortune awaiting him, Nelson Dingley by his own efforts, without the aid of rich and powerful friends, slowly but surely climbed the ladder of fame until he became great in the councils of the nation, and now the grandeur of the man is recognized by all.

His career has not been brilliant or swift, but by industry, honesty, faithfulness, and uprightness of character he trod the path from his birthplace upon a hillside farm to a seat in this House, and those same principles secured for him the highest office in the gift of this State, and right nobly did he fill the Governor's chair. Entering the halls of Congress it was years before he became the leader upon the floor of the House, years of patient toil, years of self-sacrificing labor in the interests of his State and his country, and he asked for no reward save the consciousness of doing right. Leader of his own party, he was more respected and followed by his political opponents than any other member of that House.

Trusted with the innermost secrets of the President and of our government, secrets which could easily have enriched him, he never by word or look betrayed that trust. Honor him we ought, honor him we must; his life, his virtues, compel our admiration and command our respect, for he honored every position which he filled.

He loved this land of his birth, he loved our rock-bound coast, against which, in sunshine and in storm the ocean rolls incessantly, our immense forests and our great lakes, our hills of granite, our fertile valleys and our beautiful rivers which flow peacefully to the sea; but above all he loved and labored for those who chisel our granite, or hew our timber, for those who toil in our workshops or upon our land, and for those who carry in ships the products of our skill and industry; for them he gave his efforts and his life.

His work is finished, his book is closed, and turning over its pages we read the rich legacy he has left to his family, his friends, his State and his country, a legacy not of gold that might perish with him, not a reputation for base power that must soon be forgotten, but a legacy that is written in our hearts, his noble character. He has left a name imperishable in the history of our State; he has lived a life that with other strong, honest, noble lives makes possible a continuation of this land of the free, and so long as such men devote their energies and lives to the cause of right, so long will this nation prosper.

> "God blesses still the generous thought And still the fitting word He speeds, And truth at His requiring taught, He quickens into deeds.

Where is the victory of the grave? What dust upon the spirit lies? God keeps the sacred life He gave, The prophet never dies."

Mr. BENNETT of Hollis said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly: In this hour of eulogy on the life of this distinguished man, I wish to add one spray to the wreath now weaving around his memory, as a tribute from Dartmouth College.

It is sad to do almost anything for the last time. The hand of the sculptor trembles as it gives the last touch to the dumb marble, though that touch may place a smile upon lips of stone, and give immortality to the hand that placed it there.

Nelson Dingley has gone to his final rest; he has finished the work of a noble life and while his heart has ceased to throb with earthly hope, his soul, spotless as a ray of morning light has winged its course to the throne of all judgments to claim its reward, home and rest in the starry realms of Heaven.

My heart is sorely grieved in saying a last "farewell" to him, my elder brother, for we are alumni of the same college, brothers in the same fraternity and you that have entered the charmed circle of a college family can best appreciate the import of this hour so sad to me.

He received the greater part of his scholastic training at Dartmouth, from which college he was graduated in the class of 1855. Upon entering college, he at once set a proper value upon the advantages it afforded him for intellectual progress, for building a noble and robust character and preparation for an honorable and useful career in life. He never wasted a single hour of those college years on worthless but tempting vanities, for he knew if those opportunities were once lost, that neither gold nor tears could buy them back. If there is one word in our language that governed his life, it was manliness; he burned that word into the palm of his hand so deeply that no bribe or temptation could induce him to raise that hand for a base or unworthy purpose.

He was a diligent and tireless student, careful and thorough in all his investigations, platonic in reason, cogent and convincing in argument, ready in debate, though not so brilliant, perhaps, as some, for his was not a genius that sparkled now and then, and dazzled the world with a fitful light for a few moments and then vanished; it shone rather with a pure, steady and benignant beam such as gives leaf and bloom to the forest, pencils the apple's cheek, and ripens the harvest in the field. He laid the foundations for his future greatness broad and deep by laborious days and nights of collegiate application. He graduated at the head of his class; he died its most eminent man, a Christian statesman, loved by his neighbors, trusted by his State, honored by the nation and respected everywhere. *Totus teres atque rotundus*.

What a noble example for the youth of his country.

Dartmouth will miss her son. She will preserve and ever cherish his memory as one of her most sacred trusts. She will write his name beside that of Webster, Choate, Chase and other classic names that cluster around her brilliant history.

Mr. Speaker: The greatest honor that could fall to a Spartan mother was to have the lifeless form of her son, slain in battle, returned to her upon his shield. Few, indeed, ever gained that reward. It was bestowed only on him whose integrity was spotless, whose loyalty was above suspicion, whose courage flinched at no peril, nor passed unchallenged any foe. Finally he must plead his title with his sword upon the battlefield, face to face with Sparta's enemies. Did the sharp point of a foeman's cimeter inflict the slightest scar upon his back while in retreat, then this great honor was forfeited.

Nelson Dingley comes back to his latest home borne upon his shield. He has fought life's conflict with a Spartan's fortitude; he fell in the very bowels of the battle with shield and war-gear harnessed, he bears no scar tainted with cowardice or dishonor. No man can challenge his right, and while his Alma Mater now sits mourning over his lifeless dust and is shaken with this tempest of grief that beats against every breast, like Scylla's restless wave, soon she will lift her voice in peans soft as strains from Orpheus' lyre at the triumph of this splendid man. He lived a noble life; laden with honor's spoils he dies.

To his country he leaves a patriot's richest gift, the benefaction of a Christian life consecrated to principles of justice, truth and humanity, that shall be an inspiration for her intelligent and robust youth outlasting fame's eternal date. For his college he has won the Spartan's crown. Then

> Hail, Dartmouth, victorious in thy mourning weeds,Let thy son in peace and honor rest,From worldly chance and strife secure,For him "there are no tempests, no noise, but silence and eternal sleep."

Mr. BELLEAU of Lewiston said:

Your Excellency and Gentlemen of the Assembly:

"The ocean of to-morrow Breaks upon life's rocky shore, With its turmoil, with its sorrow, Evermore, ah, evermore. Flowing, ebbing, ebbing, flowing; Fears of untold trouble throwing, Solemn shadows over tide."

Sir: The nation has lost a great man. The voice of Governor Dingley which but recently echoed through the National House of Congress is forever silent.

The State of Maine which gave him birth, had in him a most devoted son hence she loved him, she cherished him, gave him position, reputation and honor; but all, Mr. Dingley fairly earned by a long life devoted to duty, to study, to the interests and to the welfare of his State and country.

Sir: It was not my privilege or fortune to know Mr. Dingley intimately, but to see him was to know him. The representative of the second district of Maine was not an ordinary man. His intellectual endowments were of the highest degree. His life and character were above reproach. His busy career shows us how well his mind was stored with that useful information which qualified him for the high duties and trust entrusted to his care. In his early life Mr. Dingley was admitted to the bar, had he fol-

lowed that profession he would have ranked among the most profound jurists in the land; but journalism claimed him and there he was the peer of the ablest-of the profession, and it is the journalist that became a legislator in this House of Representatives, its speaker and the Governor of the State; serving the people in these several capacities so well and so faithfully that the admiration for the man became general, and from then there remained but another thought in the minds of his people and that to elevate him still higher in the council of the nation as soon as the opportunity would present itself. The opportunity came, Mr. Dingley was elected to Congress, to the everlasting honor of his constituents.

In Congress his reputation had preceded him. There he carried that same energy, that same cool judgment that had characterized his labor at home and at once his reputation became world wide and not only did he become the leader of his party but he became the great legislator, statesman, and a patriot.

But, sir, I had not risen for the purpose of eulogy, others more able, better qualified and more authorized, have done so eloquently and in the best of terms, but I should have been unjust to the feelings of my heart had I failed to declare my sorrow for the loss of this distinguished son of Maine. I feel I should be untrue to the people I have the honor to humbly represent, had I failed on this occasion to rise and place on record their high appreciation of Mr. Dingley as their neighbor, their friend and their eminent representative in Congress. Hence my participation in these most worthy exercises.

Sir: The city of Lewiston mourns the loss of her great citizen. The nation, and the State of Maine especially, will remember her great men, and in the days that are to come, when her admiring sons shall call the roll of her illustrious statesmen, by no means the least in that bright array will stand the name of Nelson Dingley.

The GOVERNOR said:

The purpose for which this assembly was formed having been fully and most ably accomplished, I now declare it dissolved.

The Governor with his Council and the Senate retired.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. MURPHY of Lewiston moved that as a further mark of respect to the memory of Hon. Nelson Dingley, the House do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA. THURSDAY, February 16, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wyman of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Water Company." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes, relating to cruelty to animals;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relating to powers and duties of executors,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of George E. Morrison and 18 others of Saco in favor of an act to create a lien upon monumental work;

Petition of Morse and Briggs and 103 others of Dexter;

Petition of D. P. Clay and 20 others of Lincoln;

Petition of Stephen Charles and 18 others of Fryeburg;

Petition of Landers Brothers;

Petition of James E. Tibbetts and others of Augusta in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence,

Bill "An Act to revive and amend chapter 276 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Trust and Banking Company.'" (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Trust and Banking Company." (Received under suspension of rules;)

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

Petition of Horace Mitchell and 191 others of Kittery and Eliot for a change in the law providing for the catching of lobsters;

Remonstrance of C. B. Meserve of Bristol against further restrictive law in the use of seines;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of George L. Leavitt and 83 others of Portland for the passage of an act for the better protection of street railway employees,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee consider the expediency of amending section 17, chapter 60, Revised Statutes and section 48, chapter 104, Revised Statutes, relative to divorce proceedings and care and custody of minor children,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of James Adams, chairman of the Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital and of the Committee on the University of Maine,

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

Rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of William T. Haines and others of Waterville for an amendment to the city charter of Waterville;

Petition of Charles F. Johnson and others of Waterville for same;

Petition of A. L. Gagnon and others of Frenchville in favor of removing the office of the register of deeds of northern Aroostook from Madawaska to Fort Kent; Petition of E. R. Michaud and others of Frenchville in favor of same;

Petition of W. R. Pattingall and 12 others for an amendment of section 39, chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, so as to make it unlawful for any person not admitted to practice law to advertise that he owns, conducts or maintains a law office or collection office;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of Horace Holmes and 34 others of Springfield against the creation of the office of State commission;

Remonstrance of Pitt M. Gage and 20 others of Drew;

Remonstrance of A. F. Spooner and 40 others of Sherman Mills;

Remonstrance of Floyd E. Gardner and 32 others of Corinna; . Remonstrance of J. H. Lane and 20 others of Dexter;

Remonstrance of A. P. Andrews and 7 others of Garland;

Remonstrance of Alfred Hicks and 16 others of Garland :

Remonstrance of William E. Pullen and 25 others of Exeter;

Remonstrance of J. L. Russell and 16 others of Dexter;

Remonstrance of O. W. Beatham and 46 others of Kingman;

Remonstrance of John Wyman and 134 others against same;

Remonstrance of G. A. Ingraham and 34 others of Knox against creating the office of State highway engineer;

Remonstrance of J. C. Whitney and 37 others of Thorndike against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of John A. Trask and 105 others of Dixfield in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books at two cents a mile, good to bearer;

Petition of S. R. Knowlton and 24 others of Farmington;

Petition of Samuel T. Dole and 65 others of Windham;

Petition of D. H. Danforth and 37 others of Lagrange;

Petition of Henry J. Goulding and 17 others of Corinna;

Petition of E. W. Penley and 45 others of Greenwood;

Petition of H. K. Stearns and 12 others of Hebron;

Petition of S. Soule and 82 others of Gardiner;

Petition of D. S. Sanborn and 90 others of Norway;

Petition of George Hazen and 42 others of Oxford;

Petition of George L. Rowe and 91 others of Lewiston;

Petition of Willis Leighton and 29 others of Whiting;

Petition of J. A. Atwood and 25 others of Greenbush;

Petition of R. R. Gurney and 80 others of Bangor;

Petition of John E. Clancy and 76 others of Anson;

Petition of T. H. Spear and 45 others of Anson;

Petition of W. S. Carver and 60 others of Vinalhaven in favor of same;

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

Bill "An Act in relation to corporations issuing contracts for annuities commencing in the future,"

Was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Petition of Luther Maddocks and 10 others of Boothbay Harbor for charter for a trust and banking company in said town. (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Trust Company." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of H. F. Collins and others of Houlton in favor of the passage of a bill entitled an act to create a lien upon monumental work;

Petition of J. Simpson and 16 others of Biddeford;

Petition of F. P. Johnston and 20 others of Limerick;

Petition of S. Blaisdel and 15 others of Oakland;

Petition of James Walker and others of Gardiner;

Petition of F. H. Tupper and 14 others of Bangor;

Petition of C. F. Shepley and 15 others of Bangor;

Petition of T. B. Thompson and 22 others of Presque Isle;

Petition of A. G. Hopkins and 23 others of Augusta in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Petition of A. S. Chapman and 11 others of Bethel for betterobservance of Memorial Day;

Petition from the Maine Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion that the birthday of Abraham Lincoln be made a legal holiday;

Resolve to reimburse the town of Brunswick for money expended in aid of needy families of soldiers who served in the late Spanish war from the town of Brunswick;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of N. B. Eastman and 28 others of Warren in favor of thirty days open time on deer in Knox county;

Bill "An Act to enable the commissioners of inland fisheries and game to increase the State museum consisting of mounted specimens and pictures of the birds, wild animals, and fishes native to the State of Maine;"

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Remonstrance of H. W. Joyce and 19 others of Swans Island against further restrictions being placed upon the use of purse or drag seines,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of A. G. Fenlason and others for reimbursement to the town of Fort Kent for amount expended during the diphtheria epidemic in 1897 and 1898 in said town,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Remonstrance of C. D. Dexter and 27 others of Sangerville against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of E. H. Brown and 144 others of Oxford county against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

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

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That the State treasurer be requested to furnish forthis House a list of towns and cities in this State which receive: from the State treasurer sums of money equal to or greater than their respective State taxes.

Mr. VIRGIN from the Committee on the Judiciary, on report of the commissioners on uniform legislation, reported that "same be referred to the next legislature."

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. GENTLEMAN from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 344 of the Public Laws or 1897, relating to concentrated commercial feeding stuff," reported that "same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture."

The report was accepted. Subsequently on motion of Mr. BUCK of Orland, the vote whereby the House accepted the report was re-considered and on motion of same gentleman the report was tabled.

Mr. VIRGIN from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 16 and 17 of chapter 102 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 261 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to writs of mandamus."

Mr. HARRIS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act in reference to chattel mortgages."

Mr. GENTLEMAN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Portland Marine Society."

Mr. CHAMBERLIN from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, establishing a bounty on hen hawks."

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 authorizing the Hallowell Granite Works to lay and maintain pipes in the city of Hallowell for the use and distribution of compressed air."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize registers of probate to receive petitions in vacation, and the judge of probate to order notice thereon in vacation." Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 111 of the Private and Special Laws of 1872 entitled 'An Act authorizing the city of Gardiner to raise money for the maintenance of a Public Library."

Mr. SANBORN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company."

Mr. HOPKINS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the record of contracts for the sale of land."

Mr. BEAL from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolves in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

Mr. WALKER from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset . Academy."

Mr. BURNS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary.

Mr. MERRILL from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Freedom Academy.

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, regarding taking of smelts in tide-waters."

Mr. WILSON from the Committee on Towns, on petition, reported bill "An Act to set off certain lands from Oxford Village Corporation."

Mr. BEATH from same committee, on petition, reported bill "An Act to set off certain territory from Pittsfield Village Corporation."

Mr. POWERS from the Aroostook County Delegation on bill "An Act relating to the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Aroostook," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Aroostook." Same gentleman from the Aroostook County Delegation on bill "An Act to regulate the salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Aroostook," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Aroostook."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking on bill "An Act to amend section 83 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to private, associated and foreign banking, reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to foreign banking associations and corporations."

Pending acceptance the report was tabled on motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend charter of city of Hallowell."

On motion of Mr. BODWELL of Hallowell, rules were suspended, the bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilson Stream Dam Company." House document No. 113;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 230 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854 as amended by chapter 673 of the Private and Special Laws of 1871, entitled 'An Act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river.'" House document No. 114;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Messalonskee Water Power Company." House document No. 115;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the town of Madawaska. House document No. 112,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to authorize the construction of a dam at the outlet of the Mill pond at New Harbor in the town of Bristol,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the register of probate for the county of Cumberland,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish travelling libraries,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act to incorporate the North Berwick Trust Company;

An Act to repeal so much of section 5 of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes as relates to the bounty on bears;

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

An Act for the extension of the Somerset Railway;

An Act to legalize and make valid the meeting and doings of the corporation known as the trustees of the Charity Fund of Caribou Lodge, so called, at Caribou, in the county of Aroostook in the State of Maine;

An Act to permit the breeding and raising of quail for purposes of sale by Henry J. Simpson of Sullivan, 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, resolve finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, February 15, refused resolve in favor of St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland, passage to be engrossed,

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. VIRGIN of Portland raised the point of order that the pending question was the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to pass the resolve to be engrossed.

The Chair ruled that the point was well taken.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden renewed his motion, that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

A viva voce vote on this question being doubted, a division was called for. Pending action on this call the House ordered the yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, and the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost by a vote of 32 to 93.

Those who voted	"yea" were Messrs.		
Abbott,	Fitz,	Pierce,	
Brown, Warren,	Fogg,	Prince,	
Craig,	Fuller, Kennebunk,	Purinton,	
Crane,	Girdler,	Ridlon,	
Davis,	Gordon,	Rowell,	
De Coster,	Grindel,	Staples	
Dunning,	Hodgkins,	Teel,	
Eaton,	Irving,	Turner,	
Esty,	Libbey, Albion,	Wilson, Gorham,	
Farnsworth,	McFadden,	Wilson, Minot—32.	
Field,	Parker,		
Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.			
Ad ams ,	Chase,	Gardner,	
Beal,	Chick,	Gentleman,	
Belleau,	Cleveland,	Goss,	
Bennett,	Coffin,	Guernsey,	
Bird,	Colburn,	Harris,	
Blackstone,	Daigle,	Hassell,	
Bodwell,	Deering,	Hill,	
Bridgham,	Donham,	Hix,	
Britton,	Drummey,	Hopkins,	
Brown, Falmouth,	Farrell,	Hutchings,	
Buck,	Forhan,	Hyde,	
Burns,	Freese,	Jellison,	
Cartret,	Fuller, So. Portland,	Johonnett,	
Chamberlin,	Garcelon,	Jones,	

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Jordan,	Murchie,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Kalloch,	Murphy,	Spofford,
Keefe,	Nickerson, Orringtor	Spurr,
Kernon,	Noyes,	Stetson, Bangor,
Kilborn,	Parkhurst,	Stetson, Monmouth,
King,	Peabody,	Sutherland,
Laliberte,	Perkins,	Taylor,
Leavitt,	Philbrook,	Thayer,
Ledyard,	Plummer,	Tyler,
Libbey, So. Berwick,	Porter,	Virgin,
Macfarlane,	Powers,	Walker,
Macomber,	Rankin,	Webb,
Manley,	Ryerson,	Weed,
Maxcy,	Sanborn,	West,
Maxwell,	Sargent, Portland,	Wilson, Brunswick,
Merrill, N. Glouceste	elSargent, Sedgwick,	Wilson, Cherryfield,
Morey,	Smith, Hartland,	Wood—93.
Those who were a	bsent were Messrs.	
Reath	Hahn	Reed

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Beath,	Hahn,	Reed,		
Berry,	Harman, .	Sawyer,		
Brimmer,	Hughes,	Somes,		
Bryant,	McFaul,	Spratt,		
Carr,	Melcher,	Webster,		
Cobb,	Merrill, Skowhegan,	Wilbur,		
Dawson,	Mosher,	Woodbridge-25.		
Fuller, Auburn,	Nickerson, Swanville			
Gould,	Peaslee,			

Mr GRINDEL of Islesboro offered House amendment "A" which was rejected.

The resolve then passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899,"

Came up as a special assignment. Mr. Guernsey of Dover offered House amendments "A," "B," "C," "D"and "E."

(Discussion ensued.)

House amendments "A," "B," "C," "D" and "E" were rejected.

Mr. PLUMMER of Portland offered House amendment "F" which was also rejected.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco,

Petition of Joseph Walker and others in favor of setting off Ocean Park so called from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco. Also

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Old Orchard and annex the same to the city of Saco,

Were taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Towns and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor,

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of the State supporting and maintaining the large bridges, was taken from the table.

Same gentleman moved that the House non-concur with the Senate in the acceptance of the report.

Pending action on this motion the motion to non-concur was tabled on motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor and Tuesday of next week assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden,

Resolve in favor of the Home for Friendless Boys at Deering, was taken from the table and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Friday, February 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Gibson of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal and police courts and proceedings therein,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of George M. Pillsbury and 47 others of Bluehill for the repeal of the law relative to the election of road commissioners;

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 51 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to probate of foreign wills;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of E. H. Shepard and 63 others of Phillips in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Remonstrance of J. H. Jones and others, commercial travelers, against bill making it compulsory upon railroads to issue mileage books at a rate of two cents per mile;

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

Petition of S. Clifford Belcher and 99 others of Farmington in favor of an act to create a lien upon monumental work;

Petition of A. P. Copp and 15 others;

Petition of Fletcher and Butterfield and 20 others of Bangor; Petition of L. C. Stevens and others of Waterville in favor of same;

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Manufactures. Remonstrance of E. H. Libby and 22 others of Auburn against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court:

Remonstrance of W. J. Crooker and 99 others of West Minot; Remonstrance of G. L. Wilder and 29 others of Cambridge; Remonstrance of Elliott Fernald and 62 others of Biddeford.

Remonstrance of E. E. Guptill and 24 others of Cornish against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate Pond's Sheer Boom Company,' " reporting that "same be referred to the next legislature."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Pending first reading the resolve was tabled on motion of Mr. FIELD of Oakland.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 493 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

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

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital.

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

Resolve providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general s office,

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 14.

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Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

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On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, the vote whereby the resolve passed to be engrossed was re-considered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the resolve as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act providing for the appointment of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Saco;"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, relating to tramps;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of H. L. Gooch and others against appointment of a State highway engineer;

Remonstrance of W. A. Bowles and others;

Remonstrance of A. B. Latham and 16 others of West Auburn against same;

Remonstrance of C. C. Cushman and 18 others of Montville against the creation of the office of State road commission;

Remonstrance of C. S. Adams and 17 others of South Montville;

Remonstrance of L. Wentworth and 8 others of Montville; Remonstrance of J. C. Dill and 10 others of Abbot;

Remonstrance of Sylvester Low and 45 others of Atkinson;

Remonstrance of C. H. Gatchell and 19 others of Jackson;

Remonstrance of J. H. Sanborn and 27 others of South Dover;

Remonstrance of F. L. Philbrick and 63 others of Mt. Vernon;

Remonstrance of Charles H. Stevens and 13 others of Read-field;

Remonstrance of William A. Varney and 73 others of Albion; Remonstrance of W. H. Jones and 73 others of China;

Remonstrance of R. L. Baker and 40 others of Albion;

Remonstrance of Chester Ferris and 11 others of Albion;

Remonstrance of Patrick Hayes and 9 others of Chelsea;

Remonstrance of C. N. Thomas and 32 others of Winthrop;

Remonstrance of A. T. Clifford and 24 others of Winthrop;

Remonstrance of \not . W. Wentworth and 16 others of Winthrop;

Remonstrance of C. H. Page and 18 others of Winthrop;

Remonstrance of S. F. Reeves and 35 others of Windsor;

Remonstrance of W. J. Rowe and 13 others of Riverside;

Remonstrance of E. H. Gerald and 4 others of Clinton;

Remonstrance of J. W. Edgerley and 30 others of Princeton; Remonstrance of A. E. Studey and 36 others of Warren;

Remonstrance of Randall Robbins and 18 others of East Union;

Remonstrance of U. S. Wincataw and 17 others of East Union;

Remonstrance of W. S. Hathway of East Auburn;

Remonstrance of G. S. Perkins and 41 others of Vassalboro;

Remonstrance of W. B. Cummings and 9 others of Albany;

Remonstrance of George F. Dunham and 17 others of Bowdoinham;

Remonstrance of Arthur C. Macomber and 21 others of North Jay;

Remonstrance of A. J. Butterfield and 24 others of Farmington;

Remonstrance of R. B. Parsons and 82 others of East Wilton; Remonstrance of Frank W. Chase and 43 others of Madrid; Remonstrance of M. C. Smith and 75 others of Winterport; Remonstrance of A. B. Ripley and 55 others of Searsmont;

Remonstrance of Charles W. Morrill and 5 others of China;

Remonstrance of William Dunning and 12 others of Topsham;

Remonstrance of W. F. Knight and 10 others of Addison;

Remonstrance of W. E. Fuller and 31 others of West Gardiner;

Remonstrance of E. A. Field and 12 others of Sidney;

Remonstrance of E. J. Emery and 43 others of Fairfield;

Remonstrance of J. W. Ricker and 20 others of East Auburn;

Remonstrance of E. H. Libbey and 4 others of Auburn; Remonstrance of J. S. Lowell and 31 others of Hiram; Remonstrance of S. S. Bean and 33 others of Searsmont; Remonstrance of G. K. Hastings and 30 others of Sidney; Kemonstrance of Daniel Dyer and 12 others of Winterport; Remonstrance of W. V. Tainter and 24 others of South Carthage;

Remonstrance of E. H. Ray and 9 others of Dixmont;

Remonstrance of B. F. Willey and 29 others of Cherryfield; Remonstrance of I. W. Reed and 11 others of Woolwich;

Remonstrance of John R. George and 15 others of New Sharon;

Remonstrance of Adelbert Blair and 7 others of Woolwich;

Remonstrance of John S. Gove and 5 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of Hollis E. Austin and 14 others of North Lamoine;

Remonstrance of Allen Fogler and 41 others of North Waldoboro;

Remonstrance of D. O. Bowen and 16 others of Morrill: Remonstrance of A. H. Parker and 18 others of Castle Hill; Remonstrance of W. W. Perkins and 22 others of Andover; Remonstrance of John Waddell and 20 others of Castle Hill; Remonstrance of C. M. Morris and 21 others of Limestone; Remonstrance of E. W. Worthing and 17 others of Palermo; Remonstrance of J. S. McDavid and 14 others of Perry; Remonstrance of H. L. Pinkham and 51 others of Palermo; Remonstrance of D. W. Billings and 18 others of Swanville; Remonstrance of A. L. Walker and 18 others of Swanville: Remonstrance of A. A. Danvers and 14 others of South Paris; Remonstrance of W. F. Hill and 10 others of Moscow: Remonstrance of D. S. Moore and 18 others of Moscow; Remonstrance of J. C. F. Bagley and 12 others of Caribou; Remonstrance of A. A. Smith and 15 others of Millvale; Remonstrance of V. E. Wilder and 17 others of Washburn;

Remonstrance of L. D. Hobbs and 12 others of Caribou; Remonstrance of W. B. Day and 37 others of Presque Isle; Remonstrance of E. G. Tilley of Castle Hill and 18 others; Remonstrance of E. C. Long and 17 others of Bluehill;

Remonstrance of J. H. Vose and 19 others of Knox;

Remonstrance of E. W. Mallett and 14 others of Stockton;

Remonstrance of C. E. Dinslow and 19 others of Richmond;

Remonstrance of D. P. Patten and 20 others of North Newport;

Remonstrance of D. F. Foster and 17 others of Montville; Remonstrance of Percy Sargent and 70 others of Bridgewater;

Remonstrance of W. F. Hemenway and 8 others of South Jefferson;

Remonstrance of G. W. Perry and 11 others of South Presque Isle;

Remonstrance of J. M. Moore and 40 others of Limestone;

Remonstrance of Henry C. Southerds and 42 others of Hudson;

Remonstrance of W. A. Chipman and 12 others of Gray; Remonstrance of A. E. George and 26 others of Hebron;

Remonstrance of J. P. Hobbs and 19 others of Hope;

Remonstrance of L. Howard and 9 others of South Hope;

Remonstrance of Eli S. Jackson and 29 others of Montville against same;

Bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal courts in criminal cases;"

Bill "An Act to establish a bounty on porcupine;"

Bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sale on writ of personal property attached;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of C. M. Clary and 21 others relative to changing school district lines;

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216, Public Laws of 1803, as amended by chapter 295, Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 289 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;"

Bill "An Act to amend the title of chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. S. Parsons and 34 others of New Portland in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issuetwo cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Petition of W. M. Templeton and others of Lewiston;

Petition of C. H. Andrews and 85 others of Thomaston;

Petition of Charles H. Quincy and 44 others of Patten;

Petition of W. J. Corthell and 20 others of Gorham;

Petition of H. L. Sawyer and 33 others of Smithfield;

Petition of E. H. Thompson and others;

Petition of H. D. Davis and 21 others of Portland;

Petition of George W. Tenant and 55 others of Portland;

Petition of J. F. Taylor and 72 others of Winthrop;

Petition of Granville Sanborn and 90 others of Readfield;

Petition of B. W. Harriman and 29 others of Readfield;

Petition of F. M. Adams and 27 others of Morrill;

Petition of W. F. Cate and 18 others of Dresden;

Petition of G. R. Clark and 34 others of Corinna;

Petition of W. E. Rackliff and 21 others of Newport;

Petition of G. I. Young and others of Cushing;

Petition of E. W. Sherbourne and 20 others of Jackman;

Petition of H. P. Hawes and 15 others of Vassalboro;

Petition of G. W. Brown and others of Gardiner;

Petition of G. W. Herrick and 14 others of Brooklin;

Petition of L. M. Foulton and 118 others of Bowdoinham;

Petition of Mathew C. Morrill and 53 others of Gray;

Petition of Henry C. Doughty and 28 others of Gray in favor of same;

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

Petition of S. J. Nason and others of Waterville in favor of and act to create a lien upon monumental work;

Petition of E. F. Sherman and others of Cushing;

Petition of J. J. O'Connell and others;

Petition of C. E. Caswell and 12 others of Gray in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1900, Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Resolve authorizing a change in the location of a right of way to State lands in Augusta;

Resolve in favor of the city of Augusta;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Remonstrance of the selectmen and 111 others of Old Orchard against setting off that part known as Ocean Park to the city of Saco;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 264 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the county attorney of Cumberland county;

Was referred to the joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of R. S. Partridge and 10 others of Whitefield in favor of raising the salary of the register of probate, Lincoln county,

Was referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

Remonstrance of L. E. Tuttle and 20 others of Washburn against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of L. J. Henry and 99 others of East Pittston;

Remonstrance of C. W. Deering and 38 others of Gorham;

Remonstrance of J. A. Lindsay and 41 others of Caroll;

Remonstrance of Jesse E. Young and 27 others of East Lamoine;

Remonstrance of Melville Smith and 19 others of West Hancock;

Remonstrance of A. F. Russell and 30 others of Canton;

Remonstrance of S. F. Reeves and 30 others of Windsor;

Remonstrance of L. W. Jose and 79 others of Dexter;

Remonstrance of F. J. Dow and 19 others of Searsport against same;

Were ordered placed on file with other papers relating to same subject.

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1899;

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Rules were suspended, resolves read twice and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

Ordered, That the secretary of the board of agriculture be, and he hereby is, directed to furnish to the Committee on Financial Affairs as soon as practicable a full and itemized account of all moneys drawn by him from the State treasury for the years 1897-1898, and to whom paid and for what purpose. Including all moneys for institute work, expenses, and how much paid for clerk hire, postage stamps, express, etc., how much paid for special clerk hire and to whom. How much for State dairy conference at Portland, and in what way. How much at Bangor dairy meeting and for what; how much for traveling expenses. How many agricultural reports were printed and the cost of each.

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

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of the selectmen of the town of Burnham and others, that an act be passed legalizing all doings of the town of Burnham.

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported same on petition of Arthur F. Libby and others for incorporation of Fort Fairfield Water Company.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Fort Fairfield Water Company." Mr. ROWELL from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Willis Leighton and others that the State appropriate five hundred dollars per year for two years to be expended on the roads and bridges in the town of Whiting.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of William M. Shaw and others for permission to take and transport for sale white perch from the St. Croix river its lakes and tributaries during the months of July and August.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of George D. Bisbee and others for amendment to the laws pertaining to the catching or killing of landlocked salmon or trout; also close time on deer;

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries on petition of L. D. Snow and others of Brunswick to abolish all laws relating to clams, reported "leave to withdraw as legislation is inexpedient."

Mr. PRINCE from the Committee on Pensions, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Wyer Greene and others for repeal of the 26th amendment to the Constitution, relating to manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 29 and 35 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897 entitled 'An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to sea and shore fisheries."

The report was accepted. Subsequently Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House accepted the report. The motion was lost by vote on division, 9 to 25.

The report was sent to the Senate.

Mr. PURINTON from the Committee on Agriculture on bill "An Act to regulate the sale and analysis of food," reported that "same be referred to the next legislature."

Pending acceptance Mr. MELCHER of Portland, offered House amendment "A" to the report which was adopted and the report as amended was accepted and sent to the Senate. Mr. SANBORN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapters 217 and 218 of the Public Laws of 1889 entitled 'An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent debtors. "

Mr. BEAL from the Committee on Financial Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize and empower the city of Bangor to raise money by loan or otherwise for municipal purposes."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Bath Trust Company."

Mr. BRIDGHAM from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge.

Mr. DAIGLE from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of building a bridge across the Fish river in the town of Fort Kent, Aroostook county.

Mr. WOODBRIDGE from the Committee on Public Buildings on order, reported resolve providing for an office for the department of inland fisheries and game in the State House, with statement of facts.

Mr. DEERING from the York County Delegation on bill "An Act relating to the salary of the county commissioners of York county," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act establishing the salaries of the county commissioners and the salary of the county treasurer for the county of York."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ripley Water Company of Andover, Maine." House document No. 116;

Bill "An Act to authorize registers of probate to receive petitions in vacation, and the judge of probate to order notice thereon in vacation." House document No. 117;

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 111 of the Private and Special Laws of 1872 entitled 'An Act authorizing the city of Gardiner to raise money for the maintenance of a public library." House document No. 118;

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Aroostook." House document No. 121;

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Aroostook." House document No. 122;

Bill "An Act to set off certain lands from Oxford Village Corporation." House document No. 124;

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, regarding taking of smelts in tide waters." House document No. 125;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to authorize the record of contracts for the sale of land." House document No. 119,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company." House document No. 120,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary. House document No. 123,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilson Stream Dam Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 230 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854 as amended by chapter 673 of the Private and Special Laws of 1871, entitled 'An Act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river;' "

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Messalonskee Water Power 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.

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An Act to amend charter of city of Hallowell;

An Act to amend chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine;

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county;

An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Penobscot;

An Act to annex Franklin plantation, in the county of Oxford, to the towns of Rumford and Peru;

An Act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon;

An Act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Foom Corporation and of the Penobscot Lumbering Association:

An Act relating to the organization, and stock and bonds of the United States Envelope Company;

An Act to amend the charter of the Public Works Company;

An Act to incorporate the Ticonic Foot Bridge Company;

An Act granting William S. Hopkins the right to establish and maintain a ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven;

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

Resolve in favor of a road in Jerusalem 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.

Resolve in favor of the Home for Friendless Boys in Deering. Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, raised the point of order that the gentleman from Dresden was out of order having spoken twice upon the same question.

The Chair ruled that the point was well taken.

On motion of Mr. WEBB of Portland, Mr. McFadden was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

The motion to indefinitely postpone was lost on a viva voce vote. The resolve passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, the vote whereby the House February 16 passed to be engrossed, resolve in favor of the St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland, was 1e-considered.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted and the resolve as amended passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FIELD of Oakland,

Bill "An Act to limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property,"

Was taken from the table and read once. Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read a second time. Mr. FIELD of Oakland, moved that the rules be suspended and the bill take its third reading. Pending action on this motion the bill was tabled, and Thursday, February 23, assigned for its further consideration on motion of Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth,

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum was taken from the table, read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Starks,

Resolve in favor of Anson Academy was taken from the table and assigned to Wednesday of next week for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BUCK of Orland,

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 334 of the Public Laws of 1897 relating to concentrated commercial feeding stuff" reporting that same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture was taken from the table, accepted and sent to the Senate. On motion of Mr. CRAIG of Island Falls,

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to hunting partridges with dogs.

Was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, That the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries be directed to inquire into the expediency of a general close time on the digging of clams for canning, shipment out of the State, or sale for bait, between the 15th day of June and 15th of September each year and report by bill or otherwise.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Monday, February 20, at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LIBBEY of South Berwick, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Monday, February 20, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Penney of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting report of the University of Maine for the year 1897.

Was read and with report referred in concurrence to the Committee on University of Maine.

Bill "An Act to amend section 50 of chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of real estate of corporations,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 218 of the Public Laws of 1893 and chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the limitations of actions against executors and administrators,"

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Governor and Council in regard to payment to towns of State school fund and mill tax;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to scientific temperance instruction in the public schools;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the schooling of children in unorganized townships;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 21, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of towns to make bylaws concerning truants;"

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of W. R. Hunnewell and 135 others of Pittsfield in favor of requiring railroad corporations in this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Petition of Charles Sargent and 42 others of Denmark in favor of same;

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

Remonstrance of Louis Sullivan and 49 others of Bluehill against any change in the law which will prohibit the digging of clams at any season of the year in the county of Hancock,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Wilbor A. Shea and 27 others of Eastport in favor of the establishment of a municipal court in said town;

Petition of W. R. Bibber and others of Eastport in favor of same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal section 1 of chapter 293 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to transfers of stock."

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on order relating to commissioners of fish and game to take deer for park purposes, reporting "ought to pass and be incorporated into the general law."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition reporting bill "An Act to amend chapter 169 of the Private and Special Laws of 1867, relating to the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company."

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

Communication from State treasurer transmitting a list of towns and plantations in this State which received from the State treasurer sums of money equal to or greater than their respective State taxes, in compliance with an order of the House passed February 16.

Was read and on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, tabled and ordered printed.

Bill "An Act relating to sums paid by officers and collectors for internal revenue stamps affixed to deeds of real estate sold by them;"

Bill "An Act relating to steam riding galleries;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of Dennis Cummings and 21 others of Benedicta for the repeal of chapter 329 of the Laws of 1897, relating to the raising of money for the repair of highways and the election of highway commissioner;

Remonstrance of Henry Gay and others against removing the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent;

Remonstrance of selectmen of South Portland against granting an act to provide for rebuilding the old ware house wharf in Portland harbor; Remonstrance of E. M. Smith and 16 others of Northfield against the passage of any law providing for the appointment of a State highway engineer;

Remonstrance of C. P. Emerson and 9 others of Addison against the creation of any State road commission;

Remonstrance of C. F. Dore and 76 others of Athens;

Remonstrance of E. H. Day and 18 others of New Portland;

Remonstrance of George M. Williams and 12 others of Fair-field;

Remonstrance of A. P. Rithchie and 30 others of Monroe;

Remonstrance of Abner Johnson and 34 others of Ashdale;

Remonstrance of B. M. Eames and 25 others of Prospect;

Remonstrance of A. J. Webb and 15 others of East Thorn-dike;

Remonstrance of James E. Hunter and 43 others of Strong; Remonstrance of O. A. Bowman and 17 others of Fairfield; Remonstrance of A. M. Garland and 16 others of Gilman; Remonstrance of R. M. Dyer and 23 others of Sebago;

Remonstrance of E. H. Groves and 9 others of Smithfield;

Remonstrance of J. E. Downes and 19 others of Smithfield;

Remonstrance of David C. Gilman and 3 others of Liberty;

Remonstrance of F. H. Albee and 26 others of Alna;

Remonstrance of Fred Russell and 15 others of Bingham;

Remonstrance of W. H. Wakefield and 8 others of Brownfield; Remonstrance of W. O. Norwood and 13 others of South Hope;

Remonstrance of E. R. Moodv and 5 others of Warren; Remonstrance of H. W. Fullerton and 24 others of Woolwich;

. Remonstrance of Daniel Bowman and 14 others of Fairfield; Remonstrance of Frank E. Jov and 17 others of Mercer; Remonstrance of L. E. Allen and 13 others of Fairfield; Remonstrance of W. E. Ellis and 13 others of Smithfield;

Remonstrance of Fred J. Curtis and 21 others of Abbot;

Remonstrance of Ansil Holway and 17 others of Skowhegan against same;

Bill "An Act to amend sections 18 and 19 of chapter 05 of the Revised Statutes, relating to waste and trespass on real estate;"

Bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 157 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the protection of fish in Lake George in Somerset county." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve that the State board of normal trustees may maintain a teacher's training school at Machias,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of A. B. Burrill and 9 others of Dedham in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Petition of Frank E. Roberts and others of Brunswick; Petition of Frank Tourtillatte and 16 others of Maxfield; Petition of Abraham Newton and 30 others of Jackman; Petition of W. H. Wilder and 48 others of West Pembroke; Petition of Arthur T. Lincoln and 35 others of Dennysville; Petition of J. E. Vose and 60 others of Machias; Petition of F. W. Burnham and 99 others of Milbridge; Petition of W. E. Tupper and 20 others of Jonesboro; Petition of W. H. Frost and 27 others of Perry; Petition of James McCrea and 38 others of Milltown; Petition of Charles Peabody and 23 others of Milbridge; Petition of George H. Kenniston and 27 others of Machias; Petition of Joseph Thompson and 31 others of Marion; Petition of G. W. H. Watts and 26 others of Roque Bluffs; Petition of B. E. Lurchin and 79 others of Pembroke;

Petition of Frank C. Thompson and 21 others of Shapleigh;

Petition of Joseph T. Gagnon and others of Connor plantation;

Petition of H. L. Thomas and 39 others of Sangerville; Petition of F. B. Aiken and 38 others of Ellsworth; Petition of L. F. Butler and 16 others of Norridgewock; Petition of S. N. Tobey and others of Machias;

Petition of C. L. Corthell and 24 others of Robbinston;

Petition of C. M. Morris and 47 others of Limestone;

Petition of W. L. Hussey and 13 others of Amherst;

Petition of J. F. Hersey and 14 others of Patten;

Petition of R. D. Leavitt and 67 others of Turner in favor of same;

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

Petition of W. D. Hoyt and 45 others of Phillips for the passage of an act to create a lien upon monumental work;

Petition of A. W. Libby and 64 others of Buckfield for same; Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill "An Act to divide the town of Frenchville and incorporate the town of St. Agatha,"

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Remonstrance of G. D. Gould and 18 others of Warren against increase of salaries of judges of the supreme judicial court,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

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

On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland,

Whereas, The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game have given up the use of the House of Representatives for their hearing Wednesday afternoon, February 22, therefore

Ordered, That the use of the House be granted to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses upon the same date for the hearing on the two cent mileage bill.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition of I. F. Hastings and others that the streams flowing into Songo pond in Albany in the county of Oxford be closed to all fishing for a term of years, reported that the petition be referred to the commissioners of inland Fisheries and game.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. GUERNSEY from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act for the detection of criminals."

Mr. HYDE from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve respecting the cemetery lot of the late Governor William King.

The reports were accepted and bill and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset Academy." House document No. 126,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

Bill "An Act to set off certain territory from Pittsfield Village Corporation." House document No. 128;

Bill "An Act to authorize and empower the city of Bangor to raise money by loan or otherwise for municipal purposes." House document No. 131;

Bill "An Act to amend chapters 217 and 218 of the Public Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent debtors.'" House document No. 132;

Bill "An Act establishing the salaries of the county commissioners and the salary of the county treasurer for the county of York." House document No. 136;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act authorizing the Hallowell Granite Works to lay and maintain pipes in the city of Hallowell for the use and distribution of compressed air." House document No. 130;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Bath Trust Company." House document No. 138;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital. House document No. 127;

Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy. House document No. 129;

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge. House document No. 134;

Resolve in favor of building a bridge across the Fish river in the town of Fort Kent, Aroostook county. House document No. 135;

Were severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Resolve providing for an office for the department of inland fisheries and game in the State House, with statement of facts. House document No. 137,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. GARD-NER of Patten.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 493 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885 as relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ripley Water Company of Andover, Maine;"

Bill "An Act to authorize registers of probate to receive petitions in vacation, and the judge of probate to order notice thereon in vacation;"

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter III of the Private and Special Laws of 1872, entitled 'An Act authorizing the city of Gardiner to raise money for the maintenance of a public library;'"

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Aroostook;"

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Aroostook;"

Bill "An Act to set off certain lands from Oxford Village Corporation;"

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, regarding taking of smelts in tide waters;'"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Penobscot county;

An Act to amend section 2, chapter 165 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887, entitled "An Act creating the Fort Fair-field Village Corporation;"

An Act to amend section 15 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 318 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to disclosures on mesne process;

An Act to incorporate the South West Harbor Dam and Bridge Company;

An Act to incorporate the Hebron Water Company;

An Act additional to acts to incorporate the Lockwood Company;

An Act to establish the Rumford Falls municipal court;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of Cumberland;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin;

An Act to legalize the doings of Rangeley plantation in Franklin county;

An Act to authorize the construction of a dam at the outlet of the mill pond at New Harbor in the town of Bristol;

An Act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society;

Resolve in favor of James Adams, chairman of the Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital and of the Committee on the University of Maine;

Resolve to pay Howard Whittier of Mount Vernon, in the county of Kennebec, a pension of two dollars a month;

Resolves providing for the preservation of regimental rolls in the adjutant general's office;

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1899;

Resolve in favor of the town of Beddington;

Resolve in favor of repairing a road leading from Van Buren to Caribou, Aroostook county, at a point in Cyr plantation leading to Connor plantation;

Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy 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.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer,

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 237 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to life and casualty insurance on the assessment plan." House document No. 123,

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor,

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Bill "An Act to authorize the Stevens Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Fort Fairfield,"

. Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,

Bill "An Act relating to the Indian reservation in the town of Perry, Washington county,"

Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered House amendments "A" and "B" which were adopted. The bill was then tabled and with amendments incorporated ordered printed on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was taken from the table, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. McFAUL of Machias, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, February 21, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Crosby of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from the executive department transmitting the following communication, just received, from the Hon. William P. Frye, United States Senator, in reply to a formal invitation extended to him by the legislature of Maine to become the guest of the State at his earliest convenience.

UNITED STATES SENATE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16, 1899.

The Governor of Maine, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen: I have received your letter of February 9, enclosing an order of the legislature of Maine, requesting you to extend to me an invitation to visit the State Capitol during the present session as the guest of the State.

The distinguished honor thus tendered me is most highly appreciated. I am conscious that no merit of mine entitles me to it, and that it is conferred upon me only as one of the commissioners appointed by the President to negotiate a treaty of peacewith Spain. I accepted that important mission with great reluctance, largely induced to do so because I regarded the appointment as an honor to my State which I had no right to refuse. I performed its duties conscientiously, with a single purpose to serve well my country and the peoples which might, under the terms of the treaty, come within our protection.

That my action meets the approval of the legislature of my State is exceedingly gratifying to me. To be the "guest of the State" where I was born, where I have always lived, and of the State which has so honored me for the last quarter of a century would give me a pleasure which I cannot express in words; hence my profound regret that I am compelled to decline the invitation. There are only two weeks more in this session, the last of the Fifty-fifth Congress, and they are crowded with proposed legislation of unexampled importance to the country. It so happens that I have the charge of several measures affecting the commercial interests of the nation. Duty compels me to forego the pleasure and the honor of being the "guest of the State."

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM P. FRYE.

Was read in concurrence.

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of titles of public acts approved by the Governor, viz:

An Act to amend chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes, relating to State pensions;

An Act to amend section 25 of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of clams and shell fish;

An Act to change time for holding sessions of county commissioners in Washington county;

An Act to repeal so much of section 5 of chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes as relates to the bounty on bears;

Was read in concurrence.

Remonstrance of L. C. Dillingham and 41 others of St. Albans. against appointment of State highway commission;

Remonstrance of F. E. Bridgham and 25 others of St. Albans against same;

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the criminal jurisdiction of magistrates;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 119, section 2 of Public Laws, A. D. 1895, relating to inn keepers, boarding house keepers and their guests;"

Were referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago;

Resolve in favor of Greely Institute;

Were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of F. M. Cotton and 70 others of Fairfield for two cent mileage book good to bearer;

Petition of Chadbourne and Kendall and others of Portland for same;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to enable the Winter Harbor Company to purchase stock of the Grindstone Neck Water Company."

Pending acceptance in concurrence, the report was tabled on motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act additional to the incorporation of the Ellsworth Electric Illuminating Company and additional to the charter of the Ellsworth Water Company.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company" reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to extend the territorial limits of the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 445 of the Special Laws of 1875, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston as amended by chapter 354 of the Private Laws of 1877.'"

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

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "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 in concurrence, resolve read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Remonstrance of Jean B. Paré, Jr., and 84 others against amendment of section 55 of chapter 86 and chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes; Bill "An Act granting additional powers to the proprietors of Forest Grove cemetery in Augusta, Maine." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of A. C. Curtis and 13 others of Surry for repeal of chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to repairs of highways;

Petition of Woodbury Parsons and 15 others of Albany for same;

Petition of Frank W. Thomas and 80 others of Warren relating to the tax on dogs;

Remonstrance of John C. Small and 21 others of Cornish against the creation of any State road commission;

Remonstrance of John Flear and 43 others of Lamoine;

Remonstrance of J. W. Bowden and 8 others of Castine;

Remonstrance of S. K. Cushman and 44 others of Steuben;

Remonstrance of Miles Pease and 45 others of Belmont;

Remonstrance of S. A. Marriner and 44 others of Belmont;

Remonstrance of W. H. Deering and 34 others of Saco;

Remonstrance of F. P. Grant and 13 others of Sebago;

Remonstrance of John M. Curtis and 17 others of Bowdoinham;

Remonstrance of F. J. Libby and 13 others of Richmond; Remonstrance of E. W. Alexander and 187 others of Lisbon; Remonstrance of Frank Martin and 19 others of Auburn; Remonstrance of J. F. Sawyer and 26 others of West Minot; Remonstrance of H. L. James and 7 others of Auburn; Remonstrance of Stillman W. Donnell and 58 others of Wales; Remonstrance of H. P. Norton and 18 others of Lexington; Remonstrance of F. J. Savage and 72 others of Fairfield; Remonstrance of H. R. Nelson and 80 others of Fairfield; Remonstrance of H. A. Kimball and 15 others of Mercer; Remonstrance of L. P. Howe and 15 others of Fairfield;

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Remonstrance of W. O. Paul and 20 others of Solon;

Remonstrance of George M. Cayford and 13 others of Smith-field;

Remonstrance of C. W. Crowell and 8 others of Riverside;

Remonstrance of A. F. Nelson and 3 others of Pittsfield;

Remonstrance of H. A. Gilman and 29 others of Strong;

Remonstrance of Frank Richards and 73 others of Benton, against same;

Remonstrance of B. J. Willard and 31 others of Portland against rebuilding Ware House wharf in Portland lower harbor; Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of the Healy Asylum, Lewiston, Maine, Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of Morrill Glidden and 29 others of Swanville in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, bood to bearer;

Petition of Amos G. Bean and 22 others of Albany; Petition of I. G. Revnolds and 27 others of Brooks; Petition of J. M. Heseltine and 19 others of Dexter; Petition of J. W. Hutchinson and 19 others of Dexter; Petition of George F. Hill and 90 others of Corinth; Petition of G. E. Allen and others of St. George; Petition of F. O. Purington and 52 others of Mechanic Falls; Petition of H. W. Golder and 20 others of Belgrade; Petition of G. H. Livermore and 20 others of Bradley; Petition of H. P. Osgood and 79 others of Kingman; Petition of L. M. Leighton and 67 others of Portland; Petition of F. W. Hutchinson and 27 others of Albany; Petition of C. B. Payson and 86 others of Albany; Petition of J. W. Beedy and 126 others of Auburn; Petition of F. J. McAvoy and 50 others of Stacyville; Petition of A. E. Verrill and 35 others of Auburn;

Petition of E. A. Furbush and 38 others of Chesterville in favor of same;

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 100 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 161 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to savings banks,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of George C. Lovell and 24 others of Richmond in favor of an act to create a lien on monumental work,

Was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Resolve in honor of the soldiers and sailors of the State of Maine who served in the war with Spain;

Resolve in favor of improving the sanitary condition of State camp ground;

Were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of J. F. Moulton and 15 others of Limington in favor of the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of M. A. Bonner and 27 others of Monmouth;

Petition of Z. J. Wheeler and 23 others of Paris;

Petition of E. M. Dolloff and 4 others of Farmingdale;

Petition of Peter Dunton and 23 others of Whitefield in favor of same;

Petition of Thomas M. Douglass and 33 others of Windham in favor of dividing the town of Windham;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Resolve in favor of Mary Ann Merrow of New Sharon, Was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Petition of H. W. Clary and 17 others of Jefferson in favor of raising the salary of the register of probate, Lincoln county;

Petition of E. C. Jewett and 6 others of Whitefield in favor of same;

Were referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

Remonstrance of R. C. Davis and 20 others of Bryant's pond against increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court, Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Brunswick,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that five hundred extra copies of so much of the proceedings of the legislature of February 15, as relates to the joint assembly, be printed.

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

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That H. T. Dunning of Winslow be excused from attendance upon the sessions of this House for a period of ten days from this date.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, reported "ought to pass" in new draft 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 divorce."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking on bill "An Act to incorporate the York County Trust Company," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to incorporate the Citizens' Trust Company."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 169 of the Private and Special Laws of 1867, relating to the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to authorize and empower the city of Bangor to raise money by loan or otherwise for municipal purposes;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapters 217 and 218 of the Public Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent debtors;' "

Bill "An Act establishing the salaries of the county commissioners and the salary of the county treasurer for the county of York;" Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899;

An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives;

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.

The motion to non-concur with the Senate in acceptance of report of Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to the State maintaining the large bridges,

Came up as a special assignment.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport the report was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was taken from the table. Mr. MOREY of Lewiston offered House amendment "A."

Pending its adoption, Mr. CHASE of Portland moved that the bill and amendment be tabled. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville offered House amendment "B" and pending its adoption, both bill and amendments were tabled on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland.

On motion of Mr. FIELD of Oakland,

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary was taken from the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten,

Resolve providing for an office for the department of inland fisheries and game in the State House,

Was taken from the table and read once.

Mr. GARDNER of Patten, moved that the rules be suspended and the resolve take its second reading and pass to be engrossed.

The motion was lost and Wednesday of next week was assigned for second reading of the resolve.

On motion of Mr. COFFIN of Harrington, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, February 22, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Stackpole of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Remonstrance of George F. Dolloff and others against any change in the disclosure law,

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of L. C. Williams and 82 others of Athens for a law preventing paupers from voting in State and municipal elections, with bill accompanying,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve providing for expenses of State inspectors of steam vessels in performance of their duties as required by law,

Was referred in concurrence to that Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of C. H. Gardner and 45 others of Skowhegan in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Petition of C. G. Hume and 31 others of Fairfield;

Petition of F. A. Norton and 25 others of Cornish in favor of same;

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

Remonstrance of S. A. Estes and others of Bryant's pond and vicinity against making Sunday open time for taking fish and game,

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

Petition of J. F. Moulton and 15 others of Limington in favor of the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of C. M. Dolloff and 4 others of Farmingdale in favor of same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act relating to the powers of the Lewiston Gas Light Company;"

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal section 7 of chapter 194 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 so far as it applies to the town of South Portland;"

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

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital.

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

Petition of Joseph Williamson and 9 others of the Waldo county bar in favor of an act to amend section 11 of chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to duties of county commissioners;

Bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of county commissioners;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of C. C. Clough and 20 others of Bluehill in favor of repealing the law relative to the election of highway commissioners;

Remonstrance of H. T. Williams and 29 others of Bradford against the creation of any State road commission;

Remonstrance of Thomas Hill and 15 others of Charleston;

Remonstrance of M. A. Marshall and 16 others of North Bradford;

Remonstrance of M. D. Martin and 8 others of Charleston against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve relative to the payment of appropriations for academies and similar institutions,

Was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of C. F. Miller and 13 others of Corinna in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books at two cents a mile, good to bearer;

Petition of Frank E. Miles and 32 others of Lisbon;

Petition of James C. Howard and 20 others of Lewiston;

Petition of F. A. Knight and 28 others of North Berwick;

Petition of L. A. Rollins and 25 others of Wesley;

Petition of J. L. Daziel and others of Exeter;

Petition of C. L. Dow and 87 others of Pownal;

Petition of William Rounds and 34 others of Minot;

Petition of A. O. Goodwin and 22 others of Upton;

Petition of C. H. Smart and 9 others of Weston;

Petition of W. D. Gilpatrick and 38 others of Weston;

Petition of C. A. Julia and others of Lisbon;

Petition of Fred O. Grover and 18 others of Norway;

Petition of Roscoe F. Staples and 83 others of Oxford;

Petition of C. E. Knight and 123 others of Wiscasset, in favor of same;

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

Bill "An Act authorizing the Manufacturers' Trust Company to establish a branch at Old Orchard,"

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

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Petition of Albert A. Bartlett and 18 others of Tremont in favor of an act to create a lien upon monumental work,

Was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Remonstrance of A. R. Page and 26 others against resolve in favor of Annie E. Belden of Drew plantation,

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

Petition of Elmer Farrar and 19 others of Orient for aid to build or repair a bridge across the thoroughfare in said town,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Remonstrance of W. G. Sargent and 48 others against making Sunday an open time for taking fish and game,

Was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of C. H. Wheeler and 21 others of Limestone for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of M. M. Richards and 17 others of Waldoboro;

Petition of E. C. Bryant and 29 others of Pittsfield;

Petition of V. E. Bragdon and 29 others of Lisbon;

Petition of W. L. Bradeen and 9 others of Lebanon;

Petition of Samuel L. Lord and 29 others of Saco;

Petition of G. L. Gould and 49 others of Dexter;

Petition of J. F. Harriman and 36 others of Harrison;

Petition of S. Wakely and 18 others of Rangeley;

Petition of A. W. Smith and 56 others of Richmond;

Petition of G. W. Brown and 37 others of Auburn for same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 242 of the Public Laws of 1893 as amended by chapter 111 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to free public libraries,"

Was referred to the Committee on Library.

Resolve in favor of N. M. West, secretary of the Committee on Maine State Prison;

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

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the Committee on Insane Hospital be directed to ascertain what, if any legislation is needed, to properly provide for the government of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital at Bangor, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner,

Ordered, That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of a law requiring the justice presiding at any trial in the supreme judicial or superior court, to designate what expert witnesses, when required by either party to testify in any cause, shall be summoned, and that such witnesses shall be regarded as officers of the court and paid by the county in which such cause is tried.

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

On motion of Mr. NICKERSON of Swanville,

Ordered, That the use of the Hall of Representatives be given to the members of G. A. R. for the purpose of an entertainment this evening.

Pending passage, Mr. VIRGIN of Portland offered House amendment "A" which was adopted and the order as amended passed.

Mr. McFAUL from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act to establish a bounty on pocupine," reported that "same be referred to the Committee on Interior Waters."

Mr. GENTLEMAN from same committee on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 157 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the protection of fish in Lake George, in Somerset county," reported "that same be referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game."

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 126 of the Laws of 1872 which applied to the town of Eastport, so that the same shall apply to the city of Eastport.

Mr. HUTCHINGS from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "legislation inexpedient" on bill

"An Act to amend section 87 of chapter 49 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, relating to insurance."

Mr. CARR from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of John Ross and others for an act regulating the sale of unmarked and stray logs.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SANBORN from the Committee on Legal Affairs on remonstrance of Henry Gay and others against the removing of the North Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent, reported that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The report was accepted. Subsequently on motion of Mr. FARRELL of Van Buren, the vote whereby the House accepted the report, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the report was tabled.

Mr. GUERNSEY from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act amendatory of chapter .287 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the better protection of sheep."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Guilford Electric Light and Power Company."

Mr. CHASE from same committee on bill "An Act repealing chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures."

Mr. SANBORN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company."

Mr. McFAUL from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to prevent a preference of creditors."

Mr. THAYER from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act extending certain powers of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company." Mr. PEABODY from the Committee on Interior Waters reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act authorizing the Manufacturing Investment Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river."

Mr. REED from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act authorizing the city of Bangor to construct a bridge over Kenduskeag stream, near the European and North American Railroad Bridge."

Mr. KING from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Bangor Boom Company."

Mr. WEST from the Committee on State Prison, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of public officers."

Mr. MAXWELL from the Sagadahoc County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Sagadahoc county."

Mr. McFAUL from the Washington County Delegation on petition, reported bill "An Act to establish a salary for the clerk of the judicial courts of Washington county."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Citizens' Trust Company." House document No. 144;

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the detection of criminals." House document No. 139,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer.

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 divorce." House document No. 143, Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth.

Resolve respecting the cemetery lot of the late Governor William King. House document No. 140.

Was read once and Wednesday next, assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act additional to the incorporation of the Ellsworth Electric Illuminating Company and additional to the charter of the Ellsworth Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend the territorial limits of the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 445 of the Special Laws of 1875, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston as amended by chapter 354 of the Private Laws of 1877;"

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 State pensions,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Bluehill-George Stevens Academy,

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading, Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden moved that the resolve be tabled and Wednesday of next week assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor, raised the point of order that the motion to table and assign a time was not a privileged question and that the motion to indefinitely postpone took precedence.

The Chair ruled that the motion to table was in order. The motion to table was lost.

The motion to indefinitely postpone the resolve was also lost.

The resolve was then read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Resolve in favor of procuring portraits of the past presiding officers of the Senate;

Resolve in favor of the Maine State library for the years 1899 and 1900;

Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake,

Was reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading, Mr. MEKRILL of Skowhegan moved that all resolves relating to academies be tabled and Tuesday next assigned for their consideration, in order that Mr. VIRGIN of Portland might present his resolve relative to the payment of academy appropriations. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy.

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading, Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville moved that the resolve be tabled pending printing of statement of facts. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn. The resolve was read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of the Leavitt Institute;

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School;

Resolve in favor of Patten Academy;

Resolve in favor of Anson Academy;

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum;

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Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in relation to extra pay of Maine volunteers in the war with Spain,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading Mr. BIRD of Rockland offered House amendment "A" which was rejected. The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital;

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of Women's Christian Temperance Union;

Resolve in favor of Sabatis Shay, representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Resolve in favor of Harriet Upton;

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing travelling libraries;

Resolve in favor of the town of Madawaska;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary,

Was reported from same committee and pendin[~] second reading, Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion to indefinitely postpone was lost. The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in the town of Moscow in the county of Somerset,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading, Mr. DAIGLE of Madawaska offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

The resolve was read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate. Resolve in favor of blasting a ledge in the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading, Mr. DAIGLE of Madawaska offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption, the resolve was tabled on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

An Act to amend chapter 230 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854, as amended by chapter 673 of the Private and Special Laws of 1871, entitled, "An Act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river;"

An Act to establish travelling libraries;

An Act to incorporate the Messalonskee Water Power Company;

An Act to amend chapter 493 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, as relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

An Act to amend chapter 169 of the Private and Special Laws of 1867, relating to the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company.

Resolve in favor of the Home for Friendless Boys in Deering;

Resolve in favor of the St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of Portland;

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. CHASE of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was taken from the table. House amendment "B" offered February 21 by Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, was withdrawn by the gentleman presenting it.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "C" which was adopted.

House amendment "A" offered February 21 by Mr. MOREY of Lewiston was withdrawn by the gentleman presenting it.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "D" which was adopted.

The bill then passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "C" and "D" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. REED of Roxbury,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 491 of the Private Laws of the year 1893,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LEDYARD of Bath, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, THURSDAY, February 23, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Degen of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of Harlan C. Wheeler and 16 others of Gilead in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books at a rate not exceeding two cents per mile, good to bearer;

Petition of H. W. Lowell and 100 others of Farmington;

Petition of J. W. Hines and 60 others of Farmington for same;

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

Petition of D. F. Bridges and 36 others of Swans Island for an act to protect those engaged in weir fishing,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of Z. J. Wheeler and 23 others of Paris for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco; Petition of H. T. Kimball and 18 others of Rangeley; Petition of C. W. Wheeler and 26 others of Limestone; Petition of F. C. Bradeen and 26 others of Fort Fairfield; Petition of V. E. Bragdon and 29 others of Lisbon; Petition of W. L. Bradeen and 9 others of Lebanon; Petition of S. L. Lord and 29 others of Saco;

Petition of Peter Dunton and 20 others of Whitefield;

Petition of M. M. Richards and 17 others of Waldoboro;

Petition of I. F. Sanford and 17 others of Corinth;

Petition of G. L. Gould and 49 others of Dexter;

Petition of A. W. Smith and 56 others of Richmond for same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Remonstrance of W. H. Stackpole and 19 others of Thomaston against any change in the seining law,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject, in concurrence. Subsequently on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, the vote whereby the House ordered the remonstrance placed on file in concurrence, was reconsidered and the remonstrance referred in non-concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Taxation, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Mary Sawyer Thomas and others that women be exempted from taxation.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Wilton Academy.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Remonstrance of J. R. Allen and 96 others of Woolwich against the passage of that section of the act organizing the Bath and Brunswick water district, which exempts from taxation the property of said company situate in Woolwich; Remonstrance of Arthur Daigle and others against moving the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent;

Remonstrance of Louis Dionne and others against same; Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to authorize Franklin and Somerset Land and Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds in other corporations." (Received under suspension of rules),

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of normal school trustees;

Resolve in favor of Madawaska Training School;

Resolve in favor of State Normal Schools;

Were referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of E. F. Geyer and 30 others of Friendship in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Petition of J. S. Fogg and 26 others of Garland;

Petition of Cyrus W. Chase and 38 others of Westfield;

Petition of George A. Ulmer and 30 others of Auburn in favor of same;

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

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to apportion State and county taxes for the years 1899 and 1900 on township formerly known as Franklin plantation of the county of Oxford '"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Bill "An Act for the better protection of sheep in the town of Perry,"

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of C. E. Butler and 3 others of Mt. Vernon for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of Isaiah Gifford and 24 others of Vassalboro;

Petition of D. Brackett and 12 others of Jackson;

Petition of W. M. Davis and 40 others of Topsham;

Petition of F. E. Freese and 12 others of Falmouth;

Petition of I. F. Sanford and 17 others of Corinth;

Petition of W. G. Drew and 12 others of Patten for same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Remonstrance of R. G. Linscott and 52 others of Jefferson against increase of salary of register of probate for Lincoln county,

Was referred to the Lincoln County Delegation.

Petition of Henry Harmon and 37 others of Raymond that the law relating to election of road commissioner be so amended as to leave such election optional with town.

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Counties be directed to inquire where the county line is between Kennebec and Androscoggin counties in the vicinity of Androscoggin lake and report by bill or otherwise.

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

On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to M. F. Taylor of Hope for one week on account of urgent town business.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That J. A. Laliberte of Fort Kent be and hereby is excused from attendance upon the sessions of this House for a period of ten days from this date.

On motion of Mr. WILBUR of Avon,

Ordered, That the use of this hall be granted to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses at 1.50 P. M. to-day.

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the appointment of a State highway engineer, to improve the public roads and to define his powers and duties."

Mr. McFAUL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 48 of chapter 77, Revised Statutes."

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Mr. SPOFFORD from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of J. N. Hill and others for a measure for the extermination of weeds.

Mr. DAVIS from same committee, reported same on petition of William B. Tobey and others, directors of the North Berwick Agricultural Association, for an appropriation in aid of same.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition of H. K. Stearns and others to prohibit the catching of pickerel or any other fish in Marshall pond through the ice, reported "that the petition be referred to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of L. H. Mosher and others for the enactment of a law protecting trout in Sandy stream and tributaries in the town of Unity for a period of three years.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of W. S. Marble and others to prohibit fishing for, or catching landlocked salmon or trout in the inlet of Rangeley lake above the bridge between July I and May I for a term of six years.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of C. P. Brown and others for open time on deer in Knox county during the month of October in each year, reported that the petition be granted and that the same be incorporated in the general law.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill "An Act to prohibit ice fishing in the ponds in the town of Chesterville in the county of Franklin."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of R. E. Scammon and others to regulate the taking of pickerel in Weld pond.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of E. I. Herrick and others that a screen be placed at the outlet of Gull pond in Franklin county.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on remonstrance of E. A. Dudley and others against the enactment of any law prohibiting winter fishing in Cochnawogon pond in Monmouth and Annabessacook pond in said town. Same gentleman from same committee on petition of W. S. Marble and others that a law be passed prohibiting the taking of trout and bluebacks, reported that the same be granted and incorporated in the general law to be submitted.

Same gentleman from same committee on bill "An Act to secure the better protection of inland fish and game by regulating the registration of guides and providing for properly trained guides," reported that "same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Sewall E. Peters and others that they be allowed to take fish in Bagaduce river inside the five hundred yard limit.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the taking of fish, as legislation is inexpedient."

Mr. McFADDEN from the Committee on Towns on petition of J. H. Littlefield and others that Ogunquit be set off from the town of Wells, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature for want of legal notice."

Mr. W1LSON of Cherryfield, from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to divide the town of Windham in the county of Cumberland and fix the names of the respective portions thereof.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. NICKERSON from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of the York County Agricultural Society.

Pending acceptance the report was recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture, on motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the public works."

Mr. PERKINS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, and chapter 377 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to school district No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to incorporate the Strong Water Company."

Mr. GENTLEMAN from the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition, reported bill "An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Water Company."

Mr. HOPKINS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize Benjamin Desjardin to maintain a wharf into the tide waters of New Meadows river in the town of Brunswick, in the county of Cumberland."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act for the prevention of certain kinds of nuisances."

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation of the Second Baptist Society of North Bowdoin."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company."

Mr. SANBORN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation, the records and the doings of the Hartland Hall Association of Hartland."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the People's Trust Company" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act additional to chapter, 445 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, as amended by chapter 423 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, incorporating the People's Trust Company."

Mr. GARCELON from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to take water for municipal purposes" reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to take water for domestic purposes."

Mr. FREESE from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act giving a lien for shoring and running logs."

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to

prohibit the killing of deer on the Isle au Haute in Hancock county."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to enable the commissioners of inland fisheries and game to increase the State museum consisting of mounted specimens and pictures of the birds, wild animals, and fishes native to the State of Maine."

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 72, Special Laws of 1887, in relation to the taking of fish in Nequasset lake."

Mr. BEATH from the Committee on Towns on petition reported bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Trescott and annex the same to the town of Edmunds."

Mr. BRITTON from the Hancock County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Hancock."

Mr. HYDE from the Sagadahoc County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Acts of 1895 and acts additional thereto."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act granting additional powers to the proprietors of Forest Grove cemetery in Augusta, Maine.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Sagadahoc county." House document No. 145;

Bill "An Act to establish a salary for the clerk of the judicial courts of Washington county." House document No. 149;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Bangor Boom Company." House document No. 150;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of public officers." House document No. 152;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to prevent a preference of creditors." House document No. 146,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Bill "An Act extending certain powers of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company." House document No. 147;

Bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the better protection of sheep." House document No. 148;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Guilford Electric Light and Power Company." House document No. 151;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways." House document No. 153,

Was read once. Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan, offered House amendments "A" and "B" which were adopted.

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, moved that the bill be laid on the table. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, offered House amendment "C" which was also adopted.

Mr. GARDNER of Patten, moved that the bill be laid on the table. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A," "B" and "C" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to repeal section 7 of chapter 194 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895 so far as it applies to the town of South Portland;"

Bill "An Act relating to the powers of the Lewiston Gas Light Company;"

Were reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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An Act to set off certain lands from Oxford Village Corpora-. tion;

An Act to repeal chapter 111 of the Private and Special Laws of 1872, entitled "An Act authorizing the city of Gardiner to raise money for the maintenance of a public library;"

An Act to authorize registers of probate to receive petitions in vacation, and the judge of probate to order notice thereon in vacation;

An Act authorizing the Hallowell Granite Works to lay and maintain pipes in the city of Hallowell for the use and distribution of compressed air;

An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Aroostook;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Aroostook;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers;

An Act to incorporate the Wilson Stream Dam Company;

An Act to authorize the Stevens Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Fort Fairfield;

An Act to incorporate the Ripley Water Company of Andover, Maine;

An Act to amend chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895,. relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, regarding taking of smelts in tide waters;

An Act to incorporate the Bath Trust Company;

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.

Bill "An Act to limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property,"

Came up as a special assignment and was reassigned for to-morrow on motion of Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer.

On motion of Mr. SPOFFORD of New Sharon, rules were suspended and the vote whereby the remonstrance of F. W.

Patterson and 82 others of Industry was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, was reconsidered and the remonstrance referred to the Committee on Towns and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BELLEAU of Lewiston,

Bill "An Act relating to foreigners not naturalized,"

Was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco,

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on bill "An Act to amend section 83 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to private, associated and foreign banking," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to foreign banking associations and corporations."

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman the report was recommitted to the Committee on Banks and Banking and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset Academy,"

Was taken from the table and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

The vote whereby the House February 22 referred resolve relative to the payment of appropriations for academies and similar institutions, to the Committee on Education was reconsidered.

On motion of same gentleman the resolve was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,

Bill "An Act relating to the indian reservation in the town of Perry, Washington county,

Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company, Was taken from the table, read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of same gentleman,

Bill "An Act to authorize the record of contracts for the sale of land,"

Was taken from the table and read once, when Mr. VIRGIN of Portland 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. MERRILL of Skowhegan,

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to enable the Winter Harbor Company to purchase stock of the Grindstone Neck Water Company,"

Was taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

The bill was read once when Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan 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. KING of Caribou,

Resolve in favor of blasting a ledge in the town of Frenchville, Was taken from the table, House amendment "A" offered by Mr. DAIGLE of Madawaska, February 22, adopted, resolve

read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAHN of Waldoboro, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.

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AUGUSTA, Friday, February 24, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Lesher of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolve providing for an epidemic or emergency fund,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of O. B. Poor and 39 others of Andover in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books at two cents per mile, good to bearer;

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway." (Received under suspension of rules;)

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

Bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in the county of Androscoggin,"

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

Petition of D. Brackett and 12 others of Jackson for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of Isaiah Gifford and 24 others of Vassalboro;

Petition of W. M. Davis and 40 others of Topsham;

Petition of G. H. Bowie and 12 others of Patten;

Petition of E. C. Bryant and 29 others of Pittsfield for same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Petition of F. F. Moulton and 31 others of Bluehill for the repeal of the present law relative to the election of highway commissioners;

Remonstrance of H. O. Bartlett and 24 others of Harmony against any change in the present highway law;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition reporting bill "An Act in relation to the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court."

The report was accepted in concurrence. Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan moved that the bill be laid on the table.

The motion was lost. The bill was then read once when Mr. MURPHY of Lewiston moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. BIRD of Rockland moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed and also moved that the vote be taken by yeas and nays.

Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta inquired whether the gentleman voted in favor of the indefinite postponement of the bill.

The Chair ruled that the gentleman could make the motion as there was no record of the vote taken.

Mr. BIRD of Rockland withdrew the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed and called for the yeas and nays on the motion to indefinitely postpone the bill, which the House ordered.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

THOSE WHO VOICU	yea were messis.	
Abbott,	Crane,	Garcelon,
Adams,	Daigle,	Gardner,
Beath,	Davis,	Gentleman,
Bennett,	Dawson,	Gordon,
Berry,	De Coster,	Grindel,
Bird,	Eaton,	Hahn,
Blackstone,	Esty,	Harman,
Bridgham,	Farrell,	Hassell,
Brimmer,	Fitz,	Hill,
Bryant,	Fogg,	Hix,
Carr,	Forhan,	Hodgkins,
Chamberlin,	Freese,	Hopkins,
Chick,	Fuller, Auburn,	Hughes,
Colburn,	Fuller, Kennebunk,	Jellison,
Craig,	Fuller, So. Portland,	Johonnett,

Jordan,	Purinton,	Teel,
Keefe,	Rankin,	Thayer,
Kilborn,	Ridlon,	Turner,
Libbey, Albion,	Rowell,	Tyler,
Libbey, So. Berwick,	Ryerson,	Walker,
McFadden,	Sargent, Portland,	Webster,
Melcher,	Sargent, Sedgwick,	Weed,
Merrill, N. GloucesterSawyer,		West,
Mosher,	Smith, Hartland,	Wilbur,
Murphy,	Somes,	Wilson, Brunswick,
Nickerson, OrringtonSpofford,		Wilson, Cherryfield,
Nickerson, Swanville	,Spratt,	Wilson, Gorham,
Parker,	Spurr,	Wilson, Minot,
Peabody,	Staples,	Wood,
Porter,	Stetson, Monmouth,	Woodbridge—92.
Prince,	Sutherland,	

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs. Kernon, Belleau, Bodwell, Ledyard, Brown, Falmouth, Macomber, Manley, Burns, Chase, Maxcy, Merrill, Skowhegan, Virgin, Drummey, Morey, Guernsey, Parkhurst, Harris, Hutchings, Perkins,

Philbrook, Plummer, Powers, Sanborn, Smith, Presque Isle, Virgin, Webb—25.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Beal,	Dunning,	Laliberte,
Britton,	Farnsworth,	Macfarlane,
Brown, Warren,	Field,	Maxwell,
Buck,	Girdler,	McFaul,
Cartret,	Goss,	Murchie,
Cleveland,	Gould,	Noyes,
Cobb,	Hyde,	Peaslee,
Coffin,	Irving,	Pierce,
Deering,	Jones,	Reed,
Donham,	Kalloch,	Taylor—30.

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The following pair was announced:

Messrs. King of Caribou, yes, with Mr. Leavitt of Eastport, no.

The motion to indefinitely postpone the bill prevailed. Mr. WILSON of Gorham, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish the Bar Harbor municipal court;"

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on bill "An Act permitting the city of Lewiston to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding fifty-one thousand dollars to meet its bonds now outstanding and maturing in the year 1899," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding fifty-one thousand dollars to meet its bonds now outstanding, and maturing in the year 1900."

The reports were accepted in concurrence, and bills severally read twice.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the city of Biddeford.

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

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county,

Which was finally passed in the House February 6.

Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle the votes whereby the resolve was finally passed and engrossed, were reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the resolve as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Remonstrance of Florent Sanfacon and others against moving the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent;

Remonstrance of I. D. Wiggin and others of Auburn against proposed change in trustee law;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Resolve apportioning the appropriation for the deaf, dumb and blind for the year 1899,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of F. O. Brainerd and 18 others of China in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Petition of F. L. Hopkins and 18 others of Frankfort;

Petition of H. M. Allen and 81 others of Skowhegan;

Petition of W. I. Kingsbury and 32 others of Bradford;

Petition of William Allen and 53 others of Wellington in favor of same;

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

Petition of George A. Lord and 27 others of Burlington for a law limiting to 25 pounds per annum the amount of trout and land-locked salmon to be taken by any person in Nicatos lake, stream and tributaries;

Petition of F. L. Scammon and 11 others for same. (Received under suspension of rules;)

Were referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Petition of A. E. Purington and 13 others of Waterville for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of G. M. Randall and 10 others of Montville;

Petition of G. W. Harris and 10 others of Salem;

Petition of T. T. Burnham and 50 others of Hallowell;

Petition of Z. M. Miller and 15 others of Island Falls for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

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Remonstrance of A. J. Butterfield and 50 others of North Chesterville against an increase of salaries of justices of the supreme judicial court;

Remonstrance of Ralph H. Dyer and 25 others of Farmington against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject. These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. NICKERSON of Swanville,

Ordered, That the use of the Hall of Representatives be given to the G. A. R. for an entertainment Thursday evening, March 2, 1899.

Was read and passed. Subsequently on motion of same gentleman the vote whereby the order received a bassage was reconsidered, House amendment "A" adopted and the order as amended, passed.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to secure the secret ballot," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. WEBSTER from the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to establish a normal school at Presque Isle," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. RYERSON from same committee, reported same on resolves for an amendment to the Constitution relating to education.

Mr. BURNS from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school at Newport.

Mr. JELLISON from the Committee on Claims on bill of A. J. Cameron for balance claimed to be due him for work done under contract of 1878 and 1879, reported "that same be referred to the Governor and Council with power to act."

Mr. PERKINS from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend paragraph 10, section 1 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to provide for notice of actions against railroad and steamboat companies."

Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act authorizing M. B. Spinney and others to construct and maintain bridges across Morse's and Sprague's rivers in the town of Phippsburg."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Electric Light and Power Company."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to the title of real estate."

Same gentleman from same committee on resolve in favor of F. E. Southard, reported "that same be referred to the Governor and Council with full power to act upon the subject matter and if any sum be found to be due to pay the same from any funds of the State not otherwise appropriated."

Mr. BIRD from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of E. M. Goodall and others for authority to build a street railroad from Biddeford to York Beach.

Mr. WEBSTER from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "leave to withdraw" on remonstrance of A. R. Page and others against resolve in favor of Annie Belden of Drew plantation.

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of George A. Welch and others that the taking of fish with trawls in certain waters of the State be prohibited.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of G. L. Skolfield and others that section 15 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897 be so amended that it shall be unlawful to use purse or drag seines for the taking of smelts in certain parts of Casco bay.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of F. S. Stevens and others that a law be enacted to prohibit trawling within three miles of the shore, reported "that the petitioners have leave to withdraw as legislation is inexpedient."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of J. P. Kelsey and others of Freeport that a close time be made on clams in Cumberland county, reported "leave to withdraw as a general act covering this matter is to be reported to the legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of E. P. Spofford and others for a close time on digging of clams in Hancock county, reported "that the petitioners have leave to withdraw as the committee will report a general act covering this matter."

Mr. DAWSON from the Committee on Pensions, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of Mary Ann Merrill of New Sharon.

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Claims, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of Isaac Moore.

Mr. WALKER from the Committee on Temperance, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to secure a better enforcement of the law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Rose White and two thousand, nine hundred and sixty others that suitable laws be enacted with appropriate penalties for the better observance of Memorial Day.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to regulate the observance of Memorial Day."

The reports were accepted. Subsequently Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House accepted the reports and also moved that the consideration of the motion be assigned to Thursday, March 2.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 201 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854, relating to Bridgton Center Village Corporation."

Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Orono Water Company."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 525 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885, relating to the Presque Isle Village Fire Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1887, authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devices and bequests, and to raise money."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland, Maine."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act in reference to the Boston Auction Company."

Mr. PERKINS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and Laconia Company to consolidate."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to extend the charter and rights of the Sanford Mills."

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to chapter 472 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company.""

Mr. SANBORN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to legalize the calling and holding of the annual meeting of 1897 in the town of Jefferson."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Dixfield Water Company."

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of the Augusta City Hospital."

Mr. WALKER from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Hartland Academy."

Mr. MERRILL from same committee reported same on resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary, Parsonsfield, Maine.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve providing for the payment to the city of Eastport, the

amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund, for the year 1898, on account of imperfect school return.

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a Naval reserve as a part of the National Guard of the State of Maine."

Mr. BLACKSTONE from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of settling lots in Drew plantation.

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Claims, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Charles M. Bradbury of Biddeford in the county of York.

Mr. HILL from same committee reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of the town of Canton.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act authorizing the Manufacturing Investment Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river." House document No. 154;

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Bangor to construct a bridge over Kenduskeag stream, near the European and North American railroad bridge." House document No. 155;

Bill "An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures." House document No. 156;

Bill "An Act for the prevention of certain kinds of nuisances." House document No. 167,

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act giving a lien for shoring and running logs." House document No. 165,

Was read twice. Mr. FARRELL of Van Buren moved that the rules be suspended, the bill take its third reading and pass to be engrossed. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn and to-morrow was assigned for third reading of the bill.

Bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to take water for domestic purposes." House document No. 166.

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Pending first reading, Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon moved that the bill be laid on the table. The motion was lost. The bill was then read twice. On motion of Mr. HARRIS of Auburn the bill was tabled and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company." House document No. 157;

Bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation, the records and the doings of the Hartland Hall Association of Hartland." House document No. 158;

Bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Public Works." House document No. 159;

Bill "An Act to legalize the incorporation of the Second Baptist Society of North Bowdoin." House document No. 160;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize Benjamin Desjardin to maintain a wharf into the tide waters of New Meadows river in the town of Brunswick, county of Cumberland." House document No. 161,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 461 of the Private and Special of 1885, and chapter 377 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to school district No. 5 in the town of Kennebunk." House document No. 162,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. FULLER of Kennebunk, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on the Isle Au Haute in Hancock county." House document No. 163,

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 enable the commissioners of inland fisheries and game to increase the State museum consisting of mounted specimens and pictures of the birds, wild animals, and fishes native to the State of Maine." House document No. 164,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Brunswick, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the People's Trust Company." House document No. 168,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. SPOFFORD of New Sharon, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to enable the Winter Harbor Company to purchase stock of the Grindstone Neck Water Company,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Sagadahoc county;"

Bill "An Act to establish a salary for the clerk of the judicial courts of Washington county;"

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Bangor Boom Company;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of public officers;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the record of contracts for the sale of land,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the indian reservation in the town of Perry, Washington county,"

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Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A" and "B" and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn it be to meet Monday next, February 27, at 4.30 o'clock, P. M.

An Act to extend the territorial limits of the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company;

An Act additional to the incorporation of the Ellsworth Electric Illuminating Company and additional to the charter of the Ellsworth Water Company;

An Act to amend chapters 217 and 218 of the Public Laws of 1889, entitled "An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent debtors;"

An Act to repeal section 7 of chapter 194 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, so far as it applies to the town of South Portland;

An Act establishing the salaries of the county commissioners and the salary of the county treasurer for the county of York;

An Act relating to the powers of the Lewiston Gas Light Company;

An Act to authorize and empower the city of Bangor to raise money by loan or otherwise for municipal purposes;

An Act to amend sections I and 4 of chapter 445 of the Special Laws of 1875, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston," as amended by chapter 354 of the Private Laws of 1877;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve in favor of N. M. West, secretary of the Committee on Maine State Prison;

Resolve for State pensions;

Resolve in favor of Bluehill-George Stevens Academy;

Resolve in favor of the Maine State library for the years 1899 and 1900; Resolve for an appropriation for the use of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries;

Resolve in favor of procuring portraits of the past presiding officers of the State Senate;

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 limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property,"

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed asamended by House amendment "A" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston,

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore,"

Was taken from the table, recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FARRELL of Van Buren,

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on remonstrance of Henry Gay and others against removing the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent, reporting "that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary,

Was taken from the table, report accepted and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Communication from State treasurer transmitting a list of towns and plantations in this State which received from the State treasurer sums of money equal to or greater than their respective State taxes,

Was taken from the table and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. LIBBEY of South Berwick, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Monday, February 27, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hayden of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of W. S. Cousens and 36 others in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State, to issue mileage books at two cents per mile, good to bearer,

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

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893 as amended by chapter 222 and 297 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the better protection of sheep,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of C. E. Butler and 10 others of Mt. Vernon for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of M. A. Bonner and 27 others of Monmouth;

Petition of G. F. Randall and 10 others of Montville;

Petition of George H. Brown and 37 others of Auburn for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of the selectmen of Phippsburg relating to certain islands in Casco bay.

Report of same committee, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on the concurrent resolution and memorial of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, relating to the election of United States senators.

Report of same committee, reporting same on report of the medical registration board.

Report of same committee, reporting same on report of the State board of health.

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 the common school fund," reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of same committee on report of the State superintendent of public schools, reporting "that same be accepted."

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of having the annual reports of the department officers of the G. A. R. printed at the expense of the State.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of Annie E. Belden.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 511 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Water and Electric Light and Power Company as amended by chapter 494 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read once. Senate amendments "A" and "B" 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 incorporate the Portland, Maine, Past Chancellors Association."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Sebasticook Manufacturing 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 Interior Waters, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Winn Water and Power Company and to amend the same."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and tabled, on motion of Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer.

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, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading of the resolve.

Remonstrance of John Parent and others against removing the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent;

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Skowhegan to perfect its title to the school property in said town;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act relating to the compensation of selectmen and assessors,"

Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 55 and 56 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 72 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 235 of the Public Laws of 1893 and chapter 49 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Remonstrance of W. H. Jones and 42 others of China against the repeal of the feeding stuffs inspection law;

Remonstrance of E. H. Nealey and 27 others of Monroe;

Remonstrance of E. C. Dow and 20 others of Monroe;

Remonstrance of Wesley Day and 36 others of Durham;

Remonstrance of G. W. Walton and 24 others of Wayneagainst same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of B. S. Fifield and 19 others of Boothbay for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of Joseph Nickerson and 12 others of Woolwich forsame;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Petition of H. J. Lane and 43 others of East Kaymond that the law relating to road commissioners be left optional with towns, Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject. These petitions and pills were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 60 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 317 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to intoxicating liquors,"

Was tabled pending reference to Committee and ordered printed on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland.

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act giving trial justices within and for the county of Waldo concurrent jurisdiction with the police court of the city of Belfast in all matters wherein the debt or damage does not exceed twenty dollars and in actions of forcible entry and detainer."

Mr. RYERSON from the Committee on Education on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Ellsworth, relating to the school board," reported "that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."

Mr. BURNS from same committee, 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. WEBSTER from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of B. C. Plummer and others that a change in the law relative to the raising of money by towns for the support of common schools, be made."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of J. E. White and others of Columbia for change in the law relative to the raising of money by towns for support of common schools.

Mr. FARRELL from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Warren E. Chute and others for improvement of Songo and Chute rivers.

Mr. ROWELL from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on resolve in aid of building a bridge across the Kennebec river between the towns of Bingham and Concord in Somerset county, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. CRAIG from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of A. Robbins and others that an appropriation be granted to repair or rebuild a bridge across the thoroughfare between North and Grand lakes in the town of Orient.

Mr. BRIDGHAM from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of aid in building a bridge across St. Croix stream in the town of Masardis, county of Aroostook.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on petition of E. B. Ingraham and others for open time to kill deer in Knox county, reported "that the subject of petition is incorporated in the general law now before the legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of A. F. Fellows and others that fishing through the ice in the ponds in the town of Chesterville be prohibited.

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of H. A. Furbish and others that a law be passed prohibiting the taking of trout known as bluebacks from the Rangeley lakes for a term of six years, reported that the same be referred to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, as the subject matter of the petition properly comes under their jurisdiction.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of William Hoyt and others for a close time on Rogers pond in the town of Ripley.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of John G. Fleming.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported -"ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Sullivan Harbor Water Company."

Mr. HOPKINS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to create a lien upon hay for the cutting and pressing thereof."

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Madawaska Training School.

Mr. RYERSON from same committee reported same on resolve in favor of normal school trustees.

Mr. WEBSTER from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of State Normal Schools.

Mr. WALKER from same committee, reported "ought topass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897."

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought to pass' in new draft under same title bill "An Act for the protection of the fish in the tributaries of Moosehead lake."

Mr. HARMON from the Committee on Shore Fisheries on petition, reported bill "An Act to regulate the taking of herring" in the town of Cutler."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act relating to chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897 entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.'"

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules. Subsequently on motion of Mr. PIERCE of Blaine the vote whereby the bill was ordered printed was reconsidered. Also the vote whereby the report was accepted was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the report was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Hancock." House document No. 169;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Water Company." House document No. 170;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Acts of 1895 and acts additional thereto." House document No. 173;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter and rights of the Sanford Mills." House document No. 176;

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 472 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company.'" House document No. 178;

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Orono Water Company." House document No. 180; Bill "An Act in reference to Boston Auction Company." House document No. 181;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Dixfield Fire Engine Company." House document No. 186;

Bill "An Act to legalize the calling and holding of the annual town meeting of the town of Jefferson in the year A. D., 1897." House document No. 187;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 525 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885, relating to the Presque Isle village Fire Department." House document No. 190;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Trescott and annex the same to the town of Edmunds." House document No. 171,

Was read once. Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 72, Special Laws of 1887, in relation to the taking of fish in Nequasset lake." House document No. 172,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK or Waterville.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Strong Water Company." House document No. 175,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. WILBUR of Avon.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to Hawkers and Peddlers." House document No. 185,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. HIX of Rockland.

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Eastport, the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund, for the year 1898, on account of imperfect school return. House document No. 177; Resolve in favor of the town of Canton. House document No. 182;

Resolve in favor of Charles M. Bradbury of Biddeford, in the county of York. House document No. 183;

Resolve in favor of settling lots in Drew plantation. House document No. 184;

Resolve in favor of Hartland Academy. House document No. 188;

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary, Parsonsfield, ...aine. House document No. 180;

Were severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company." House document No. 174;

Bill "An Act relating to the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland, Maine." House document No. 179;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and the Laconia Company to consolidate." House document No. 191,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act authorizing the manufacturing Investment Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the city of Bangor to construct a bridge over Kenduskeag stream near the European and North American railroad bridge;"

Bill "An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures;"

Bill "An Act giving a lien for shoring and running logs;"

Bill "An Act for the prevention of certain kinds of nuisances;"

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.

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An Act granting additional powers to the proprietors of Forest Grove cemetery, in Augusta, Maine;

An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895, in relation to the support of wives and children by husbands living apart;

An Act authorizing the city of Lewiston to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding fifty-one thousand dollars to meet its bonds now outstanding, and maturing in the year 1900;

An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways;

An Act to incorporate the Citizens' Trust Company;

An Act to establish the Bar Harbor municipal court;

Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary;

Resolve in favor of repairing and maintaining Babbitt Ridge road in the town of Moscow, in the county of Somerset;

Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of indians;

Resolve in favor of repairing the road between Patten and Grand Lake;

Resolve in favor of Calais Academy;

Resolve in favor of Women's Christian Temperance Union;

Resolve in favor of Harriet Upton;

Resolve in favor of the Bangor Children's Home;

Resolve in favor of East Corinth Academy;

Resolve appropriating money to carry into effect an act establishing travelling libraries;

Resolve in favor of Monmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of Patten Academy;

Resolve in favor of roads in the Indian township, Washington county;

Resolves in relation to extra pay of Maine volunteers in the war with Spain;

Resolve in favor of Anson Academy;

Resolve in favor of Cherryfield Academy;

Resolve in favor of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum;

Resolve in favor of Springfield Normal School;

Resolve in favor of Leavitt Institute;

Resolve in favor of Sabatis Shay, representative of the Penobscot tribe of indians;

Resolve in favor of the town of Madawaska;

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. PARKHURST of Bangor,

The motion to reconsider vote accepting report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Rose White and two thousand nine hundred and sixty others that suitable laws be enacted with appropriate penalties for the better observance of Memorial Day; also report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill relating to same, was taken from the table and reassigned to Friday, March 3.

On motion of Mr. CRANE of Whiting, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, February 28, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Phillips 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 increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Penobscot;

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis county;

An Act to amend chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887 relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine;

An Act to amend section 15 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 318 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to disclosure by mesne process;

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Penobscot county;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of Androscoggin;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of Cumberland;

An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 157 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives;

An Act to establish travelling libraries;

Was read in concurrence.

Bill "An Act additional to section 96 of the Revised Statutes," Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Petition of I. C. Merrill and A. L. Robinson of Lewiston and Auburn for amendment of law, relating to inspection of milk,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 195 of the Public Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to establish a bounty on wild cats,' "

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

Petition of M. T. Newton and 31 others of Webster for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of A. P. Schermerhorn and 17 others of Charleston for same;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on report of commission appointed by the Governor to inquire into and report upon the advisability of establishing additional State normal schools, reporting that "same be accepted and referred to the next legislature."

The report was accepted in concurrence and report of commission recommitted to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of W. E. Tobey and others that an appropriation be made in favor of the North Berwick Agricultural Society.

The report was accepted in concurrence and the petition recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the city of South Portland."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of printed copies of the Public Laws.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking on order, reporting bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to savings banks." The reports were accepted in concurrence, bills severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Petition of W. H. Miller and 31 others of Waldoboro, relating to the practice of law by others than attorneys;

Remonstrance of A. E. Hammond and others against moving the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent;

Remonstrance of Amos Ouillette and others against same;

Bill "An Act giving mortgagees a lien for costs of foreclosure, section 5 of chapter 90 of Revised Statutes;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company." (Received under suspension of rules);

Bill "An Act to make the prohibitory law more effective;" Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Memorial and resolve against an act of the legislature of the State of New York in the year of 1897,

Was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Petition of Frank J. Ham and 38 others of Belgrade in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer,

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

Remonstrance of the Bangor Savings Bank and the Penobscot Savings Bank against amending section 100 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes relating to investments by savings banks,

Was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Remonstrance of Otis Meader and 32 others of Albion against repeal of feeding stuffs inspection law;

Remonstrance of A. W. Fisher and 14 others of Charlotte;

Remonstrance of W. E. Ingersoll and 30 others of Columbia;

Remonstrance of Ira J. Porter and 21 others of Houlton;

Remonstrance of W. F. Heminway and 10 others of Jefferson;

Remonstrance of S. J. Knowlton and 20 others of Bremen;

Remonstrance of Erastas Lermond and 48 others of Thomaston;

Remonstrance of L. E. Smith and 15 others of Brunswick;

Remonstrance of T. B. Hunter and 45 others of Strong;

Remonstrance of E. T. Benner and 14 others of Warren;

Remonstrance of Jonathan Benn and 49 others of Hodgdon;

Remonstrance of D. P. Charles and 24 others of Stow;

Remonstrance of O. L. Durand and 20 others of Charleston;

Remonstrance of S. W. Ayer and 19 others of New Gloucester;

Remonstrance of John C. Jordan and 47 others of Mariaville; Remonstrance of L. E. Irish and 34 others of Peru;

Remonstrance of A. H. Andrews and 8 others of Paris;

Remonstrance of Walter B. Nutter and 9 others of Pleasantdale;

Remonstrance of J. E. White and 54 others of Columbia against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of A. G. Hill and 31 others of Oakfield for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of Marshall White and 7 others of Bowdoinham;

Petition of J. A. Chase and 11 others of Litchfield;

Petition of George Goodwin and 19 others of Wells;

Petition of W. Seekins and 10 others of Windsor;

Petition of T. M. Battie and 28 others of Old Town;

Petition of C. F. Penney and 25 others of Augusta;

Petition of M. T. Newton and 31 others of Webster;

Petition of Edwin Babb and 12 others of Dixfield;

Petition of L. W. Stone and 16 others of Biddeford;

Petition of L. H. Jordan and 12 others of Raymond;

Petition of James Kendrick and 142 others for same;

Remonstrance of Daniel Campbell and 12 others of Old Orchard against the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard, and annexing same to the city of Saco; Remonstrance of M. R. Williams and 89 others of South Portland against the setting off of the village of Willard either by annexing to Cape Elizabeth or the formation of a new town;

Remonstrance of W. B. Nutter and 24 others of South Portland;

Remonstrance of W. B. Jordan and 55 others of South Portland;

Remonstrance of E. S. Hamilton and 44 others of South Portland;

Remonstrance of C. P. Trickey and 17 others of South Portland;

Remonstrance of Robert Trickey and 75 others of South Portland against same;

Remonstrance of A. F. Hannaford and 78 others against any changes whatever, in the present boundaries of the town of Cape Elizabeth;

Remonstrance of H. S. Jordan and 44 others against same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns;

Petition of citizens of Rockland relative to a gold mine in said city with accompanying papers,

Was referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

Remonstrance of C. Fred Knight and 38 others of Rockport against the passage of any law that will further restrict the use of purse and drag seines in the waters of our State;

Remonstrance of E. L. Blaisdell and 5 others of Rome against the creation of any State road commission;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prevent the fradulent sale and use of railroad tickets,"

Was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses. Subsequently on motion by Mr. BEAL of Bangor, the vote whereby the bill was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, was reconsidered. On motion of same gentleman the bill was tabled and ordered printed pending reference to committee. On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to Mr. Harman of Machiasport for eight days from March 1st owing to town business.

Mr. FARRELL from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the building of piers in Fish river."

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of W. J. Pendleton and others that the taking of mackerel and porgies in any of the waters or tributaries of Penobscot bay by purse nets or seines, be prohibited.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of Frank Cole and others that the taking of fish by purse seines in Saco bay be prohibited.

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 amend chapter 135 of the Public Laws of 1895 and acts additional thereto, relating to the Bath municipal court."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to repeal a resolve in favor of F. E. Southard."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Water District."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the superior court for the county of Kennebec."

Mr. BERRY from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "ought to pass" on resolve to reimburse Daniel S. Chadbourne for repairs on breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge.

Mr. HILL from the Waldo County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to fix the salary of the sheriff of the county of Waldo."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1887 authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devises and bequests, and to raise money." House document No. 192;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 201 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854, relating to Bridgton Center Village Corporation." House document No. 193;

Bill "An Act to establish a naval reserve as a part of the National Guard of the State of Maine." House document No. 194;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve in favor of the Augusta City Hospital. House document No. 195,

Was read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 511 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Water and Electric Light and Power Company, as amended by chapter 494 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889,'"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendments "A" and "B" in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Portland, Maine Past Chancellors' Association;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sebasticook Manufacturing and Power Company;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Hancock;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Water Company;"

Bill "An Act to extend the charter and rights of the Sanford mills;"

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 472 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company;'" Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Orono Water Company;"

Bill "An Act in reference to Boston Auction Company;"

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Dixfield Fire Engine Company;"

Bill "An Act to legalize the calling and holding of the annual town meeting of the town of Jefferson in the year A. D. 1897;"

Bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 525 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885 relating to the Presque Isle village fire department;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Trescott and annex the same to the town of Edmunds,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Acts of 1895, and acts additional thereto,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond moved that the bill be laid on the table. The motion prevailed. Subsequently on motion of same gentleman, the bill was taken from the table, House amendment "A" adopted, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

An Act to authorize the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and the Laconia Company to consolidate,

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.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary,

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. FIELD of Oakland the resolve was reassigned to Thursday, March 2 for consideration.

Bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to take water for domestic purposes,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. HARRIS of Auburn, offered House amendments "A," "B" and "C."

(Discussion ensued.)

Pending adoption of House amendment "A," Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan offered House amendment "I" to House amendment "A" which was adopted. House amendment "A" as amended by House amendment "I" was adopted.

Pending adoption of House amendment "B," Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle moved that the bill and pending amendments be laid on the table. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon, the bill and pending amendments were recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 72, Special Laws of 1887, in relation to the taking of fish in Nequasset lake," was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PLUMMER of Portland,

Bill "An Act to repeal the provisions of chapter 215 of the Resolves of 1897, appropriating twenty thousand dollars a year for ten years for the University of Maine, so far as the same relates to the years subsequent to 1898,"

Was taken from the table and on motion of same gentleman referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Subsequently Mr. GARDNER of Patten moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House referred the bill to the Committee on Legal Affairs. A viva voce vote being doubted, a division was called for.

Pending the vote on division, Mr. CHASE of Portland moved that the motion to reconsider, made by the gentleman from Patten be laid on the table and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

The motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. SAWYER of Limington, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, WEDNESDAY, March I, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cochrane of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Petition of F. M. Battie and 28 others of Old Town for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of B. T. Snow and 23 others of Yarmouth;

Petition of J. F. Harriman and 26 others of Harrison;

Petition of F. E. Freese and 12 others of Falmouth;

Petition of A. E. Purington and 13 others of Waterville;

Petition of J. A. Chase and 11 others of Litchfield;

Petition of W. Seekins and 10 others of Windsor;

Petition of F. I. Brown and 20 others of Readfield;

Petition of T. T. Burnham and 50 others of Hallowell;

Petition of Joseph Nickerson and 12 others of Woolwich;

Petition of Marshall White and 7 others of Bowdoinham;

Petition of M. Holman and 16 others of Limerick;

Petition of W. S. Stone and 16 others of Biddeford;

Petition of George Goodwin and 19 others of Wells;

Petition of Edwin Babb and 11 others of Dixfield for same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Remonstrance of H. T. Williams and 29 others of Bradford against the creation of any State road commission;

Remonstrance of M. F. Martin and 8 others of Charleston;

Remonstrance of M. A. Marshall and 16 others of North Bradford;

Remonstrance of Thomas Hill and 15 others of Charleston against same;

Referred in the House, February 22, to the Committee on Legal Affairs, came from the Senate, ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in non-concurrence.

The vote whereby the remonstrances were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs was reconsidered and the remonstrances ordered filed in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the resolutions adopted jointly by the Senate and House of Representatives, on the death of Nelson Dingley and the remarks made by the several senators and representatives relating to the same, be printed in a memorial pamphlet, and that two thousand copies of the same be furnished to the members of the legislature.

Ordered, The House concurring, that there be printed two thousand steel plate engravings of the late Nelson Dingley, to be bound with the memorial.

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 323 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the admission of attorneys to the practice of law," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act authorizing women to be admitted as attorneys to practice law in the courts of this State."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read once and tabled on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Andover Village Corporation."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 65 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to fees in insolvency proceedings." The report was accepted in concurrence, bill read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on order, reporting bill "An Act to consolidate, simplify, revise and amend the laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game, as contained in chapters 30 and 40 of the Revised Statutes, and in amendments and additions thereto and to repeal old and obsolete, Private and Special Laws pertaining to fishing in the public waters of the State."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read once.

Pending second reading, the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. CRAIG of Island Falls and Wednesday, March 8, assigned for its further consideration.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of Ignace Blais.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Pennell Institute.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of soldiers of the Spanish war who received medical treatment at their homes.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, resolves severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Communication from secretary of State transmitting county estimates of the several counties in the State for the years 1899 and 1900,

Was read and with estimates referred to the Committee on County Estimates.

Communication from the secretary of State board of agriculture transmitting an itemized account of the expenditures of the board of agriculture for the years 1897 and 1898,

Was read and with account, tabled and ordered printed on motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor.

Communication from the board of cattle commissioners transmitting an itemized account of the expenditures of said board for the year 1898 and such part of 1897 as has not already been reported to the Governor and Council. Was read and with account, tabled and ordered printed on motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook." (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Remonstrance of J. H. Toothaker and 23 others against the incorporation of the Dixfield Village Corporation;

Bill "An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Buckfield Water Company." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 33, section 1 of the Public Laws of 1887 relating to the burial of soldiers;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of F. M. Jordan and 183 others of Bangor in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books, good to bearer;

Petition of H. Packard and 56 others;

Petition of G. D. Lyford and 14 others of Atkinson;

Petition of H. L. Williams and 11 others of Hartland;

Petition of E. T. Pond and 18 others of Guilford in favor of same;

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

Bill "An Act in relation to taxes assessed on timber and grass on reserved lands for years 1887 to 1896, both inclusive,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Remonstrance of T. J. Gushee and 49 others of Hope against repeal of feeding stuffs inspection law;

Remonstrance of H. M. Shaw and 15 others of East Eddington;

Remonstrance of David A. Field and 18 others of Sidney;

Remonstrance of Albert Leesh and 20 others of East Winthrop;

Remonstrance of A. H. Whitmore and 21 others of Verona;

Remonstrance of Harrison L. Strout and 28 others of Waterboro: Remonstrance of A. A. Eastman and 92 others of Dexter; Remonstrance of Ansel Briggs and 4 others of Auburn; Remonstrance of A. S. Gould and 38 others of Garland; Remonstrance of N. F. Norton and 7 others of Penobscot; Remonstrance of W. E. Leland and 21 others of Minot; Remonstrance of F. W. Gould and 25 others of Woolwich; Remonstrance of Frank C. Dunning and 47 others of Harpswell;

Remonstrance of E. C. Mallett and 22 others of Topsham; Remonstrance of O. T. Goodridge and 25 others of Orono; Remonstrance of F. M. Roberts and 73 others of Newport;

Remonstrance of H. F. Maxim and 30 others of Bethel;

Remonstrance of John T. Clark and 33 others of Perry;

Remonstrance of S. M. Keep and 40 others of Wilton;

Remonstrance of A. H. Mason and 44 others of Porter;

Remonstrance of F. D. Grover and 36 others of Jay;

Remonstrance of L. K. Saunders and 39 others of New Gloucester;

Remonstrance of F. A. Wyman and 17 others of East Livermore against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Request of the Young Men's Christian Associations of Maine to be reimbursed for amount expended for soldiers of the late war with Spain,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of Ruel T. York and 41 others of Nobleboro and Newcastle in favor of prohibiting the taking of smelts in Damariscotta river, bay and tributaries except by weirs, hook and line,

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of William Lamb and 45 others of Clinton for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of A. F. Schermerhorn and 17 others of Charleston; Petition of M. Holman and 16 others of Limerick; Petition of C. F. Keith and 5 others of East Livermore for same;

Remonstrance of William H. Clifford and 20 others of Cape Elizabeth against any change in the present boundaries of said town;

Were referred to the Committee on Towns.

Bill "An Act regulating the use of the check list in caucuses in the city of Biddeford." (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred to the York County Delegation.

Petition of Daniel C. Ayer and 22 others of Naples for open time on deer in Cumberland county for one month;

Petition of Andrew Chute and 35 others of Naples that the election of road commissioners be left optional with towns;

Remonstrance of D. S. Glidden and 63 others of Newcastle against the creation of the office of State road commission or State road engineer;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subjects.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 349 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to the Northern District of Aroostook county.

Mr. HUTCHINGS from the Committee on Taxation, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Charles Boyce and others for the repeal of chapter 65, Public Laws of 1895, relating to State taxes on organized plantations.

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs on resolve in favor of the University of Maine, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of the Maine Commandery of the Loyal Legion of the United States, that the birthday of Abraham Lincoln be made a State holiday.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in honor of the soldiers and sailors of the State of Maine who served in the war with Spain.

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Mr. SMITH from the Committee on Claims, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of V. M. Theriault and others that the town of Fort Kent be reimbursed for money expended under the direction of the State board of health.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. ADAMS from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of George H. Jones and others for an appropriation to be expended on roads and bridges in the town of Trescott during the year 1899.

The report was accepted. Subsequently on motion of Mr. THAYER of Lubec, the vote whereby the report was accepted, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the report was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and sent to the Senate.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to poll taxes by adding to said section the words 'which said poll tax shall not exceed three dollars and shall not be less than one dollar.""

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act addi tional to and amendatory of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, relating to tramps," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 288 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to tramps."

Mr. GENTLEMAN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1879 establishing the police court of the city of Belfast, as amended by chapter 428 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885."

Mr. MAXCY from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to corporations issuing contracts for annuities commencing in the future."

Mr. GORDON from the Committee on Manufactures, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to create a lien upon monumental work."

Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield from same committee, on bill "An Act to authorize a topographic survey of the State of Maine," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize a topographic survey of the State in co-operation with the United States Geological Survey."

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of improving the sanitary condition of the State camp ground.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve authorizing a change in the location of a right of way to State lands in Augusta.

Mr. WILSON from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 264 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the county attorney of Cumberland county."

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Claims, reported "ought to pass" on resolve to reimburse F. I. Campbell, treasurer of the town of Cherryfield for money paid to State pensioners.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children." House document No. 201;

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the tributaries of Moosehead lake." House document No. 202;

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of herring in the town of Cutler." House document No. 204;

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the sheriff of the county of Waldo." House document No. 207;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon hay for the cutting and pressing thereof." House document No. 197,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sullivan Harbor Water Company." House document No. 203,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the superior court for the county of Kennebec." House document No. 205;

Bill "An Act to repeal a resolve in favor of F. E. Southard." House document No. 206;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Laws of 1895 and acts additional thereto, relating to the Bath municipal court." House document No. 209;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Madawaska Training School." House document No. 198;

Resolve in favor of normal school trustees. House document No. 199;

Resolve in favor of State normal schools. House document No. 200;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the city of South Portland;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of printed copies of the Public Laws;"

Bill "An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Kevised Statutes, relating to savings banks;"

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 amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1887, authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devises and bequests, and to raise money;"

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Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 201 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854, relating to Bridgton Center Village Corporation;"

Bill "An Act to establish a naval reserve as a part of the National Guard of the State of Maine;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy;

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy;

Resolve in favor of the hospital of the society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine;

Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of the city of Biddeford;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolves in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy;

Resolve providing for an office for the department of inland fisheries and game in the State House, with statement of facts;

Resolve respecting the cemetery lot of the late Governor William King;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge;

Resolve in favor of building a bridge across the Fish river in the town of Fort Kent;

Were reported from same committee, read the second time and pending passage to be engrossed, tabled on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland.

An Act additional to chapter 365 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, relating to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company;

An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on the Isle Au Haut in Hancock county;

An Act to incorporate the Guilford Electric Light and Power Company;

An Act to enable the Winter Harbor Company to purchase stock of the Grindstone Neck Water Company;

An Act to set off certain territory from Pittsfield Village Corporation;

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Sagadahoc county;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of public officers;

An Act to enable the commissioners of inland fisheries and game to increase the State museum, consisting of mounted specimens and pictures of the birds, wild animals and fishes native to the State of Maine;

An Act extending certain powers of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

An Act amendatory of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the better protection of sheep;

An Act to establish a salary for the clerk of the Judicial courts of Washington county;

An Act to authorize Benjamin Desjardin to maintain a wharf into the tide waters of New Meadows river in the town of Brunswick, county of Cumberland;

An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Public Works;

An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company;

--n Act to legalize the incorporation of the Second Baptist society of North Bowdoin;

An Act to legalize the incorporation, the records and the doings of the Hartland Hall Association of Hartland;

An Act additional to chapter 445 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, as amended by chapter 423 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, incorporating the People's Trust Company;

An Act to amend the charter of the Bangor Boom Company;

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. Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset Academy,"

Came up as a special assignment, was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

The motion to reconsider the vote wherebv bill "An Act to repeal the provisions of chapter 215 of the Resolves of 1897 appropriating twenty thousand dollars a year for ten years, for the University of Maine, so far as the same relates to the years subsequent to 1898," was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs,

Came up as a special assignment.

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote on division, 69 to 11.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten the bill was referred to the Committee on University of Maine and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

Bill "An Act to prevent the fradulent sale and use of railroad tickets." House document No. 208,

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HIX of Rockland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889 as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to hawkers and peddlers," 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. PEASLEE of Wiscasset, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Thursday, March 2, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Miller of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Remonstrance of F. H. Rollins and 29 others of Farmington Falls against repeal of feeding stuffs inspection law;

Remonstrance of Otis Reed and 12 others of Orono;

Remonstrance of Eli F. Cushman and 37 others of Bethel;

Remonstrance of H. F. Boothby and 45 others of Livermore;

Remonstrance of Boyden Bearce and 27 others of East Eddington against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Frank W. Lunt and 32 others of Tremont for legislation to protect owners of weirs,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Petition of B. S. Fifield and 19 others of Boothbay for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that on and after Wednesday, March 8th, the legislature hold two sessions per day until otherwise ordered.

Was read, and pending passage in concurrence. tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, and Tuesday, March 7, assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Warren B. Chute and others for improvement of Songo and Chute rivers, accepted in the House February 27, came from the Senate, recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters. The vote whereby the report was accepted was reconsidered and report recommitted in concurrence.

Petition of F. Z. Adams and 46 others of Knox county in favor of the early passage of an act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry in the State of Maine;

Bill "An Act relating to innholders and victualers;" Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary;

Petition of J. W. Amick and 40 others of Freeport for an act creating a village corporation in the town of Freeport;

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to annex Franklin plantation in the county of Oxford to the towns of Rumford and Peru, approved by the Governor, February 21, A. D. 1899;'"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of S. F. Sawyer and 47 others of Newport in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue mileage books at two cents per mile, good to bearer;

Petition of Fred Johnson and 53 others of Bangor in favor of same;

Remonstrance of C. H. Gifford and 14 others against the passage of the anti-scalping bill;

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 35 of chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to sea and shore fisheries,' "

Was referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Remonstrance of C. Bangs and 7 others of Farmington against repeal of feeding stuffs inspection law;

Remonstrance of S. C. Greenlaw and 8 others of Maysville Center;

Remonstrance of S. H. Goodwin of St. Albans and 44 others; Remonstrance of W. C. Higgins and 12 others of Brunswick;

Remonstrance of C. G. Sturgis and 11 others of Auburn;

Remonstrance of I. W. Reed and 18 others of Woolwich;

Remonstrance of George M. Holland and 30 others of Hampden;

Remonstrance of H. B. Gray and 15 others of Bluehill;

Remonstrance of W. B. Foster and 27 others of Sumner;

Remonstrance of H. L. Irish and 34 others of Turner;

Remonstrance of Eli Hodgkins and 23 others of Greene;

Remonstrance of A. C. Fossett and 14 others of Bristol;

Remonstrance of John F. Talbot and 19 others of Andover;

Remonstrance of J. W. Dudley and 19 others of Castlehill, against same;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Petition of M. E. Murray and 28 others of Burnham in favor of setting off Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that a special committee consisting of seven members of the House of Representatives and three from the Senate, be appointed to ascertain how many reports of the several departments are printed each year and the cost of same, and recommend to the legislature how many it is advisable to have printed, and to further take into consideration the necessity and advisability of continuing the office of secretary of the board of agriculture.

On motion of same gentleman,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the State treasurer be and he is hereby directed to furnish as soon as practicable the Special Committee on Printing and Binding, the amount of printing done by each department with the cost of same, specifying the amount of reports, also all special printing for each department.

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

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition of T. H. Gillen and others for amendment of section 39, chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to the practice of law, reported "that same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary." Mr. GARDNER from the Committee on Education, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of E. H. Bryant and others that a normal school be located at Machias.

Mr. WALKER from same committee, reported same on petition of C. M. Cleary and others that school district lines be changed.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of B. W. Hewes and others for an appropriation to aid the town of Danforth in establishing a normal school.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on petition of Daniel R. Stover and others that there be a change made in school district lines.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve that the State board of normal trustees may maintain a teacher's training school at Machias.

Mr. WILBUR from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor and Newcastle Railroad Company."

Mr. LEAVITT from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Castine and Eastern Railroad Company."

Mr. DRUMMEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to revive and extend an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company."

Mr. CLEVELAND from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Maine Annuity Company."

Mr. PEABODY from the Committee on Interior waters, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a bounty on porcupine."

Mr. STETSON from the Committee on Towns on petition of F. E. Mitchel and others that said Mitchel and his estates be set off from the town of Litchfield and annexed to the town of Wales, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature for want of legal notice."

Mr. McFADDEN from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of John T. Rackliff and others that a part of the town of Industry be annexed to the town of Farmington.

Mr. WILSON from same committee, reported same on petition of Hiram Norton and others that they be annexed to the town of Farmington.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BIRD from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act relating to the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company."

Pending acceptance the report was tabled on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of county commissioners."

Mr. SMITH from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to steam riding galleries."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of an apothecary."

Mr. PERKINS from same committee on bill "An Act providing for the appointment of the recorder of the municipal court of the city of Saco," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act providing for the appointment and compensation of recorder of the municipal court of the city of Saco."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, on order reported bill "An Act to amend section 196 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale of real estate for non-payment of taxes."

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act relating to chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.' "

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition reported bill "An Act to amend chapter 450 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, incorporating the city of Eastport."

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 215, Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 295, Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children."

Mr. MERRILL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children."

Mr. WEBSTER from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend the title of chapter 295 of Public Laws of 1897."

Mr. GARDNER from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Ricker Classical Institute.

Mr. PEASLEE from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Wiscasset Academy.

Mr. WILBUR from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the time for construction of the Boothbay Railroad."

Mr. MAXWELL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 282 of the laws of 1889, relating to railroad crossings."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to the charter of the Wiscasset and Quebec Railroad."

Mr. DRUMMEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Eastport Street Railway."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act authorizing the Manufacturer's Trust Company to establish a branch at Old Orchard."

Mr. BENNETT from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 562 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868, said chapter being entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank.'"

Mr. BODWELL from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to apportion State and county taxes for the years 1899 and 1900 on township formerly known as Franklin plantation in the county of Oxford."

Mr. FREESE from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company."

Mr. HUGHES from the Committee on Towns, on petition reported bill "An Act to set off part of Township No. 7 in the county of Hancock and annex the same to the town of Sullivan."

Mr. KALLOCH from the Knox County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of Knox."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. RYERSON from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy.

The report was accepted, and resolve ordered printed under joint rules. Subsequently on motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook the vote whereby the resolve was ordered printed, was reconsidered. On motion of same gentleman the vote whereby the House accepted the report, was reconsidered and report recommitted to the Committee on Education and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to corporations issuing contracts for annuities commencing in the future." House document No. 212;

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to poll taxes by adding to said section the words 'which said poll tax shall not exceed three dollars and shall not be less than one dollar.' " House document No. 215;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 264 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the county attorney of Cumberland county." House document No. 216;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Water District." House document No. 211,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner.

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon monumental work." House document No. 218,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. POWERS of Fort Fairfield.

Bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 288 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to tramps." House document No. 219,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland.

Bill "An Act to authorize a topographic survey of the State, in co-operation with the United States geological survey." House document No. 220,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta.

Resolve authorizing a change in the location of a right of way to State lands in Augusta. House document No. 213;

Resolve in favor of improving the sanitary condition of the State camp ground. House document No. 217;

Were severally read once and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Resolve to reimburse Daniel S. Chadbourne for repairs on breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge. House document No. 210; Resolve to reimburse F. I. Campbell, treasurer of the town of Cherryfield, for money paid to State pensioners. House document No. 214;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 65 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to fees in insolvency proceedings,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset Academy;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;"

Bill "An Act to regulate the taking of herring in the town of Cutler;"

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the sheriff of the county of Waldo;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the tributaries of Moosehead lake,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. MACFARLANE of Greenville.

An Act for the prevention of certain kinds of nuisances;

An Act to repeal chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, and chapter 327 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to school district number five in the town of Kennebunk;

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 511 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Water and Electric Light and Power Company, as amended by chapter 494 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893;" An Act relating to the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland, Maine;

An Act giving a lien for shoring and running logs;

An Act authorizing the city of Bangor to construct a bridge over Kenduskeag stream, near the European and North American railroad bridge;

An Act authorizing the Manufacturing Investment Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec river;

An Act to incorporate the Sebasticook Manufacturing and Power Company;

An Act relating to the Indian reservation in the town of Perry, Washington county;

An Act to incorporate the Portland, Maine, Past Chancellors Association;

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.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary.

Came up as a special assignment, was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

On motion of Mr. CRAIG of Island Falls,

Bill "An Act to consolidate, simplify, revise, and amend the laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game, as contained in chapters 30 and 40, of the Revised Statutes, and in amendments and additions thereto, and to repeal old and obsolete Private and Special Laws pertaining to fishing in the public waters of the State,

Was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman the vote assigning Wednesday, March 8, for the consideration of the bill, was reconsidered.

Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was read a second time. Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, moved that the rules be suspended and the bill take its third reading at the present time and pass to be engrossed. The motion being objected to, the bill was assigned to to-morrow for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge,

Was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of same gentleman,

Resolve in favor of building a bridge across the Fish river in the town of Fort Kent, Aroostook county,

Was taken from the table, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon hay for the cutting and pressing thereof,"

Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption, the bill and amendment was tabled on motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering.

On motion of Mr. DeCOSTER of Buckfield, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Friday, March 3, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ladd of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Resolve in favor of Mannix Bros., John A. Daley and E. S. Brooks for material furnished and work done on the new building recently erected at Gorham, for the Gorham Normal School,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Petition of C. F. Penney and 25 others of Augusta for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco;

Petition of William Lamb and 45 others of Clinton; Petition of A. G. Hill and 31 others of Oakland for same; Were referred to the Committee on Towns in concurrence

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the time within which the joint standing committees shall make final report be extended to Friday, March 10, 1899. That on or before said day all such committees shall make final report.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of assessors of Farmington Village Corporation for authority to take water from Sandy river for municipal purposes.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes, relating to cruelty to animals."

Report of same committee, reporting "legislation inexpedient" on order, to inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to the support of paupers so that any town in the State that has or may hereafter furnish pauper supplies to any person whose settlement has been or shall be made void by the action of the legislature shall be reimbursed by the State upon sufficient proof of the loss of such pauper settlement.

Report of same committee, reporting same on order to inquire into the expediency of amending the laws relating to the support of State paupers.

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought not to pass" on 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."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act relating to common schools."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Bluehill and Bucksport Electric Railroad Company."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to extend the provisions of the general statutes, to street railway charters, relating to the location of tracts."

Pending acceptance in concurrence, on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the reports were recommitted to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Towns, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of William Thompson and others that Roque and other islands be set off from the town of Jonesport and annexed to the town of Roque Bluffs.

Final report of the Joint Select Committee on Maine State Year Book.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Governor's Message, reporting,

That so much as relates to finance 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 the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital;

That so much of said message referring to taxation as is found on pages four and five of the printed document, except paragraph five on the fourth page and paragraph three on the fifth page, be referred to the Committee on Taxation;

That paragraph five on the fourth page, and the subject therein discussed be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs;

That paragraph three on the fifth page together with the subsequent paragraph and the recommendations therein set forth be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs;

That so much of said message as appears under the head of "Military Affairs" found on pages nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thir-

teen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen and seventeen except paragraph four on page sixteen and paragraph one on page seventeen, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs;

That paragraph four on page sixteen and paragraph one on page seventeen, be referred to the Committee on Pensions;

That so much of said message as refers to the subject of public buildings be referred to the Committee on Public Buildings;

That so much of said message as is embraced in paragraphs three, four and five of page twenty, be referred to the Committee on the University of Maine ; that the general recommendations contained in paragraph one of page twenty-one, be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs ;

That so much of said message as relates to the construction of railroads, be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses :

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 sea and shore fisheries be referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries;

That the first paragraph under the head of "Banks, etc.," be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking; that all remaining embraced under that head be referred to the Committee on Taxation;

That paragraphs one and three under the head of "Salaries" except so much as relates to the salary of the justices of the supreme judicial court, be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries; that paragraph two hereunder be referred to the respective county delegations;

That all of said message relating to establishing the office of State auditor, together with all recommendations and suggestions touching upon a revision of the statutes of Maine be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and that so much of said message as relates to the salary of the justices of the supreme judicial court be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary;

That paragraph one under the head of "Labor, etc.," be referred to the Committee on Labor; that paragraph two be referred to the Committee on Commerce; that paragraph three be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations; that paragraph four be referred to the Committee on Manufactures; that the first sentence of paragraph five be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and that the remainder thereof be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The report was accepted in concurrence and the various subjects referred as recommended in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition reporting resolve to repair the Forks bridge in the Forks plantation, Somerset county.

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

Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in towns;"

Bill "An Act to amend 'An Act to incorporate the city of Gardiner;' "

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Freeport Village Corporation;"

Bill "An Act authorizing the Central Congregational Society of Eastport to hire money." (Received under suspension of rules);

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in relation to re-equipping the National Guard,

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

These bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 279 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the packing of sardines,"

Was tabled and ordered printed pending reference to committee, on motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden.

Bill "An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to taxation of railroads,"

Was tabled pending reference to committee, on motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten, and ordered printed.

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On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House be directed to make up the pay roll of the officers of the House the same as last session.

On motion of Mr. FOGG of Freeport,

Ordered, That Harlan P. Prince, representative from Yarmouth be granted leave of absence for ten days on account of severe sickness.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle,

Ordered, That on and after March 3, 1899, William C. Farrell of Van Buren be excused from further attendance upon this session of the legislature and that his pay be made up to the end of the session.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act additional to chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the business of an apothecary."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to permit and authorize the use of voting machines at all elections."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend paragraph 6 of section 55 of chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes, relating to trustee process."

Mr. PERKINS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act for better preservation of early records."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act entitled an act authorizing a guardian to carry out the powers of his ward in certain cases."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the fire department of the city of Portland."

Mr. HARRIS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Topsham Water Company."

Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Constitution that a citizen of the United States, not less than thirty years of age, who has been five years a resident of the State, may be eligible to the office of Governor, though he be not a natural born citizen of the United States. Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on order to inquire into the expediency of revising the Public Laws of the State of Maine.

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on order to consider the expediency of the adoption of the Torrens system of land transfer, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the re-building and maintenance of the old warehouse wharf in Portland lower harbor."

Mr. GUERNSEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to practice in probate courts of Maine."

Mr. POWERS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on resolve in favor of the town of Somerville, reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. FIELD from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported "ought not to pass" on memorial to the House of Representatives of the fifty-sixth Congress of the United States, in relation to the admission to a seat in the House of Representatives of a representative from the state of Utah.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in relation to Brigham II. Roberts, member elect to the National House of Representatives from the state of Utah, holding a seat in that body.

Mr. RYERSON 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. WALKER from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of the establishment of a normal school at Machias to be known as Washington County Normal School.

Mr. BURNS from same committee, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of A. R. Stantial and others for an amendment to the law in regard to free high schools.

Mr. MAXWELL from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Cumberland and Oxford Railroad Company."

Mr. LEAVITT from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Ossipee Valley Telegraph and Telephone Company."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 147 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 161 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to savings banks."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FARNSWORTH from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 334 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to concentrated commercial feeding stuff."

Pending acceptance the report was tabled on motion of Mr. BUCK of Orland, and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. SMITH from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registers of probate."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs and their deputies."

Mr. MERRILL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to authorize the town of Skowhegau to perfect its title to the school property in said town."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act giving mortgagees a lien for costs of foreclosure under section 5 of chapter 90 of Revised Statutes."

Mr. HARRIS from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company," also "An Act to extend the charter of the Lisbon Water Company for an additional two years," reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to incorporate the Lisbon and Topsham Water Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore." Mr. GENTLEMAN from the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition, reported bill "An Act to incorporate the Monmouth Center Village Corporation."

Mr. GUERNSEY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of register of probate."

Mr. CHASE from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to annex Franklin plantation in the county of Oxford to the towns of Rumford and Peru, approved by the Governor February 21, A. D. 1899."

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Water Company," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Water and Electric Light Company."

Mr. SANBORN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act creating the Dixfield Village Corporation."

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of the city of Augusta.

Mr. BEAL from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve providing for an epidemic or emergency fund.

Mr. H1X from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve apportioning the appropriation for the deaf, dumb and blind for the year 1800.

Mr. BURNS from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

Same gentleman from same committee, on order reported, bill "An Act to provide for insurance on the Gorham Normal School buildings, Farmington Normal School building, Castine Normal School building and Madawaska Training School buildings." Mr. MAXWELL from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Telegraph and Telephone Company."

Mr. LEAVITT from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, on order, reported bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the organization of railroad companies under general law."

Same gentleman from same committee, on same order, reported bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 84 of the Public Laws of 1895 and chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the organization and control of street railroads."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Houlton Trust Company."

Mr. BUCK from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "An Act to prevent the taking of smelts by drag seines in the waters of Buck's Harbor, Orcutt's Harbor and Lawrence bay in the town of Brooksville."

Mr. WOOD from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend and additional to chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 119 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, entitled 'An Act to prohibit the taking of spawn herring within certain limits in Milbridge or Narraguagus bay.'"

Mr. PARKHURST from the Committee on Insane Hospital on order, reported bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the insane hospital."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act relating to steam riding galleries." House document No. 226;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children." House document No. 229;

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate of the county of Knox." House document No. 233;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of county commissioners." House document No. 224,

Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta.

"Resolve in favor of Ricker Classical Institute." House document No. 227,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act providing for the appointment and compensation of recorder of the municipal court of the city of Saco." House document No. 225;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 450 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, incorporating the city of Eastport." House document No. 228;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Manufacturers' Trust Company to establish a branch at Old Orchard." House document No. 230;

Bill "An to amend the title of chapter 295 of Public Laws of 1897." House document No. 231;

Bill "An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 562 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868, said chapter being entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank.'" House document No. 232; Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Eastport Street Railway." House document No. 234;

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to apportion State and county taxes for the years 1899 and 1900, on township formerly known as Franklin plantation in the county of Oxford. House document No. 235;

Bill "An Act to extend the time for construction of the Boothbay Railroad." House document No. 236;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PH1LBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to consolidate, simplify, revise and amend the laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game, as contained in chapters 30 and 40 of the Revised Statutes, and in amendments and additions thereto, and to repeal old and obsolete Private and Special Laws pertaining to fishing in the public waters of the State,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and pending third reading, Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, offered House amendment "B" which was rejected by a vote on division 16 to 33.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, the bill was tabled. .ubsequently on motion of same gentleman taken from the table. Mr. VIRGIN offered House amendment "C" which was adopted. The bill was read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A" and "C" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to corporations issuing contracts for annuities commencing in the future;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to poll taxes," by adding to said section the words "which said poll tax shall not exceed three dollars and shall not be less than one dollar;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 264 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the county attorney of Cumberland county;" Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve authorizing a change in the location of a right of way to State lands in Augusta;

Resolve in favor of improving the sanitary condition of the State camp grounds;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act in reference to Boston Auction Company;

An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company;

An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures;

An Act to establish the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Hancock;

An Act to incorporate the Andover Village Corporation;

An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Water Company;

An Act relating to chapter 472 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company;"

An Act to legalize the calling and holding of the annual town meeting of the town of Jefferson, in the year of our Lord, 1897;

An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of Revised Statutes, relating to savings banks;

An Act to incorporate the Dixfield Fire Engine Company;

An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of printed copies of the Public Laws;

An Act to set off a part of the town of Trescott and annex the same to the town of Edmunds;

An Act to amend section 19 of chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the charter of the city of South Portland;

An Act to extend the charter of the Orono Water Company;

Resolve in favor of blasting a ledge in the town of Frenchville in the county of Aroostook;

Resolve in favor of the hospital of the society of the Sisters of Charity of Lewiston, Maine;

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Resolve in favor of the Central Maine General Hospital;

Resolve in favor of Lee Normal Academy;

Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy;

Resolve in favor of the city of Biddeford;

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 motion to reconsider the vote accepting report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Rose White and two thousand nine hundred and sixty others that suitable laws be enacted with appropriate penalties for the better observance of Memorial Day; also report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill relating to same,

Came up as a special assignment. On motion of Mr. PARK-HURST of Bangor, the motion was re-tabled and Wednesday, March 8, assigned for its consideration.

Mr. BENNETT of Hollis, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the order that a special committee, consisting of seven members of the House of Representatives and three from the Senate, be appointed to ascertain how many reports of the several departments are printed each year and the cost of same, and recommend to the legislature how many it is advisable to have printed, and to further take into consideration the necessity and advisability of continuing the office of secretary of the board of agriculture, was given a passage.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 60 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 317 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to intoxicating liquors,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, moved to amend the motion of the gentleman from Portland by substituting the word "temperance" for "judiciary." The motion was lost.

Same gentleman moved to amend the motion by substituting the words "legal affairs" for the word "judiciary." Subsequently the motion was withdrawn. The motion to refer the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary prevailed, and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

The communication from the board of cattle commissioners transmitting an itemized account of the expenditures of the board for the year 1898, and such part of 1897 as has not already been reported to the Governor and Council. House document No. 222.

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Agriculture and sent to the Senate.

On motion of same gentleman,

The communication from the secretary of the board of agriculture transmitting an itemized account of the expenditures of the board of agriculture for the years 1897 and 1898. House document No. 223.

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering,

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon hay for the cutting and pressing thereof,"

Was taken from the table.

By unanimous consent, House amendment "A" offered March 2 by Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, was withdrawn by the gentleman presenting it.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, March 7, at 10.30 o'clock A. M.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Agreeably to the order providing for same, the Speaker appointed as committee on the part of the House, to ascertain how many reports the several departments have printed each year and the cost of same, and to recommend to the legislature how many it is advisable to have printed, and to further take into consideration the necessity and advisability of continuing the office of secretary of the board of agriculture,

Messrs. Beal of Bangor,

Manley of Augusta, Brown of Falmouth, Wilson of Cherryfield, Chick of Clifton, Hill of Belfast, Rankin of Wells.

The papers were sent to the Senate. Subsequently they were returned with

Messra. Hargraves of York, Peirce of Waldo, Heald of Kennebec, joined on the part of that branch.

On motion of Mr. DUNNING of Winslow, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, March 7, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Father Doherty of Augusta.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to examine into and adjust certain claims of cities and towns arising out of the late war with Spain,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of M. E. Murray and 27 others of Burnham for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to abolish the X marking of ballots at elections and provide for the use of official party tickets so arranged and attached to ballot sheets that the voter may select and remove therefrom, his party ticket and vote by putting his ticket, only, into the ballot box."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act relative to marriage and the legitimacy of children."

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to establish a normal school at Houlton," reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of same committee, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of S. T. Mallett and others that an appropriation be granted Lee Academy.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, 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," reporting "that after a careful consideration of the subject matter, they are of the unanimous opinion that the savings bank deposits of this State are bearing more than their just proportion of the public burden of taxation and unless relief is afforded, much harm may be done; that a reduction in the rate of taxation would be not only just to the depositors, but in the end would be for the advantage of the State itself; owing, however, to the condition of the treasury, at the suggestion of the savings banks themselves, your committee would recommend that the matter be referred to the next legislature with the hope that some reduction may then be granted."

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Horace Mitchell and others for a change in the law providing for the catching of lobsters.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Water Company."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Lily Water Company."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act authorizing the trustees of the ministerial fund in the Congregational society in Buxton to apply the interest of said fund toward the payment of the minister's salary."

The reports were accepted in concurrence, and bills severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act for the better protection of shipmasters and seamen."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third 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 extend and amend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company."

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. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 280 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to the use of rafts or floats in fishing for smelts in Bagaduce river."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on order to inquire into the expediency of a close time on clams, reporting bill "An Act for the better protection of clams."

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. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Waldo County Delegation, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to fix the salaries of the judge and register of probate for the county of Waldo."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. HILL of Belfast, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of John Fletcher and 26 others of Belfast in favor of the passage of the veterinary registration bill;

Petition of C. W. Pierce and 27 others of Brooks in favor of same;

Remonstrance of F. H. Cousins and others against the passage of the law relative to gift enterprises in the sale of personal property; Remonstrance of George H. McCasker and 25 others of Bangor;

Remonstrance of Thurston Puck and 22 others of Portland;

Remonstrance of S. E. Randall and 52 others of Portland;

Remonstrance of Mrs. H. Gallagher and 40 others against same;

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petiton of H. C. Brewer and 81 others in favor of a village corporation in the town of Freeport;

Bill "An Act in relation to the inspection of milk;"

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Remonstrance of Howard Brothers and 20 others of Lewiston against any amendment to the present law in regard to trustee process,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Ordered. That with a view to the equalization of taxation in this State, and ascertaining the just proportional part of the public burdens which should be borne by the various classes of property, rights, and franchises held and exercised in the State which may not be the subject of State, county and municipal taxation according to their respective fair values, the Committee upon Taxation be and hereby is authorized and directed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Statutes so that a tax shall be assessed upon property situated in unincorporated places at a rate equal to the average of State, county and municipal taxation; of changing the method of taxation of steam and street railroads, so that the franchise tax paid by such railroads in addition to the State, county and municipal taxation on property owned by them shall at all times be equal to their just and proportional part of the revenue to be raised; of taxing such portion of the capital of corporations organized and doing business in this State, as is not invested in property which is subject to and pays municipal taxes in some of the cities or towns of this State; of providing for an annual franchise tax upon the capital stock of corporations organized under the laws of this State, but doing business elsewhere; of changing the Statutes

in relation to the taxation of the stock and deposits of trust companies organized under the laws of this State; of changing the method of taxation of telegraph, telephone and express companies, and of assessing a tax upon all sleeping and parlor car companies and car trusts doing business in this State so that a just proportion of the State revenue may be collected from these sources; of amending the Statutes so as to require the filing with the assessors of every town and city an inventory under oath, of all taxable property of the several inhabitants thereof, and of inquiring into the amount of taxes paid by foreign and domestic life and fire insurance companies and by savings banks and all other corporations not hereinbefore enumerated and whether the same is fair and reasonable; and said committee is authorized and directed after the inquiry herein provided for to report to the legislature on the whole subject matter of this order by bill, or otherwise

Pending passage, Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer, moved that the order be laid on the table. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

The order was then passed.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the order was ordered printed forthwith and distributed upon the desks of members of the legislature.

On motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Affairs inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 94, paragraph 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to landlords and tenants and report by bill or otherwise.

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

Mr. HIX of Rockland, presented the following resolution which was unanimously adopted :

Whereas Representative Charles C. Wood is detained at his home on account of the death of his brother,

Resolved, That the sympathy of this House be extended to him in his bereavement.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on petition of George A. Lord and others that

a law limiting to twenty-five pounds per annum the amount of trout and land-locked salmon to be taken by any person in Nicatous lake, stream and tributaries, reported "that same be referred to the commissioners of inland fisheries and game, as the subject matter of the petitioners properly comes under their jurisdiction by general law."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition of Silas B. Adams and others that the proposed amendment to the game law making the sale of ruffed grouse and woodcock illegal at all times, reported "that the same has been incorporated in the general law now before the legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 21, chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to inland fisheries and game as amended by chapter 125 of the Laws of 1895."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act for the better protection of deer in the county of Androscoggin."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 157 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, relating to the protection of fish in Lake George, in Somerset county."

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Claims, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of Susan J. Tukey for payment of certain sums of money on account of services and disbursements of the late George W. Tukey for and in behalf of the State of Maine.

Mr. PEASLEE from the Lincoln County Delegation, on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the register of probate in Lincoln county," reported, "that same be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company."

Mr. CHASE from same committee, on bill "An Act to authorize Franklin and Somerset Land and Lumber Company to hold stock and bonds in other corporations," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the Franklin and Somerset Land and Lumber Company to hold the stock and bonds of South Branch Improvement Company."

Mr. CHAMBERLIN from the Committee on Agriculture, on petition, reported resolve in favor of North Berwick Agricultural Association.

Mr. MACFARLANE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to prevent the killing of tern."

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Claims, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title resolve in favor of the town of Rockport.

Mr. SUTHERLAND from the Committee on Maine State Prison, on order, reported resolve in favor of Maine State Prison.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 295, Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children." House document No. 240;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 282 of the Laws of 1889, relating to railroad crossings." House document No. 243;

Bill "An Act to amend section 196 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale of real estate for nonpayment of taxes." House document No. 244;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs and their deputies." House document No. 247;

Bill "An Act giving mortgagees a lien for costs of foreclosure under section 5 of chapter 90 of Revised Statutes." House document No. 251;

Bill "An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registers of probate." House document No. 254;

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Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital." House document No. 267;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of an apothecary." House document No. 246,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. McFAD-DEN of Dresden and Friday, March 10, assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lisbon and Topsham Water Company." House document No. 261,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon, and Friday, March 10, assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the organization of railroad companies under general law." House document No. 273,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. MACOM-BER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 84 of the Public Laws of 1895 and chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the organization and control of street railroads." House document No. 275,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. MACOM-BER of Augusta.

Resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls. House document No. 258,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, and Friday, March 10, assigned for its consideration.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls. House document No. 259,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, and Friday, March 10, assigned for its consideration. - 1

Resolve in favor of Wiscasset Academy. House document No. 237;

Resolve providing for an epidemic or emergency fund. House document No. 253;

Resolve in favor of the city of Augusta. House document No. 256;

Were severally read once and Wednesday of next week assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1879, establishing the police court of the city of Belfast, as amended by chapter 428 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885." House document No. 221,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. HILL of Belfast, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company." House document No. 238;

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company.' " House document No. 239;

Bill "An Act to set off part of Township Number 7 in the county of Hancock and annex the same to the town of Sullivan." House document No. 241;

Bill "An Act relating to the charter of the Wiscasset and Quebec Railroad." House document No. 242;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHIL-BROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company." House document No. 245,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Skowhegan to perfect its title to the school property in said town." House document No. 248,

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Was read twice. On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of registers of probate." House document No. 249,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lubec Water and Electric Light Company." House document No. 250;

Bill "An Act creating the Dixfield Village Corporation." . House document No. 257;

Bill "An Act to provide for insurance on the Gorham Normal School buildings, Farmington Normal School building, Castine Normal School building and Madawaska Training School Buildings." House document No. 262;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore." House document No. 263,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend and additional to chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries." House document No. 264;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Monmouth Center Village Corporation." House document No. 265;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company." House document No. 266; Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company." House document No. 269;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section I of chapter 119 of the Private and Special Laws of 1881, entitled 'An Act to prohibit the taking of spawn herring within certain limits in Milbridge or Narraguagus bay.'" House document No. 270,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prevent the taking of smelts by drag seines in the waters of Buck's Harbor, Orcutt's Harbor and Lawrence bay in the town of Brooksville." House document No. 271;

Bill "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to annex Franklin plantation in the county of Oxford to the towns of Rumford and Peru," approved by the Governor, February 21, A. D. 1899. House document No. 272;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Houlton Trust Company." House document No. 274;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Telegraph and Telephone Company." House document No. 268,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the vote whereby the House assigned to-morrow for the third reading of the bill, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the vote whereby the House passed the bill to be engrossed, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman, the bill was tabled.

Resolve apportioning the appropriation for the deaf, dumb, and blind for the year 1899. House document No. 252,

Was read once. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to steam riding galleries;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;"

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate of the county of Knox;"

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.

An Act to consolidate, simplify, revise, and amend the laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game, as contained in chapters 30 and 40 of the Revised Statutes, and in amendments and additions thereto, and to repeal old and obsolete private and special laws pertaining to fishing in the public waters of the State;

An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1887, authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devises and bequests, and to raise money;

An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the superior court for the county of Kennebec;

An Act to regulate the taking of herring in the town of Cutler;

An Act to amend chapter 72, Special Laws of 1887 in relation to the taking of fish in Nequasset lake;

An Act to establish a naval reserve as a part of the National Guard of the State of Maine;

An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;

An Act to amend section 65 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to fees in insolvency proceedings; An Act to extend the charter and rights of the Sanford mills:

An Act to amend section I of chapter 525 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1885, relating to the Presque Isle Village fire department;

An Act to amend chapter 450 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893, incorporating the city of Eastport;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 201 of the Private and Special Laws of 1854, relating to Bridgton Center Village Corporation;

An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Laws of 1895 and acts additional thereto, relating to the Bath municipal court;

An Act to repeal a resolve in favor of F. E. Southard;

An Act to fix the salary of the sheriff of the county of Waldo;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School;

Resolve in favor of building a bridge across the Fish river in the town of Fort Kent, Aroostook county;

Resolve in aid of repairing the bridge across the Narraguagus river in the town of Milbridge;

Resolve in favor of Freedom Academy;

Resolve providing for an office for the department of inland fisheries and game in the State House;

Resolve respecting the cemetery lot of the late Governor William King;

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. GARDNER of Fatten,

Bill "An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the taxation of railroads," was taken from the table.

Same gentleman moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, moved to amend the motion so as to read "indefinitely postponed."

(Discussion ensued.)

The motion to amend was lost. The motion of Mr. GARD-NER of Patten, to refer the bill to the Committee on Taxation prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Mr. GARDNER of Patten, moved that the time in which the joint standing committees of the legislature shall make their final report be extended ten days. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth,

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 divorce,"

Was taken from the table and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan,

Bill "An Act in relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust and banking companies,"

Was taken from the table and read a second time. On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. NOYES of Pownal said:

Mr. Speaker: It is with a feeling of sadness that I announce the death of Honorable Harlan P. Prince, a member of this House of Representatives, who died at his home in Yarmouth, Sunday evening, March 5.

As it would be fitting and proper that the legislature take some action to pay a deserved tribute of respect to his memory, I now move you, Mr. Speaker, that a committee be appointed to attend the funeral of Mr. Prince, and later to offer suitable resolutions in reference to his death for the consideration of this House.

The Speaker appointed as such committee,

Messrs. Noyes of Pownal,

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Ryerson of Livermore,

Fogg of Freeport,

Fuller of South Portland,

Forhan of Raymond,

Merrill of New Gloucester,

Farnsworth of Pembroke.

Mr. NOYES of Pownal, moved that as a further mark of respect to the memory of Mr. PRINCE the House do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, March 8, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Peckham of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting list of public acts approved by the Governor, viz :

An Act to amend chapters 217 and 218 of the Public Laws of 1889, entitled "An Act to amend section 43 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, relating to insolvent debtors;"

An Act establishing the salaries of the county commissioners and the salary of the county treasurer of the county of York;

An Act to amend chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1895, in relation to the support of wives and children by husbands living apart;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to hawkers and peddlers;

An Act to increase the salary of the judge of probate in and for the county of Aroostook;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate in and for the county of Aroostook;

An Act to authorize registers of probate to receive petitions in vacation and the judge of probate to order notice thereon in vacation;

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An Act to amend chapter 126 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, regarding taking of smelts in tide waters;

An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 329 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the repair of highways;

An Act amendatory of chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the protection of sheep;

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Sagadahoc county;

An Act to establish a salary for the clerk of the judicial courts of Washington county;

An Act to enable the commissioners of inland fisheries and game to increase the State museum, consisting of mounted specimens and pictures of birds, wild animals and fish native to the State of Maine;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of public officers;

An Act giving a lien for shoring and running logs;

An Act for the prevention of certain kinds of nuisances; Was read in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of sureties on probate bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 34 of the Laws of 1895, relating to liens;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Remonstrance of S. M. Leighton and 23 others of Dexter against the passage of the anti-scalping bill;

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

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Temperance.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciarv, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in reference to the York deeds.

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 51 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to probate of foreign wills."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to prevent immoral exhibitions."

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Governor and Council in regard to payment to towns of State school fund and mill tax."

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" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago.

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

Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, on petition reporting bill "An Act to fix the salary of the judge and register of probate for the county of Oxford."

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

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Maine State Year Book, on order, reporting resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1899 and 1900.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Remonstrance of L. W. Weston and 15 others of Skowhegan against the repeal of section 2, chapter 27 of Revised Statutes, relating to victuallers and inn holders;

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Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Skowhegan;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the compensation of members of the Senate and House of Representatives,"

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Petition of R. H. Moody and 51 others of Belfast in favor of an act requiring railroad corporations in this State to issue mileage books, at a rate not exceeding two cents per mile, good to bearer;

Remonstrance of H. W. Day and 59 others of Bangor against the passage of the anti-scalping bill;

Remonstrance of Amos P. Bradbury and 14 others of Old Town against same;

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

Petition of B. P. Snow and 20 others of Yarmouth for the setting off of Ocean Park from the town of Old Orchard and annexing same to the city of Saco,

Was referred to the Committee on Towns.

Remonstrance of Germain Berube and others of Caswell plantation against moving the Northern Aroostook registry of deeds from Madawaska to Fort Kent,

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

On motion of Mr. DONHAM of Hebron,

Ordered, That a committee of two be appointed by the Speaker to act with such additions as may be made by the Senate to attend to the work of editing the report of the exercises held by the State government in memory of the late Hon. Nelson Dingley.

The Speaker announced as the committee on the part of the House,

Messrs. Donham of Hebron,

Harris of Auburn.

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

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Ordered, That the Committee on Ways and Means be and is hereby instructed to ascertain and report to the House the rate necessary for the assessment of the State tax for the years 1899 and 1900.

On motion of Mr. SPURR of Otisfield,

Ordered, That John R. Hughes of Amity be excused from further attendance on this House on and after March 10 and the Clerk be instructed to make up his pay in full to the end of the session.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections I and 2 of chapter 119 of the Revised Statutes, relating to offences against habitations and other buildings."

Mr. SANBORN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to make the prohibitory law more effective in the State of Maine," reported "that the same be referred to the next legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes."

Mr. CHASE from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 23 of chapter 285 of the acts and resolves of 1897."

Mr. MOREY from same committee, on order to inquire into the expediency of amending the laws relating to tramps, reported "legislation inexpedient" "for the reason that a bill has been reported by the judiciary committee to the House touching same subject matter."

Mr. JORDAN from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to taxes assessed on timber and grass on reserved lands for the years 1887 to 1896 both inclusive."

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, on petition of Young Men's Christian Association of Maine that they be reimbursed for amount expended for soldiers in the late war with Spain, reported "that the petition be referred to the Governor and Council."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolves in favor of the cities of Portland, Lewiston, Westbrook, Deering, Rockland, Gardiner, Old Town and Augusta, also the towns of Brunswick, Otisfield, Lisbon and Dresden for reimbursement for amounts expended for needy families of soldiers in the late war with Spain.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of Rev. C. S. Cummings, chaplain of the 1st Regiment National Guard.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolve in favor of the city of Gardiner to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in aid of Private Charles L. Rice, Battery "C," 1st Maine Heavy Artillery.

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of the city of Bath to reimburse it for the amount of money expended in equipping a volunteer naval reserve.

Mr. FARRELL from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of George G. Cunliff and others that a charter to improve the Allagash river be granted them.

Mr. CARR from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Old Town Navigation Company."

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 abolish the common council of the city of Waterville."

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 33, section 1 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers."

Mr. SANBORN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849 as amended by chapter[•] 502 of the Private and Special Laws of 1852, relating to the free bridge across Salt pond in Bluehill."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Freeport Village Corporation."

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Buckfield Water Company."

Mr. BIRD from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on bill "An Act amendatory of the charter of Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company and to extend the same," reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company, to extend the same and to change the name of said company."

Mr. POWERS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, on resolve in favor of Francis Keefe, in payment of witness', magistrates' and officers' fees and other disbursements made by him in the Kittery and Eliot contested election case reported "ought to pass" in new draft resolve in favor of Francis Keefe in part payment of witness', magistrates' and officers' fees and disbursements made by him in the Kittery and Eliot contested election case.

Mr. WEBSTER from the Committee on Education, reported "ought to pass" in new draft, under same title, resolve in favor of West Lebanon Academy.

Mr. BURNS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy.

Same gentleman from same committee, on order relating to insuring normal and training school buildings reported resolve in favor of the trustees of the State Normal School.

Mr. JORDAN from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of Joshua Gray of Gardiner and William D. Snow of Skowhegan.

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs. reported "ought to pass" on resolve in relation to re-equipping the National Guard. Mr. GARCELON from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to take water for domestic purposes," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to take water for municipal and domestic purposes."

Mr. KING from same committee on petition, reported bill "An Act to incorporate the St. Croix Water Power Company."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act granting the Dennysville Lumber Company additional rights."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve for improvement of Songo and Chute rivers.

Mr. WEED from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on bill "An Act relating to the taking of salmon, during open season, with drift nets on the east branch of the Penobscot river," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act pertaining to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the water works' dam at Bangor."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to prevent the killing of tern." House document No. 277;

Bill "An Act to authorize the Franklin and Somerset Land and Lumber Company to hold the stock and bonds of the South Branch Improvement Company." House document No. 279;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the North Berwick Agricultural Association. House document No. 276,

Was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 295, Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 282 of the laws of 1889, relating to railroad crossings;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 196 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale of real estate for non-payment of taxes;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs and their deputies;"

Bill "An Act giving mortgagees a lien for costs of foreclosure under section 5 of chapter 90 of Revised Statutes;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registers of probate;"

Bill "An Act amendatory of and additional to chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the insane 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.

Resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of soldiers of the Spanish war who received medical treatment at their homes;

Resolve in favor of Ignace Blais;

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute;

Resolve to repair the Forks bridge in the Forks plantation, Somerset county;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Eastport, the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund, for the year 1898, on account of imperfect school return;

Resolve in favor of the town of Canton;

Resolve in favor of settling lots in Drew plantation;

Resolve in favor of Hartland Academy;

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary, Parsonsfield, Maine;

Resolve in favor of Madawaska Training School;

Resolve in favor of normal school trustees;

Resolve in favor of State normal schools;

Resolve to reimburse Daniel S. Chadbourne for repairs on breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge;

Resolve to reimburse F. I. Campbell, treasurer of the town of Cherryfield, for money paid to State pensioners;

Resolve in favor of Ricker Classical Institute;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Charles M. Bradbury of Biddeford, in the county of York,

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading, Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, moved that it be indefinitely postponed. The motion prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and pending passage to be engrossed, Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, moved that it be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, moved that the motion to indefinitely postpone be laid on the table and Friday next assigned for its consideration. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn. The motion to indefinitely postpone the resolve was lost by a viva voce vote. The resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the city of Augusta,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time, and pending passage to be engrossed, Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, moved that it be indefinitely postponed. The motion was lost. The resolve passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

An Act to repeal chapter 280 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883, relating to the use of rafts or floats in fishing for smelts in Bagaduce river; An Act authorizing the trustees of the ministerial fund in the Congregational Society in Buxton to apply the interest of said fund toward the payment of the minister's salary;

An Act for the better protection of clams;

An Act to incorporate the Wiscasset Academy;

An Act to incorporate the Lily Water Company;

An Act for the better protection of shipmasters and seamen;

An Act to fix the salaries of the judge and register of probate for the county of Waldo;

An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Water Company; Resolves in favor of the Eastern Maine General Hospital;

Were reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills astruly and strictly engrossed, bills passed to be enacted, resolves finally passed, were severally signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The motion to reconsider the vote accepting report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "leave to withdraw" on petition of Rose White and two thousand nine hundred and sixty others, that suitable laws be enacted with appropriate penalties for the better observance of Memorial Day; also report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill relating to same,

Came up as a special assignment. By unanimous consent the motion was withdrawn by Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor. The papers were sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 334 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to concentrated commercial feeding stuff,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. BUCK of Orland, moved to substitute the bill for the report of the committee.

The Chair ruled that the motion was not in order.

Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, moved that the report be accepted. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. WEBB of Portland, moved that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill.

The motion prevailed.

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Mr. WEBB of Portland, moved to amend the report of the committee by striking out the word "not." Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth,

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 divorce,"

Was taken from the table, read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

On motion of Mr. WILBUR of Avon,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Strong Water Company,"

Was taken from the table, rules suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Sullivan Water Company,"

Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read a second time. On motion of Mr. MACOMBER, 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. POWERS of Fort Fairfield,

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon monumental work,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, offered House amendments "A," "B" and "C" which were adopted. The bill was read a second time. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A," "B" and "C" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LIBBEY of South Berwick, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, THURSDAY, March 9, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Boardman of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Communication from Secretary of State transmitting the twenty-eighth annual report of the librarian of the Maine State Library for the years 1897 and 1898.

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

Communication from president of the board of trustees of the University of Maine, transmitting detailed statement of all facts required in an order of the legislature relative to amounts received by the president, professors and instructors and all others drawing compensation at said institution.

Was ordered placed on file in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 139 of the Revised Statutes, relating to coroners' inquest and to establish a board of medical examiners in its place,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Resolve for procuring railroad maps,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Ordered, That there be printed and bound in convenient form for general distribution under the supervision of the committee who drafted the same, ten thousand copies of chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899, which now comprises all the laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game; and that the Governor and Council be authorized and directed to allow a reasonable sum out of the appropriation for inland fisheries and game to the committee for their services in compiling and drafting this bill, and services in carrying out the requirements of this order.

STATEMENT.

Ten thousand copies would not seem to be too many; two years ago eight thousand copies were printed, and the edition was long ago exhausted. There will be a far greater demand for this as it is a new revision and contains all of the inland fish and game laws of the State.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education.

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on resolve in favor of Mannix Brothers, John A. Daly and E. S. Brooks for materials furnished and work done on the new building recently erected at Gorham, for the Gorham Normal School, reporting "that same be referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the filing of papers in cases argued before the supreme judicial court when sitting as a court of law."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to define the jurisdiction of trial justices."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to foreigners not naturalized."

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act to establish an additional normal school," reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of same committee, on report of the commissioners appointed by the Governor to investigate and ascertain the desirability of establishing new normal schools, reporting that "same be referred to the next legislature."

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Majority and minority reports of the Committee on Education on resolve in favor of the Central Maine State Normal School, reporting respectively "that same be referred to the next legislature" and "ought to pass" on resolve.

The majority report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on report of the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries, reporting that "same be accepted."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Ordered, That the State superintendent of public schools be requested to make a strict investigation of the condition, amount and income of the school funds of the several towns arising from the sale of school lands, and report the result of his investigation to the next legislature.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

The order requiring the commissioner of sea and shore fisheries to furnish an itemized account of the use of State money expended by him.

Which was read and passed in the House February 10. Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence. The vote whereby the order received a passage, was reconsidered and the order indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House, March 3, 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 to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to authorize the Castine Water Company to engage in the business of electric lighting and furnishing electric power."

Report of same committee on bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal and police courts and proceedings therein," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal and police courts."

The reports were accepted in concurrence and bills severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend section 21, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of towns to make by-laws concerning truants."

The report was accepted in concurrence, bill 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 to amend chapter 407 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the trustees of Van Buren College and to authorize the faculty of said college to confer degrees."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. FARRELL of Van Buren, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the commissioners appointed by the Governor to inquire into and report upon the advisability of establishing additional State normal schools.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft resolve in favor of Greely Institute.

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" on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Patten, Allagash and Northern Railroad Company."

The reports were accepted in concurrence and bills read twice.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to revive and amend chapter 276 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Trust and Banking Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. FARRELL of Van Buren, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Augusta Safe Deposit and Trust Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Trust and Banking Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries."

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

Remonstrance of E. K. Winchenbalk and 4 others against the passage of a law relating to gift enterprises in the sale of personal property and chattels;

Bill "An Act to promote the efficiency of the fire department of the city of Bangor." (Received under suspension of rules;)

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 60 of the Private and Special Laws of the State of Maine of 1895." (Received under suspension of rules;) Bill "An Act creating a board of public charities,"

Was ordered printed and distributed on motion of Mr. MAC-FARLANE of Greenville.

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Resolve relating to certain unpaid taxes assessed against certain street railroad corporations,

Was referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to the taxation of railroads,"

Was referred to the Committee on Taxation.

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor, the bill was ordered printed and distributed.

Resolve in favor of Durham Agricultural Society,

Was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of the county of Hancock,"

Was referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries.

Petition of Emery Whittier and 45 others of Thorndike in favor of requiring railroad corporations of this State to issue two cent mileage books good to bearer;

Remonstrance of A. R. Knight and 26 others against the passage of the anti-scalping bill;

Were ordered filed with other papers, relating to same subject.

These petitions and bills were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TEEL of St. George,

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted Charles S. Hassel of Sebec for one week on account of severe illness.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten,

Ordered, That the time before which the joint standing committees of this legislature be required to report, be extended to March 21, 1899.

Pending passage the order was tabled, on motion of the gentleman presenting it and to-morrow assigned for its consideration. Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to incorporate the American Ice Company," reported "that the incorporators have leave to withdraw the bill."

Mr. MOREY from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapters 9 and 146 of the Public Laws of 1889, and chapter 60 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to dependent soldiers and sailors."

Mr. FULLER from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve relating to the Sperry bill, so called.

Mr. LEAVITT from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "legislation inexpedient" on bill "An Act requiring railroad corporations to issue mileage tickets at a uniform rate, good for passage of bearer."

Mr. SPOFFORD from the Committee on Agriculture reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of I. C. Merrill and A. L. Robinson, milk inspectors of Lewiston and Auburn, for an amendment to the law relating to the inspection of milk.

Mr. DeCOSTER from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 287 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapters 222 and 297 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the better protection of sheep."

Mr. HUGHES from the Committee on Towns, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to set off a portion of the territory of the city of South Portland in the county of Cumberland and annex the same to the town of Cape Elizabeth in said county."

Mr. BRITTON from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to set off a portion of the territory of the city of South Portland in the county of Cumberland and to incorporate it as a new town by the name of Willard."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to set off a part of the town of Old Orchard and annex the same to the city of Saco."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MACOMBER from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act requiring railroad corporations to issue mileage tickets at a uniform rate, good for passage of bearer."

The report was accepted. Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, moved that the vote whereby the House accepted the report be reconsidered. The motion was lost and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Mr. HARRIS from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition, reported bill "An Act relating to the construction of sidewalks in the city of Auburn."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 304 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 40 of the Public Laws of 1895," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend the Laws of 1893, chapter 304 as amended by Laws of 1895, chapter 40, relating to boards of registration."

Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act in relation to the police court of the city of Gardiner."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in towns."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 393 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company.'"

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 Westbrook."

Mr. McFAUL from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to make valid the calling of the meeting of the Methodist and Baptist Meeting House Corporation of Whitefield," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to legalize the call issued for holding the meeting of the Methodist and Baptist Meeting House Corporation of Whitefield."

Mr. MURCHIE from the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reported "ought to pass" in new draft, under same title, bill "An Act to prevent the fraudulent sale and use of railroad tickets."

Mr. LEAVITT from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 250 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, and also of chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, providing for the building of a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou."

Mr. FARNSWORTH from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act for the better protection of sheep in the town of Perry."

Mr. KING from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to regulate the tolls of the Machias boom."

Mr. ADAMS from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on petition, reported resolve in favor of the town of Trescott.

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "An Act establishing a close time on lobsters in Pigeon Hill bay in the towns of Milbridge and Steuben."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. SPOFFORD from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the York County Agricultural Society.

The report was accepted and resolve ordered printed under joint rules. Subsequently the vote by which the report was accepted was reconsidered and the report tabled, on motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 33, section I of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers." House document No. 287;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, as amended by chapter 502 of the Private and Special Laws of 1852, relating to the free bridge across Salt pond in Bluehill." House document No. 288;

Were severally read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Live Stock Insurance Company." House document No. 280,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Buckfield Water Company." House document No. 283,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. DeCOSTER of Buckfield, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company, to extend the same and to change the name of said company." House document No. 285,

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 in favor of the town of Rockport. House document No. 281;

Resolve in favor of Maine State Prison. House document No. 282;

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy. House document No. 284;

Resolve in favor of Francis Keefe in part payment of witnesses', magistrates' and officer's fees and disbursements made by him in the Kittery and Eliot contested election case. House document No. 286;

Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the State normal schools. House document No. 289;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 51 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to probate of foreign wills;"

Bill "An Act to prevent immoral exhibitions;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Governor and Council in regard to payment to towns of State school fund and mill tax;"

Bill "An Act to fix the salary of the judge and register of probate for the county of Oxford;"

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 the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1899 and 1900,

Was reported from same committee, read the second 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 divorce,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act to amend section I of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to poll taxes, by adding to said section the words 'which said poll tax shall not exceed three dollars and shall not be less than one dollar;'

An Act to amend section 6 of chapter 562 of the Private and Special Laws of 1868, said chapter being entitled "An Act to incorporate the Buxton and Hollis Savings Bank;"

An Act in relation to corporations issuing contracts for annuities commencing in the future;

An Act to extend the time for construction of the Boothbay railroad;

An Act to apportion State and county taxes for the years 1899 and 1900 on township formerly known as Franklin plantation in the county of Oxford;

An Act providing for the appointment and compensation of recorder of the municipal court of the city of Saco;

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Eastport Street Railway;

An Act to create a lien upon hay for the cutting and pressing thereof;

An Act to amend the title of chapter 295 of Public Laws of 1897;

An Act authorizing the Manufacturers' Trust Company to establish a branch at Old Orchard;

An Act to incorporate the Monmouth Center Village Corporation;

An Act in relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in trust and banking companies;

An Act to extend and amend the charter of the Castine Railway and Navigation Company;

Resolve in favor of improving the sanitary condition of the State camp ground;

Resolve authorizing a change in the location of a right of way to State lands in Augusta;

Resolve in favor of Ignace Blais;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary;

Resolve in favor of Pennell Institute;

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.

On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

The vote whereby bill "An Act to amend chapter 72, Special Laws of 1887 in relation to the taking of fish in Nequasset lake," passed to be enacted March 7, was reconsidered.

On motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and House amendment "A" offered by Mr. WOOD of Camden, adopted. The bill as amended, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 279 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the packing of sardines,"

Was taken from the table, referred to the Committee on Shore Fisheries and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Telegraph and Telephone Company," Was taken from the table. 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. MAXCY of Gardiner,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Water District,"

Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was read a second time. On motion of Mr. MAXCY, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company,"

Was taken from the table, accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PLUMMER of Portland, chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, declined to serve on said committee.

The Chair appointed Mr. Jordan of Lisbon, the ranking member, chairman, and appointed Mr. Melcher of Portland, to the vacancy thus caused.

On motion of Mr. GORDON of Readfield, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*. -----

AUGUSTA, FRIDAY, March 10, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Father Nelligan of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate :

Petition of Hanson, Webber and Donham and 36 others against any change in the trustee law;

Was ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject in non-concurrence, on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland. The paper was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the protection of political nominating conventions and primary political meetings or caucuses from disturbance and fraud,"

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to incorporate the Nash Telephone Company with enlarged and extended franchise and powers."

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, under same title, bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the criminal jurisdiction of magistrates."

Pending acceptance, the report was recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relating to powers and duties of executors," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 64 and section 4 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license of court."

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

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 491 of the Private Laws of the year 1893,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House February 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 the bill as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 329 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to the municipal court of Waterville." (Received under suspension of rules,)

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the First Universalist Society of Westbrook." (Received under suspension of rules,) Was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes for the year 1899;

Resolve authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes for the year 1900;

Were referred to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

These bills and resolves were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

Ordered, That on and after Wednesday, March 15, Mr. Alvin L. Harman of Machiasport, be excused from further attendance at the sessions of this legislature and that the clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That on and after March 16, Winfield Isaac Crane of Whiting be excused from further attendance on this session of the legislature and that the clerk be instructed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

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Mr. PERKINS from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of the selectmen of Parsonsfield for a voting precinct at Kezar Falls in said town."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to the municipal court of Waterville, Maine."

Mr. MERRILL from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the decrees of courts of probate."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to secure the secret ballot and avoid the defects and expense of the Australian ballot law."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to mortgages by corporations."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to abolish the method of voting by the use of X mark under the election laws of this State, and provide for the use of separate party tickets attached to ballot sheets."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend sections 22, 24 and 28 of chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting at State and city elections."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 330 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the appointment and duties of disclosure commissioners."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of altering or amending the present ballot law.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 18 and 19 of chapter 95 of the Revised Statutes, relating to waste and trespass on real estate."

Mr. McFAUL from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to create a board of overseers of the poor and workhouse for the city of Portland."

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 94, paragraph 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to landlords and tenants.

Mr. POWERS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the compensation of members of the Senate and House of Representatives."

Mr. BODWELL from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the return to assessors of a proper list of the persons domiciled in hotels, boarding houses and lodging houses."

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Snore Fisheries, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of J. H. Pierce and others to prohibit the catching of smelts in the waters of Casco bay other than by hook and line between the head of Fore river, Portland horbor and Lookout Point, Harpswell.

Same gentleman from same committee, on order to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 15 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, as to make it legal to use seines or nets in weirs in tide waters east of the west shore of Penobscot bay and river, reported "legislation inexpedient as the matter in question is covered by an act already reported."

Mr. BODWELL from the Kennebec County Delegation, on bill "An Act to fix the clerk hire of the probate court in the county of Kennebec, reported "that the bill be referred to the Joint Special Committee on Salaries."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. BODWELL from the Committee on Ways and Means, on order to inquire into the expediency of establishing the rate necessary for the assessment of a State tax for the years 1899 and 1900, reported the accompanying order.

Ordered, That the State assessors be directed to assess the State tax for the years 1899 and 1900 on the valuation as established by the said assessors for said years at a rate of two and three-fourths mills on the dollar of said valuation for said years.

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

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 329 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to the municipal court of Waterville."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry."

Mr. PERKINS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to sums paid by officers and collectors for internal revenue stamps affixed to deeds of real estate sold by them."

Mr. MERRILL from same committee, on order, reported bill "An Act to amend section 48 of chapter 104 of the Revised Statutes, relating to petitions to remove clouds from title to real estate and authorize justices of the supreme judicial court to order notice on such petitions in vacation."

Same gentleman from same committee, on order, reported bill "An Act relating to the care, custody and support of the minor children of divorced parents."

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 522 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, by providing an additional term each month of the Sanford municipal court.

Mr. MOREY from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to legalize the doings and records of Pine Grove Cemetery Association of Cherryfield."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to authorize the Cape Porpoise Land Company to erect and maintain a toll bridge at Cape Porpoise."

Mr. DEERING from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "An Act to amend section 83 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to private, associated and foreign banking," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act in relation to foreign banking associations and corporations."

Mr. HUTCHINGS from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend sections 55

and 56 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 72 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 235 of the Public Laws of 1893 and chapter 49 of the Public Laws of 1895."

Mr. KING from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to incorporate the Enchanted Stream Dam and Improvement Company."

Mr. SARGENT from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on petition, reported bill "An Act to prevent the destruction of smelts in Saco river."

Mr. WOOD from same committee, on petition, reported bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river, bay and tributaries."

Same gentleman from same committee, on petition, reported bill "An Act to amend section 30 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to close time on salmon."

Mr. SARGENT from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 35 of chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws, relating to sea and shore fisheries.'"

Mr. MANLEY from the Kennebec County Delegation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 294 of the Public Laws of 1899, fixing the salary of the county commissioners of Kennebec county."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal courts in criminal cases."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules. Subsequently on motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, the votes whereby the report was accepted and bill ordered printed, were reconsidered and bill tabled.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on resolves authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes for the year 1899.

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Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on resolves authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes for the year 1900.

The reports were accepted. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, resolves severally read twice, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to abolish the common council of the city of Waterville." House document No. 290;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Freeport Village Corporation." House document No. 291;

Bill "An Act to incorporate the St. Croix Water Power Company." House document No. 292;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to take water for municipal and domestic purposes." House document No. 294,

Was read once. Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption,

(Discussion ensued.)

A viva voce vote on the adoption of the amendment being doubted, Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, called for the yeas and nays which the House ordered and the amendment was adopted by a vote of 83 to 37.

Those who voted '	'yea" were Messrs.	
Abbott,	Bryant,	Drummey,
Ad ams ,	Chamberlin,	Dunning,
Beal,	Chase,	Farnsworth,
Beath,	Chick,	Field,
Bennett,	Cobb,	Fitz,
Bird,	Colburn,	Fogg,
Blackstone,	Craig,	Forhan,
Bodwell,	Dawson,	Fuller, Kennebunk,
Britton,	De Coster,	Fuller, So. Portland,
Brown, Falmouth,	Deering,	Gentleman,

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Gordon,	Nickerson, Orrington	nSpratt,
Grindel,	Nickerson, Swanville	Spurr,
Harman,	Noyes,	Staples
Hill,	Parker,	Stetson, Monmouth,
Hodgkins,	Parkhurst,	Taylor,
Hughes,	Peabody,	Turner,
Jordan,	Peaslee,	Tyler,
Kalloch,	Perkins,	Virgin,
Keefe,	Philbrook,	Webb,
Kernon,	Pierce,	Webster,
Kilborn,	Plummer,	Weed,
Leavitt,	Powers,	Wilbur,
Ledyard,	Purinton,	Wilson, Brunswick,
Libbey, Albion,	Rowell,	Wilson, Cherryfield,
Maxwell,	Ryerson,	Wilson, Gorham,
McFadden,	Sargent, Sedgwick,	Wilson, Minot,
Melcher,	Somes,	Woodbridge-83.
Mosher,	Spofford,	

Those who voted "	'nay" were Messrs.	
Berry,	Freese,	Morey,
Bridgham,	Fuller, Auburn,	Porter,
Buck,	Gardner,	Ridlon,
Burns,	Gould,	Sanborn,
Carr,	Harris,	Sargent, Portland,
Cartret,	Hix,	Sawyer,
Coffin,	Hopkins,	Smith, Hartland,
Crane,	Hutchings,	Teel,
Daigle,	Jones,	Thayer,
Davis,	King,	Walker,
Donham,	Maxcy,	Wood—37.
Esty,	McFaul,	
Farrell,	Merrill, Skowhegan,	

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Belleau,	Eaton,	Guernsey,
Brimmer,	Garcelon,	Hahn,
Brown, Warren,	Girdler,	Hassell,
Cleveland,	Goss,	Hyde,

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Irving,	Macomber,	Reed,	
Jellison,	Manley,	Smith, Presque Is	sle,
Johonnett,	Merrill, N. Glouceste	eiSutherland,	
Laliberte,	Murchie,	West—28.	
Libbey, So. Berwick,	Murphy,		ŝ.
Macfarlane,	Rankin,		

Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House adopted House amendment "A."

The motion was lost.

The bill was read a second time. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN 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 granting the Dennysville Lumber Company additional rights." House document No. 295;

Bill "An Act to legalize the call issued for holding the meeting of the Methodist and Baptist Meeting House Corporation of Whitefield." House document No. 302;

Bill "An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 393 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company.'" House document No. 303;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of West Lebanon Academy. House document No. 299,

Was read once. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act pertaining to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the Water Works dam at Bangor." House document No. 296,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. BRIT-TON of Bucksport, and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in towns." House document No. 301,

Was read once. Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption, the bill and amendment was tabled on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, and Tuesday next assigned for their consideration.

Bill "An Act to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 250 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, and also of chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, providing for the building of a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou." House document No. 304,

Was read once. Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, offered House amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D" which were adopted.

Mr. KING of Caribou, offered House amendments "E" and "F" which were also adopted. Pending second reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond.

Resolve for improvement of Songo and Chute rivers. House document No. 293;

Resolve in favor of Joshua Gray of Gardiner and William B. Snow of Skowhegan. House document No. 298;

Were severally read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Bill "An Act to amend section 21, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of towns to make by-laws concerning truants;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries;"

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 amend chapter 33, section 1 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, as amended by chapter 502 of the Private and Special Laws of 1852, relating to the free bridge across Salt pond in Bluehill;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of East Livermore;

An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures;

An Act to prevent the taking of smelts by drag seines in the waters of the Buck's harbor, Orcutt's harbor and Lawrence bay in the town of Brooksville;

An Act relating to the Wiscasset and Moosehead Lake Telegraph and Telephone Company;

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company;

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to annex Franklin plantation in the county of Oxford to the towns of Rumford and Peru," approved by the Governor February 21 in the year of our Lord, 1899;

An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 51 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to probate of foreign wills;

An Act to extend the charter of the Ellsworth Street Railway Company;

An Act relating to the charter of the Wiscasset and Quebec Railroad;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 119 of the Private and Special Laws of 1881, entitled "An Act to prohibit the taking of spawn herring within certain limits in Milbridge or Narraguagus bay;"

An Act to set off part of township number 7 in the county of Hancock, and annex the same to the town of Sullivan;

An Act to authorize the town of Skowhegan to perfect its title to the school property in said town;

An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal and police courts;

An Act to amend chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;

An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Governor and Council in regard to payment to towns of State school fund and mill tax; An Act to amend chapter 407 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled "An Act to incorporate the trustees of Van Buren College and to authorize the faculty of said college to confer degrees;"

An Act to amend chapter 180 of the Private and Special Laws of the year 1879 establishing the police court of the city of Belfast, as amended by chapter 428 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate of the county of Knox;

An Act to fix the salary of the judge and register of probate for the county of Oxford;

An Act in relation to steam riding galleries;

An Act to amend the charter of the Waldo Street Railway;

An Act to authorize the Castine Water Company to engage in the business of electric lighting and furnishing electric power;

An Act to prevent immoral exhibitions;

An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of register of probate;

An Act to extend the charer of the Lewiston, Augusta and Camden Railroad Company;

An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Trust and Banking Company;

An Act to revive and amend chapter 276 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Trust and Banking Company;"

Resolve in favor of soldiers of the Spanish war who received medical treatment at their homes;

Resolve in favor of summer training schools for teachers and the distribution of educational documents;

Resolve for the purchase of the Maine State Year Book and Legislative Manual for the years 1899 and 1900;

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 prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of an apothecary,"

Came up as a special assignment and was read twice. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Brunswick, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Lisbon and Topsham Water Company,"

Came up as a special assignment and was read twice.

On motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls,

Came up as a special assignment, was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls,

Came up as a special assignment, was read once and Wednesday next assigned for second reading.

Ordered, That the time before which the joint standing committees of this legislature be required to report, be extended to March 21, 1899,

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the order was tabled and Wednesday next at the expiration of the morning hour, assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the York County Agricultural Society,

Was taken from the table, recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture and sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate :

Remonstrance of C. A. Wilbur and 215 others of Madison Village Corporation against setting off land of T. B. Weston from said corporation,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve in favor of J. A. Fairbanks,

Was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, the House took a recess until 7.30 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate :

The order that a committee of two be appointed by the Speaker to act with such additions as may be made by the Senate to attend to the work of editing the report of the exercises held by the State government in memory of the late Hon. Nelson Dingley,

Which was read and passed in the House, March 8,

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

The vote whereby the order received a passage, was reconsidered and the order indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 139 of the Revised Statutes, relating to coroner's inquest, and to establish a board of medical examiners in its place."

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 132 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the criminal jurisdiction of magistrates."

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of Mannix Bros., John A. Daly and E. S. Brooks for materials furnished and work done on the new building recently erected at Gorham, for the Gorham Normal School.

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Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on order to inquire into the expediency of the State supporting and maintaining the large bridges; reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Interior Waters.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Indian Affairs.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Pensions.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Labor.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital,

Which was finally passed in the House February 24, 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 the resolve as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the taxation of costs in trial justice actions."

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, on bill "An Act to assign to the town of South Portland the juror apportioned to the town of Cape Elizabeth," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to place the city of South Portland and the town of Cape Elizabeth in a jury district."

Report of same committee, on bill "An Act additional to section 96 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act additional to section 96 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the abatement of taxes."

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 119, section 2 of Public Laws A. D. 1895, relating to inn keepers, boarding house keepers and their guests."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to authorize the town of Kingfield to purchase the property and franchises of the Kingfield Water Company, and to incorporate the Kingfield water commissioners."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of sureties on probate bonds."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 34 of the Laws of 1895, relating to liens."

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

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve providing for expenses of State inspectors of steam vessels.

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

Report of the Committee on Education, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the schooling of children in unorganized townships."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to extend the provisions of the General Statutes to street railway charters, relating to the location of tracks."

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

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Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to incorporate the Bluehill and Bucksport Electric Railroad Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence, and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to examine into and adjust certain claims of cities and towns arising out of the late war with Spain.

The report was accepted in concurrence and resolve read once. On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend chapter 419 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act amendatory to chapter 144, section 2 of the Special Laws of 1869, relating to an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal chapter 195 of the Public Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to establish a bounty on wild cats.'"

The report was accepted in concurrence, and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act establishing the salary of the county attorney for the county of Aroostook."

The report was accepted in concurrence, and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. POWERS of Fort Fairfield, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Vinalhaven Water Company." (Received under suspension of rules),

Was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bill "An Act relative to the descration, multilation or improper use of the flag of the United States or of this State,"

Was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that one thousand additional copies of the resolutions adopted jointly by the Senate and House of Representatives on the death of Nelson Dingley and the remarks made by the several senators and representatives relating to the same be printed in a memorial pamphlet and also the steel engraving be bound with the same.

These bills and this order were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of B. F. Dennison and others that a law be enacted prohibiting the use of trading stamps and other similar devices, reported. "that the petitions be referred to the next legislature."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Bath Light and Power Company to acquire certain properties and issue its bonds in payment therefor."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 60 of the Private and Special Laws of the State of Maine of 1895."

Mr. MERRILL from same committee, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order relating to the expediency of a law requiring the justice presiding at any trial in the supreme judicial or superior court, to designate what expert witnesses when required by either party to testify in any cause, shall be summoned and that such witnesses shall be regarded as officers of the court and paid by the county in which such cause is tried.

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize Wilford F. Levenseller, Waldoboro, Lincoln county, Maine, his successors, associates, heirs and assigns to propagate lobsters."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MERRILL from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Skowhegan."

Mr. PERKINS from same committee, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to promote the efficiency of the fire department of the city of Bangor."

Mr. VIRGIN from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Vinalhaven Water Company."

Same gentleman from same committee on order, reported bill "An Act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to provide for the disclosure of poor debtors."

Mr. HOPKINS from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the First Universalist Society of Westbrook."

Mr. MAXCY from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act additional to chapter 237 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to life and casualty insurance on the assessment plan."

The reports were accepted and bills ordered printed under joint rules.

Bill "An Act to prevent the fraudulent sale and use of railroad tickets." House document No. 305,

Was read twice. Mr. WEED of Monticello, moved that the bill be laid on the table. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate. An Act to limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property;

An Act to amend the charter of Westbrook, Windham and Harrison Railway Company, to extend the same and to change the name of said company;

Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for war purposes for the year 1899;

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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. WEBSTER of Chesterville, the vote whereby the House assigned Wednesday, March 15 for second reading of resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, the resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee on Taxation, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to taxes assessed on timber and grass on reserved lands for years 1887 to 1896 both inclusive," accepted in the House March 8. Came from the Senate recommitted to the Committee on Taxation. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, the vote whereby the report was accepted was reconsidered and the report recommitted in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to Tuesday, March 14, at 10.30 A. M.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. NOYES of Pownal, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Tuesday, March 14, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Meade of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Wilton Village Corporation," Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve for the purchase of the railroad laws,

Was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Financial Affairs.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Final Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Shore Fisheries.

Final report of the Joint Special Committee on Eastern Maine Insane Hospital.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on bill "An Act to regulate the increase of the capital stock of street railroad companies," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to regulate the increase of capital stock by street railroad companies."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. Senate amendments "A," "B," "C," "D," and "E" were adopted in concurrence, rules suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company,'" Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 7, 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 33, section 1 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 10, came from the Senate, recommitted to the Committee on Legal Affairs in non-concurrence.

The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered and the bill recommitted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Pittsfield." (Received under suspension of rules);

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 328 of the Public Laws of 1897, entitled '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;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of J. H. Sullivan and 18 others of Searsport in favor of the establishment of a municipal court at Searsport;

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1899, entitled 'An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland;' "

Were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Resolve relating to the records of births, marriages, and deaths in the office of the Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

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

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 326 of the laws of 1897, relating to soldiers,"

Was tabled pending reference to committee, on motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland, and ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to include in the pay roll of the House the names of J. S. Estes and A. H. Whitman, official stenographers.

On motion of Mr. WILBUR of Avon,

Ordered, That Justus Webster, representative from Chesterville, be excused from further attendance at this session on and after Thursday, March 16, and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay to the end of the session.

On motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden,

Ordered, That after Friday, March 17, Mr. Henry R. Dawson of Monroe be excused from attendance at the sessions of this legislature and the Clerk be directed to make up his pay and mileage to the end of the session.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to create the Bath and Brunswick Water District."

Mr. WOOD from the Committee on Shore Fisheries, reported "legislation inexpedient" on order to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 279 of the laws of 1897, as to make them consistent with the best interests of the State and as to repeal of chapter 172 of the laws of 1895, regulating the packing of fish in hermetically sealed cans.

Mr. SPURR from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported "leave to withdraw" on petition of citizens of Rockland for the appointment of a committee to visit Rockland with a view to inquiring into and examining a gold mine in said city.

Final report of the Committee on Ways and Means.

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. PHILBROOK from the Committee on the Judiciary, on order, reported bill "An Act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Woolwich or their assigns to increase the height of the dam across Nequasset stream in the town of Woolwich."

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act additional to and amendatory of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sale on writ of personal property attached," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sale, on writ of personal property attached."

Mr. GENTLEMAN from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889 as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to hawkers and peddlers."

Mr. MOREY from same committee on order, reported bill "An Act to amend section 28 of chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of mortgages, as amended by chapter 69 of the Public Laws of 1895."

Mr. CHASE from same committee, on order reported resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to accept in the name of the State, from the Pemaquid Monument Association, title to Fort William Henry and adjacent lands.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolve ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. JORDAN 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 1899, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and seven thousand nine hundred fifty dollars and ninetyeight cents."

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended and bill read once. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland the bill was tabled.

Mr. JORDAN 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 1900, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and seven thousand nine hundred fifty dollars and ninety-eight cents."

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended. Pending first reading the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland.

Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook." House document No. 306,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the better protection of sheep in the town of Perry." House document No. 307,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. McFAUL of Machias, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act establishing a close time on lobsters in Pigeon Hill bay in the towns of Milbridge and Steuben." House document No. 308,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the tolls of the Machias boom." House document No. 300,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. McFAUL of Machias, 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 to incorporate the city of Gardiner." House document No. 310;

Bill "An Act to amend the laws of 1893, chapter 304 as amended by the laws of 1895, chapter 40, relating to boards of registration." House document No. 311;

Bill "An Act in relation to the police court of the city of Gardiner." House document No. 313;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relating to the construction of sidewalks in the city of Auburn." House document No. 314,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland.

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings and records of Pine Grove Cemetery Association of Cherryfield." House document No. 316,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate. Bill "An Act relating to the care, custody and support of minor children of divorced parents." House document No. 317.

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 regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry." House document No. 318,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act relating to sums paid by officers and collectors for internal revenue stamps affixed to deeds of real estate sold by them." House document No. 319,

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 amend section 7 of chapter 522 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, by providing an additional term each month of the Sanford municipal court." House document No. 320,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 329 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to the municipal court of Waterville." House document No. 321,

Was read twice. Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, offered House amendments "A" and "B" which were adopted. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the Cape Porpoise Land Company to erect and maintain a toll bridge at Cape Porpoise." House document No. 322,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. IRVING of Kennebunkport, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate. Bill "An Act in relation to foreign banking associations and corporations." House document No. 323,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Enchanted Stream Dam and Improvement company." House Document No. 324,

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 amend sections 55 and 56 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 72 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 235 of the Public Laws of 1893 and chapter 49 of the Public Laws of 1895." House document No. 325,

Was read once. Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. The bill was then read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to prevent the destruction of smelts in Saco river." House document No. 326,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. SUTHERLAND of Biddeford, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 30 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to close time on salmon." House document No. 327;

Bill "An Act to amend section 48 of chapter 104 of the Revised Statutes, relating to petitions to remove clouds from title to real estate, and to authorize justices of the supreme judicial court to order notice on such petitions in vacation." House document No. 328;

Bill "An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river, bay and tributaries." House document No. 329;

Bill "An Act to amend section 35 of chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, entitled 'An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to sea and shore fisheries." House document No. 330;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 294 of the Public Laws of 1889, fixing the salary of the county commissioners of Kennebec county." House document No. 331; Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to legalize the doings of the First Universalist Society of Westbrook." House document No. 332,

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.

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Vinalhaven Water Company." House document No. 333,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 237 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to life and casualty insurance on the assessment plan." House document No. 334,

Was read once and tabled, on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland. Subsequently, on motion of same gentleman, taken from the table, read a second time and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to promote the efficiency of the fire department of the city of Bangor." House document No. 335,

Was tabled, pending first reading, on motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Skowhegan." House document No. 336,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to provide for the disclosure of poor debtors." House document No. 337,

Was tabled pending first reading, on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta.

Resolve in favor of the town of Trescott. House document No. 312,

Was read once. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, and to-morrow assigned for second reading of the resolve. Bill "An Act relating to the taxation of costs in trial justice actions,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 64, and section 4 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license of court;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to place the city of South Portland and the town of Cape Elizabeth in a jury district;"

Bill "An Act to provide for the schooling of children in unorganized townships;"

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 119, section 2 of Public Laws A. D. 1895, relating to inn keepers, boarding house keepers and their guests;"

Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Kingfield to purchase the property and franchises of the Kingfield Water Company, and to incorporate the Kingfield Water Commissioners;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of sureties on probate bonds;"

Bill "An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 34 of the Laws of 1895, relating to liens;"

Were reported from same committee, severally read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in relation to re-equipping the national guard;

Was reported from same committee, and pending second reading, Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed. The motion prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional to section 96 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to abatement of taxes,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. BODWELL of Hallowell.

Bill "An Act to extend the provisions of the General Statutes, to street railway charters, relating to the location of tracks," Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, 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.

An Act to amend chapter 226 of the Private and Special Laws of 1849, as amended by chapter 502 of the Private and Special Laws of 1852, relating to the free bridge across Salt pond in Bluehill;

An Act to repeal chapter 195 of the Public Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to establish a bounty on wild cats;"

An Act amendatory to chapter 144, section 2 of the Special Laws of 1869, relating to "An Act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company;"

An Act to legalize the call issued for holding the meeting of the Methodist and Baptist Meeting House Corporation of Whitefield;

An Act to amend chapter 72, Special Laws of 1887, in relation to the taking of fish in Nequasset lake;

An Act establishing the salary of the county attorney for the county of Aroostook;

An Act granting the Dennysville Lumber Company additional rights;

An Act to amend section 11 of chapter 393 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Warren Water Company;"

An Act to amend section 196 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 70 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the sale of real estate for non-payment of taxes;

An Act to amend the charter of the Augusta Safe Deposit and Trust Company;

An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital;

An Act to renew and extend the charter of the Buckfield Water Company;

An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216, Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 295, Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;

An Act to incorporate the Lubec Water and Electric Light Company;

An Act creating the Dixfield Village Corporation;

An Act to prevent the killing of tern;

An Act to amend chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries;

An Act to amend chapter 491 of the Private Laws of the year 1893, relative to the sale of prize logs in Piscataquis boom;

An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sheriffs and their deputies;

An Act to amend chapter 282 of the Laws of 1889, relating to railroad crossings;

An Act to amend section 14 of chapter 63 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registers of probate;

An Act to incorporate the Sullivan Harbor Water Company;

An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 264 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the salary of the county attorney of Cumberland county;

An Act to authorize the Franklin and Somerset Land and Lumber Company to hold the stock and bonds of South Branch Improvement Company;

An Act giving mortgagees a lien for costs of foreclosure under section 5 of chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes;

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

An Act to incorporate the Bluehill and Bucksport Electric Railroad Company;

An Act to incorporate the Houlton Trust Company;

An Act to prevent the fraudulent sale and use of railroad tickets;

An Act to amend chapter 419 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot East Branch Log Driving Company;" An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to take water for municipal and domestic purposes;

An Act to amend section 21, chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of towns to make by-laws concerning truants;

An Act to incorporate the Strong Water Company;

An Act to amend and additional to chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, relating to sea and shore fisheries;

An Act to incorporate the Patten, Allagash and Northern Railroad Company;

An Act to incorporate the Freeport Village Corporation;

An Act to abolish the Common Council of the city of Waterville;

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 divorce;

An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor Banking Company;

Resolve providing for the payment to the city of Eastport the amount deducted from said city's proportion of the school fund, for the year 1898, on account of imperfect school return;

Resolve in favor of State normal schools;

Resolve to reimburse F. I. Campbell, treasurer of the town of Cherryfield, for money paid to State pensioners;

Resolve to reimburse Daniel S. Chadbourne for repairs on breakwater at Mattawamkeag bridge;

Resolve in favor of Hartland Academy;

Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education;

Resolve apportioning the appropriation for the deaf, dumb and blind for the year 1899;

Resolve in favor of North Yarmouth Academy;

Resolve in favor of settling lots in Drew plantation;

Resolve in favor of the town of Canton;

Resolve in favor of Madawaska Training School;

Resolve in favor of Parsonsfield Seminary;

Resolve in favor of Ricker Classical Institute;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Insane Hospital;

Resolve in favor of West Lebanon Academy;

Resolve in favor of the Augusta City Hospital;

Resolve in favor of Normal school trustees;

Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to examine into and adjust certain claims of cities and towns arising out of the late war with Spain;

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.

An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of an apothecary,

Was reported from same committee, and pending passage to be enacted, Mr. WILSON of Brunswick, moved that the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, be reconsidered.

The motion prevailed.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted, and the bill as amended, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

An Act to incorporate the Saint Croix Water Company,

Was reported from same committee and pending passage to be enacted, tabled on motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner.

An Act to incorporate the Lisbon and Topsham Water Company,

Was reported from same committee, and pending passage to be enacted, tabled on motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon.

An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Telegraph and Telephone Company,

Was reported from same committee and pending passage to be enacted, tabled on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta.

Bill "An Act pertaining to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river above the Water Works dam at Bangor,"

Came up as a special assignment and was read twice. On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in towns,"

Came up as a special assignment. House amendment "A" offered by Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, March 10, was adopted. Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, offered House amendment "B" which was adopted. Mr. PLUMMEK of Portland, offered House amendment "C" which was also adopted. The bill was read a second time. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, and passed to be engrossed as amended. Subsequently on motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman the bill was tabled.

On motion of Mr. MAXWELL of Richmond,

Bill "An Act to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 250 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891 and also of chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, providing for the building of a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou,"

Was taken from the table. Mr. KING of Caribou, offered House amendment "G," to strike out all after the enacting clause, which was adopted. The bill was read a second time. On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset,

Resolve in favor of Wiscasset Academy,

Was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the House assigned March 15 for second reading of the resolve, was reconsidered. On motion of Mr. PEAS-LEE, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEBSTER of Chesterville,

Resolve in favor of Greely Institute,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman the vote whereby the House, March 9, assigned Wednesday, March 15, for the second reading of the resolve, was reconsidered. On motion of Mr. WEB- STER, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook,

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago,

Was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman the vote whereby the House, March 8, assigned Wednesday, March 15, for second reading of the resolve, was reconsidered. On motion of Mr. BURNS, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to authorize a topographic survey of the State in co-operation with the United States geological survey,"

Was taken from the table and read twice.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to amend section 11, chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of county commissioners,"

Was taken from the table and read a second time.

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. HUTCHINGS of Brewer,

Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Winn Water and Power Company, and to amend the same,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 288 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to tramps,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman 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. CHASE of Portland,

Bill "An Act authorizing women to be admitted as attorneys to practice law in the courts of this State,"

Was taken from the table and read a second time. On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Resolve in reference to the York deeds,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the House, March 8, assigned Wednesday, March 15, for second reading of the resolve, was reconsidered. On motion of Mr. MANLEY, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

The Senate order that on and after Wednesday, March 8, the legislature hold two sessions per day until otherwise ordered,

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted, and the order as amended, passed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MOSHER of Rome, Adjourned.

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W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, WEDNESDAY, March 15, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Miller 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 establish the salary of the judge of probate for thecounty of Hancock;

An Act to amend section 44 of chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of printed copies of the Public-Laws;

An Act to consolidate, simplify, revise and amend the laws pertaining to inland fisheries and game, as contained in chapters 30 and 40 of the Revised Statutes, and in amendments and additions thereto, and to repeal old and obsolete Private and Special Laws, pertaining to fishing in the public waters of the State;

An Act to amend section 65 of chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 101 of the Public Laws of 1891, relating to fees in insolvency proceedings;

An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1887, authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devises and bequests, and to raise money;

An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the superior court for the county of Kennebec;

An Act to establish a naval reserve as a part of the national guard of the State of Maine;

An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Laws of 1895, and acts additional thereto, relating to the Bath municipal court;

An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by section 1, chapter 295 of the Public

Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;

An Act to fix the salary of the sheriff of the county of Waldo;

An Act amendatory and additional to chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes relating to savings banks;

An Act to fix the salaries of the judge and register of probate for the county of Waldo;

An Act for the better protection of clams;

An Act for the better protection of shipmasters and seamen;

An Act to create a lien upon hay, for the cutting and pressing thereof;

An Act in relation to corporations issuing contracts for annuities commencing in the future;

An Act to amend the title of chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897;

An Act to amend section I of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to poll taxes by adding to said section the words "which said poll tax shall not exceed three dollars, and shall not be less than one dollar;"

An Act relating to sealers of weights and measures;

An Act relating to steam riding galleries;

An Act to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of Knox;

An Act to amend section 18 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of register of probate;

An Act to amend chapter 295 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children;

An Act to fix the salary of the judge and register of probate for the county of Oxford;

An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes relating to the duties of the Governor and Council in regard to the payment to towns of the State school fund and mill tax;

An Act to amend section 13 of chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relating to probate of foreign wills;

An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal and police courts;

An Act to limit the rate of interest on loans on personal property;

Was read in concurrence.

Bill "An Act establishing the Maine Industrial School for Girls,"

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

On motion of Mr. WEBB of Portland, the bill was tabled.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition of T. B. Weston to set off certain lands owned by him from Madison Village Corporation; reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on resolve for procuring railroad maps.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Banks and Banking.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Manufactures.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Mines and Mining.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on order, reporting resolve providing for a State auditor.

The report was accepted in concurrence, resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for second reading.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition, reporting 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, and as further amended by chapter 303 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated places."

The report was accepted in concurrence and pending first reading, the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, regulating the right to trial by jury in divorce suits."

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 218 of the Public Laws of 1893 and chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the limitations of actions against executors and administrators."

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 Education, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1885, relating to scientific temperance instruction in the public schools."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "An Act for the maintenance of free high schools in cities and towns having a population of one thousand or more," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to establish free high schools."

The report was accepted in concurrence. On motion of Mr. SARGENT of Sedgwick, the bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Shore Fisheries, on bill "An Act for the better protection of weirs," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act for the better protection of fish weirs."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to create a lien upon monumental work,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 8, as amended by House amendments "A," "B" and "C."

Came from the Senate with House amendments "A," "B" and "C" adopted in concurrence and bill further amended by Senate amendment "D." The vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "D" adopted in concurrence and the bill as amended by House amendments "A," "B" and "C" and Senate amendment "D" passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The order 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.

Which was read and passed in the House, January 10.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

The vote whereby the order received a passage was reconsidered and the order indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of George I. Trickey and 51 others of Caribou against the passage of an act relating to imprisonment for debt and the abolishment of the office of disclosure commissioner.

Remonstrance of T. G. Lancy and 32 others of Pittsfield;

Remonstrance of H. H. Patten and 24 others, members of Penobscot bar;

Remonstrance of W. S. Jones and o others of Branch Mills;

Remonstrance of F. E. Blake and 15 others of Sidney against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject.

Bill "An Act authorizing the inhabitants of Foxcroft to make appropriation for free use of books in the Thompson Free Library."

On motion of Mr. GUERINSEY of Dover, rules were suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899.'"

On motion of Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor, rules were suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses on bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to amend the charter of the Ossipee Valley Telegraph and Telephone Company,'" be taken from the files and laid before the House.

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

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

Ordered, That the clerk be instructed to make up the pay of George S. Thayer of Lubec and that he be excused from further attendance on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou,

Ordered, That on and after Thursday, March 16, B. R. Blackstone of Perham be excused from further attendance upon this House and the clerk be instructed to make up his pay and mileage in full.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Ordered, That on and after Thursday, March 16, all business upon the table and unassigned shall be taken up and disposed of after the morning hour in the order in which it was tabled.

Pending passage, Mr. GARDNER of Patten, moved that the order be laid on the table. The motion was lost and the order passed.

Mr. PERKINS from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to amend section 60 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 317 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to intoxicating liquors," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act creating a board of public charities."

Mr. MANLEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to innholders and victualers."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to returns by foreign or domestic corporations."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to regulate the appointment and powers of receivers of corporations."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to further regulate the organization and control of business corporations."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Ellsworth, relating to the school board."

Mr. PHILBROOK from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act relating to the sale of Paris green and poisonous preparations used for the destruction of insects."

Mr. GENTLEMAN from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the compensation of selectmen and assessors."

Mr. MOREY from same committee, on bill "An Act in relation to the inspection of milk," reported "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Mr. PARKHURST from the Committee on Federal Relations, reported "legislation inexpedient" on memorial and resolve against an act of the legislature of the state of New York in the year 1897.

Mr. FARNSWORTH from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend chapter 334 of the Public Acts of 1897, regulating the sale and analysis of concentrated commercial feeding stuffs."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MERRILL from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Pittsfield."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to repeal section 5 of chapter 306 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to taxes on wild land."

Mr. HARRIS from same committee, on bill "An Act relating to attorneys at law," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to prohibit advertising debtors." Mr. GUERNSEY from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 507 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to establish the Dover municipal court."

Mr. HOPKINS from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1899, entitled 'An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland.'"

Same gentleman from same committee, on bill "An Act to abolish the use of seals on deeds and other contracts," reported "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to render optional the use of seals on deeds and other contracts."

Mr. BODWELL from the Committee on Taxation, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act in relation to taxes assessed on timber and grass on reserved lands for years 1887 to 1896, both inclusive."

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, to which was referred that portion of the Governor's address relating to military affairs, reported bill "An Act to amend chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the militia."

Same gentleman from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the register of probate in Lincoln county."

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Counties, on order, reported bill "An Act to locate Androscoggin pond in some county and town."

Mr. WILSON from the Committee on Towns, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to divide the town of Frenchville and incorporate the town of St. Agatha."

Mr. GIRDLER from the Somerset County Delegation, on petition reported bill "An Act to re-establish the salary of the judge and register of probate for Somerset county."

Mr. HIX from the Committee on County Estimates, reported resolve laying a tax on the counties of the State for the years 1899 and 1900.

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on petition, reported bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Searsport."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules. Subsequently the vote whereby the bill was ordered printed, was reconsidered and on motion of Mr. HILL of Belfast, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. WEST from the Joint Special Committee on Salaries, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to fix the clerk hire of the probate court of the county of Kennebec."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed. Subsequently the vote whereby the bill was ordered printed, was reconsidered. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. BRYANT from same committee, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of the county of Hancock."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules. Subsequently on motion of Mr. BUCK of Orland, the vote whereby the bill was ordered printed, was reconsidered. On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 28 of chapter 90, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of mortgages as amended by chapter 69 of the Public Laws of 1895." House document No. 341,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sale on writ, of personal property attached." House document No. 342,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Woolwich or their assigns to increase the height of the dam across Nequasset stream in the town of Woolwich." House document No. 344,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to hawkers and peddlers." House document No. 345,

Was read twice and tabled on motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover.

Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to accept, in the name of the State, from the Pemaquid Monument Association, title to Fort William Henry and adjacent lands. House document No. 343,

Was read once. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 288 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to tramps."

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and pending third reading, tabled, on motion of Mr. GARD-NER of Patten.

Bill "An Act to amend sections 55 and 56 of chapter 6 of the

Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 72 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 235 of the Public Laws of 1893, and chapter 49 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional to chapter 237 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to life and casualty insurance on the assessment plan,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Skowhegan,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, and tabled, on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland.

Resolve in favor of the commissioners appointed by the Governor to inquire into and report upon the advisability of establishing additional State normal schools;

Resolve providing for expenses of State inspector of steam vessels;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve providing for an epidemic or emergency fund;

Resolve in favor of the city of Augusta;

Resolve in favor of the North Berwick Agricultural Association;

Resolve in favor of the town of Rockport;

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State Normal School;

Resolve for improvement of Songo and Chute rivers;

Resolve in favor of Joshua Gray of Gardiner and William B. Snow of Skowhegan;

Resolve in favor of the town of Trescott;

Were reported from same committee, severally read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls;

Were reported from same committee and pending second reading, tabled on motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, and this afternoon assigned for their consideration.

Resolve in favor of Francis Keefe in part payment of witnesses', magistrate's and officer's fees and disbursements made by him in the Kittery and Eliot contested election case,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading, Mr. McFAUL of Machias, moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost on a viva voce vote.

The resolve was then read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate. Resolve in favor of the Maine State Prison,

Was reported from same committee and pending second reading, tabled on motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to repeal chapter 328 of the Public Laws of 1897, entitled '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,"

Referred in the House, March 14, to the Committee on the Judiciary, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in nonconcurrence. The vote whereby the bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, was reconsidered and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Ordered, The House concurring, that the sixty-ninth legislature finally adjourn on Friday, March 17 at or before twelve o'clock, midnight.

Pending passage in concurrence, Mr. GARDNER of Patten, moved that the order be laid on the table.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, raised the point of order that the motion to table was not debatable.

The Chair ruled that the point was well taken.

A viva voce vote being doubted, Mr. GARDNER of Patten, called for the yeas and nays which the House refused to order.

The motion to table was lost on division, by a vote of 21 to 67.

On the passage of the order, Mr. GARDNER of Patten, called for the yeas and nays which the House ordered, and the order was refused a passage by a vote of 58 to 71.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Abbott,	Bodwell,	Chamberlin,
Beal,	Bridgham,	Chase,
Belleau,	Britton,	Chick,
Bennett,	Buck,	Crane,
Bird,	Burns,	De Coster,

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15.

Deering,	Libbey, Albion,	Rverson,
Eaton.	Libbey, So. Berwick,	•
Garcelon,	Macomber,	Sutherland,
Gentleman,	Manley,	Taylor,
Goss,	Melcher,	Turner,
Harris,	,	
Hill,	Nickerson, Orringtor	Webster,
Hopkins,	Parker,	Webster, West,
Irving,	Peaslee,	,
0.	Perkins,	Wilbur,
Johonnett,	Philbrook,	Wilson, Cherryfield,
Jones,	Porter,	Wilson, Gorham,
Keefe,	Powers,	Wood,
Kernon,	Rankin,	Woodbridge—58.
Laliberte,	Reed,	
Leavitt,	Rowell,	
Those who voted	"nay" were Messrs.	
Adams,	Freese,	McFadden,
Berry,	Fuller, Auburn,	McFaul,
Blackstone,	Fuller, Kennebunk,	Merrill, N. Gloucester
Brimmer,	Fuller, So. Portland,	Merrill, Skowhegan,
Brown, Falmouth,	Gardner,	Morey,
Bryant,	Girdler,	Mosher,
Carr,	Gordon,	Murphy,
·Cobb,	Gould,	Nickerson, Swanville.
Coffin,	Grindel,	Parkhurst,
Colburn,	Guernsey,	Peabody,
Craig,	Hahn,	Pierce,
Daigle,	Harman,	Purinton,
Davis,	Hassell,	Ridlon,
Dawson,	Hix,	Sargent, Portland,
Donham,	Hodgkins,	Smith, Hartland,
Dunning,	Hutchings,	Spofford,
Esty,	Jordan,	Spratt,
Farnsworth,	King,	Spurr,
Field,	Ledyard,	Staples,
Fitz,	Macfarlane,	Stetson, Monmouth,
Fogg,	Maxcy,	Teel,
Forhan,	Maxwell,	Tyler,
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Walker, Webb.

Wilson, Minot-71. Wilson, Brunswick,

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Weed.

Beath,	Hyde,	Sanborn,
Brown, Warren,	Jellison,	Sawyer,
Cartret,	Kalloch,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Cleveland,	Kilborn,	Somes,
Drummey,	Murchie,	Thayer—19.
Farrell,	Noyes,	
Hughes,	Plummer,	

The papers were sent to the Senate. Subsequently they were returned, that branch insisting on its former action in giving the order a passage with

Messrs. Shepherd of Knox,

White of Androscoggin,

Pike of York

appointed as a committee of conference on its part. The House voted to insist in concurrence and

Messrs. Gardner of Patten.

Maxcy of Gardiner,

Merrill of Skowhegan

Were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, The House concurring, that all committees which have not already finally reported shall make their final reports. forthwith.

Pending passage the order was tabled on motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on resolve in favor of J. A. Fairbanks, reporting "that same be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of sureties on probate bonds;

An Act to amend section 7 of chapter 522 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, by providing for an additional term each month of the Sanford municipal court;

An Act relating to chapter 366 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Water Company;"

An Act to amend chapter 119, section 2, of Public Laws of the year of our Lord 1895, relating to innkeepers, boarding house keepers and their guests;

An Act to legalize the doings and records of Pine Grove Cemetery Association of Cherryfield;

An Act to amend section 32 of chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 34 of the Laws of 1895, relating to liens;

An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 64, and section 4 of chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license of court;

An Act to regulate the tolls of the Machias boom;

An Act to provide for insurance on the Gorham Normal School buildings, Farmington Normal School building, Castine Normal School building, and Madawaska Training School buildings;

An Act to authorize the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Street Railway and Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway to increase their capital stocks;

An Act to authorize the county commissioners of Cumberland county to place the city of South Portland and the town of Cape Elizabeth in a jury district;

An Act relating to the care, custody and support of the minor children of divorced parents;

An Act to amend the Laws of 1893, chapter 304, as amended by Laws of 1895, chapter 40, relating to boards of registration;

An Act to authorize the town of Kingfield to purchase the property and franchises of the Kingfield Water Company, and to incorporate the Kingfield Water Commissioners;

An Act to provide for the schooling of children in unorganized townships;

An Act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook;

An Act relating to the taxation of costs in trial justice actions;

An Act to incorporate the Enchanted Stream Dam and Improvement Company;

Resolve in favor of Potter Academy of Sebago;

Resolve in favor of Greely Institute;

Was 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. VIRGIN of Portland,

Bill "An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year-1899, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and seven thousand nine hundred fifty dollars and ninety-eight cents,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was. adopted. The bill was read a second time. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

Bill "An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1900, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and seven thousand nine hundred fifty dollars and ninety-eight cents,"

Was taken from the table.

The bill was read twice.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the hour of afternoon meeting be four o'clock until further orders.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An Act for the protection of political nominating conventions and primary political meetings or caucuses from disturbance and fraud," reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Report of same committee reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to provide for the care and protection of burial grounds."

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 305, relating to the control of infectious diseases."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to authorize the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Street Railway to increase its capital stock."

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 Federal Relations.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Counties.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Towns.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Claims.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Insane Hospital.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Salaries.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Library.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the assistant secretary and stenographer and the messenger to the Judiciary Committee.

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

Resolve in favor of the stenographer and the messenger to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, rules were suspended resolve read twice 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 Wilton Village Corporation."

The report was accepted in concurrence, rules suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act relating to the expenses of State officials and employes."

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

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, on resolve in favor of the Healy Asylum, Lewiston, Maine, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, resolve in favor of the society of the Sisters of Charity for the use of the Healy Asylum of Lewiston."

The report was accepted in concurrence, rules suspended, resolve read twice 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 extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway."

The report was accepted in concurrence, and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of same committee, reporting same on bill "An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. Senate amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D" were adopted in concurrence. On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act in relation to the police court of the city of Gardiner,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House March 14. 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 record of contracts for the sale of land,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, February 24. 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 to prevent immoral exhibitions,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House, March 10. 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.

Remonstrance of W. R. Tarbox and 5 other business firms of Fryeburg against the passage of an act relative to imprisonment for debt and the abolishment of the office of disclosure commissioner;

Remonstrance of Andrews and Horrigan Company and 40 others of Biddeford;

Remonstrance of Charles E. Sherman and 13 others of Burnham;

Remonstrance of H. B. Arnold and 34 others of Waterville, against same;

Were ordered filed with others papers relating to same subject.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 104 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899, relating to the taking of herring in the town of Cutler," On motion of Mr. BUCK of Orland, rules were suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of the committee appointed to attend the funeral of Harlan P. Prince of Yarmouth,

On motion of Mr. FOGG of Freeport, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed.

These petitions, bill and resolve were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DAWSON of Monroe,

Ordered, That George W. Brown of Warren on and after Saturday, March 18, be excused from further services in this House and the Clerk make up his pay and mileage for the same.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, reported "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 103 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to telegraph and telephone companies."

Mr. GUERNSEY from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 102 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the incorporation and control of gas and electric companies for lighting, heating, manufacturing and mechanical purposes."

The reports were accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. CHASE from the Committee on Legal Affairs, on bill "An Act to amend chapter 33, section 1 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers," reported "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers."

Mr. POWERS from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve relating to certain unpaid taxes assessed against certain street railroad corporations."

Mr. BROWN from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, resolve in favor of Adjutant General John T. Richards.

Mr. HILL from the Committee on Claims, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of estate of F. H. Eaton.

Mr. BEAL from the Committee on Reports of the several departments and in relation to continuing the office of secretary

of the board of agriculture, on order, reported bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1897 and to amend section 5 of chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the board of agriculture."

Mr. HILL from same committee, on order, reported bill "An Act to prevent heads of departments from employing counsel or witnesses before committees of the legislature."

The reports were accepted and bills and resolves ordered printed under joint rules.

Majority report of the Committee on University of Maine, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal the provisions of chapter 215 of the resolves of 1897, appropriating twenty thousand dollars a year for ten years, for the University of Maine, so far as the same relates to the years subsequent to 1898."

(Signed)

James Adams, Perham S. Heald, A. C. Thos. King,—of the Senate. Nickerson, M. F. Chick, John R. Weed, Jr., Walter P. Perkins, T. S. Burns, S. D. Leavitt.—of the House.

Minority report of same committee reporting "ought to pass" in new draft under same title bill "An Act to repeal the provisions of chapter 215 of the resolves of 1897, appropriating twenty thousand dollars a year for ten years for the University of Maine, so far as the same relates to the years subsequent to 1900."

(Signed) W. L. Walker,—of the House. Pending acceptance of either report, both were tabled on motion of Mr. WALKER of Starks, and with bill in new draft ordered printed and to-morrow afternoon was assigned for their consideration

An Act to amend section 48 of chapter 104 of the Revised Statutes, relating to petitions to remove clouds from title to real estate, and to authorize justices of the supreme judicial court to order notice on such petitions in vacation;

An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 294 of the Public Laws of 1889, fixing the salary of the county commissioners of Kennebec county;

An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta river, bay and tributaries;

An Act establishing a close time on lobsters in Pigeon Hill bay in the towns of Milbridge and Steuben;

An Act to authorize the Cape Porpoise Land Company to erect and maintain a toll bridge at Cape Porpoise;

An Act to amend section 30 of chapter 285 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to close time on salmon;

An Act for the better protection of sheep in the town of Perry;

An Act to prevent incompetent persons from conducting the business of an apothecary;

An Act to carry into effect the provisions of chapter 250 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, and also chapter 193 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, providing for the building of a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou;

An Act to amend section 35 of chapter 285, Public Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to revive and consolidate the Public Laws, relating to sea and shore fisheries;

An Act to extend the charter of the Vinalhaven Water Company;

Resolve in reference to York deeds;

Resolve in favor of Wiscasset 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.

The order that the time before which the Joint Standing Committees of this legislature be required to report be extended to March 21, 1899.

Came up as a special assignment. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the order was tabled and tomorrow assigned for its consideration. Bill "An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry,"

Came up as a special assignment. Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Pending action on this motion the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend section 83 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to private, associated and foreign banking,"

Came up as a special assignment and was reassigned to tomorrow on motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport.

On motion of Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport,

The vote whereby the House, March 3, accepted the report of the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Ossipee Valley Telegraph and Telephone Company,"

Was reconsidered. Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" to the report which was adopted. The report was then accepted. On motion of Mr. LEAVITT, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

Bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Skowhegan,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan, the bill was referred to the next legislature and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the organization of railroad companies under general law,"

Was taken from the table, and bill read twice. Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted.

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. On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 84 of the Public Laws of 1895 and chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the organization and control of street railroads,"

Was taken from the table and read twice. Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. 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.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Winthrop Telegraph and Telephone Company,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Bill "An Act relating to the construction of sidewalks in the city of Auburn,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time under suspension of rules, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MOREY of Lewiston,

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend subdivision 7 of section 1 of chapter 18 of the laws of 1805."

Was taken from the table, accepted and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland,

Resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls,

Was taken from the table and reassigned to to-morrow.

On motion of same gentleman, résolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls,

Was taken from the table and reassigned to to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. MACFARLANE of Greenville,

Bill "An Act for the protection of fish in the tributaries of Moosehead lake,"

Was taken from the table, indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JOHONNETT of Palmyra, the vote was reconsidered whereby bill "An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Pittsfield," was this forenoon ordered printed under joint rules, and on motion of same gentleman the bill was referred to the next legislature and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. JORDAN of Lisbon,

Resolve in favor of Maine State Prison,

Was taken from the table, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland,

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 326 of the laws of 1897, relating to soldiers,"

Was taken from the table. On motion of same gentleman, rules were suspended and bill read once. On motion of Mr. MELCHER of Portland, the bill was tabled and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, Thursday, March 16, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Meade of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on petition of L. C. Williams and others of Athens for the passage of a law preventing paupers from voting in State and municipal elections, reporting "leave to withdraw as the proposed law involves an interpretation of the Constitution of the State."

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Taxation on bill "An Act to amend section 42 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to taxation of railroads," "reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Pending acceptance in concurrence, Mr. GARDNER of Patten, offered House amendment "A" to the report and also moved that the vote upon its adoption be taken by yeas and nays. The House ordered the yeas and nays and the amendment was defeated by a vote of 28 to 100.

Those who voted	"yea" were Messrs.	
Carr,	Hahn,	Smith, Hartland,
Colburn,	Hassell,	Spratt,
Craig,	Jellison,	Staples,
Crane,	Kilborn,	Stetson, Monmouth,
Daigle,	Leavitt,	Taylor,
Dawson,	McFadden,	Teel,
Dunning,	Merrill, N. Glouceste	1Weed,
Freese,	Peabody,	Wilson, Minot—28.
Gardner,	Pierce,	
Guernsey,	Ridlon,	

THURSDAY, MARCH 16.

Those who voted '	'nay" were Messrs.	
Abbott,	Garcelon,	Nickerson, Orrington
Adams,	Gentleman,	Nickerson, Swanville,
Beal,	Girdler,	Parker,
Belleau,	Gordon,	Parkhurst,
Bennett,	Harman,	Peaslee,
Berry,	Harris,	Perkins,
Bird,	Hill,	Philbrook,
Blackstone,	Hix,	Porter,
Bodwell,	Hodgkins,	Powers,
Bridgham,	Hopkins,	Purinton,
Brimmer,	Hutchings,	Rankin,
Britton,	Irving,	Reed,
Brown, Falmouth,	Johonnett,	Ryerson,
Brown, Warren,	Jones,	Sargent, Portland,
Bryant,	Jordan,	Sargent, Sedgwick,
Burns,	Kalloch,	Smith, Presque Isle,
Cartret,	Keefe,	Somes,
Chamberlin,	Kernon,	Spofford,
Chase,	King,	Stetson, Bangor,
Chick,	Ledyard,	Sutherland,
Cobb,	Libbey, Albion,	Turner,
Coffin,	Libbey, So. Berwick,	Tyler,
Davis,	Macfarlane,	Virgin,
De Coster,	Macomber,	Walker,
Deering,	Manley,	Webb,
Eaton,	Maxcy,	Webster,
Esty,	Maxwell,	West,
Farnsworth,	McFaul,	Wilbur,
Field,	Melcher,	Wilson, Cherryfield,
Fitz,	Merrill, Skowhegan,	
Fogg,	Morey,	Wood,
Fuller, Auburn,	Mosher,	Woodbridge—100.
Fuller, Kennebunk,	Murchie,	
Fuller, So. Portland,	Murphy,	,

Those who	were absent were Messrs.	
Beath,	Cleveland,	Drummey,
Buck,	Donham,	Farrell,

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Forhan,	Laliberte,	Spurr,
'Goss,	Noyes,	Thayer,
Gould,	Plummer,	Wilson, Brunswick,
Grindel,	Rowell,	21.
Hughes,	Sanborn,	
Hyde,	Sawyer,	

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Taxation on bill "An Act to amend section 41 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to the taxation of railroads," reporting "that same be referred to the next legislature."

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. Grinnell and Co., and 31 other business firms of Hallowell, against the passage of an act relative to imprisonment for debt and the abolishment of the office of disclosure commissioner;

Remonstrance of F. Colburn and 30 others of Windsor;

Remonstrance of Withee Brothers and 11 others of Benton;

Remonstrance of C. C. Homer and Co., and 13 other business men of Bucksport;

Remonstrance of H. S. Wing and 18 other business firms of Kingfield;

Remonstrance of John Watson and 12 others of Houlton;

Remonstrance of John Daley and 24 others of Auburn;

Remonstrance of J. D. Peary and 14 others of Houlton;

Remonstrance of J. F. Hacker and 31 others of Fort Fairfield;

Remonstrance of H. M. Heath and 47 others of Augusta;

Remonstrance of John P. Lovell Arms Co., and 38 others of Portland;

Remonstrance of J. A. Rolfe and Co., and others of Portland; Remonstrance of W. L. Wilson & Co., and 37 others of Port-

land;

Remonstrance of F. O. Bailey Carriage Co., and 41 others of Portland;

Remonstrance of D. S. Higgins and 29 others of Bar Harbor; Remonstrance of S. H. Rodick and 23 others of Bar Harbor; Remonstrance of C. P. Allen and 31 others of Presque Isle;

Remonstrance of C. P. Fitzgerald and 16 others of Lewiston;

Remonstrance of F. I. Brown and 57 others of Readfield;

Remonstrance of S. S. Thornton and 16 others of Ashland;

Remonstrance of T. I. Huxford and 13 others of Brooks, against same;

Were ordered filed with other papers relating to same subject;

These remonstrances were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CHICK of Clifton,

Ordered, That after the present week, Fred E. Spratt, a member of this House, be excused from further attendance at this session and that the Clerk be directed to make up his pay and mileage for the full term.

Resolve appointing a committee to investigate the tax system of Maine and report to the next legislature,

Was presented by Mr. GARDNER of Patten and tabled on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland.

On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that with a view to the equalization of taxation in this State, and ascertaining the just proportional part of the public burdens which should be borne by the various classess of property, rights and franchises, held and exercised in the State, which may not be the subject of State, county and municipal taxation according to their fair values and according to their relative values, a joint committee consisting of seven in number be chosen, five from the members of the present House of Representatives and two from the Senate.

Said committee of seven shall be appointed in the following manner: The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint ten members of said body, the President of the Senate shall appoint three members of the Senate who together with the 'Governor and Council shall on or before the first day of June, 1899, appoint said committee of seven, whose duty it shall be to

hold sessions at the State House and give hearings to all parties interested in the subject and also make such investigations as they deem for the best interests of the State and make a report and recommendations to the next legislature.

The compensation for the services of said committee to be determined by the Governor and Council.

Pending passage the order was tabled on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland.

Mr. DeCOSTER from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of Durham Agricultural Society.

The report was accepted and sent to the Senate.

Mr. MELCHER from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported "ought to pass" in new draft under same title, bill "An Act relative to the desecration, mutilation or improper use of the flag of the United States or of this State."

The report was accepted and bill ordered printed under joint rules.

Mr. SUTHERLAND from the York County Delegation, on bill "An Act regulating the use of the check list in caucuses in the city of Biddeford," reported "ought to pass" in new draft. bill "An Act regulating caucuses in the city of Biddeford.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. SUTHERLAND of Biddeford, rules were suspended, bill read three times, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. BROWN from the Special Committee, appointed to ascertain how many reports of the several departments are printed each year and the cost of the same, and to recommend to the legislature how many it is desirable to have printed, reported, "that chapter 173 of the laws of 1895 prescribes the maximum numbers of various department reports to be printed at the expense of the State, but gives to the governor and council discretionary power to reduce the number. It authorizes the State librarian to sell at cost to parties not entitled to said reports by custom or courtesy such copies as may from time to time remain in his hands. All other reports not enumerated in the first section of the act can be printed and bound and distributed only by

authority of the Governor and Council. Section three, however, appears to give to departments, bureau and institutions authority to print circulars and bulletins at the discretion of the officers in charge. In 1897 an act was passed making the printing and binding of twelve thousand copies of the report of the secretary of the board of agriculture compulsory, with this exception the law remains unchanged from 1895 and the determination of the number of copies of all reports to be printed remains in the hands of the Governor and Council."

The committee ask that this report may be printed for the information of the legislature and referred to the next legislature.

Pending acceptance the report was tabled on motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth and ordered printed.

Bill "An Act to repeal section 5 of chapter 306 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to taxes on wild lands." House document No. 347,

Was read twice and to-morrow assigned for third reading.

Bill "An Act to locate Androscoggin pond in some county and town." House document No. 350,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. BELLEAU of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act to render optional the use of seals on deeds and other contracts." House document No. 346,

Pending first reading, Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost. The bill was read twice. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to taxes assessed on timber and grass on reserved lands for years 1887 to 1896, both inclusive." House document No. 348,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. BODWELL of Hallowell, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate. Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the register of probate in Lincoln county." House document No. 351,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prohibit advertising debtors." House document No. 352,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. HARRIS of Auburn, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act amendatory of chapter 507 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled 'An Act to establish the Dover municipal court.'" House document No. 354,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to divide the town of Frenchville and incorporate the town of St. Agatha." House document No. 355,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. WILSON of Cherryfield, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 1899, entitled 'An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland.'" House document No. 357,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve laying a tax on counties of the State for the years 1899 and 1900. House document No. 353,

Was read once. On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of Adjutant General John T. Richards. House document No. 356.

Was read once. On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate. Resolve relating to certain unpaid taxes assessed against certain street railroad corporations. House document No. 358,

Was read once. On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, regulating the right to trial by jury in divorce suits,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 218 of the Public Laws of 1893, and chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to the limitations of actions against executors and administrators,"

Was reported from same committee, read the third time, and passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendment "A" in concurrence.

Resolve providing for a State auditor,

Was reported from same committee, read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act relating to the expenses of State officials and employes,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, tabled on motion of Mr. KING of Caribou.

Bill "An Act to amend section 28 of chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of mortgages, as amended by chapter 69 of the Public Laws of 1895,"

Was reported from same committee and pending third reading, Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, 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.

An Act authorizing the inhabitants of Foxcroft, to make appropriation for free use of books in the Thompson Free Library; An Act to amend "An Act to incorporate the city of Gardiner;"

An Act to authorize a topographic survey of the State in co-operation with the United States geological survey;

An Act to create a lien upon monumental work;

An Act to amend chapter 135 of the Public Acts of 1895 and acts additional thereto, relating to the salary of judge of municipal court of Bath;

An Act for the better protection of fish weirs;

An Act in relation to street railroad corporations;

An Act to extend the charter of the Winn Water and Power Company, and to amend the same;

An Act to amend chapter 329 of the Private and Special Laws of 1891, relating to the municipal court of Waterville, as amended by chapter 325 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897;

An Act to prevent the destruction of smelts in Saco river;

An Act authorizing women to be admitted as attorneys to practice law in the courts of this State;

An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1899, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and seven thousand nine hundred fifty dollars and ninety-eight cents;

An Act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1900, amounting to the sum of nine hundred and seven thousand nine hundred fifty dollars and ninety-eight cents;

An Act to amend section 11, chapter 78 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of county commissioners;

An Act to legalize the doings of the First Universalist Society of Westbrook;

An Act relating to sums paid by officers and collectors for internal revenue stamps affixed to deeds of real estate sold by them;

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Resolve in favor of the commissioners appointed by the Governor to inquire into and report upon the advisability of establishing additional State normal schools;

Resolve relating to the records of births, marriages and deaths in the office of the Secretary of State;

Resolve providing for the expenses of State inspectors of steam vessels;

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 order that the time before which the Joint Standing Committees of this legislature be required to report, be extended to March 21, 1899,

Came up as a special assignment.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the order was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery, medicine and dentistry,"

Came up as a special assignment.

The motion made yesterday by Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, that the bill be indefinitely postponed, prevailed, and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act in relation to foreign banking associations and corporations,"

Came up as a special assignment and was read twice.

Mr. KING of Caribou, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. On motion of Mr. DEERING of Saco, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls, Came up as a special assignment.

Mr. CHASE of Portland, offered House amendment "A" and pending its adoption, the House adjourned, on motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Discussion of the question under consideration when the House adjourned, relative to the adoption of House amendment "A" to resolve in favor of the Industrial School for Girls, was resumed.

On the adoption of the amendment, Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, called for the yeas and nays which the House refused to order. The amendment was rejected by a vote on division, 16 to 68.

On motion of Mr. BURNS of Westbrook, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed. Subsequently on motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, the vote whereby the resolve passed to be engrossed was reconsidered. Same gentleman offered House amendment "B" which was rejected. The resolve then passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls,

Came up as a special assignment. On motion of Mr. PEAS-LEE of Wiscasset, the resolve was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes as amended by chapter 326 of the Laws of 1897, relating to soldiers,"

Came up as a special assignment. On motion of Mr. MEL-CHER of Portland, the bill was retabled.

Papers from the Senate:

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, reporting "ought not to pass" on resolve in favor of J. A. Fairbanks.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Military Affairs.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on University of Maine.

The reports were accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on 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."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Subsequently on motion of Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered and the bill tabled.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An Act to amend section 50 of chapter 46 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of real estate of corporations," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act relating to the sale of real estate of corporations on execution."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill "An Act amendatory to section 9 of chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 47 of the Public Laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 197 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to public cemeteries or burying grounds," reporting "ought to pass" in new draft bill "An Act to incorporate Mount Pleasant Cemetery Corporation of South Portland."

The report was accepted in concurrence and bill read twice. On motion of Mr. FULLER of South Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the third time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Financial Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1900.

The report was accepted in concurrence and resolve read once. On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Bill "An Act to authorize the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Street Railway and the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway to increase their capital stocks,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House, March 15, came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "F" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

The votes whereby the bill passed to be enacted and engrossed were reconsidered, Senate amendment "F" adopted in concurrence and the bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to prevent the taking of smelts by drag seines in the waters of the Buck's harbor, Orcutt's harbor and Lawrence bay in the town of Brooksville,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House, March 10, 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.

Bill "An Act to prevent the killing of tern,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House, March 14, 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.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes, relating to interest,"

Was tabled and ordered printed on motion of Mr. MURPHY of Lewiston.

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 242 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 111 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to free public libraries." House document No. 362, Was read once and tabled on motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth.

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1897 and to amend section 5 of chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the board of agriculture." House document No. 363,

Was tabled pending first reading on motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the militia." House document No. 359,

Was read twice. On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture be and they are hereby directed to make their final report on matters pertaining to the cattle commission at the morning session to-morrow.

The order was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Ordered, That on and after the session of this day, all debates shall be limited to five minutes upon any subject, to any one member.

Pending passage, the order was tabled on motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor.

Resolve in favor of the equalization of taxation.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, the resolve was tabled and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to prevent heads of departments from employing counsel or witnesses before committees of the legislature." House document No. 360;

Bill "An Act to amend section 2 of chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers." House document No. 364;

Were severally read twice. On motion of Mr. PHIL-BROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, bills severally read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate. Resolve in favor of estate of H. F. Eaton. House document No. 365,

Was read once. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

An Act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Woolwich or their assigns, to increase the height of the dam across Nequasset stream, in the town of Woolwich;

An Act to prevent immoral exhibitions;

An Act additional to chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sale, on writ, of personal property attached;

An Act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899;"

An Act to establish a municipal court in the town of Searsport;

An Act additional to chapter 237 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to life and casualty insurance on the assessment plan;

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of the county of Hancock;

Resolve in favor of the town of Trescott;

Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to accept, in the name of the State, from the Pemaquid Monument Association, title to Fort William Henry and adjacent lands;

Resolve for improvement of Songo and Chute rivers;

Resolve in favor of Francis Keefe, in part payment of witnesses', magistrate's and officer's fees and disbursements made by him in the Kittery and Eliot contested election case;

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the State normal schools;

Resolve in favor of Joshua Gray of Gardiner and William B. Snow of Skowhegan;

Resolve in favor of the town of Rockport;

Resolve in favor of the society of the Sisters of Charity for the use of the Healy Asylum of Lewiston;

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. GUERNSEY of Dover,

Bill "An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1899, as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to hawkers and peddlers,"

Was taken from the table.

Same gentleman offered House amendment "A" which was adopted, rules suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Starks,

Majority report of the Committee on University of Maine, reporting "ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to repeal the provisions of chapter 215 of the Resolves of 1897, appropriating twenty thousand dollars a year for ten years, for the University of Maine, so far as the same relates to the years subsequent to 1898, and

Minority report of same committee on same bill, reporting "ought to pass" in new draft, bill "An Act to repeal the provisions of chapter 215 of the Resolves of 1897, appropriating twenty thousand dollars a year, for ten years, for the University of Maine, so far as the same relates to the years subsequent to 1900."

Was taken from the table.

Mr. WALKER of Starks, moved to substitute the minority for the majority report.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden, moved that when the vote on the motion to substitute the minority for the majority report, be taken, it be by the yeas and nays. The House refused to order the yeas and nays and the motion was lost on a viva voce ' vote.

The majority report was accepted and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN of Portland,

The order, that the Senate concurring, that with a view to the equalization of taxation in this State and ascertaining the just proportional part of the public burden which should be borne by the various classes of property, rights and franchises held and exercised in the State which may not be the subject of State, county and municipal taxation according to their fair values and according to their relative values, a joint committee consisting of seven in number be chosen, five from the members of the present House of Representatives and two from the Senate.

Said committee of seven shall be appointed in the following manner: The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint ten members of said body, the President of the Senate shall appoint three members of the Senate, who, together with the Governor and Council shall, on or before the first day of June, 1899, appoint said committee of seven whose duty it shall be to hold sessions at the State House, and give hearings to all parties interested in the subject and also make such investigations as they deem for the best interests of the State and make a report and recommendations to the next legislature.

The compensation for the services of said committee to be determined by the Governor and Council.

Was taken from the table. On motion of Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan, the order was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

Bill "An Act to promote the efficiency of the fire department of the city of Bangor,"

Was taken from the table, indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in towns,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. KING of Caribou, offered House amendment "D." Subsequently he withdrew it. Same gentleman offered House amendment "1" to House amendment "C."

The vote whereby the House, March 14, adopted House amendment "C" was reconsidered. House amendment "I" to House amendment "C" was adopted. House amendment "C" as amended by House amendment "I" was adopted. On motion of Mr. PERKINS of Cornish, the bill was tabled and with amendments incorporated, ordered printed. On motion of Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner,

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Saint Croix Water Power Company,"

Was taken from the table.

On motion of same gentleman, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered, House amendment "A" offered by Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner, was adopted and the bill as amended, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta,

Bill "An Act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to provide for the disclosure of poor debtors,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, offered House amendments "A," "B," "C," "D" and "E" which were adopted. On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the bill was referred to the next legislature and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville,

Bill "An Act to prevent a preference of creditors,"

Was taken from the table.

Mr. HILL of Belfast, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Pending action on this motion, the bill was tabled on motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten,

Bill "An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 288 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to tramps,"

Was taken from the table, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEBB of Portland,

Bill "An Act establishing the Maine Industrial School for Girls,"

Was taken from the table. On motion of Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset, rules were suspended, bill read three times and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, moved that when the House adjourns it be to meet at nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

The motion prevailed.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF HARLAN P. PRINCE OF YARMOUTH.

Mr. WEED of Monticello, presented the following resolutions:

In view of the loss we have sustained by the decease of our friend and associate, Harlan P. Prince, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him, be it

Resolved, That in the death of H. P. Prince, the town of Yarmouth loses an honored citizen, the State of Maine a noble son and this House one of its most efficient members.

Resolved, That it is only a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that, in regretting his removal from our midst, we mourn for one who was in every way worthy of our respect and regard.

Resolved, That we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them, and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best, and whose chastisements are meant in mercy.

Resolved, That this heartfelt testimonial of our sympathy and sorrow be forwarded to the family of our departed friend by the Clerk of this House and that the same be printed in the Journal of this House.

Mr. FOGG of Freeport said:

On the fifth day of March, one week ago last Sunday, Harlan P. Prince, representative from the classed towns of Yarmouth and North Yarmouth, passed away at his home in Yarmouth, after a short sickness of about a week. On Friday, February 24, he left this hall apparently in perfect health, but soon after reaching home contracted a severe cold which resulted in pneumonia.

Having been associated with Captain Prince, as we all called him, at the last as well as the present legislature, and having occupied the same apartments with him this winter; knowing him probably better than any other member of this House, it seems but proper and fitting that I should speak to you of him for whom I had the most profound respect.

Harlan Page Prince was born in Yarmouth, June 9, 1838. He was the youngest son of Captain Reuben and Deborah Drinkwater Prince. He was educated in the public schools of Yarmouth and at North Yarmouth Academy, that famous old school which has graduated so many famous men.

At the early age of 15 years, he began to go to sea. Ship building at that time was at its height. The sound of the hammer and mallet were heard in every hamlet along our shore and he, like every ambitious boy of his time was anxious to command a ship. He continued to follow the sea with the exception of a time spent at home in the study of navigation until the winter of '92, when he decided to give up the sea and retire to his farm in Yarmouth which had always been the desire of his life and which he enjoyed in every sense of the word the few years his life has been spared.

He was early placed in command of a ship and in his several voyages around the world, he sailed as master of the following vessels: Aeronaut, brigs, Emma, Agenora, barks, Ester, B. Webster, Onaway, Carrie Heckle and the ship Wm. G. Davis of which he was master at the time of his retirement from the sea.

Capt. Prince was twice married, his first wife was Annie C. Prince by whom he leaves one daughter. On October 6, 1890, he married Clara Blanchard Gooding, who survives him together with two beautiful children, Harlan Page, Jr., and Jessie May.

In 1896, he was elected to represent the classed towns of Yarmouth and North Yarmouth by a large majority and in 1898 he was re-elected by an increased majority.

Captain Prince was a man who lived up to the saying that "Honesty is the best policy" and made friends wherever he went. He was a kind neighbor, a loving husband and father and a good citizen. It is said of him that those who differed with him in politics were always ready to admit that the interests of the town were ably and conscientiously represented in the State legislature. He was a member of the Portland Maine Society in whose affairs he took a great interest.

Captain Prince was of a retiring nature; he did not seek notoriety by speaking on the floor of the House, but was always an attentive listener and kept well informed in the business of the day; when a vote came, his voice was heard with no uncertain sound.

He was a man that never allowed himself to grow old and although there was a large difference in our ages I always enjoyed his company.

Those of us who were intimately acquainted with him will never forget his sayings. His fund of sea tales and anecdotes always made him the center of an interested group. He seemed to have a flavor of the sea about him, left there by forty years of constant travel which time could not efface.

My personal relationship with Captain Prince has been most cordial. There have been times during the session when I have been obliged to be absent; on returning he would always say to me "Fogg, I can't have you absent any more. You don't know how I miss you."

Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, how these wordscome back to me now, when I look at his vacant chair; I only wish I were able to express to you in words how much I misshim.

The resolutions were seconded by Messrs. Grindel of Islesboro, Ryerson of Livermore, Brown of Falmouth and Philbrook of Waterville.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, moved that as a further mark of respect to the memory of Captain Prince, the House donow adjourn.

The motion prevailed.

Adjourned.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

AUGUSTA, FRIDAY, March 17, 1899.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act to render optional the use of seals on deeds and other contracts,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 16, came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered and on motion of same gentleman, the bill was referred to the next legislature in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Resolve laying a tax on counties of the State for the years 1899 and 1900,

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 resolve passed to be engrossed was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence and the resolve as amended, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The order that the Committee on Agriculture be and they are hereby directed to make their final report on matters pertaining to the cattle commission at the morning session to-morrow morning, which was read and passed in the House, March 16,

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence. The vote whereby the order received a passage was reconsidered and the order indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Final report of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to amend section 5 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine, relating to the board of agriculture,"

Was presented by Mr. FITZ of Durham, who moved that it be tabled for printing.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WILSON of Brunswick,

Ordered, That after March 17, 1899, James M. Sanborn of Newport be excused from further attendance at this session of the legislature and that the clerk be directed to make up his pay and mileage to the end of the session.

Resolve that there shall be appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Executive Council, a commission whose duty it shall be to ascertain what expenditures of government can be reduced without impairing public service,

Was presented by Mr. GUERNSEY of Dover.

Mr. BEAL of Bangor, moved that the resolve be laid on the table. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the resolve was indefinitely postponed by a vote on division 70 to 20 and sent to the Senate.

Mr. DECOSTER from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of the York County Agricultural Society.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. DECOSTER of Buckfield, rules were suspended, the resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Mr. NICKERSON from the Committee on Agriculture, reported "ought to pass" on resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis by cattle commissioners.

The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, the resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act relative to the desecration, mutilation or improper use of the flag of the United States or of this State." House document No. 366,

Was read twice. Mr. CHASE of Portland, offered Houseamendment "A" which was adopted. On motion of Mr. MEL-CHER of Portland, rules were suspended, bill read the thirdtime, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to repeal section 5 of chapter 306 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to taxes on wild lands,"

Was reported from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

An Act to amend sections 55 and 56 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 72 of the Public Laws of 1887, chapter 235 of the Public Laws of 1893 and chapter 49 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to licensing transportation companies;

An Act to amend section 8 of chapter 60 of the Revised Statutes, regulating the right to trial by jury in divorce suits;

An Act to divide the town of Frenchville and incorporate the town of Saint Agatha;

An Act in relation to the police court of the city of Gardiner;

An Act to fix the clerk hire of the probate court in the county of Kennebec;

An Act to amend chapter 104 of the Private and Special Laws of 1899, relating to the taking of herring in the 10wn of Cutler;

An Act in relation to taxes assessed on timber and grass on reserved lands for years 1887 to 1896, both inclusive;

An Act in relation to foreign banking associations and corporations;

An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the register of probate in Lincoln county;

An Act to amend chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 218 of the Public Laws of 1893 and chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to limitations of actions. against executors and administrators; An Act to prohibit advertising debtors;

An Act relating to the construction of sidewalks in the city of Auburn;

An Act to amend section 28 of chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of mortgages, as amended by chapter 69 of the Public Laws of 1895;

An Act to extend the rights, powers and privileges of the Franklin, Somerset and Kennebec Railway Company;

An Act to re-establish the salary of the judge and register of probate for Somerset county;

An Act to amend chapter 33, section 1, of the Public Laws of 1887, relating to the burial of soldiers;

An Act to extend the charter of the Kennebec and Franklin Railway;

An Act pertaining to the taking of salmon in the Penobscot river, above the Water Works' dam at Bangor;

An Act amendatory of chapter 507 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, entitled "An Act to establish the Dover municipal court;"

An Act to prevent heads of departments from employing counsel or witnesses before committees of the legislature;

An Act relating to the sale of real estate of corporations on execution;

An Act to amend chapter 11 of the Private Laws of 1899, entitled "An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland;"

An Act to incorporate Mount Pleasant Cemetery Corporation of South Portland;

An Act to prevent the taking of smelts by drag seines in the waters of the Buck's harbor, Orcutt's harbor and Lawrence bay in the town of Brooksville;

An Act to amend the charter of the Ossipee Valley Telegraph and Telephone Company;

An Act to prevent the killing of tern;

An Act to authorize the Lewiston, Brunswick and Bath Street Railway and the Portsmouth, Kittery and York Street Railway to increase their stocks and bonds; An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the organization of railroad companies under general law;

An Act to amend paragraph 2 of section 59 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes, relating to town, village and city by-laws and ordinances;

An Act to amend sections 3 and 6 of chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 84 of the Public Laws of 1895, and chapter 249 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the organization and control of street railroads;

Resolve in favor of the stenographer and messenger to the Committee on Legal Affairs;

Resolve providing for an epidemic or emergency fund;

Resolve in favor of the assistant secretary and stenographer, and the messenger to the Judiciary Committee;

Resolve in favor of the city of Augusta;

Resolve in favor of the North Berwick Agricultural Association;

Resolve in favor of the committee appointed to attend the funeral of Harlan P. Prince of Yarmouth;

Resolve in favor of Adjutant General John T. Richards;

Resolve relating to certain unpaid taxes assessed against certain street railroad corporations;

Resolve in favor of the 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.

Resolves providing for a State auditor,

Were reported from same committee and finally passed by a vote of 116 to 5.

Those who voted "yea" were Messrs.

Abbott,	Belleau,	Bodwell,
Adams,	Bennett,	Bridgham,
Beal,	Bird,	Brimmer,

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Britton,	Hahn,	Peabody,	
Brown, Falmouth,	Harris,	Peaslee,	
Brown, Warren,	Hassell,	Perkins,	
Bryant,	Hill,	Philbrook,	
Buck,	Hix,	Pierce,	
Burns,	Hopkins,	Powers,	
Carr,	Hutchings,	Rankin,	
Cartret,	Irving,	Reed,	
Chase,	Jellison,	Ridlon,	
Chick,	Johonnett,	Rowell,	
Cleveland,	Jones,	Ryerson,	
Cobb,	Keefe,	Sargent, Portland,	
Colburn,	Kernon,	Sargent, Sedgwick,	
Daigle,	Kilborn,	Sawyer,	
Davis,	King,	Smith, Hartland,	
Dawson,	Leavitt,	Smith, Presque Isle,	
De Coster,	Ledvard,	Somes,	
Deering,	Libbey, Albion,	Spofford,	
Donham,	Libbey, So. Berwick,	*	
Dunning,	Macfarlane,	Stetson, Bangor,	
Esty,	Macomber,	Stetson, Monmouth,	
Field,	Manley,	Sutherland,	
Fitz,	Maxcy,	Taylor,	
Fogg,	Maxwell,	Teel,	
Forhan,	McFaul,	Tarner,	
Fuller, Auburn,	Melcher,	Tyler,	
Fuller, Kennebunk,	Merrill, N. Glouceste		
Fuller, So. Portland,	Merrill, Skowhegan,		
Garcelon,	Morey,	Weed,	
Gardner,	Mosher,	West,	
Gentleman,	Murchie.	Wilbur,	
Girdler,	Murphy,	Wilson, Cherryfield,	
Gordon,	Nickerson, Orringto		
Gould,	Nickerson, Swanville		
Grindel,	Noves,	Wood—116.	
Guernsey,	Parkhurst,		
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Those who voted "nav" were Messrs.			

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.Berry,Jordan,Porter—5.Farnsworth,McFadden,

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Those who were a	bsent were Messrs.	
Beath,	Goss,	Sanborn,
Blackstone,	Harman,	Spratt,
Chamberlin,	Hodgkins,	Spurr,
Coffin,	Hughes,	Thayer,
Craig,	Hyde,	Walker,
Crane,	Kalloch,	Webster,
Drummey,	Laliberte,	Wilson, Brunswick,
Eaton,	Parker,	Woodbridge-28.
Farrell,	Plummer,	_
Freese,	Purinton,	

The resolves were signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to prevent a preference of creditors,"

Came up as a special assignment.

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Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, offered House amendment "A" which was adopted. Mr. HILL of Belfast, withdrew the motion to indefinitely postpone the bill, made by him March 16.

The bill was read a second time. On motion of Mr. HOP-KINS, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the equalization of taxation,

Came up as a special assignment.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, moved that the resolve be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. GARDNER of Patten, moved that the resolve be laid on the table. The motion was lost by a vote on division, 11 to 79. The motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GARDNER of Patten,

Resolve appointing a committee to investigate the tax system of Maine and report to the next legislature,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, the resolve was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

Bill "An Act to amend section 4 of chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1897, and to amend section 5 of chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the board of agriculture,"

Was taken from the table.

Pending first reading, Mr. DECOSTER of Buckfield, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

(Discussion ensued.)

Mr. GENTLEMAN of Porter, called for the yeas and nays, which the House ordered and the motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed by a vote of 61 to 60.

Those who voted "vea" were Messrs. Bennett, Harris. Ridlon. Berry. Irving. Rowell. Brown, Warren. Jellison, Rverson, Chamberlin, Johonnett, Sawyer, Cleveland. Jordan, Smith, Hartland, Cobb. Smith, Presque Isle, Kalloch. Colburn. Kilborn. Spofford, Craig, Leavard, Spratt. Daigle, Macomber. Spurr, Davis. Maxcy, Staples, De Coster, McFadden, Stetson, Monmouth, Donham. Merrill, N. GloucesterTaylor, Dunning, Mosher, Turner. Farnsworth, Nickerson, Orrington Virgin, Fogg, Noves, Walker, Forhan. Perkins. Wilbur, Fuller, So. Portland, Philbrook, Wilson, Gorham, Gentleman, Pierce. Wilson, Minot, Girdler, Porter, Woodbridge-61. Gould. Purinton. Grindel. Reed.

Those who voted "nay" were Messrs.Abbott,Belleau,Britton,Adams,Bird,Brown, Falmouth,Beal,Bridgham,Bryant,

FRIDAY, MARCH 17.

Buck,	Hodgkins,	Murphy,
Burns,	Hopkins,	Nickerson, Swanville,
Carr,	Hutchings, ·	Parkhurst,
Cartret,	Hyde,	Peabody,
Deering,	Jones,	Peaslee,
Eaton,	Keefe,	Powers,
Field,	Kernon,	Rankin,
Fitz,	King,	Sargent, Portland,
Fuller, Auburn,	Leavitt,	Sargent, Sedgwick,
Fuller, Kennebunk,	Libbey, Albion,	Sutherland,
Garcelon,	Libbey, So. Berwick,	Teel,
Gardner,	Macfarlane,	Tyler,
Gordon,	Maxwell,	Weed,
Hahn,	McFaul,	West,
Hassell,	Melcher,	Wilson, Brunswick,
Hill,	Morey,	Wilson, Cherryfield,
Hix,	Murchie,	Wood60.

Those who were absent were Messrs.

Beath,	Drummey,	Manley,
Blackstone,	Esty,	Merrill, Skowhegan,
Bodwell,	Farrell,	Parker,
Brimmer,	Freese,	Plummer,
Chase,	Goss,	Sanborn,
Chick,	Guernsey,	Somes,
Coffin,	Harman,	Thayer,
Crane,	Hughes,	Webb,
Dawson,	Laliberte,	Webster—27.

Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost and the papers were sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BEAL of Bangor,

The order, That on and after the session of this day, all debates shall be limited to five minutes upon any subject to any one member,

Was taken from the table and given a passage.

On motion of Mr. PERKINS of Cornish, Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in towns," Was taken from the table. Same gentleman offered House amendment "D" which was adopted. Mr. LEAVITT of Eastport, offered House amendment "E" which was rejected. Mr. PERKINS of Cornish, offered House amendment "F" which was adopted.

Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Subsequently the motion was withdrawn. The bill then passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A," "B," "C," "D" and "F" and was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth,

Report of the special committee appointed to ascertain how many reports of the several departments are printed each year, and the cost of the same, and to recommend to the legislature how many it is desirable to have printed,

Was taken from the table, accepted and sent to the Senate.

Under the order of the House, passed March 15, the following matters were taken from the table:

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, and as further amended by chapter 303 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated places;

Pending first reading, Mr. KING of Caribou, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. The motion prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act for the detection of criminals,"

Was read a second time. On motion of Mr. HUTCHINGS of Brewer, rules were suspended, bill read the third time, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs, reporting "ought to pass" on bill "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of municipal courts in criminal cases."

The report was accepted and bill read once.

Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, offered House amendment "A."

Pending its adoption, Mr. CHASE of Portland, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. House amendment "A" was adopted. The motion to indefinitely postpone the bill prevailed by a vote on division 37 to 15. The papers were sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act additional to section 96 of chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes, relating to abatement of taxes."

On motion of Mr. CHASE of Portland, the bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Ordered, The House concurring, that all committees which have not already finally reported, shall make their final reports forthwith.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, the order was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 8, chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 326 of the Laws of 1897, relating to soldiers."

On motion of Mr. BIRD of Rockland, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counsellors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts."

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, offered House amendments "A" and "B" which were adopted. Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor, offered House amendment "C" which was also adopted.

The bill then passed to be engrossed as amended by House amendments "A," "B" and "C" and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to locate Androscoggin pond in some county and town."

Mr. BELLEAU of Lewiston, moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. HILL of Belfast, moved that the bill be referred to the next legislature. Pending action on this motion, the bill was tabled, on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 242 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 111 of the Public Laws of 1805, relating to free public libraries."

On motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, the bill was retabled and this afternoon assigned for its consideration.

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Bill "An Act relating to the expenses of State officials and employes."

Mr. KING of Caribou, offered House amendment "A." Pending its adoption on motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes, relating to interest."

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

An Act to incorporate the Lisbon and Topsham Water Company,

Was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MACOMBER of Augusta, Adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment.

Papers from the Senate:

Resolve in favor of the messenger to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, the messenger to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, the messenger to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries and to the temporary assistant to the librarian.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, and resolve read once. Mr. CHASE of Portland, offered House amendments "A" and "B" which were adopted. The resolve was read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of the Committee on the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, resolve read twice and passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Resolve in favor of the stenographers and typewriters to the presiding and recording officers of the Senate and House.

On motion of Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville, rules were suspended, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the messenger to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed and was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act for the detection of criminals,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 17, 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 to prevent a preference of creditors,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 17, as amended by House amendment "A," 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 to amend section 29 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 31 of the Public Laws of 1887, and as further amended by chapter 303 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to the support of paupers in unincorporated places,"

Which was indefinitely postponed in the House, March 17, came from the Senate, that branch insisting on its former action in passing the bill to be engrossed with the following Committee of Conference appointed on its part:

Messrs. Weeks of Somerset,

Blanchard of Franklin,

Reynolds of Cumberland.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, the House voted to adhere to its former action and the papers were sent to the Senate. Bill "An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counsellors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 17, as amended by House amendments "A," "B," and "C." Came from the Senate with House amendments "A" and "C" adopted and House amendment "B" amended by Senate amendment "1" adopted and bill as amended passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered.

On motion of same gentleman the House non-concurred in the adoption of Senate amendment "1" to House amendment "B." The vote whereby House amendment "B" was adopted, was reconsidered. Mr. SMITH offered House amendment "1" to House amendment "B," which was adopted, and House amendment "B" as amended by House amendment "1" was adopted, and the bill as amended by House amendments "A" and "C" and House amendment "B" as amended by House amendment "1," passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls,

Which was indefinitely postponed in the House, March 16. Came from the Senate amended by Senate amendment "A" and passed to be engrossed as amended.

On motion of Mr. WALKER of Starks, the vote whereby the House indefinitely postponed the resolve was reconsidered, Senate amendment "A" adopted in concurrence, resolve read the second time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act entitled 'An Act to amend chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899,' "

Which passed to be enacted in the House, March 16. 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. Bill "An Act for the better protection of sheep in the town of Perry,"

Which passed to be enacted in the House, March 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.

On motion of Mr. CHICK of Clifton,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the employes under the superintendent of public buildings, receive the same compensation as two years ago.

Pending passage, the order was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. WOOD of Camden, and sent to the Senate.

An Act to amend chapter 42 of the Public Laws of 1899;

An Act for the better protection of sheep in the town of Perry;

An Act to repeal section 5, chapter 306 of the Public Laws of 1897, relating to taxes on wild lands;

An Act regulating caucuses in the city of Biddeford;

An Act to amend section 17 of chapter 128 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 288 of the Public Laws of 1889, relating to tramps;

An Act establishing the Maine Industrial School for Girls;

An Act to amend section 1 of chapter 298 of the Public Laws of 1889, as amended by the Public Laws of 1899, relating to hawkers and peddlers;

An Act to amend chapter 266 of the Public Laws of 1893, relating to the militia;

An Act to incorporate the Kennebec Water District;

An Act to incorporate the Saint Croix Water Power Company;

Resolve laying a tax on the counties of the State for the years 1899 and 1900;

Resolve in favor of the Maine Industrial School for Girls; Resolve in favor of estate of H. F. Eaton;

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Resolves authorizing a temporary loan for the year 1900;

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:

Report of the Committee on Conference to which was referred the disagreeing action of the Senate and House on order, that the sixty-ninth legislature finally adjourn on Friday, March 17, on or before twelve o'clock, midnight; reporting "that the same be given a passage."

The report was accepted in concurrence and the order passed in concurrence.

Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate,

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

Bill "An Act to render optional the use of seals on deeds and other contracts," which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 16.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS of Deering, the House voted to adhere, and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Resolve on the pay roll of the House,

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, resolve read twice, passed to be engrossed and was sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to amend section 3 of chapter 242 of the Public Laws of 1893, as amended by chapter 111 of the Public Laws of 1895, relating to free public libraries,"

Came up as a special assignment.

Pending second reading, on motion of Mr. BROWN of Falmouth, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to locate Androscoggin pond in some county and town,"

Came up as a special assignment.

The motion of Mr. BELLEAU of Lewiston, made this forenoon, that the bill be indefinitely postponed prevailed and the papers were sent to the Senate.

Mr. MOREY of Lewiston said:

At this time I desire to introduce the following resolve:

Resolved, That the members of this House extend at this time their thanks to the Speaker and their appreciation of the just, able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations at this session. (Applause.)

Mr. MANLEY of Augusta said:

Mr. Clerk and Gentlemen: The time has come for this session to close. A little less than three months ago we met as comparative strangers. We part as friends. We can all with truth declare,—there has been no animosity of debate, no angry words uttered, no intense feeling aroused, no prejudice excited. For once, at least, members of the two great political parties who contend at the proper time for the control of government, have acted upon this floor in perfect harmony. By no vote given or word uttered could we know that there was any party difference; and this is a high tribute to the members of this House. We have all risen above party, and every member has acted as his judgment dictated for the best interests of our State.

It is a wise provision of nature that we all view every question from our own standpoint, as it is the natural order for mankind to be upon friendly terms with one another. If we are all engaged in a common purpose to uphold the welfare, credit and honor of our State, it can but tend to increase the world's respect and admiration. Emerson so beautifully expresses it when he says: "We have a great deal more kindness than is ever spoken," and we all know that "the only way to have a friend is to be one," and that "life is no life without friends."

Five years ago Du Maurier wrote "Trilby," which had a marvelous sale. It was read by millions in every section of the world. Its strength, its power, its beauty lay in the true picture of friendship which it graphically described. Its characters were all human. They were not saints. They were afflicted with the weaknesses of mankind; but the strength of friendship between Taffy, The Laird, and Little Billee was told with so much truth, pathos and power that it will ever be fresh in the minds of those who delight to read the English language.

Our Speaker is entitled to our thanks, to our praise, to the warm regard of our friendship. He has presided over the deliberations of this body with absolute fidelity, with great courtesy, always affable and considerate. He has won our profound esteem; and we all extend to him the wish that the remainder of his life may be as bright, as successful, and as happy as he has been felicitious and just in discharging his duties as speaker of this body.

Let me add my heartfelt wishes that life may bring to you, one and all, every blessing, and let me close as Du Maurier closed his beautiful story of Trilby,

> "A little work, a little play To keep us going—and so, good day! A little warmth, a little light Of love's bestowing—and so, good night! A little fun, to match the sorrow Of each day's growing—and so, good morrow! A little trust, that when we die We reap our sowing; and so, good bye."

(Applause.)

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville said:

Mr. Clerk: I am sure, gentlemen of the House, that I should not have discharged my final duty to myself if I did not take this opportunity to add, in the most emphatic terms, my endorsement of all that has been said regarding the presiding officer of the House of the sixty-ninth legislature. I have been placed in peculiar relations with Colonel Stetson, so peculiar and so delicate that it would not be in good taste for me to enlarge here upon the subject. Suffice it for me to say that at no time during the many years during which I have known Colonel Stetson have I ever found him less than a true gentleman; and during the years and the months which have passed there has arisen between him and myself, I trust, a peculiarly tender feeling of friendship and regard which I know—I speak advisedly—the experience of these twelve weeks has made more enduring.

To you, Mr. Speaker, I tender my heartfelt thanks for the courtesies I have received, not only during the twelve weeks now

drawing to a close, but during the months and the years of our mutual acquaintance and friendship. And my most earnest prayer for you is that your life may be long, and that you may be surrounded by all the joys and the blessings which come to one who, like yourself, earns and is entitled to them. (Applause.)

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle said:

Mr. Clerk: An enforced vacation of the last ten days has about taken out of me what life and energy I had, and yet I feel that I cannot permit this session of the legislature to close without attempting to make a few remarks.

I do not believe that the legislature of Maine ever had a speaker who has tried harder to discharge his duties faithfully and to be more impartial than the present speaker. I say he has tried, and I believe he has succeeded to the satisfaction of every member of this House.

It is with mingled feelings of sorrow and gladness that I witness the final close of this session, sorrow because I must soon part from the many pleasant acquaintances I have made during this session, so many of which have already ripened into warm friendships, as I trust that they all will; glad because with the last tap of the Speaker's gavel, closes my legislative career. And I am not sorry. For two sessions, as a member of the sixtyeighth legislature and the sixty-ninth, both on the floor of this House and in the committee room I have endeavored to faithfully and impartially discharge the duties that devolve upon me without fear or favor. How well I have succeeded you and my constituents must determine.

We came here, as the gentleman from Augusta (Mr. Manley) said, as strangers. We came here with many differences of opinion. We have differed on many things; and yet after all, gentlemen, who knows but what we all may have been right? In the terminal station at the World's Fair ground in Chicago, into which I drifted one day, my attention was attracted to a large number of clocks arranged around the quadrangle of the roof of that massive building, and I discovered on consulting my watch that those clocks did not harmonize with my own timepiece, and I wondered what the cause could be. I looked again above one of those clocks and I saw written the word "Jerusalem;" above another, "Cairo;" above another, "Hong Kong;" above another, "Lisbon;" above another, "Madrid;" above another, "Paris;" above another, "London;" above another, "New York;" and so on, and the mystery was explained. Each clock was keeping the time of the city which it represented. Each clock was exactly right according to the meridian on which the city it represented was located. And the thought came to me then, as it has occurred to me often, who knows but what after all that in all matters on which we differ we may all be right; that our differences of opinion may simply depend on the standpoint from which we view things.

We have all tried at this session, I have no doubt, to faithfully and impartially discharge each and every duty that has come to us. We have all come here with honest convictions. We have all tried to do just right. We have passed a great many bills. We have passed a great many appropriation bills. We have made many large appropriations. Yet I do not believe that there is a man in this House who has voted for any bill, appropriation or otherwise, that he did not believe to be perfectly fair and right. I have voted for one bill, this session, the largest appropriation bill we have passed this session, which two years ago, I felt it my duty to oppose and did oppose, for the reason that the financial conditions of the State two years ago, were different then from what they are to-day. Two years ago, the State of Maine was under a dark cloud of financial gloom and distress, and no one knew when that cloud would lift. I then felt that we had better postpone all action until we could see a rift in the clouds. But this session, to my mind, those conditions have changed, for, thanks to the magnificent administration of President McKinley, thanks to the Dingley tariff bill-the great work of the mighty dead-the golden sunlight of a renewed prosperity is once more beginning to shine upon the hills and the mountains of the grand old State of Maine, and to reach down into the valleys thereof and spread out into the plains, and I believe that we are now near the open sea of a new prosperity. Hence, I thought we could safely vote the money necessary to carry on the work of that new home for those unfortunate people who, under the influence of that mystic touch which comes from where we know not, have passed into the

unknown land of insanity. As I have said before, I have formed many pleasant acquaintances here. I trust I never shall forget the faces of any of you whom I have met at this session. Some of them are indelibly burned into my memory, some of them will never pass away. One of the first acquaintances I formed when I came to this session, this winter, was that of my friend Colonel Murphy from Lewiston. Something about the man attracted my attention, and I felt a respect for him, and that respect deepened and grew when I learned that while he loved to sing that grand old Irish song, "The Wearing of the Green," that while he loved the Shamrock and Thistle, yet high above all he loved the country of which he is an honored citizen; and that for two years under the shining folds of Old Glory he fought in defense of this great Union; that on Southern fields his ears heard the siren-like music of whistling bullets; that his flesh had felt the hot impact of hostile missiles. Such men as he I am proud to call my friends.

With the gentleman from Dresden (Mr. McFadden) I had some differences of opinion, but they were honest differences of opinion. I never have questioned the honesty and integrity of the gentleman from Dresden and I never shall. But those differences have all vanished, and with me they will be gone forever with the close of this session; because the gentleman from Dresden has a record brighter and grander and greater, than I can ever hope to achieve, for he too in his early manhood, under the most trying circumstances, found himself for a time obliged to fight against the flag which he loved, but when the first opportunity presented itself, he joined the Union ranks where he fought like a hero brave and true for the preservation of his country. And so good is his record and so gallant was his conduct as a soldier, that I believe, yea, I know that in the time to come-which I trust is still afar off-when in response to the last bugle call, bidding him to report for duty above, this old veteran with martial tread approaches the shining gates of the celestial city, he will hear from within the voice of Him who died that men might live, saying, "Welcome, gallant defender of your country's flag, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

I early recognized our friend from Clifton (Mr. Chick) as one of the silent forces of this House. I say silent, except when he was sent over to the Senate to convey a message and with his calliope voice, startled that august body like a blast from the trump of doom. (Laughter and applause.) But, nevertheless, we have recognized him as a power in this House, the same kind of a power that goes beating and pulsating along the electric wire, which moves and sets in motion great and massive machinery.

I have heard some things said here which have surprised me. I was surprised the other day when my good friend, the bright, able, keen lawyer from Skowhegan (Mr. Merrill) rose in his place, and with the simple, bland, child-like air of a Chinaman selling to a Hottentot a red flannel night shirt for Sunday school wear, and with at the solemnity of a missionary urging a southsea islander to wear sheepskin boots, a fur coat and embrace the true religion, said he did not understand certain classic terms which I had used in debate. (Laughter.) I thought if the gentleman was stating the truth, he must be more dense than a patent office report. (Laughter.) That he must be more dull than the back-side of a broad axe; that his powers of observation must be less than that possessed by the eyeless fishes of the Mammoth cave of Kentucky, or else he has not improved his opportunities. I have a lurking suspicion that his statement was one of those sweet, innocent little fictions acquired in childhood days, and which always cling to every man.

Now, gentlemen, my physical condition is such that I can not speak longer, if I would. I wish to thank you for your attention, and in closing I want to say that I am about to return to my home in the wilderness and I extend to you and to each of you a hearty invitation to visit me there; and if you do come I will take you by the hand, and I will show you my humble domicile with the latch string hanging out a foot and a half, and I will say to you as they say in Mexico, "Gentlemen, this house and all it contains is yours." (Applause.)

Mr. MOREY of Lewiston said:

Mr. Clerk: In presenting the resolution which I have just sent to the desk, it is a pleasure for me to think that in this session of eleven weeks the cry of party has not once been raised on the floor of this House. (Applause.) As the gentleman from Augusta (Mr. Manley) so well said, in this session of the legislature, party feeling has been abrogated, and we have all met here determined to do our best for the interests of the State as we view them; and now after this session which has been abbreviated through the energetic action and business-like methods of our honored Speaker, we find ourselves ready now within a few short hours to cut loose forever from the ties which have bound us together as the members of this House.

Gentlemen, we have formed friendships free from partisan rancor that will be as lasting as the love which I hope may long remain in the many friends I have met here on the floor of this House; and to the brave-hearted men of this legislature, to the kind-hearted men of this legislature, to the fair and impartial presiding officer who has been to all members courtesy itself, I wish for one to say to you all, that we part with the pleasantest and kindest feelings; and may this chapter of our life book that has now closed be one to which we can refer always with the pleasantest of thoughts and the kindest of feelings. (Applause.)

Mr. DAWSON of Monroe said:

Mr. Clerk: We have heard from the lawyers of this House in respect to this resolution, and now it might be well for me to say a word in behalf of another class of people. I knew that when I came to this House for the first time in my life, and of course the chances are in small towns, the way we are elected, that I never shall again be a member, it was with a great many misgivings.

I knew, of course, that I with others of my calling would have to associate, we might say, with altogether a different class of people than we were used to associating with, and as I say it was with a great deal of misgiving; but I am happy to state that in my experience in this House of Representatives, I with others of my kind, have received nothing but the kindest consideration. The Speaker of the House has given us no cause to find any fault. We have been taken by the hand, from the highest to the lowest; and now, in behalf of my people, who are farmers, and also of our Grand Army, I extend our cordial thanks and good will to the Speaker of this House of Representatives. (Applause.) Mr. MAXCY of Gardiner said:

Mr. Clerk and Gentlemen: I am pleased to second the resolution introduced by the gentleman from Lewiston, and I desire to thank the Speaker of this House for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body.

And now the closing hours of this legislature are drawing near, and soon we shall leave for our various homes. A few weeks ago we came here as strangers. We part as friends, carrying with us a friendship that shall never cease.

Pleased are we at the thought of returning to our own firesides, and of again resuming our various occupations, but mingled with the pleasure of that thought comes a feeling of sadness, when we realize that we shall probably never all meet again as a legislative body.

Quickly the years come and go, and each one brings its changes. With the assembling of this House, only twelve members from the last one answered here to the roll-call. In a comparatively short time another House will assemble, but a large number of these seats will then be filled by strangers.

Our work is about finished, soon our record will be made public, and I trust that our acts will stand the test of time.

In our discussions of the various matters presented here, honest differences of opinion have existed, but I believe that the thought of these differences will be left behind, and I feel sure that in the years to come, when we recall our past lives, some of its brightest memories will be of the happy hours passed in these halls.

As we now part, I believe we shall take with us an increased veneration, and a greater love for this grand old State, the land of our birth, and I believe that in the years to come, each and every one of you will do all in your power to aid in its development, and to increase the prosperity, the welfare and the happiness of our people. (Applause.)

Mr. MURPHY of Lewiston said:

Mr. Clerk: It gives me great pleasure on this occasion to tender to the speaker of this House my sincere and cordial thanks for the many courtesies I have received at his hands; and I desire to say to the members of this House, one and all, to them I

tender my thanks, for the many cordial greetings and considerations I have received at their hands, and I trust that as long as I live, the memory of this session shall be fresh with me, and without any extended remarks, I feel that I can leave you all as friends. I met you as strangers, and I trust that so far as I am personally concerned, I have done that in my experience which I have thought right. (Applause.)

Mr. McFADDEN of Dresden said:

Mr. Clerk: Though I am not in a physical condition to say anything upon this occasion. I cannot feel satisfied to let the occasion pass without expressing my sentiments as well as I can. I assure you, one and all, that I appreciate as much as any man on the floor of this House the justice and the absolute fairness which the rulings of the Speaker have always manifested. Ι appreciate also, the universal courtesy which he has extended to every member of this House. While I have differed with many of you upon the duties which we owe to the people of the State in matters of policy, in matters of conducting the charities and the educational system of the State. I can say at this hour that I have no ill feelings whatever towards any member for any differences that have existed between us in opinion. (Applause.) T know that I have been sincere and I doubt not but each of you have. I hope I have never during the session indulged in any words that would indicate a different phase of mind in myself, for I have always endeavored to respect the opinions and sentiments of others.

I appreciate very fully the kind and cordial words which the gentleman from Presque Isle (Mr. Smith) has seen fit to extend towards me on this occasion, and I assure him that there is not lurking in my breast any wrangling feeling, which was inspired by ridicule which the gentleman has so much power in using. I know the temptation that always exists to use that powerful instrument, and I do not now cherish a thought in condemnation or a care for what has occurred. (Applause.) The questions upon which we have differed will be settled in one way or another in the future, and I am content as we must all be, to leave the settlement of these great questions to the mature and deliberate judgment of the people of the State.

Now, gentlemen, I wish that I was in a better condition to express to you my real sentiments, that my language was more adequate, but with the feeble and imperfect address I have made to you and with the hope that we may all live to see our fondest ambitions realized and our highest aspirations attained, with the hope that we may all live useful lives and that we may finally meet in a better and happier country where less differences occur, I heartily second the resolutions which have been offered. (Applause.)

Mr. PEASLEE of Wiscasset said:

Mr. Clerk: I most heartily indorse the resolution as presented, and I cannot refrain from expressing to the speaker of this House my most heartfelt thanks for the many courtesies he has always showed to me. It has been necessary on many occasions for me to consult him in order to find my path here in the House, and he has always so willingly and so courteously shown me attention, that I have felt to look upon him as my guide.

I must say just a word to the members of the House who have so kindly shown me courtesies whenever it has become my duty. as I have felt, to speak upon the floor of this House. I have felt that you, gentlemen, all listened to me with attention, and I thank you for it. I most heartily thank you for the kindness you have shown me in helping me in the various things which I have undertaken; and I must say in regard to the gentleman from Dresden (Mr. McFadden) that I am very glad indeed now to hear his remarks. While you know we have had some differences of opinion on the floor of the House. I have always known of his very kindly feelings toward me, while I have sustained the same toward him, yet now I know you will all understand this feeling if you have not before. While we have differed, I have yet the utmost respect for him, and we have always met pleasantly and kindly; and I must say, that the acquaintances which I have made here, the very pleasant acquaintances, will be for me to think of in the future very pleasant indeed. (Applause.)

Mr. MERRILL of Skowhegan said:

Mr. Clerk: It is with a great degree of satisfaction that I second the sentiments contained in the resolve in favor of our most admirable speaker.

When I came to this House. I was a stranger to most of you. and most of you were strangers, entirely so, to me, but it has been a very pleasant season for me during this session, and the acquaintances which I have formed, have been of the most pleasant character, and I hope, gentlemen, that I have not in any words, or in any acts, or in the expression of any opinion of my own, done it in a manner that was distasteful or unsatisfactory to any member of this House: and I thank you all, gentlemen, for the very kind attention and the very kind expressions of friendship which I have received at your hands, and I hope as we are about to part from this association, that in the future we may meet many and many times, and meet as friends; and if there should ever be an opportunity that you may be able to come to my town. I most cordially invite you one and all to come and see me and call on me as a friend : and I most heartily second the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor said:

I most heartily subscribe to the sentiments contained in the resolution presented by the gentleman from Lewiston. (Mr. Morey.) I second that resolution and in doing so, I take occasion to express to the members of the House my kind appreciation of the kindly and courteous treatment which I, in common with the other members have received from our speaker. I do not believe that the chair of this House has ever been graced by a gentleman more anxious to perform the arduous duties which fall upon the speaker of the House of Representatives, by a man who has tried more faithfully in serving us and aiding us in the performance of our duty, and also serve the State. I feel, gentlemen, a keen sense of regret at the prospect of parting as we shall this evening. In common with the rest of you, I knew comparatively few of my associates in the present House. Т believe now that there is not within the sound of my voice a single man into whose eves I cannot look, and whose hand I cannot take, and to whom I cannot address the sentiments of friendship. I hope in the years to come that it may be my good fortune to see all of you, to welcome you at my home and to continue there the associations that have been so pleasant to me here. (Applause.)

Mr. CHICK of Clifton said:

Mr. Clerk: It is peculiarly gratifying to me to have listened to the good words which have been spoken in reference to our honored speaker, a member from our county, and I want to say a word in behalf of the more humble members of the House—we fellows that belong away up in the backwoods. It has been very gratifying to me and to the other country members from our county, as has been often expressed to me this winter, the universal courtesy which they have received at his hands, and I heartily concur in seconding the resolution which has been offered; and here allow me to say personally that I want to express my sincere thanks to every member of this House, which I believe has been a House of unusual courtesy, one to the other. For many days I have had some misgiving and regret as the close of this session approached, and I can find no way to satisfy my mind in leaving you, other than to come into possession of a copy of the group picture of this legislature which hangs in the lobby to-day, and it will be a gratification to me in the days to come in my humble home, when I look upon your faces, as I may pick out member after member who have been kind and courteous to me, all the way from Portland to Calais, and as has been forcibly expressed once before in this House, from Kittery to Caribou, and that will take in my friend, the judge from Presque Isle, it will be peculiarly gratifying and comforting to me to look upon your faces.

I thank you most kindly, Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House, for the courtesy shown me, the backwoods member from Penobscot county. (Applause.)

Mr. MERRILL of New Gloucester said:

Mr. Clerk: It affords me great pleasure to express my gratitude to this body that has always extended the greatest courtesy to me. I deem it a pleasure to have the friendship of every man in this House. I wish especially to thank our speaker for the unvarying kindness he has shown me and also for his impartiality to the members of the minority body in this legislature in making up the committees at the beginning of this session. He has ruled impartially and been just to all and on behalf of the Democrats of this House I wish to heartily second the resolution presented.

The resolution was given a unanimous passage by a rising vote.

Speaker STETSON said:

Gentlemen of the House: It is with feelings of profound gratitude that I desire to express to you all my sincere appreciation of the many pleasant things which you have said of your presiding officer, both in the resolution which has been offered and in the remarks which have been made.

Some three short months ago we assembled here as members of the sixty-ninth legislature, and you elected me as your presiding officer. I have endeavored to be fair and just to every member and have endeavored to the best of myability, to perform the duties of this office. I sincerely appreciate the remarks that have been made by the members on the floor of this House in seconding this resolution, and in the many years that I hope to live I shall treasure up as fond memories the days when I formed the friendship, which I know and feel will be lasting, of many men over our entire State.

Coming as we have from all sections of our State, representing both political parties, I can truly say that I believe your actions have been just and fair and for the best interests of our State, irrespective of locality or party affiliations.

I desire to express my appreciation to those members of the committee on engrossed bills and bills in the third reading, who have so faithfully and conscientiously performed the work to which they were assigned, and I can truly say that the ease and despatch with which the business of this House has been accomplished has been due in a great measure to the conscientious work of all the gentlemen on these two committees and as I have consulted with men in the engrossing department, I think I am authorized to say that in no former legislature have men assumed the onerous duties of these committees so willingly and so faithfully as that of the sixty-ninth legislature.

Perhaps I am as well qualified and can realize more than any member on the floor of this House the arduous and faithful duties which have been performed by our efficient clerk, and I assure you, gentlemen, it has been a pleasure to your presiding officer to be associated with a gentleman of so much ability and attainment; and I believe that I voice the sentiments of all the members when I say that I believe it is the wish of us all that some day his wish may be gratified to occupy a place in a department of this State. (Applause.) The sixty-ninth legislature will go down as one composed of representative men, men who knew how to act and to vote for what they thought was for the best interest of our State, and I believe the history of this legislature will be such as will carry out the remarks which I have made, for it is well known that they are men of ability; and I believe the fair and honorable and frank discussion of all measures that have come before this House, sitting as I have here in the chair, and the feeling that has come up from the floor of this House that every member shall and will have fair treatment, rules or no rules, (applause) made me feel that each man was willing and more than willing that every one should have the fullest opportunity to say all that he wanted on any subject that was pending for legislative action.

Thanking you, gentlemen, for this opportunity of expressing to you my heartfelt approval for this most cordial resolution, I now close with once again thanking you at this, which may be my last opportunity in this legislature. (Applause.)

Mr. PARKHURST of Bangor said:

At the commencement of our legislative work it was my fortune to present to our caucus the name of a gentleman who, during the days of this session, has aided us in the conduct of our business, who has assisted our imperfect knowledge of the rules governing the progress of this House. I am doubly gratified at the present time to have the opportunity of presenting to this House a resolution thanking him for his work during the session.

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this House be tendered to W. S. Cotton for the conspicuous ability that he has displayed in the discharge of his duties as clerk of this House, and for the uniform patience and courtesy with which he has treated the members.

I move the unanimous adoption of the resolution. (Applause.)

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. PHILBROOK of Waterville said:

It is an easy matter sometimes for us to speak of those who are within the hearing of our voice, but do you ever think that there are those who may be far away and who are as much interested in our proceedings as we are ourselves? Away up on the

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northern border of our State, to-day, is sitting an old man, whose time must soon come to take his place in that house which is not made with hands. Those who have had the pleasure of serving in former legislatures, know well the kind heart and genial manner and the good graces of William Dickey. (Applause.) Before we close this session I would have it go out that we have not forgotten him. I have no doubt that there is no member of this House who has followed the proceedings of this body with more earnestness, with more care and with more intelligence than has the venerable sage of Fort Kent; and I take the privilege of introducing this order.

Ordered, That the clerk of the House be directed to send the following communication to Hon. William Dickey of Fort Kent:

Dear Sir: In the closing hours of the sixty-ninth legislature, the House of Representatives remembers with loving respect the gentleman who has so many times represented Fort Kent in this body. We have missed his kindly presence and valuable suggestions during this term, and beg him to accept our sincere wishes that his health and strength may be spared to him for many years and that every earthly joy may attend him as he approaches the sunset hour of life. (Applause.)

The order received a unanimous passage.

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On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, the House took a recess until 8 o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Papers from the Senate:

Bill "An Act in relation to political caucuses in towns,"

Which passed to be engrossed in the House, March 17, as amended by House amendments "A," "B," "C," "D" and "F," Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KING of Caribou, the vote whereby the bill passed to be engrossed, was reconsidered and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Mr. MANLEY from the Committee on Financial Affairs, reported "ought to pass" on bill "An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899."

Same gentleman from same committee, reported same on bill "An Act to provide for the expenditures of government for the year 1900."

The reports were accepted.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, rules were suspended, bills severally read three times, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

An Act relative to the desecration, mutilation or improper use of the flag of the United States or of this State;

An Act to provide in part for the expenditures of government for the year 1899;

An Act to provide for the expenditures of government for the year 1900;

An Act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counsellors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts;

Resolve in favor of Committee on the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum;

Resolve in favor of the stenographers and typewriters to the presiding and recording officers of the Senate and House;

Resolve making appropriation to cover deficiency for cattle killed on account of tuberculosis by cattle commissioners;

Resolve in favor of building for the Maine Industrial School for Girls;

Resolve in favor of York County Agricultural Society;

Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate;

Resolve on the pay roll of the House;

Resolve in favor of the messenger to the Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, the messenger to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, the messenger to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries, the messenger to the Committee on Education and the temporary assistant to the librarian;

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 was brought into the House and placed on the reporter's desk.

Mr. MOREY of Lewiston said:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House: I was but recently requested to make a few remarks on this occasion, which, while it is one of pleasure, is also one of sadness to us. I have been requested, Mr. Speaker, in behalf of your many friends in this legislature, in behalf of those who know what a friend is, who prize a friend, to present you with a little gift that shall be to you, we trust, a pleasant memory as the years come and go. А flower plucked by the roadside is charming from its beauty and from its fragrance. This gift to you, Mr. Speaker, coming as it does, spontaneously from the hearts of your fellow members, the gentlemen over whom you have presided for so many weeks with great fidelity, and the true spirit of justice, that has marked your rulings, comes, I say, to you as a token, as a fragrant memory that these members desire it to give to you, as representing merely the friendship that they have for you, and the memories that they wish you to retain of them. We present it to you, Mr. Speaker, and bear in mind that it is a greater pleasure for us to give to you something that will cherish the memory of the members of this House when life shall grow old and age shall come and go with the most of us, that to you in all the time of life, now in the meridian, as you go down the sunset slope, it shall be to you a living memory of your friends of the sixty-ninth legislature. (Applause.) And as we make our farewells now as we give to the Speaker this token of our memory, we wish you, Mr. Speaker, to accept it and keep it with you; because of all the pleasures of life, there is nothing so priceless as the jewel of friendship; and this, symbolized by that little token, we give and offer to you. (Applause.)

The SPEAKER: *Mr. Morey and Gentlemen of the House:* I accept with pleasure this present which you have so kindly given me, not perhaps for its intrinsic worth, but as a memento of the kindly spirit with which it is given. I shall take the picture to my home; I shall hang it on the wall; and as I look at the face it will reflect to me the faces of you all; and in the reflection of those faces will come back to me the memories of the pleasant and happy days which we passed together in this House. (Applause.) And may I hope that this friendship which has so pleasantly started between us will continue, and that we shall treasure fond memories of the happy three months we have spent together here at Augusta working for the interests of the State. And may this fond friendship endure between us all as long as life shall last. I thank you. (Applause.)

Mr. CHICK of Clifton, proposed three cheers for the Speaker, which were given.

Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this House be given to the assistant clerk and all the other House officers for the able, faithful and efficient manner in which they have discharged their duties.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. VIRGIN of Portland said:

I have an order which I desire to read.

"Ordered, That in token of its appreciation of his uniform: courtesy and strict impartiality, the House now present to the Speaker the gavel used by him during the session."

And, Mr. Clerk, it gives me pleasure as the closing act of this House to be its spokesman in presenting to our Speaker this token of our appreciation of his efforts and the success that has;

attended him. His uniform courtesy is stated in the order and also his strict impartiality in presiding as the speaker over our deliberations; and I want to say at this timethat it will be a pleasure for me to recall the friendships that I have formed since I became a member of this House, and especially the friendship that I have formed with you, Mr. Speaker, as this was the occasion of our first acquaintance; but I want to say that the thing that has impressed me more forcibly than anything else is the uniform courtesy in debate of the members of this House, the absence of partisan strife, and the unanimity of all in their efforts to do what they thought was best, and their conscience taught them to do, in behalf of their constituents and the State at large. Ι know that I voice the sentiments of all, that all will go to their homes with a feeling of satisfaction that there is no spirit of rancor in the breast of any member of this House from anything that has happened during the session of the legislature; and toyou, Mr. Speaker, and to the members of this House, I extend my thanks for the uniform courtesy you have shown me in my efforts upon the floor in the performance of my duty, and I wish. you all a long and happy life and a prosperous future.

The SPEAKER said:

Mr. Virgin and Gentlemen of the House: I accept this gavel in the spirit in which it is given and I shall treasure it. The memories of these hours will come back to me as I keep this at my home and glance at this implement of my office, and it will recall to me the many courtesies of all the gentlemen of the House, and in years to come it will be a pleasure to remember this session.

Your presiding officer has had but few opportunities to exhibit his power and authority over any of the members of the House, and now, in these closing hours of the sixty-ninth legislature, I bid you an official farewell.

A message was received from the Senate through Senator Stearns of Aroostook, informing the House that the Senate had transacted all business before it and was ready to adjourn without day.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Presque Isle, 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 upon 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. Drummond of Cumberland,

Vickery of Kennebec,

Dudley of Washington.

The order was read and passed in concurrence and the committed joined on the part of the House by

Messrs. Manley of Augusta,

Guernsey of Dover, West of Biddeford, Garcelon of Lewiston, Wood of Camden, Fuller of Auburn, Fitz of Durham.

The papers were returned to the Senate.

Mr. MANLEY 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 him, numbering three hundred thirtyseven acts and one hundred and seventeen resolves; also one act and thirteen resolves which became effective without his signature, the titles of which are as follows:

PUBLIC LAWS.

An Act to amend Section Fifty-four of Chapter Fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to assignment of charter or rights under it by railroad corporations.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the education of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter one hundred and fifty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An Act to amend Section six of Chapter thirty-five of the Revised Statutes, relating to Intelligence Offices."

An Act to amend Paragraph four of Section one of Chapter seventy-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to licenses to sell Real Estate.

An Act to prevent the wearing of Spiked Boots or Shoes in Public places.

An Act to amend Section thirty-four, Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the powers and duties of the superintending school committee to contract with the trustees of academies for Free High School Instruction.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter ninety-six of the Laws of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, providing for the extension of Railroads.

An Act for the better protection of Deer in the counties of Cumberland, York and Sagadahoc.

An Act to amend Section eighteen of Chapter one hundred and thirtythree of the Revised Statutes, relating to the satisfaction of prosecutions for Assault and Battery and other misdemeanors.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and forty-four of the Revised Statutes, relating to State Pensions.

An Act to amend Section twenty-five of Chapter forty of the Revised Statutes, relating to the taking of Clams and shell fish.

An Act to change time for holding sessions of County Commissioners in Washington County.

An Act to repeal so much of Section five of Chapter thirty of the Revised Statutes as relates to the Bounty on Bears.

An Act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of Penobscot.

An Act to increase the salary of the county attorney of Piscataquis County.

An Act to amend Chapter thirty-three of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the burial expenses of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of Maine.

An Act to amend Section fifteen of Chapter one hundred and thirteen of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter three hundred and eighteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five relating to Disclosures on Mesne Process.

An Act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Penobscot County.

An Act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Androscoggin.

An Act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Cumberland.

An Act to amend Section six of Chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the rights of widows and widowers in the real estate of deceased husbands and wives.

An Act to establish Traveling Libraries.

An Act to amend Chapters two hundred and seventeen and two hundred and eighteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eightynine, entitled "An Act to amend Section forty-three of Chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes, relating to Insolvent Debtors."

An Act establishing the salaries of the county commissioners and the salary of the county treasurer of the county of York.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and thirty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, in relation to the support of Wives and Children by husbands living apart.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to Hawkers and Peddlers.

An Act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate in and for the county of Aroostook.

An Act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate in and for the County of Aroostook.

`An Act to authorize Registers of Probate to receive petitions in vacation, and the Judge of Probate to order notice thereon in vacation.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

An Act to amend Section thirty-two of Chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, regarding taking of Smelts in Tide Waters.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter eighteen of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter three hundred and twenty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to the Repair of Highways.

An Act amendatory of 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 to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Sagadahoc County.

An Act to establish a salary for the Clerk of the Judicial Courts of Washington County.

An Act to enable the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game to increase the State Museum, consisting of mounted specimens and pictures of the birds, wild animals and fishes native to the State of Maine.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to Salaries of Public Officers.

An Act giving a lien for shoring and running Logs.

An Act for the prevention of certain kinds of Nuisances.

An Act to establish the salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of Hancock.

An Act to amend Section forty-four of Chapter two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the distribution of printed copies of the Public Laws.

An Act to consolidate, simplify, revise, and amend the laws pertaining to Inland Fisheries and Game, as contained in Chapters thirty and forty of the Revised Statutes, and in amendments and additions thereto, and to repeal old and obsolete, private and special laws pertaining to fishing in the Public Waters of the state.

An Act to amend Section sixty-five of Chapter seventy of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-one, relating to fees in Insolvency Proceedings.

An Act to amend Chapter eleven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, authorizing cities and towns to accept legacies, devises and bequests, and to raise money.

An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the Superior Court for the County of Kennebec.

An Act to establish a Naval Reserve as a part of the National Guard of the State of Maine.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and thirty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five and acts additional thereto, relating to the Bath Municipal Court.

An Act to amend Section three of Chapter two hundred and sixteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Section one, Chapter two hundred and ninety-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

An Act to fix the salary of the Sheriff of the County of Waldo.

An Act amendatory and additional to Chapter forty-seven of Revised Statutes, relating to Savings Banks.

An Act to fix the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Waldo.

An Act for the better protection of Clams.

An Act for the better protection of Ship Masters and Seamen.

An Act to create a lien upon Hay for the cutting and pressing thereof.

An Act in relation to Corporations issuing contracts for annuities commencing in the future. An Act to amend the title of Chapter two hundred and ninety-five of Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to Poll Taxes, by adding to said section the words 'which said poll tax shall not exceed three dollars and shall not be less than one dollar.'

An Act relating to Sealers of Weights and Measures.

An Act relating to Steam Riding Galleries.

An Act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate of the County of Knox.

An Act to amend Section eighteen of Chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to the appointment of Register of Probate.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and ninety-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

An Act to fix the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for the County of Oxford.

An Act to amend Section seven of Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of the Governor and Council in regard to payment to towns of state school fund and mill tax.

An Act to amend section thirteen of Chapter sixty-four of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter fifty-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to probate of Foreign Wills.

An Act relating to the jurisdiction of Municipal and Police Courts.

An Act to limit the rate of interest on Loans on Personal Property.

An Act in relation to enforcing the liability of shareholders in Trust and Banking Companies.

An Act to prevent the fraudulent sale and use of Railroad Tickets.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries.

An Act to amend Section fourteen of Chapter sixty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Registers of Probate.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes, relating to Sheriffs and their deputies.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and eighty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to Railroad Crossings.

An Act to amend Section three of Chapter two hundred and sixteen, Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter two hundred and ninety-five, Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter one hundred and forty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Insane, Hospital.

An Act to amend Section one hundred and ninety-six of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section five of Chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the sale of Real Estate for non-payment of Taxes. An Act giving mortgagees a lien for costs of foreclosure under Section five of Chapter ninety of Revised Statutes.

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter two hundred and sixtyfour of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the salary of the County Attorney of Cumberland County.

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 Divorce.

An Act to amend Section twenty-one, Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of towns to make by-laws concerning Truants.

An Act to amend and additional to Chapter two hundred eighty-five, Public Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-seven, relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries.

An Act establishing the salary of the County Attorney for the County of Aroostook.

An Act to repeal Chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to establish a bounty on Wildcats."

An Act to amend Section thirty-two of Chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter thirty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to Liens.

An Act to amend Section three of Chapter seventy-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the discharge of sureties on Probate Bonds.

An Act to amend Section eight of Chapter sixty-four, and Section four of Chapter seventy-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to sale of Real Estate by license of court.

An Act relating to the taxation of costs in Trial Justice Actions.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and nineteen, Section two, of Public Laws of the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and ninety-five relating to innkeepers, Boarding House Keepers and their Guests.

An Act to provide for the Schooling of Children in Unorganized Townships.

An Act to amend the Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, Chapter three hundred and four, as amended by Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, Chapter forty, relating to Boards of Registration.

An Act to amend Section thirty of Chapter two hundred and eightyfive of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to close time on Salmon.

An Act to amend Section thirty-five of Chapter two hundred and eighty-five, Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to revise and consolidate the Public Laws relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries."

An Act to amend Section two of Chapter two hundred and ninety-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, fixing the salary of the County Commissioners of Kennebec County.

An Act relating to the care, custody and support of the Minor Children of Divorced Parents.

An Act to amend Section forty-eight of Chapter one hundred and four of the Revised Statutes, relating to petitions to remove clouds from title to real estate and to authorize Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to order notice on such petitions in vacation.

An Act to prevent Incompetent Persons from conducting the business of an Apothecary.

An Act relating to sums paid by officers and collectors for Internal Revenue Stamps affixed to deeds of real estate sold by them.

An Act authorizing Women to be admitted as attorneys to practice law in the Courts of this State.

An Act to authorize a Topographic Survey of the State in co-operation with the United States Geological Survey.

An Act in relation to Street Railroad Corporations.

An Act to amend Section eleven, Chapter seventy-eight, of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Duties of County Commissioners.

An Act to create a Lien upon Monumental Work.

An Act for the better protection of Fish Weirs.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and thirty-five of the Public Acts of eighteen hundred and ninety-five and acts additional thereto, relating to the Salary of Judge of Municipal Court of Bath.

An Act to prevent Immoral Exhibitions.

An Act additional to Chapter two hundred and thirty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to Life and Casualty Insurance on the Assessment Plan.

An Act additional to Chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sale, on writ, of Personal Property attached.

An Act to increase the Salary of the County Attorney of the County of Hancock.

An Act to amend Sections fifty-five and fifty-six of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter seventy-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, Chapter two hundred and thirtyfive of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three and Chapter forty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to licensing Transportation Companies.

An Act to fix the clerk hire of the Probate Court in the County of Kennebec.

An Act to amend Section four of Chapter one hundred and fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Register of Probate in Lincoln County.

An Act to prohibit advertising Debtors.

An Act to amend Section twenty-eight of Chapter ninety of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Discharge of Mortgages, as amended by Chapter sixty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninetyfive.

An Act to prevent Heads of Departments from employing counsel or witnesses before Committees of the Legislature.

An Act relating to the sale of Real Estate of corporations on execution. An Act to prevent the killing of Tern. An Act to amend Sections three and six of Chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Organization of Railroad Companies under General Law.

An Act to amend Paragraph two of Section fifty-nine of Chapter three of the Revised Statutes, relating to Town, Village and City by-laws and ordinances.

An Act to amend sections three and six of Chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter eighty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-two and Chapter two hundred and forty-nine of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to the organization and control of Street Railroads.

An Act to amend Chapter eighty-seven of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter two hundred and eighteen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three and Chapter one hundred and thirtythree of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the limitations of actions against Executors and Administrators.

An Act to amend Section eight of Chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, regulating the right to trial by jury in Divorce Suits.

An Act in relation to Taxes assessed on Timber and Grass on reserved lands for years eighteen hundred and eighty-seven to eighteen hundred and ninety-six, both inclusive.

An Act in relation to Foreign Banking Associations and Corporations.

An Act to re-establish the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for Somerset County.

An Act to amend Chapter thirty-three, Section one, of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the Burial of Soldiers.

An Act entitled "An Act to amend Chapter forty-two of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine."

An Act establishing the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and sixty-six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the Militia.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter two hundred and ninetyeight of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended by the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, relating to Hawkers and Peddlers.

An Act to amend Section seventeen of Chapter one hundred and twenty-eight of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section two of Chapter two hundred and eighty-eight, of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to Tramps.

An Act to repeal Section five of Chapter three hundred and six of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to Taxes on Wild Lands.

An Act relative to the Desecration, Mutilation or improper use of the Flag of the United States or of this State.

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.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An Act to change the name of Colby University.

An Act ratifying the purchase of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad, and authorizing a mortgage thereof by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waterville and Wiscasset Railroad Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association.

An Act to amend Sections two, seven and thirteen of Chapter one hundred and eighty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, relating to parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

An Act for the protection of fish in the west outlet of Moosehead Lake.

An Act relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society.

An Act authorizing the construction of a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot River in the town of Bucksport.

An Act to extend the charter of the Waldoboro Water and Electric Light and Power Company.

An Act to authorize the Webster Woolen Company to supply the village of Sabattus with water for municipal purposes.

An Act to annex the city of Deering to the city of Portland.

An Act to incorporate the Manufacturers Trust Company.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter three hundred and fifty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-seven, relating to the erection and maintenance of booms in the Penobscot River.

An Act to authorize the Skowhegan Electric Light Company to issue bonds.

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 to incorporate the Brownville Water Company.

An Act in relation to the School Committee of the City of Portland.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter four hundred and thirty-six of the Special Laws of eighteen hundred and thirty-four, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the City of Bangor,' approved February twelve, eighteen hundred and thirty-four.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and seven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, as amended by Chapter three hundred and forty-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to the Rockland and Vinalhaven Telegraph and Telephone Company.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter four hundred and fifty-eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Northern Development Company."

An Act to amend Chapter four hundred and fifty, Private Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to School Board of Eastport.

An Act to authorize the town of Damariscotta to fund its indebtedness at maturity and to issue new bonds.

An Act to establish a Municipal Court in the town of Newport.

An Act additional, relating to the appointment and compensation of the Recorder of the Municipal Court of the city of Biddeford.

An Act for protection of Fish in Bagaduce River, Bay and tributaries. An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and thirty of the Private Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Sebec Dam Company."

An Act to extend the charter of the Maine Water and Electric Power Company.

An Act for the extension of the Somerset Railway.

An Act to permit the breeding and raising of quail for purposes of sale by Henry J. Simpson of Sullivan, Maine.

An Act to incorporate the North Berwick Trust Company.

An Act to amend the charter of City of Hallowell.

An Act to annex Franklin Plantation, in the county of Oxford, to the towns of Rumford and Peru.

An Act authorizing the Lewiston Trust and Safe Deposit Company to establish a branch at Lisbon.

An Act relating to the organization, and stocks and bonds of the United States Envelope Company.

An Act to extend and amend the charters of the Penobscot Boom Corporation and of the Penobscot Lumbering Association.

An Act to amend the charter of the Public Works Company.

An Act to incorporate the Ticonic Foot Bridge Company.

An Act to legalize and make valid the meeting and doings of the corporation known as The Trustees of the Charity Fund of Caribou Lodge, located at Caribou, in the county of Aroostook in the state of Maine.

An Act granting William S. Hopkins the right to establish and maintain a Ferry between North Haven and Vinalhaven.

An Act to amend Section two, Chapter one hundred and sixty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled "An Act creating the Fort Fairfield Village Corporation."

An Act additional to acts to incorporate the Lockwood Company.

An Act to legalize the doings of Rangeley Plantation in Franklin County.

An Act to establish the Rumford Falls Municipal Court.

An Act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society.

An Act to incorporate the South West Harbor Dam and Bridge Company. An Act to incorporate the Hebron Water Company.

An Act to authorize the construction of a dam at the outlet of the mill pond at New Harbor in the town of Bristol.

An Act to provide in part for the Expenditures of Government for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

An Act to amend Chapter four hundred and ninety-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, as relating to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and thirty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-four, as amended by Chapter six hundred and seventy-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, entitled, "An Act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river."

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and sixty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, relating to the Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company.

An Act to authorize the Pepperell Manufacturing Company and the Laconia Company to consolidate.

An Act to amend Sections one and four of Chapter four hundred and forty-five of the Special Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-five, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston," as amended by Chapter three hundred and fifty-four of the Private Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-seven.

An Act to extend the territorial limits of the Dover and Foxcroft Village Fire Company.

An Act to authorize and empower the City of Bangor to raise money by loan or otherwise for municipal purposes.

An Act relating to the powers of the Lewiston Gas Light Company.

An Act to repeal Section seven of Chapter one hundred and ninetyfour of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninetyfive, so far as it applies to the town of South Portland.

An Act granting additional powers to the proprietors of Forest Grove Cemetery in Augusta, Maine.

An Act to incorporate the Citizens' Trust Company.

An Act authorizing the City of Lewiston to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding fifty-one thousand dollars to meet its bonds now outstanding, and maturing in the year nineteen hundred.

An Act to establish the Bar Harbor Municipal Court.

An Act to incorporate the Messalonskee Water Power Company.

An Act to authorize the Stevens Lumber Company to erect and maintain a dam across the Aroostook river in the town of Fort Fairfield.

An Act to incorporate the Wilson Stream Dam Company.

An Act to incorporate the Bath Trust Company.

An Act authorizing the Hallowell Granite Works to lay and maintain pipes in the City of Hallowell for the use and distribution of compressed air.

An Act to incorporate the Ripley Water Company of Andover, Maine.

An Act to set off certain lands from Oxford Village Corporation.

An Act to repeal Chapter one hundred and eleven of the Private and

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Special Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An Act authorizing the city of Gardiner to raise money for the maintenance of a Public Library."

An Act additional to the incorporation of the Ellsworth Electric Illuminating Company and additional to the charter of the Ellsworth Water Company.

An Act extending certain powers of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

An Act to set off certain territory from Pittsfield Village Corporation.

An Act to incorporate the Guilford Electric Light and Power Company.

An Act to enable the Winter Harbor Company to purchase stock of the Grindstone Neck Water Company.

An Act to prohibit the killing of deer on the Isle Au Haut in Hancock county.

An Act to authorize Benjamin Desjardin to maintain a wharf into the tide waters of New Meadows River in the town of Brunswick, county of Cumberland.

An Act to incorporate the Searsport Water Company.

An Act to amend the charter of the Bangor Boom Company.

An Act additional to Chapter three hundred and sixty-five of the Private and Special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company.

An Act to legalize the incorporation of the Second Baptist Society of North Bowdoin.

An Act to amend and extend the charter of the Public Works.

An Act to legalize the incorporation, the records and the doings of the Hartland Hall Association of Hartland.

An Act additional to Chapter four hundred and forty-five of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, as amended by Chapter four hundred and twenty-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, incorporating the People's Trust Company.

An Act relating to the Indian Reservation in the town of Perry, Washington County.

An Act to repeal Chapter four hundred and sixty-one of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five, and Chapter three hundred and seventy-seven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, relating to School District Number Five in the town of Kennebunk.

An Act to incorporate the Sebasticook Manufacturing and Power Company.

An Act to incorporate the Portland, Maine, Past Chancellors Association.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter five hundred and eleven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eightynine. entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Water and Electric Light and Power Company, as amended by Chapter four hundred and ninety-four of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three."

An Act authorizing the Manufacturing Investment Company to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec River.

An Act authorizing the City of Bangor to construct a bridge over Kenduskeag Stream, near the European and North American Railroad Bridge.

An Act relating to the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland, Maine.

An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Sewerage Company.

An Act to amend Section nineteen of Chapter two hundred and fortytwo of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninetyfive, relating to the charter of the city of South Portland.

An Act to incorporate the Andover Village Corporation.

An Act to incorporate the Dixfield Fire Engine Company.

An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Water Company.

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An Act to set off a part of the town of Trescott and annex the same to the town of Edmunds.

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An Act to extend the charter of the Orono Water Company.

An Act relating to Chapter four hundred and seventy-two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Light and Power Company."

An Act to extend the charter and rights of the Sanford Mills.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter five hundred and twenty-five of the Private and Special Laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, relating to the Presque Isle Village Fire Department.

An Act to regulate the taking of Herring in the town of Cutler.

An Act to repeal a resolve in favor of F. E. Southard.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter two hundred and one of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-four, relating to Bridgton Center Village Corporation.

An Act to amend Chapter four hundred and fifty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, incorporating the City of Eastport.

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An Act to extend the charter of the Bluehill Water Company.

An Act to repeal Chapter two hundred eighty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-three, relating to the use of rafts or floats in fishing for Smelts in Bagaduce River.

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An Act to incorporate the Monmouth Center Village Corporation.

An Act authorizing the Manufacturers Trust Company to establish à branch at Old Orchard.

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An Act to establish a Municipal Court in the town of East Livermore.

An Act to amend an act entitled "An Act to annex Franklin Plantation in the County of Oxford to the towns of Rumford and Peru," approved by the governor, February twenty-one, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

An Act to amend Section one of Chapter one hundred nineteen of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred eighty-one, entitled "An Act to prohibit the taking of Spawn Herring within certain limits in Milbridge or Narraguagus Bay."

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and eighty of the Private and Special Laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine, establishing the Police Court of the City of Belfast, as amended by Chapter four hundred and twenty-eight of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five.

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An Act to abolish the Common Council of the City of Waterville.

An Act to incorporate the Freeport Village Corporation.

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An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and twenty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, as amended by Chapter five hundred and two of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-two, relating to the free bridge across Salt Pond in Bluehill.

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An Act granting the Dennysville Lumber Company additional rights.

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Cumberland County to place the city of South Portland and the town of Cape Elizabeth in a jury district.

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An Act to legalize the doings and records of Pine Grove Cemetery Association of Cherryfield.

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An Act to amend the charter of the City of Westbrook.

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An Act to authorize the Cape Porpoise Land Company to erect and maintain a Toll Bridge at Cape Porpoise.

An Act relating to the catching of smelts in Damariscotta River, Bay and tributaries.

An Act to extend the charter of the Vinalhaven Water Company.

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An Act to carry into effect the provisions of Chapter two hundred and fifty of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninetyone, and also of Chapter one hundred and ninety-three of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, providing for the building of a railroad from Van Buren to Caribou.

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An Act to divide the Town of Frenchville and incorporate the Town of Saint Agatha.

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An Act to amend the charter of the Ossipee Valley Telegraph and Telephone Company.

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Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House.

On motion of Mr. MANLEY of Augusta, the Speaker at 11.15 o'clock, P. M., declared the House adjourned without day.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk*.

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DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE SPEAKER.

I. 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 shali 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.

6th. First reading of bills and resolves printed under the rules.

7th. Bills and resolves reported by committee on bills in the third reading, and on their passage to be engrossed.

8th. Bills on their passage to be enacted.

9th. 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 beforeread 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 supremecourt, 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 infavor 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 ismade, 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 governorf 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 twothirds 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 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 I."

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

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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 conference shall consist of three members on the part of each house, representing its vote, and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected; but no other action shall be had, except through another committee of conference.

14. When any measure shall be finally rejected, it shall not be revived except by reconsideration; and no measure containing the same subject matter shall be introduced during the session unless three days' notice is given to the house of which the mover is a member.

15. Whenever a message shall be sent from the senate to the house, it shall be announced at the door by the messenger of the senate, and 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:

Ist. 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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RULES.

I. 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 reconsider shall take precedence of all other questions except a motion to adjourn, but if made while another question is pending, it shall not be put until the other question is disposed of, but simply entered.

14. Questions of order shall be decided by the president without debate; but if an appeal is taken, the same may be debated like other questions, and the decision thereon shall be entered upon the journal.

15. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division shall be divided whenever desired by any member.

16. In filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

17. Every paper shall be once read at the table before any senator shall be obliged to vote on it, but when the reading of a paper is called for, that has been before read to the senate, if any senator object, the question shall be determined by the senate.

18. All bills and resolves in the second reading shall be 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:

Ist. 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 twothirds 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.

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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-----

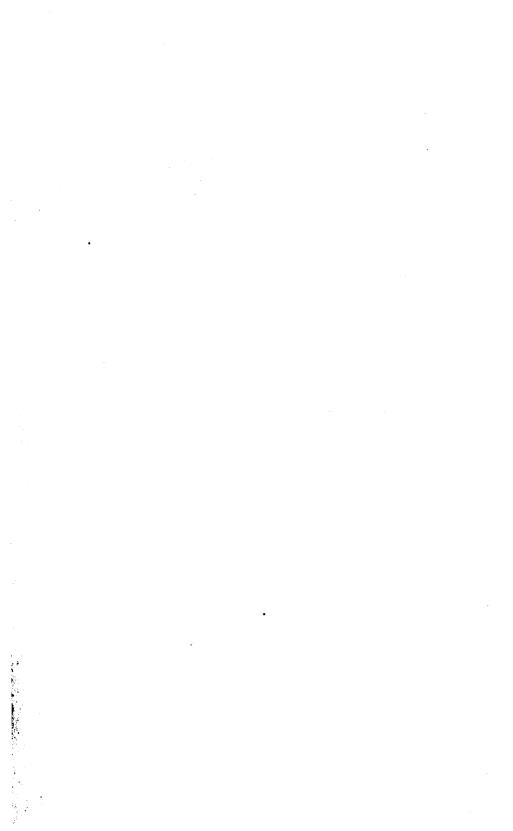
12. The caption of orders, as follows:

STATE OF MAINE.

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