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OF THE

Senate of Maine,

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State of Maine.

Augusta, Wednesday, January 3. 1855.

This being the day designated in the Constitution of this State for the meeting of its Legislature, the following named gentlemen, having been duly elected Senators, and summoned by the Governor and Council, appeared in the Senate Chamber, to wit., from

Second Senatorial District

Henry H Boody.
Nathaniel Peabe,
Aaron Quimby,
William Willis.

Third Senatorial District

Sewall Watson,
George Thorndike.

Fourth Senatorial District,

Joseph Eaton,
Augustus Sprague,
Henry P Torsey.

Fifth Senatorial District

Monot Crehore
Theophilus Bushing,
Nathan G. Richardson.

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Sixth Senatorial District
William Parker,
Mark Shephards.

Seventh Senatorial District,
Samuel F Adams,
George Downes.,

Ninth Senatorial District,
Newall Blake,
Franklin Muzzy,
Hiram Puggles.

Tenth Senatorial District
John Elliot.

Twelfth Senatorial District.
Alvin Currier,

The Convention of Senators elect was called to order by Mr Willis of Cumberland, on whose motion Mr Eaton of Kennebec was chosen chairman.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot, that Senator was charged with a message to the Governor informing him that a quorum of Senators elect is in attendance in the Senate chamber, ready to take and subscribe the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties. Mr Blake subsequently reported that he had delivered the message entrusted to him, and that the Governor returned for answer that he would forthwith attend upon the Senators elect for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution.

Thereupon the Governor, attended by the Executive Council and Secretary of State came in, before whom the Senators elect took and subscribed the oaths required

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by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and his attendants then withdrew.

Prayer was then offered by Rev Mr Lane of Hallowell.

On motion of Mr Thomdike,

Messrs Thomdike of Lincoln, Boody of Cumberland, and Perry of Kennebec were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary, which committee reported.

Whole number of votes 19.
Necessary to a choice 10
Louis O Cowan has 19-

and the report was accepted, and

Louis O Cowan, declared duly elected Secretary of the Senate.

Mr Cowan signified his acceptance, and took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, before James S Child Esquire, authorized by dedimus potestatem.

On motion of Mr Cochrane of Waldo.

Messrs Cochrane, Ruggles of Penobscot and Pease of Cumberland were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for President of the Senate, and having attended to that duty, reported as follows:

Whole number of votes 20
Necessary to a choice 11.
Franklin Muzzy has 20.

and the report was accepted, and Mr Muzzy declared duly elected President of the Senate.

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Mr Muzzy signified his acceptance in the following address;

Senators: I tender you my sincere thanks for this distinguished expression of your confidence.

I accept the position you have assigned me - but I cannot bring to your service the advantage of any experience in the discharge of its duties. I can only assure you of my constant efforts to render the proceedings of this branch, in the highest degree, useful to the State, and agreeable to its members. And I may add, that my only hope of success in my efforts, arises from the confidence I feel in being, at all times, sustained and directed by your friendly advice and cooperation.

On motion of Mr Josey of Kennebec, that Senator together with Mr Watson of Lincoln, and Blake of Penobscot, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Messinger, and having attended to that duty reported,

Whole number of votes 18.
Necessary to a choice 10
Edwin Freeman has 18

The report was accepted, and Mr Freeman declared duly elected.

On motion of Mr Ruggles of Penobscot that Senator together with Mr Boody of Cumberland and Parker of Hancock were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Secretary, and having attended to that duty, reported

Whole number of votes 14.
Joseph W. Knowlton has 14.

not a constitutional quorum having voted, the committee again proceeded to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Secretary, and reported as follows.

Whole number of votes 20

Necessary to a choice 11
Joseph W. Hamilton has 18
J. B. Hall 1
George W. Maddocks 1

The report was accepted, and Joseph W. Hamilton declared duly elected.

On motion of Mr Quinby, that Senator, together with Mr Currier of Franklin and Mr Walton of Lincoln were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Messinger, and having attended to that duty reported.

Whole number of votes 19
Necessary to a choice, 10
James Shaw has 19.

The report was accepted, and Mr Shaw declared duly elected Assistant Messinger.

On motion of Mr Thorndike of Lincoln, that Senator was charged with a message to the House of Representatives, informing that branch of the government, that the Senate was duly organized by the election of Franklin Muzzy as President, and Louis O Bowan as Secretary.

Mr Thorndike subsequently informed the Senate that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot that Senator was charged with a message to the Governor and Council, informing the Executive branch of the government that the Senate was duly organized by the election of Franklin Muzzey as President, and Louis O. Bowan as Secretary.

Mr Blake subsequently informed the Senate that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

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On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to deposit with the Secretary of the Senate, the Senate Journals, for the use of the Senate during the present Session of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot;

Ordered, That the rules and orders of the last Session be adopted as the rules and orders of this Senate, until otherwise ordered.

The Secretary of State came in and laid upon the table the returns of votes made to his office for Senators for the current political year

On motion of Mr Wellis of Cumberland,

Ordered.

That the returns of votes given in the several Cities towns and plantations for Senators be referred to a Select-Committee, and

Messrs. Wellis of Cumberland
Eaton of Kennebec;
Downes " Washington,
Ruggles " Penobscot;
Peare " Cumberland,
Walton " Lincoln,
Curtis " Waldo,
Adams " Washington;
Currier " Franklin.

were

appointed said Committee.

On motion of Mr Ruggles of Penobscot,

Ordered that

when the Senate adjourns it adjourn to meet tomorrow at ten o'clock A. M.

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On motion of Mr Cochrane of Waldo, the Senate adjourned.

Louis A Cowan Secretary

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In Senate

Thursday January 4. 1855.

Prayer by Rev. Mr Abbott,

Mr Wells of Cumberland, from the Committee on Senatorial Votes. reported, as follows, viz.

"The Select committee to whom were referred the returns of votes given in the Several cities, towns and Plantations in this State for Senators have attended to the duties assigned them, and submit the following

Report.

In the first Senatorial District they find the whole number of ballots to have been 9422. Necessary for a choice 4712. and that no person having that number there is no choice. They further report that the following persons having the number of ballots against their names, are the constitutional candidates

Alexander Dennett	who had	4505.
John F Cammett	" "	4475
John N. Goodwin	" "	4036.
John Hezar		3617.
Alexander Judkins		3589.
Thomas Mc Hayes		3471.

In the Second Senatorial District, the whole number of ballots was 12573. Necessary to a choice 6287.

William Wells	has	7976.
Nathaniel Pease	"	7730.
Aaron Jewett	"	7620.
Henry C Boody	"	7391.

and are chosen.

In the Third Senatorial District, the whole number of ballots was 12034 Necessary to a choice 6018.

George Thorndike	has	8200
Seward Watson	"	6488.

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and are chosen, leaving two vacancies for which the following are the constitutional candidates, viz-

Alonzo Garcelon who had 5517.
Cornelius Turner " " 5300,
John Levansellar 3111.
Edwin Noyes 3028.

In the Fourth District the whole number of ballots was 8873. Necessary for a choice 4437.

Augustus Sprague has 6404,
Joseph Eaton " 5173.
Henry P Torsey " 4741.

and are chosen.

In the Fifth District, the whole number of ballots was 6362 Necessary for a choice 3182

Minot Crehore has 3863,
Theophilus Cushing " 3437.
Nathan G Hickborn 3358

and are chosen.

In the Sixth Senatorial District, the whole number of ballots was 4497 Necessary to a choice, 2249.

Marko Shephard has 2881.
William Barker " 2961.

and are chosen.

In the Seventh Senatorial District, the whole number of ballots was Necessary to a choice 2549

Samuel F. Adams has 2734
George Downes " 2699

and are chosen.

In the eighth Senatorial District, the whole number of ballots, was 2963 Necessary to a choice 1482 and no person has that number, and there is one vacancy.

Nathaniel Blake has 879
John McCluskey " 712.

and are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

In the ninth Senatorial District the whole number of ballots is. Necessary to a choice

Newall Blake has 5537

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Franklin Muzzy has 5582
Hiram Ruggles " 5415
and are chosen.

In the Tenth Senatorial District the whole number of ballots 2476 necessary to a choice 1239
John Elliot has 1345
and is chosen.

In the Eleventh Senatorial District the whole number of ballots was 6124 necessary to a choice, and no person having that number there are two vacancies, and the following persons are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

William R Plint who has 2243
James B Dascomb " 2050
John P Hodsdon " 1857
Van Rauseller Puttle " 2245

In the Twelfth Senatorial District; the whole number of ballots was 3389 necessary to a choice 1695
Alvin Currier has, 2135
and is chosen.

In the Thirteenth Senatorial District the whole number of ballots was 7679 necessary to a choice, and no person having that number there are two vacancies, and the following persons are the constitutional candidates, viz,

Mark H Dunnell who had 2080
Timothy Walker " " 3326
Abernathy Grover " " 3526
Caleb P Holland " " 3560

The Committee have rejected the votes of the plantation of Hancock in the County of Aaroostick, because the return does not comply with the law regulating elections in unincorporated places, The Statute of 1840 provides that the assessors of such places shall sort, count and decare the votes in open plantation meeting, and in presence of the plantation Clerk, who shall form a list of the persons voted for, with the number of

votes for each person against his name, and shall make a true record thereof in presence of the person in open plantation meeting. And four copies of the lists of votes attested by the assessors and the clerk, and sealed in open plantation meeting, are required to be made and returned by the clerk to the proper authorities.

The return from the plantation of Hancock does not contain any certificate that the votes were counted and declared in open plantation meeting, nor is the return signed or attested by either the clerk or assessors, so that upon the paper returned to the Secretary's office there is no verification or attestation whatever. Upon a separate envelope in which the paper is enclosed is this endorsement "Return of votes for Senator in Aroostick County, given in Hancock Plantation September 1. 1854." This is signed by the assessors, and attested by the clerk. This certainly cannot be considered a proper authentication of a legal paper. The attestation should be on and a part of the return. It is not sufficient that the signatures are on a seperate paper, and that not annexed, and forming no part of the return. The Committee think that this omission is too great a departure from the language and spirit of the law to be overlooked. The Com. are happy that the rejection of these votes does not affect the result of the election in that district, as it gives them an opportunity, without any impeachment of their motives, to express their disapprobation of the laxity with which this and other plantations returns are made, and from which indeed some towns are not exempt. The law should be observed or repealed; while it remains on the Statute Book it ought not to be disregarded.

There is another particular in which not only this, but all other plantations have entirely

disregarded the law and that is in the provision which requires the names of the voters to be returned with the list of votes. This has not been done in any case but as the omission has never heretofore noticed, or been raised, it has ripened into a precedent of so long standing that we did not think it expedient now rigorously to enforce the law and defeat the votes of innocent parties for the neglect and fault of their officers. In regard to a few of the smaller plantations another defect is found in their not making return of their organization, and limits to the Secretary of State as required by the Statute.

Some action had better be taken by the Legislature on these subjects either to repeal the requirements or to enforce them. Such laxity in the observance of these provisions of the law which may not be considered, in themselves, of much importance may lead to violations in matters of more serious import. It has a tendency to lower the tone of public morals, and diminish that respect for the ordinances of the State, which are necessary for the preservation of order and the soundness of Republican Institutions.

William Willis P. Order"

And the foregoing report was accepted.

The Senate was informed by a Message, communicated through Mr Hicks of Bangor, that the House of Representatives was duly organized by the election of Sidney Perham as Speaker, and Henry O. Baker as Clerk

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives informing that body that vacancies exist

in the Senate board as follows;

In the First Senatorial District there are three vacancies, and John N Goodwin, John F Scammon, Alexander Dennett, Thomas M Hayes, Alexander Junkins, and John Kezar are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

In the Third Senatorial District, there are two vacancies, and Cornelius Turner, Alonzo Garcelon, Edwin Noyes and John A Levenseller are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

In the Eighth Senatorial District there is one vacancy, and Nathaniel Blake and John McCurkey are the constitutional candidates to fill the same;

In the Eleventh Senatorial there are two vacancies, and William R Flint, James B Dascomb, John P. Hodsdon and Van Renseller Tuttle are the constitutional candidates to fill the same.

In the Thirteenth Senatorial District there are two vacancies, and Mark H. Dunnell, Timothy Walker, Abenathy Grover, and Caleb P Holland are the constitutional candidates to fill the same; and proposing a convention of the two Branches at Eleven A M in the Hall of Representatives to fill said vacancies, and the order passed.

The message was delivered by the Secretary, and the Senate was subsequently informed by message communicated through Mr Hill, that the House concurred in the Senate's proposition for a Convention to fill the vacancies existing in the Senate board.

At the hour assigned the Senate proceeded to the Hall of Representatives where a convention was formed.

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In Convention

On motion.

Messrs. Blake, Boody and Plumdike of the Senate, and Osgood, Ingersoll, Thomas Senno and Gray of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Senators to fill the vacancies existing in the First Senatorial District;

Having performed the duties assigned them, the committee reported as follows.

Whole number of ballots 164.
Necessary to a choice 83.
John F. Scammon has 120,
Alexander Bennett " 119,
John N. Goodwin " 120,
Alexander Jenkins " 43,
Thomas McHayes " 43.
John Hezar " 43.
John McCluskey " 1

The Report was accepted, and John F. Scammon, Alexander Bennett, and John N. Goodwin, declared duly elected to fill the vacancies in the First Senatorial District.

On motion of Mr Ruggles, the same committee were directed to receive, sort and count the votes to fill the vacancies in the Third Senatorial District

Having performed that duty, reported as follows.

Whole number of ballots 168
Necessary to a choice 85.
Cornelius Turner has 126
Alonzo Garcelon " 124.
Edwin Noyes " 42
John A Sevenseller " 42.

The Report was accepted, and Cornelius Turner and Alonzo Garcelon

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declared duly elected to fill the vacancies existing in the Third Senatorial District.

On motion of Mr Crehore of Waldo, the same Committee proceeded to receive, sort and count the votes to fill the vacancy existing in the Eighth Senatorial District, and reported as follows.

"Whole number of ballots 167,
Necessary to a choice 84,
Nathaniel Blake has 125
John McClurkey " 40

and Abernathy Grover, and Caleb P Holland who are not constitutional candidates in this district two each, which are included"

The Report was accepted and Nathaniel Blake was declared duly elected to fill the vacancy in the Eighth Senatorial District

On motion of Mr Hill of Bangor, the same Committee proceeded to receive, sort and count the votes to fill the vacancies in the Eleventh Senatorial District and Reported as follows.

Whole number of ballots 168
Necessary to a choice 85,
William R. Flint has 124,
James B. Dascomb 125,
John P Hodsdon 43.
Van Rensselier Puttle 42.

The report was accepted, and William R. Flint, and James Dascomb were declared duly elected to fill the vacancies in the Eleventh Senatorial District,

On motion of Mr Hill of Bangor, the same Committee proceeded to receive, sort and count the votes to fill the vacancies in the Thirteenth Senatorial District and reported as

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follows;

Whole number of Ballots	167,	
Necessary to a choice	85,	
Mark H. Dunnell has	125,	
Timothy Walker "	124,	
Abenathy Grover "	101,	
Calet P. Holland "	42.	

The Report was accepted, and Mark H. Dunnell, and Timothy Walker were declared duly elected to fill the vacancies in the Thirteenth Senatorial District.

The Convention then seperated.

In Senate.

On motion of Mr Thorndike, the Secretary was directed to notify, John N. Goodwin, Alexander Dennett, John D Seamman, Nathaniel Blake, Alonzo Garcelon, Cornelius Turner, William R Flint, James B Dascomb, Mark H Dunnell and Timothy Walker of their election as Senators, and request their presence in the Senate chamber, to take and subscribe the necessary oaths to qualify them to enter upon their official duties.

The Secretary, having subsequently informed the Senate that he had attended to that duty, and that the above named Senators elect were present, by direction of the President they were conducted, to the council chamber, by Mr Thorndike, where, John N Goodwin, Alexander Dennett, Nathaniel Blake, Alonzo Garcelon, Cornelius Turner, William R Flint, James B Dascomb, Mark H Dunnell and Timothy Walker, before the Governor, and in the presence of the Council, took and subscribed the necessary oaths, On their return, by direction of the President, seats were assigned them at the Board.

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On Motion of Mr Blake

Ordered That the Secretary be directed to invite the Several Clergymen of Augusta and Hallowell, to officiate in rotation, as Chaplains to the Senate during the Session.

On Motion of Mr Blake;

Ordered; That the Senate hold one Session each day, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

The Secretary of State came in and laid before the Senate the returns of Votes for Governor, given in the several Cities, Towns and Plantations of the State, for the current political Year.

On motion of Mr Downes of Washington.

Ordered - That the returns of votes for Governor for the current political year, be referred to a joint Select Committee, consisting of seven on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

Messrs Downes of Washington, Ruggles of Penobscot, Hichborn of Waldo, Quinby of Cumberland, Elliot of Piscataquis, Shephard of Hancock and Torrey of Kennebec were appointed Committee on the part of the Senate, The order was passed in concurrence, and Messrs Lincoln of Hallowell, Woodman of Minot, Haskell of Hodgdon, Came of Portland, Porter of Strong, Buck of Bucksport, Rawson of Waldoboro, Durrell of Oxford, Smith of Mattawamkeag, Blake of Orneville, Lincoln of Bath, Ecald of Anson, Curling of Frankfort, Gunnison of Eastport, and Andrews of Biddeford were joined as Committee on the part of the House.

Adjourned.

Louis O Cowan Secretary

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In Senate.

Friday January 5. 1855.

Journal read by the Secretary.

Prayer by Rev Mr Cheney.

Petition of County Commissioners of Franklin County for abolishing the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in said County, and Bills "An act to abolish the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Franklin" came from the House, referred to the joint delegation of the County of Franklin, and the same were referred in concurrence,

On motion of Mr Willis of Cumberland.

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to make up the pay of Joshua M. Waterhouse as Messenger, up to and including to day, with two days extra for preparing the Senate Chamber.

On motion of Mr Gardner of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Secretary cause to be prepared a list of the members, arranged alphabetically, stating the number of their seats, and their boarding places, with their places of residence, and Post-Office address, and cause three Hundred copies to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr Carver from the Committee of the joint delegation of Franklin County, to which was referred the petition of the County Commissioners of Franklin County, for abolishing the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court for said

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County Reported on the same;

Bill "an act to abolish the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Franklin"; and the Bills was once read, the rule suspended, and the Bills hoped to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence.

The President announced the following named Senators as Committee

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Moody of Cumberland,
Peabody of Cumberland,
Currier of Franklin,
Sprague of Kennebec,
Goodwin of York,
Turner of Lincoln,
Watson of Lincoln,
Dunnell of Oxford,
Blake of Hancock,
Dascomb of Somerset,
Hichborn of Waldo,
Barker of Hancock.

Mr Downes from the Committee to whom was referred the returns of votes given for Governor, for the current political year, made the following report;

"That the whole number of legal votes given for Governor was 90633,
Necessary to a choice 45317.
Anson P Morrill has 44565,
Albion K P Parris " 28462,
Isaac Reed " 14001,
Shephard Cary 3478,
Scattering 127.

That no choice by the people has been effected, and that Anson P Morrill, Albion K Parris, Isaac Reed and Shephard Cary

are the constitutional candidates.

The returns of Hancock Plantation in Aroostook county were rejected by the committee because it does not appear by the returns any votes were given.

The return only states that "for Governor whole number of votes 161" in figures, and not in writing, and also the number of votes for each candidate are in figures and not in writing. It does not appear by the return that the votes were counted or sealed up in open town meeting, as provided by law. No record of the meeting upon the records of the plantation,

The return from Limestone plantation was also rejected, because it appeared that there was no choice of officers of plantation, and no meeting for such purpose the present or last year. The return is signed by Barney McGlotherin, and Owen Davis who signed the return the day following the election, as assessors. The return was signed by James Carpenter as Clerk of Plantation, who became an inhabitant of said plantation the first of August last.

Returns from Moro and Briar-Gore were rejected. There being no evidence of the existence of said plantations in the Secretary of State's office, as prescribed by law.

The return of the town of Alton in Penobscot was rejected, the return not showing the town from which the votes were received except by the postmark on the return." ...

... George Downes, Chairman.

The foregoing Report was accepted and sent down for concurrence;

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through its Clerk informing the Senate, that the House from the reasons

having the four highest number of votes for Governor had elected by ballot, Hon Anson P Morrill and Hon Isaac Reed, and makes return of their names to the Senate agreeably to the constitution"

By direction of the President, a call of the Senate was made, and 30 Senators appeared to be present.

On motion of Mr Josey of Kennebec,

Mssrs Josey, Blake of Penobscot, and Barker were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Governor, for the current political year.

Having attended to that duty the committee reported as follows;

"Whole number of votes 30,
Necessary for a choice 16,
Anson P Morrill has 30

and the committee further report, that they have sealed up the votes to be delivered to the Secretary of State to be kept on file for further reference"

H. P Josey Chairman"

The report was accepted, and thereupon Anson P Morrill was declared to be duly and constitutionally elected Governor of Maine, for the current political year.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot, a message was ordered to be sent to the House of Representatives informing that body that the Senate, from the two persons sent up by the House, had duly and constitutionally elected Hon Anson P Morrill to be Governor of Maine for the current political year.

This message was conveyed by the Secretary.

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On motion of Mr Wells of Cumberland.

Ordered, That Messrs Wells, Perry and Cushing, with such as the House may join, be a committee to wait on the Hon. Anson P Morrill and inform him of his election as Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

Sent down for concurrence. The House joined Messrs. Hall of Bangor Poor of Andover Hanscom of Waterville, Bradbury of Standish, Gorke of Pemble, Skillings of Berwick, and Chase of Calais.

Adjourned

Louis O Curran, Secretary

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In Senate

Saturday January 6. 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Webb.

Mr Bennett of York, announced that the Hon John F Scammon, Senator elect from the 5th Senatorial District, was present and ready to take and subscribe the necessary oaths of office. By direction of the President he was accompanied to the Council Chamber, where he took and subscribed the oaths of office, and by direction of the President took his seat at the Board.

Mr Wells from the joint Select committee appointed to wait upon the Hon Anson P Morrill, and notify him of his election as Governor of the State, Reported

"That they had attended to the duties assigned them, and the Governor elect was pleased to say in reply, "that he was not insensible to the honor thus conferred upon him, that he did not seek or covet the office, but as it had fallen upon him he accepted the responsible trust, and would endeavor faithfully to discharge its duties to the best of his abilities' He was further pleased to say that he was ready to take and subscribe the oaths of office whenever it should suit the convenience of the Legislature"

The Report was accepted,

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Crehore of Waldo,

Ordered That a message be sent to the House, proposing a Convention of the two Branches in the Representatives Hall, at 12 minutes past ten this day for the pur.

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-fice of electing a Secretary of State and seven Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary and the Senate were subsequently informed by message that the House had concurred in the proposition for a convention,

At the hour appointed, the Senate repaired to the Hall of Representatives, where a convention was formed.

In Convention.

On motion of Mr Lincoln of Hallowell,

Messrs. Boody and Blake of the Senate, and Lincoln, Stone, Smith, Holcomb, and Jocelyn of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Secretary of State, and having attended to that duty reported as follows.

Whole number of ballots	170,
Necessary to a choice	86,
Alden Jackson has	134,
Thomas P. Boynton	33,
William Allen	2,
Blanks	1.

The result was accepted and Alden Jackson declared duly elected Secretary of State

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Same Committee were appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Seven Councillors to advise with the Governor in the Executive Branch of the government, for the current political year.

Having attended to that duty, the Committee, reported as follows,

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Whole number of ballots — 171
Necessary to a choice — 86,
Noah Smith Jr of Calais has — 131,
Abner Coburn of Bloomfield, — 125,
Charles Danforth " Gardiner " — 131,
Franklin Clark " Wiscasset " — 129,
Anmi Butler " Lovell " — 131,
Jason Weeks " Bangor — 131,
Marshall Gram " Bridgton " — 131,
Moses Swear has — 38,
Levi Merrill " — 38,
Atwood Levensellar " — 38,
Stephen Young " — 38,
Robert Moore Jr " — 38,
William Jamieson " — 38,
Asa A Knowles " — 37,
O B Walker " — 2.

and Noah Smith Jr. Abner Coburn, Charles Danforth, Franklin Clark, Anmi Butler, Jason Weeks and Marshall Gram were declared duly and constitutionally elected Councillors, to advise with the Governor for the current political year.

On motion of Mr Hill of Bangor, the Secretary of the Senate was directed to inform Alden Jackson Esquire of his election, as Secretary of State.

The convention was subsequently informed by a communication addressed to the President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House of Representatives, that Mr Jackson accepts the office of Secretary of State, to which he had been elected.

The convention then Seperated.

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In Senate.

On motion of Mr Blake,

Ordered That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify Noah Smith Jr, Abner Coburn, Charles Danforth, Franklin Clark, Anson Cutler, Jason Weeks and Marshall Bean that they have been duly elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the Government for the current political year and request their immediate attendence.

On motion of Mr Perry.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House proposing a Convention of the branches in the Hall of Representatives, at a quarter before twelve o clock A M. for the purpose of administering to Hon. Anson P Morrill, the Governor elect the oaths of office necessary to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties

This Message was conveyed by the Secretary, and the Senate was subsequently informed by message communicated through Mr Bulfinch of the House, that the proposition for the Convention to qualify the Governor elect was concurred in,

The hour for holding the Convention having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Hall of Representatives where a Convention was formed—

In Convention.

Mr Penno of Augusta was charged with a message to the Hon. Anson P Morrill, Governor elect informing him that the two branches of the Legislature were assembled in Convention, in the Hall of Representatives, for the purpose of administering to him

the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official trusts.

Hon Penno subsequently informed the Convention that he had delivered the message with which he was entrusted, and that the Governor elect was pleased to say that he would attend the Convention forthwith for the purposes indicated.

Thereupon the Governor elect, attended by the Council of the last year and the Heads of the Departments, preceded by the Sheriff of the County of Kennebec came in, and in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate took, and subscribed the oaths required by the constitution to qualify him to discharge his official duties,

The Secretary of State then made the following

Proclamation.

The votes of the people for Governor which have been duly returned to the office of Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the Legislature, it appearing therefrom that no person has received a majority of all the votes given, and the House of Representatives having elected the Hon Isaac Reed and the Hon Anson P Morrill as the constitutional candidates for that office, from which the Senate have elected the Hon Anson P Morrill, who, having in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature taken and subscribed the oaths prescribed by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge his official duties,

I now declare and make known to all persons in the State, who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as to all good

citizens thereof, that
Anson P Morrill
is Governor, and Commander in Chief of the State of Maine, and that due obedience should be rendered to all his lawful acts.
God save the State of Maine"

The Governor and his attendants then, and the convention dissolved.

In Senate,

On motion of Mr Dunnell,

Ordered. That when the Senate next adjourns it adjourn to meet on Monday at eleven o'clock. A. M.

On motion of Mr Riggles,

Ordered. That a message be be sent to the Governor informing him that the Senate is in Session, ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, who subsequently informed the Senate that the Governor was pleased to say, that he would communicate a written message through the Secretary of State,

The Secretary of State came in and laid upon the table the following message from the Governor.

Governor's Message.

Gentlemen of the Senate and of the House of Representatives:

In entering upon the important duties assigned us by the people of this Commonwealth may

we humbly ask wisdom of Him, who is the source of all light and knowledge, that we may be enabled to discharge those duties in a way best to promote the happiness and prosperity of our constituents, and that when we shall have closed the labors of the session, we may in returning to our homes, carry with us an abiding assurance that we have been faithful to the performance of all delegated trusts, and labored assiduously for the public good.

Representing, as we do, a people habitually and necessarily industrious and economical, they have a right to expect a close application to the business that may come before us, and that no unnecessary delay will prolong the present session.

There is a deep conviction in the public mind that we have too much legislation, and that much money and time are thrown away enacting laws of doubtful utility, which are amended or repealed by the next succeeding Legislature, thereby incumbering our statute books with a mass of unnecessary, if not useless legislation, and making it very difficult for any but an experienced lawyer to understand what the law is, in cases where it should be so plain and simple that the humblest citizen need not err in relation to its provisions. All will acknowledge the correctness of this sentiment; it is with legislators to correct the evil. Another cause of protracted sessions and expense is undoubtedly found in the too ardent attachment which members have cherished for political parties; often showing a greater willingness to extend to an unreasonable length the proper time for organization and legislation, than to yield the slightest advantage to a political opponent. Such in an extraordinary degree is the history of the Legislature of last year, and in a most decided manner have the people pronounced judgment against such a waste of time and abuse of trust.

The present is a time auspicious for improvement

and reform. The people, disregarding old political organizations, have seen fit to elect, of the members of the present Legislature, a greater number who think alike on the great questions which must deeply interest our State and nation, than has usually constituted a legislative majority, and it is reasonable to anticipate such harmonious action, and devotedness to the legitimate business for which we are assembled, as will insure a prudent and economical session, and an early recess.

In giving you information of the condition of the State, as enjoined by the constitution, I regret to be unable to present some of her great interests in so prosperous a light as it would be desirable to do.

The early spring of the past season opened with unusual promise to the husbandman; but a premature and almost unprecedented drouth blasted the prospect of an abundant harvest, and caused the products of the farm generally to be light. The same cause has operated injuriously upon the lumbering interests of the State, preventing an immense amount of lumber from going to market, where a ready sale and high prices awaited it. The shipping interest, in which our people are so largely engaged, has received a severe check by the sudden fall and depression of tonnage and freights. These casualties have operated severely upon persons engaged in those important pursuits, and necessarily involved a scarcity of money which has been felt in all branches of industry throughout the State; still I am happy to believe that the resources of the business community are such that these difficulties, which have been unexpectedly encountered, will cause only a temporary embarrassment, and will wholly disappear with the opening of the present season. Notwithstanding these serious misfortunes to which I have alluded, our State is enjoying a goodly mea-

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-sure of prosperity.

The facilities afforded by our railways are being felt, giving life and energy to business, opening new avenues of trade, bringing interior portions of the State into proximity with the coast, giving value to property and location which had been valueless for want of a proper channel through which to reach a market. Maine has about four hundred miles of Railway in successful operation, with a constantly increasing business, which must at an early day, make them good paying roads. Every interest of the State is favorably affected by these great improvements, and we cannot easily over-estimate the benefit and substantial wealth they are destined to afford the community.

For want of opportunity to examine the reports from the Treasury and other departments, I must refer you to those reports, which will be laid before you, for the information you will desire.

As the resources of our State are being developed, calling forth and employing mechanical skill in the various departments of trade, it is highly important that a deeper interest should be felt for the advancement of agriculture. Maine, with a soil sufficiently rich and fertile, under a proper husbandry to produce the necessary or staple articles of consumption, for her population, in any abundance, should not pay such large sums of money to other States for corn, flour, pork, and other products, as she is paying from year to year. There should be no necessity for this outlay. We should produce our own supplies of these important articles of food, besides many others for which we go abroad. The lumberman, whose extensive operations are rapidly hurrying our vast forest timber into market, draw there supplies very largely from other States. The men who fill our shipyards to an extent that makes Maine the first State in the Union in point of ship building,

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are not supplied with the products of your own soil; their tables are not furnished by our farmers. So with all branches of manufactures, and extensive Railway improvements carried on in this State; the operators and laborers, to a very great extent, are fed on foreign products.

This very large amount of money thus sent out of the State, should be distributed among our farming community— until this is done the agricultural interests of the State will flourish but poorly. Unless that interest become prosperous, although our State be rich in recources, and manufactures and commerce increase, the masses of the people will be poor and dependent.

The cities and towns may grow in wealth, but the rural districts will lack those elements of affluence and independence, which should ever distinguish the yeomanry of a Republic. All branches of industry and classes of citizens are directly interested in the prosperity of agricultural pursuits, and whatever can properly be done, permanently to benefit that interest, I shall be happy to unite with you in doing.

For the purpose of awakening a deeper interest in farming, of connecting science with practical economy, introducing the most approved breeds of cattle and other domestic animals, procuring the choicest kinds of grains, and valuable and rare seeds, testing their qualities and adaptation to our soil and climate, and bringing them to the notice and within the reach of every farmer in the State;— for these and other valuable purposes, it is believed that an Experimental Farm, under the care and patronage of the State, would be of essential service. The outlay would be but trifling compared with the amount of good, that might reasonably be anticipated by the movement, and the proble-

would cheerfully sustain such an establishment, if economically and properly conducted.

The subject of agricultual chemistry is attracting much attention, and there appears to be a very strong desire with our most intelligent agriculturists, to have the elements of agriculture taught in our common schools, and as a science, constitute a permanent feature in the Educational system of the State. This subject has been urged upon the Legislature by the Board of Agriculture for the last two years, but has not received that attention which I think its importance demands. Believing it unnecessary for me to elaborate a subject, the utility of which must be so apparent to all who give it reflection, I earnestly invite you to give it that consideration, which that great interest of our State demands.

The main pillars of our free institutions rest upon the intelligence of the people. The only true ground of hope that this Republic will survive the lapse of ages, and be perpetuated from generation to generation, following not in the downward course of those republics which have disappeared from the governments of the earth, is that knowledge in this country is more universally diffused among the people, and that they know their political rights, and knowing, will insist on having those rights as intelligent freemen. Of what avail will it be, ere another century shall have elapsed, that we boast of a constitution surpassing in its provisions and principals, any other law written by man, if the people are not imbued with the spirit of liberty, and enjoy such means of education as shall qualify them to assert their political rights at the polls and in the halls of legislation.

No subject can be urged upon your attention, more important to the vital interests of your constituents and country than that of education. Educate the people and they become really,

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what without education they are but nominally, sove-
-reign. I am aware that there is a sentiment pervading
the community to some extent, that the State has
already been very liberal in donations to the different
institutions of learning, and that it is time to narrow
or suspend further appropriations. True, the State has
been measurably liberal in aiding our colleges and
seminaries, and it is equally true that for no purposes
could the money thus expended, have been appropriated
with results more honorable and beneficial to the State.

Our common schools have also, from time to time,
received the munificence of the State, and an enlightened
policy dictates that they be assiduously fostered, as the
indispensable nurseries of education. Their improvement
cannot be too earnestly urged upon your attention.

The purchase of land of Massachusetts made by
this State, has added almost a million of acres to our
domain, for which a large debt has been created, for
the payment of which, in due time, provision must be
made. However that purchase may be considered, as
a commercial transaction, involving the question of
immediate loss or gain, it was certainly very desirable
to divest Massachusetts of the title to those lands,
even if it be found advisable to sell them again, at
fair prices can be had, and the wants of the Trea-
-sury may demand.

By extinguishing her title, we dissolved connec-
-tion with a co-tenant who had interests not felt to
be in common with ours, and therefore would bear
none of the burdens of building roads and bridges
in the territory owned in common, and by the act
of Seperation, Maine could tax no land owned
by Massachusetts, for any purposes whatever. It was
an object then of considerable importance to have the
fee pass from that State, that those lands might
ultimately be held liable to taxation, for the usual
purposes for which other lands are assessed in this
State.

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I have no doubt it is for the interest of the State to continue to sell her timber lands, as fair prices can be obtained for them, especially those lying on the upper waters the St. Johns, Allegash, and Penobscot rivers. These lands are not so situated as to make it desirable that they be kept for settling purposes. They are exposed to trespass, and must be protected at considerable expense, and the Treasury will need the proceeds to pay the indebtness created by the purchase of Massachusetts. I would not however recommend the sale of any lands belonging to the State, for the present, or until money shall have become very much easier with the community generally. The lands of the State in the valley of the Aroostook, and on the St John, included mostly in the six eastern ranges of townships, are generally good settling lands—many of them superior—but still much timber may be found on nearly all these townships; and if the State desires to keep the greater portion of this territory in order to promote the settlement of the country, it would be well, and I think it important, for the interests of the State, to authorize permits to be granted to cut timber annually, in a prudent manner, on those tracts, until they are occupied by actual settlers. If permits be not granted, the timber will be cut by trespass; and under a judicious system of permittings, much may be realized to the Treasury, and the lands not be so far stripped but that an abundance of suitable timber will remain for all purposes of building by settlers.

The law for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops has been very fully discussed by the people of this State, and become a question of prominence and deep interest in our elections.—The result proves conclusively that the people are by a very large majority in favor of sustaining that law—a happy verdict for the cause of humanity throughout the land. Had Maine declared against the law, her decision

would have been felt most disastrously by other communities, where strong efforts are being made to obtain similar legislation. That any law which human wisdom can devise, will at once rid the public of an evil so vast and deep-rooted as intemperance, should not be expected, but that the traffic which produces it can be circumscribed and controlled by penal enactments, as surely and as legitimately as other crimes, there can be no reasonable doubt. And it is equally clear that the people are determined to pursue the effort faithfully and give the law a fair trial - They see and feel the terrible ravages the traffic in intoxicating drinks has made on society and its best interests. They feel deeply the loss of many valued citizens, who are constantly being hurried to the inebriates grave. They fully realize that the sale and use of alcholic liquors as a beverage, are in direct conflict with the health, morals, industry, peace and happiness of society, and that this fact is so apparent, that those individuals who insist on selling in violation of law should be made to feel its consequences. It is too late to plead that making men inebriates, or giving them the facilities to become such is no crime; none but the more depraved or reckless will support a doctrine so pernicious and absurd; and it is believed that few are now engaged in this trade, except those persons who are alike indifferent to public sentiment, the demands of humanity, and their own best interests. Persuasive efforts having been exhausted on this class of men, the law should be enforced in protection of society, and in mercy to the offender. This important statue has not had a fair trial. Extensive

officers have been culpably negligent in seeing it enforced. Too often has the officer, whose duty it was to honor and execute it as the law of the Commonwealth, been found more willing to exculpate the offender than to bring him to justice, Such official dereliction of duty emboldened violators of the law to repeated offences, which they would not have committed, withe the full assurance that the law was to be faithfully administered. This evor must be corected, the law must be faithfully enforced, The people demand that groghshops be closed, wether found in spacious saloons and popular hotels, where the temtation is presented in the most alluring form, or in the filthy cellar, or den, where poor, degraded humanity is made loathsome to the last degree, No man sell ardent spirits in violation of this law through the promptings of patriotism or humanity; he has no higher motive than a reckless or sordid love of gain; he should be held strictly accountable for the mischief his traffic produces, Let this be done, and none will continue in the business except such as are madly bent on suicide. I would suggest the importance of so amending the law so as to impose imprisonment for the first offence, The penalty for the first conviction is trifling, and the schemes devised to avoid detection are so numerous that many sellers, undoubtedly, realize large amounts from the business before a conviction is had. Let the prison be opened for their reception and reformation, as it is for offenders of less magnitude, even the unhappy victims of their traffic, and be assured its wholesome, chastening influences will be felt more restrainingly, than

merely taking by fine from the pockets of the delinquents, a trifling part of the money the business had given them. The willingness of themselves in other states to supply those in the same business and the facilities afforded by steamboats and other common carriers to bring liquors into this state for unlawful purposes, call for such improvement in the law as shall meet this prolific source of evil, and cut off a great artery which is pouring the poisonous liquid into this state. Other amendments may be desirable to give efficiency to the law and meet the modes of evasion which the ingenuity and cupidity of determined violators have invented.

I would direct your attention to the subject of extending the elective franchise to certain offices that are now filled by executive appointment or Legislative election. If a reform of this kind be desirable it will be necessary to submit the question to the people for an amendment of the Constitution. From various portions of the State much dissatisfaction is expressed with our present Judiciary System. Under its operations it is contended that justice is not, and cannot be promptly and economically administered. If these serious charges be well founded, a change is undoubtedly demanded.

The subject is one of very great importance, and the present system having been so recently established, wisdom dictates that no new system be substituted without mature deliberation. A people professing a democratic form of government cannot too highly regard the sacredness and importance of the right of suffrage. There can be no doubt that in the later history of the country this right has been often alie-

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estimated and debased to mercenary and immoral purposes. The abuse of this inestimable privilege of freemen by many of our population but recently emigrated from the Old World, has given occasion for a strong movement, calling for the amendment or radical change of our naturalization laws. While the genius of our institutions and the policy of our fathers lead us to give the hand of welcome to persons from other countries, who come to secure freedom and homes in our midst, we are bound to be vigilant against all evils that may assail our political system through the influence of such emigration. It will hardly be questioned that men but recently arrived on our shores, and wholly unacquainted with the principles and operation of our government, degraded more or less by the vices of monarchial institutions are unprepared to wield the potent agency of the ballot. The founders of our government wisely instituted laws by which a residence of citizenship, and to certain important offices no citizen of foreign birth can be eligible. That the letter and spirit of the law confering citizenship has been often and grossly violated, is a matter of the fullest publicity. Whether new Legislative provisions are necessary to preserve the sacredness of the elective franchise, and guard the purity of our institutions may be worthy of your investigation.

As one of the sovereign States constituting this great confederacy, we have a deep interest in every important act of the Federal government. We can but look to its policy, foreign and domestic, with the deepest solicitude. Millions are being added to our population almost

annually, and State after State, in rapid succession, is coming into the Union.

Annexation having extended our borders until States are springing into existence on the shores of the Pacific; the islands of that Ocean are asking that annexation may bring them under the protection of our government and to the enjoyment of our institutions. Progress is stamped on every feature of our country; and where the extended boundaries of the Republic shall be finally fixed, Infinite Wisdom can alone determine. With this increase of population, enlargement of territory and addition of States, must come a corresponding responsibility on those who administer the government, thereby increasing the responsibility of the millions whose free suffrages must determine on whom shall rest the powers and weight of Official power. And while we are called upon as men true to our country and the Union, to sustain the honest efforts of those entrusted with that power, to promote the best interests of the entire confederacy, we are under the strongest obligations to oppose any and all action of public men which has the remotest tendency to undermine the free institutions of this Republic. By giving such construction to the Constitution as shall permit the Institution of Slavery, with its withering and increasing evils, to spread over our territories, and to extend such controlling influence over this government as shall finally install it over freedom throughout the Union. However desirous a large portion of the people of the North have been to forbear to discuss or agitate the question of Slavery, lest such agitation might imperil the permanency of the Union

which they have ever shown a most devoted attachment, it is evident that the time has arrived when that question must be met and discussed in our national and State councils and in primary meetings of the people with the same freedom with which other grave questions are wont to be considered. This question is one of too much importance to the whole country, to the North as well as the South, to supress discussion only when it is moved by the friends of slavery in order to extend its jurisdiction, or obtain for the institution some new advantage over freedom. That the North has been too willingly hushed into silence on this great question by the menaces of the South, cannot be denied, and the unanimity into which the two great political parties acquiesced in the extraordinary compromise of 1850 shows anything but a disposition on the part of the free States to continue the agitation of which the South so loudly complained. Notwithstanding that most exceptionable and as is believed unconstitutional law for the rendition of fugitive slaves, forced upon the North, compelling freemen to aid at their perils, in seizing and returning to captivity persons who are guilty of no crime known to the Constitution of the United States — and struggling only for the rights of "life, Liberty and the Pursuit of happiness" the free states were still disposed to resist a renewal of that agitation which as was contended threatened a dismemberment of the Union — while this feeling pervaded the North, the Bill for organizing the territories of Nebraska and Kansas was brought before Congress connected with a scheme to extend slavery over that vast region of country North of 36° 30 which had been solemnly dedicated to Freedom by the compact

42. of 1820. This aggressive movement carried through Congress aided by a few northern politicians who have been foremost in denouncing agitation and the loudest advocates of compromises, has again forced upon the country the consideration of the question of negro-slavery.

To attempt now to smother the sentiment of the North or to put down free speaking and independent action, would not only be an unavailing effort, but any attempt to turn the public minds away from the fullest contemplation of the subject and the most searching investigations into it, in its largest national aspect, its relations to the whole country, socially, morally, and politically, would be an affront to the intelligence of the people.

The universal sentiment of the nation in its early history was hostile to the existence of slavery, regarding it as incompatible with justice and dangerous to the spirit of freedom. The policy of the country was to inhibit slavery directly and absolutely in the territories by express and declared object being to prevent the extension of that institution. This common abhorence of slavery distinctly shows itself in the early legislation of the country, and the distinguished men of the nation of all parties looked forward to the time when the system itself should become extinct. This national sentiment pervading the slave, as it did the free state, has come to be reversed by the South, and in its place has sprung up an attachment and devotion to slavery which is made paramount to the provisions of the federal constitution; and a dismemberment of the Union even is treated as a matter to be endured rather than its perpetuity should present a barrier to the spread of that local institution, for which its friends claim the right under the Constitution, beyond the power of Con-

to plant it in any and all the territories of the government. This new and startling doctrine is sought to be established as the judgment of the people of this country. It cannot be doubted that Congress in its recent action on the bill referred to for the organization of Nebraska and Kansas, favored such extraordinary assumption. And what renders this aggressive movement the more alarming is the evident complicity of the Chief Magistrate of the country, in open disregard and direct violation of a voluntary assurance - given to the people who had elevated him to that high position, that no movement of that character should "shock the repose of the country, if in his power to avert it, during his official term."

From this alarming action of Congress and subserviency of men high in official power, we turn with unusal satisfaction to the action of the people of the several States where popular elections have recently taken place, and witness the strong condemnation by the honest and intelligent masses, of the bold attempt to change the original policy of the government, and give nationality to an institution wholly local in its character, and existing only by the power of municipal law.

I would recommend no action, nor would I participate in any movement, that shoul have the semblance of encroachment on the constitutional rights of the South. But we are unworthy of being freemen, if we do not resist the unconstitutional advances of slavery. And as we love the Union, as we wish to perpetuate the blessings of civil liberty, as we desire the prosperity of the whole country, we are urged to meet this crisis with a manly firmness, that shall say, in the most friendly yet decided manner, we ask nothing but what is right, and shall submit to nothing wrong. The Constitution of the United States is of itself an absolute law of impartial liberty,

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to the full extent of federal jurisdiction. It authorizes no crime, it permits no oppression but outside of State limits solemnly guarantees the security of freedom to all human beings under its exclusive authority. Had this principle always been maintained, our country would have escaped the threatening evils which its surrender has brought upon us. The compromise policy having been repudiated by the slave states, every consideration of honor, humanity and patriotism, demands an immediate return to the Constitution

Let men who think and feel alike on this paramount political question, be no longer alienated by obsolete issues and antagonistic organizations, but unite under the same banner, and insist that the policy of the government shall be in the future, what it was in the beginning, when administered by Washington and those illustrious men who were with him in the field and in the Cabinet.

On motion of Mr Blake,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to procure the printing of 2500 Copies of the Governors message for the use of the Senate.

Adjourned

Louis O Cowan Secretary

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In Senate

Monday Jany 8th 1855

Prayer by Rev Dr Tappan

Mr Burton introduced the following order Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to make up the pay of Nicholas J. Thomas, up today and including two days extra pay for preparing the Senate Chamber. Read and on motion of Mr Willis amended so as to strike out the words to-day and insert the words to Friday Jany 5th and as amended passed.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from Hon Samil Cony, Treasurer of State, transmitting "the annual statements and accounts of the receits and expenditures of all public money for the fiscal year, terminating on the 30th of December 1854"

On motion of Mr Willis,

Ordered, That a joint select committee be appointed to examine the Treasurers accounts and settle the same, and Messrs Willis of Cumberland, Hitchborn of Waldo, and Watson of Lincoln were appointed Committee on part of the Senate,

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Hitchborn of Waldo, The Secretary was authorized to employ such assistants as he may choose during the temporary absence of the assistant Clerk.

Bill "an act to abolish the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Franklin" came from the House, amended and passed to be engrossed as amended, The Senate amended the same in concurrence.

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46. and as amended passed the same to be engrossed.

Adjourned.

Louis O Cowan Secretary.

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In Senate

Tuesday Jany 4th 1853

Prayer by Rev Mr Dexter

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot,

Ordered,

That a Committee of three be appointed, by the Chair for the purpose of preparing Rules & Orders for the Government of the Senate, Read and passed, and Messrs Blake of Penobscot, Willis of Cumberland and Cotton of Kennebec were appointed Committee for said purpose.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot,

Ordered,

That the Secretary of the Senate procure the printing of the usual number of Copies of the rules and orders hereafter to be adopted, together with the usual documents accompanying the same.

On motion of Mr Downes of Washington, Ordered, That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the expediency of establishing Normal Schools in this State and the best and most expeditious mode of effecting that Object. passed

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Willis of Cumberland, Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to a change in the judicial system of the State be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

The Chair announced the Committee on Rolls in the second reading. viz.

Messrs Blake R. Proctor.

Quimby	of	Cumberland
Willis	"	"
Eaton	"	Kennebec
Josey	"	"
Elliot	"	Piscataquis,
Scammon	"	York,
Garcelon	"	Lincoln,
Thorndike	"	" "
Ruggles	"	Penobscot,
Edelhow	"	Waldo,
Adams	"	Washington,

On motion of Mr Sumnell of Oxford,

Ordered,

That so much of the Governors message as relates to State Lands, be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Communications were received from Noah Smith, Abner Coburn, Marshall Cram, Ammi Cutter and Charles Danforth, Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance of their Trusts and their readiness to take and subscribe the oaths required by the Constitution.

A message was received from the House through Mr Hale of Bangor, proposing a convention of the two branches at a quarter past eleven o'clock A. M. for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the Constitution to Noah Smith jr, Abner Coburn, Marshall Cram, Ammi Cutter and Charles Danforth. to qualify them to discharge their duties as Councillors to advise with the Governor for the current political year.

The Senate concurred in the proposition, and on motion of Mr. Blake of Penobscot, a message was ordered to be sent to the House informing

it of the concurrence.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The hour for holding the Convention having arrived the Senate proceeded to the Representatives Hall where a Convention was formed

In Convention

Mr Willis of Cumberland was charged with a message to Noah Smith jr, Abner Coburn, Marshall Crosm, Ammi Cutler, and Charles Danforth, - Councillors elect,

Informing them that the two Branches were in Session in the Representatives Hall for the purpose of administering to them the necessary oaths of office, who subsequently reported that the above named Councillors would attend forthwith. for the purposes indicated, whereupon the aforesaid Councillors elect came in and before the President of the Senate, and in presence of the two Branches, in Convention assembled, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their Official duties

The Councillors then returned and the Convention seperated.

In Senate

Bill "An act to abolish the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Franklin, came from the House, passed to be enacted, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed the same was passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

On motion of Mr Dunnell of Oxford,

Ordered,

That a message be sent to the Governor, notifying him that Noah Smith jr, Abner Coburn, Charles Danforth, Marshall Crum, and Ammi Cutter, have been duly elected and qualified as councillors to advise the Governor in the Executive part of the Government for the current political year

This message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr Hitchborn of Prides, Ordered, That so much of the Governors message as relates to the Maine Liquor Law, be referred to a joint Special Committee consisting of five on the part of the Senate, and Messrs Hitchborn, Downes, Willis, Ruggles, and Bennett were appointed on the part of Senate. The House joined Hale of Bangor, Lincoln of Bath, Berry of Gardiner, Osgood of New Gloucester, Jones of China, Leavitt of Portland, Hobart of Edmunds, Stevens of Paris, Stilings of Berwick, and Doke of Etna.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot,

Ordered,

That so much of the Governor Message as relates to an experimental farm be referred to the joint Committee on Agriculture,

Mr Eaton of Kennebec, presented Petition of Hiram Bibbee and others for a charter for a Bridge across the Kennebec River, in the County of Somerset, and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Pease of Cumberland presented petition of Jane K. Lewis, praying for a divor

and the same was referred to a joint Select Committee consisting on the part of the Senate of Messrs Pease, Cammon and Hickborn

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Flint of Somerset, presented the petition of Susan Thing for a Divorce, and the same was referred to the joint Special Committee having under consideration the petition of Jane K. Lewis.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Adams of Washington presented petition of A. C. Small and others for reconstruction of Lock Through Millbridge Company's Dam in Millbridge, and the same was referred to the Committee on Railroads and Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Boody of Cumberland presented petition of the President and Directors of the Union Bank, Brunswick, asking leave to increase the capital stock of said Bank, and the same was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Goodwin of York presented petition of Jefferson Moulton and Nathaniel Low to be set off from Lyman and annexed to Alfred, and the same was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Boody of Cumberland presented petition of A. B. Thompson for balance pay as Quartermaster General, and the same was referred to the Committee on Claims

Sent down for concurrence

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52. Mr Lowell of Kennebec, presented petition of Walter Hoyt and others for incorporation as Wayne Paper Company, and the same was referred to the Committee on Manufactures

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. "An act to amend an act incorporating the Maine Oil Cloth and Carpet Company, approved April 1st A. D. 1854" came from the House passed to be engrossed, the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

The Chair announced the joint standing committees on the part of the Senate, which subsequently came up joined on the part of the House as follows

On the Judiciary

Senate	House
Messrs Willis	Messrs Ingersoll
Goodwin	" Litchfield
Dunnell	Lane
	Stone
	Leavitt
	Snell
	Andrews

On Mercantile affairs and Insurance

Senate	House
Messrs Thorndike	Messrs Hobart
Newell Blake	Leavitt
Goodwin	Bradbury
	Nickerson
	Rawson
	Woodbury
	Coombs

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On Education

Senate	House
Messrs Torsey	Messrs Fenno, Nickerson
Boody	Haskell, Osgood
Hichborn	Scammon, Sweat
	and Josselyn

On Banks and Banking

Senate	House
Messrs Eaton	Messrs Lincoln, Burpee,
Downes	Titcomb, Thomas
Quimby	Bradbury, Porter,
	Brewer

On Incorporation of Towns

Senate	House
Messrs Flint	Messrs Norris, Elliot
Shephard	Cutler, Hight
Sprague	Stanton, Whitcomb
	Payson, Bruce.

On Division of Towns

Senate	House
Messrs Dennett	Messrs Hall, Charles,
Thorndike	Austin, Bacon
Nathaniel Blake	Nason, Richards,
	Herald,

On Division of Counties

Senate	House
Messrs Hichborn	Messrs Walker, Woodman,
Sprague	Cushing, Hanscomb,
Elliot	Raynes, Nichols
	Blanchard,

On State Lands and State Roads

Senate	House
Messrs Walker	Messrs Hill, Gunnison,
Nathaniel Blake	Smith, Stevens,
Ruggles	Pattee, Porter,
	Philips,

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On Indian Affairs

Senate	House
Messrs Adams	Messrs Gunnison, Blake,
Newell Blake	Winslow, Skolfield,
Dascomb	Banton, Haines,
	Miller.

On Agriculture

Senate	House
Messrs Pease	Messrs Porter, Kennedy,
Barker	Hutchins, Brown,
Watson	Baker, Rogers,
	Comins.

On Fisheries

Senate	House
Messrs Crehore	Messrs Skolfield, Turner
Barker	Coombs, Greenleaf
Watson	Chase, Hinkley,
	Eames.

On Manufactures

Senate	House
Messrs Scammon	Messrs Carr, Leavitt,
Turner	Bacheldor, Clark,
Cushing	Barker, Furbish
	Austin.

On Rail Roads and Bridges

Senate	House
Messrs Ruggles	Messrs Smith, Hill,
Willis	Lincoln, Thomas
Garcelon	Small, Chase,
	Park,

On Interior Waters

Senate	House
Messrs Dascomb	Messrs Berry, Libby
Crehore	" McGilvery, Chase
Adams	Jones, Poor, Ma[illegible]

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On Accounts

Senate
Messrs Watson
Sennett
Currier

House
Messrs Buck, Wallace
Giles, Leighton,
Stevens, Gillman
Pike

On Claims

Senate
Messrs Cushing
Currier
Shephard

House
Messrs Woodbury, Durell,
Hobbs, Walker,
Patterson, Merrill,
Peavey,

On Militia

Senate
Messrs Adams
Walker
Turner

House
Messrs Ingersoll, Mayo,
Workman, Heath,
Mason, Gerrish,
Cushman

On Militia Pensions

Senate
Messrs Elliot
Pease
Flint

House
Messrs Poor, Gilman,
Stevens, Pillsbury,
Patterson, Smith
Brown,

On Insane Hospital

Senate
Messrs Downes
Pease
Carleton

House
Messrs Oakes
Sweat
Patten
Blanchard
Johnson
Jones
Cushman

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On Reform School

Senate	House
Messrs Garcelon	Messrs Hill, Came,
Newell Blake	Sibby, Lincoln,
Dascomb	Scammon, Heald,
	Turner,

On State Prison

Senate	House
Messrs Quimby	Messrs Burpee, Hovert,
Eaton	Buck, Ham,
Ruggles	Merrill, Means
	O'Brien,

On Public Buildings

Senate	House
Messrs Barker	Messrs McKenney, Brown,
Crehore	Cushman, Furbish,
Sprague	Remick, Holt
	Files

On Library

Senate	House
Messrs Dunnell	Messrs Stone, Fenno,
Boody	Osgood, Stevens
Torsey	Cole, Garland,
	Doble

Louis O. Cowan, Sec'y. Adjourned.

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In Senate

Wednesday Jany 10 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Abbott

Mr Willis from the joint Committee appointed to examine and settle the Treasurer's accounts.

Report. That they have carefully examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer, and find his account properly vouched, and the statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Treasury Department to be correct. They also report that there appears to be due from the Treasurer Jan'y 1st 1855. one Hundred eight Thousand seven dollars 41/100 $ 108.107.41"

Per order

William Willis Chairman"

and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Ruggles.

Ordered, That the petitioners in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and the Female Collegiate Institute, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Pease,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of striking out the eighth paragraph of Section tenth of an act entitled, "An act concerning the assessment of taxes. Approved April 5th 1845.

and also the expediency of repealing an act entitled "An act concerning

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 the assessment of taxes

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Dunnell of Oxford,

Ordered,

That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to enquire into the expediency of repealing the act entitled "An act in relation to costs in real and mixed actions" approved April 18 1854.

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Boody of Cumberland.

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Bankink be instructed to enquire into the expediency of authorizing the business of Banking by general laws

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Torsey of Kennebec,

Ordered,

That there be appointed a Committee consisting of three from the Senate, with such as the House may join to which shall be refereed that portion of the Governors message relating to Slavery, passed, and Messrs Torsey, Boody and Pease were appointed on the part of the House, the House joined

On motion of Mr Garcelon of Lincoln,

Ordered,

That a Committee of three with such as the House may join be appointed to prepare joint rules and orders for the government of the two Houses. Passed and Messrs Garcelon, Blake of Penobscot and Flint of Somerset appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate. The House joined Messrs Leavitt, Stone, Brown, Josselyn, McGilvery, M[illegible]

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On motion of Mr Downes of Washington,
Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary
be directed to enquire into the expediency of
amending the fourteenth section of Chapter
44 of the Revised Statutes by inserting the
word "Christmas" after the word July, in the
first and third line thereof

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis laid upon the table a "Resolve authorizing the State Treasurer to balance certain accounts for taxes" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Torrey from the Committee on Bills in the second reading reported without amendment Bill, "An act to amend an act incorporating the Maine Oil Cloth and Carpet Company" Approved April first A.D 1854, and the same was twice read and passed to be engrossed

The Secretary presented a list of the referred business from the last Legislature, and the papers included in the list were referred as follows

To the Judiciary Committee

Order relating to the Support of paupers by Counties.

Petition of Bernard Morse and others

Resolve in addition to a resolve authorizing a tax on the several Counties in this State.

Petition of Nathaniel Churchill and others, and sundry other petitions and orders

Petition of E. G. Wentworth and others

60 Petition of Joel Wellington

Petition of first Parish in Minturn

Bill extending the time of the Franklin Bank to commence and maintain suits.

To the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance.

Petition of A. D. Atwood and others.

Petition of Seward Mewie and others

Petition of Seward Oakes and others and sundry other petitions

Petition of Abner Weeks and others

To the Committee on Education

Resolve in favor of Plantations in Washington County

Bill requiring persons having the control of Youth to procure them public instruction.

To the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

Petition of James F. Cleaveland and others.

To the Committee on Division of Towns

Petition of Millian Butterfield and others
" " Jesus Fogler
" " Edward Hill and others
" " John Hubbard " "
" " Reuben Lacee

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To the Committee on Agriculture
Bill to establish an experimental farm.

To the Committee on Fisheries
Bill for the preservation of salmon shad and alewives, in Penobscot River, and Bay and their tributaries,

To the Committee on Military Pensions.
Petition of Abigal O'Brien

To the Committee on Claims
Petitions of Samuel C. Chase jun
" " John Sargeant.

To the Committee on Interior Rates
Petition of John Kendall and others
" " Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company
" " Seth Paine and others
" " Ephraim Pauk and others
" " John Munn and others ...

To the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges
Petition of Simeon Allen and others
" " David Bunker " "
" " Bangor and Piscataquis Rail Road Company
Petition of John Cameron and others
" " Franklin Clark " "
" " James S. Holmes " "
" " William Morse " "
" " John Hunt " "
" " Stockholders of Marsh Point Bridge.

Resolve authorizing a survey of a Rail Road between the eastern shore of the Penobscot waters and eastern boundary of the State.

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69 Resolve in favor of the survey of Androscoggin Rail Road.

Petition of E. G. Woodman and 2 others
" " Ebenezer Cobb " "
" " N. S. Paris and 31 others
Petitions for the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road; - and the Remonstrance of Phineas Barnes and others, and Allen H Cobb and others and 34 other Remonstrances against said Rail Road.

The foregoing papers were referred to the committees, as before stated and

Sent down for concurrence

Adjourned,

Louis A Cowan. Sec'y.

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In Senate

Thursday January 11 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Dillingham

The following papers came from the House. Petition of John Stickney and others for amendment of an act to loan its credit, to the Lewy's Island Railroad Company of the city of Calais.

Petition of Lewy's Island Railroad Company for changes in the act of incorporation.

Petition of William Pike and others for amendment of act allowing the city of Calais to loan its credit to Lewy's Island Railroad Company

Petition of G. D. King and others for amendment of act allowing the City of Calais to loan its credit to the Lewy's Island Railroad Company, and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of George Walker and others. of James J. Gothener and others, of Andrew Peter and others, of Israel B. Bradley and others for the protection of the forests of Maine from fires; of John H. Spring and others for increased pay to County Commissioners; of Joshua Hubbard and others for resolve in equity for lands taken for a public road; of S. F. Small and others for an amendment of the Constitution. came from the House referred to the Judiciary Committee, and the same wer referred, in concurrence

Petitions of Nathaniel Cushman and others for a division of the town of Belmont. of Thomas J. Haines praying that territory ma

64. set off Levant to Kenduskeag; of Alfred Lemont and others of West Bath to be set off to the city of Bath; of John Baker to be set off from Chelsea and annexed to the town of Pittston; of Milloughby Prescott and others to be set off from Norridgewock and annexed to Skowhegan, of L. C. Whitten and Hezam Fuller that certain lands in Farmingdale be annexed to the City of Hallowell. came from the House, refered to the Committee on Division of Towns, and the same were severally refered in concurrence

Petition of C. H. Smith of Saco; of C. H. Hart and others severally, to endow the Maine State Seminary; of the Trustees of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary; of Leonard Billings for an appropriation in behalf of the Litchfield Liberal Institute, came from the House refered to the Committee on Education, and they were severally refered, in concurrence.

Account of the City of Belfast for expenses incurred by an insane pauper having no settlement in Maine, came from the House refered to Committee on Claims, and the same was refered in concurrence

Petition of Joel Fuller and others, to be set from the Agricultural Society in the County of Androscoggin and annexed to Kennebec Agricultural Society, came from the House refered to the Committee on Agriculture, and the same was refered, in concurrence

Petition of Ellias Guptail to have the title of certain Lands in Enfield confirmed, came from the House, refered to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and the same

was refered in concurrence.

Petition of J. E. Donnell and others of Portland and vicinity of Portland praying for a charter for a Maine Insurance Company came from the House, and the same was Refered to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

Petition of Citizens of Buxton Village for a Bank, of Ocean Bank in Kennebunk for increase of Capital Stock; of Ezra Carter for praying for further time for putting in Operation the Mechanics Bank, came from the House, refered to Committee on Banks and Banking, and the same was refered in concurrence

On motion of Mr Josey,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the two Houses proposing a Convention the two branches in the Hall of Representatives, at a quarter before eleven A M. for the purpose of electing a Treasurer for the current political year, Subsequently the Senate was informed by message communicated by Mr Lincoln that the House concurred in the proposition for a convention

The hour for holding the Convention to elect a State Treasurer having arrived the Senate proceeded to the Representatives Hall where a Convention was formed

In Convention

On motion Messrs Hutchinson and Burden of the Senate and Wallace of Milbridge, Hobbs of Hope, Stanton of Wellington, Chapin of Brewer and Ingalls of the House, were appointed a committee to receive sort and count the votes for a

Treasurer of State. Having attended to that duty, reported as follows

Whole number of ballots	166,
Necessary to a choice	84,
Woodbury Davis has	122,
James L. Child "	43
Joseph N. Sanborn "	1

The report was accepted and Woodbury Davis was elected duly and constitutionally elected Treasurer of State for the ensuing political year.

The Committee then dissolved.

In Senate

On motion of Mr Blake, the Secretary of the Senate was directed to inform Woodbury Davis Esq of Belfast, of his election, by a Convention of the two branches, to the office of Treasurer of State

The following order came from the House,

Ordered

That all petitions for private & special legislation which shall be presented to this Legislature after the fifteenth day of February next be referred to the next Legislature and the same was passed in concurrence

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, communicating a letter from Hon Jason Weeks, declining to accept the Office of Councillor to advise with the Executive, to which he had been elected on the sixth inst—

On motion of Mr Ruggles, the Secretary was charged with a message to the House of Representatives informing a convention of the two branch-

es of the Legislature to be held in the Representatives Hall at twenty minutes past 12 for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the Board of Councillors occasioned by the non acceptance of the Office by Hon Jason Weeks.
The Senate was subsequently informed by message communicated by the Clerk of the House, that the House concurred in the proposition for a convention

At the hour assigned for holding the Convention the Senate proceeded to the Representatives Hall, when a convention was formed

In Convention

On motion of Messrs Ruggles
Sprague } of the Senate.
Gunnison of Eastport
Hale of Greene
McKeson of Belfast

were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a councillor to fill the vacancy at the Councillors Board,

Having attended to that duty,

Reported,

That the whole number of Ballots is 157,
Necessary to a choice 89,
Henry Richardson has 119,
William Emerson " 38,

The Report was accepted, and Henry Richardson declared duly elected a Councillor to advise the Governor for the current political year

The Senate then retired and the Convention dissolved

In Senate

On motion of Mr Adams of Washington the Secretary of State was directed to notify Hon Henry Richardson of Old Town that he has been duly elected, Councillor to advise with the Governor in the executive departments for the current political year

Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State, reported by the financial committee of the House, came from the House and passed to be engrossed. The resolve was once read, the rule suspended, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

The following Order came from the House. Ordered, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the sale of public lands and granting permits for cutting timber thereon, be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, and the same was passed in concurrence

Petition of Thomas Crocker and others, praying to be incorporated by the name of the Bangor and Piscataquis State Company, came from the House referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. The Senate nonconcurred in the reference and referred the same to the Committee on Manufactures

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis of Cumberland. Presented the petition of James B. Cahoon and others a committee of the City of Portland, inviting attention to the Paris Exhibition of 1855, and the same was referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance

Sent down for concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be instructed to enquire into the expediency of instituting an investigation into the doings of the late Ship Builders Bank of Rockland with power to send for persons and papers, was passed in concurrence

The following order came from the House. Ordered, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the subject of Naturalization be refered to a joint Select Committee to consist of seven on the part of House, and refered to Messrs Cushing of Searsport, Lincoln of Hallowell, Chase of Portland, Ham of Lewiston, Buck of Bucksport, Fenno of Augusta, and Burgess of Old Town, were appointed on the part of the House. The order was passed in concurrence. and Messrs Goodwin, Boody, Blake of Aroostic, Turner & Elliot appointed on part of the Senate

A communication was received from Hon Samuel Lowe, transmitting certain claims for counties of the State. The same were refered to the Committee on accounts in concurrence.

An act additional to Chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes, came to the House amended, and refered to the Committee on the Judiciary. and the same was refered, in concurrence

Adjourned.

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In Senate

Jany 12th 1855

The following order came from the House. Ordered, "That so much of the Governor's message as relates to extending the elective franchise so that certain offices that are now filled by executive appointments be referred to a joint select Committee consisting of seven on the part of the House together with such as the Senate may join" and Messrs Lincoln of Hallowell, Staples of Swanville Titcomb of Augusta, Oakes of Auburn, Turbish of Brunswick, Nason of Kenduskeag and Shele of Fairfield were appointed on the part of the House; and this order passed in concurrence, and Messrs Down's of Washington, Barker of Hancock, Blake of Penobscot, Dascomb of Somersett and Quimby of Cumberland, were appointed on the part of the Senate on said Committee

The petition of Elisha H. Dunham for a divorce came from the House, referred to the Judiciary Committee and the Senate nonconcurred the House in the reference, and referred the petition to the Joint Select Committee having under consideration the petition of Jane K. Lewis for a Divorce

Sent down for concurrence

The President presented the petition of N. E. Paine and others, citizens of Exeter, for the incorporation and endowment of the Maine State Seminary and the same was referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Blake from the Committee on Bills i

and reading having examined a resolve entitled "a resolve authorizing the State Treasurer to balance certain accounts for taxes. Reported the same without amendment, which report was accepted, and the resolve read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

An act to amend an act incorporating the Maine Oil Cloth and Carpet Company, approved April 1st 1854, came from the House passed to be enacted, and the same was passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

The following petitions came from the House referred to the Committee on Education. Petition of Lot A. Morrill and others. of Free Will Baptist State Convention. of Jephta. Young and others for the endowment and incorporation of the Maine State Seminary; and the petition of the Mayor of the City of Belfast, asking that the City District may be authorized to raise money, and petition of James Small and others for incorporation and endowment of Maine State Seminary, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Education

Petition of Samuel Pratt and others to protect the forests against fire

Petition of Dan Pinio and others for same

Petition of Selectmen of Searsport. That the doings of the Selectmen of said town for the years 1856 & 1857, may be made valid

Petition of the inhabitants of Centerville

72. in reference to the tax act of non-resident proprietors

Petition of the City of Bath for an amendment to the City Charter, were severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence

Petitions of William Small and others of Brunswick in aid of the petition for an act to incorporate the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company

Petitions of Geo A. Pickering, Mayor of Bangor, in aid of the petition of Rufus Dwinal, President of the Portland and Kennebec Rail Road Company.

Petition of William Small and others of Raymond and vicinity in aid of the petition of Ebenezer Cole and others for an act incorporating the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company.

Petition of Rufus Dwinal for authority for the City of Bangor to loan its credit in aid of the construction of the Portland and Kennebec Rail Road, were severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Fryeburg Academy Academy Grant to be annexed to the town of Gilead,

Petition of Amos T. Messer and others to be set off from the Town of Lowell and annexed to the town of Enfield

Petition of certain inhabitants of Edding

that a part of the Town of Brewer may be annexed to the Town of Eddington"

Petition of inhabitants of Gilead to amend Bethel Academy Grant to said Town, were severally referred to the Committee on the Division of Towns, in concurrence

Petitions of J. T. Lewis for leave to build a dyke across tide waters of Salt Marsh creek in Millbridge

Petition of Hiram Peavey for a Charter to run a Steam Boat on Passadumkeag River.

Petition of Seward Merrill for a permission to build wharves in Portland harbor, were severally referred to the Committee on Interior waters, in concurrence

Petition of Nathaniel Webster for remuneration of money paid land.

Petition of Joshua Hathaway for a lot of land, were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Peter S. Folsom for a Military Pension.

An act to legalize the sale of oats.

An account of the City of Calais for expenses paid for William Brown an Insane Pauper and foreigner, were severally referred to the Committee on claims, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Ruggles of Penobscot the vote whereby the Senate finally passed bill entitled "An act to amend an act whereby

74 - porating the Maine Oil Cloth and Carpet Company, approved April 1st 1854, was reconsidered, and the bill laid on the table

Adjourned.

Louis A Cowan, Sec'y

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In Senate

Janj 13th 1853

The Secretary being absent. On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot. Messrs Blake of Penobscot, Adams and Flint were appointed a committee to receive sort and count the votes for a Secretary Pro. Tem. and said committee subsequently reported that they had attended to that duty, and that the whole number of votes were 18
Necessary for a choice 10
Joseph W. Knowlton has 18

The report was accepted, and Joseph W. Knowlton, declared duly elected Secretary Pro. Tem. Mr Knowlton signified his acceptance, Alden W. Jackson Esq authorized by decimus Prestaten, administered to him the necessary oaths to qualify him for the discharge of his official duty, as Secretary of the Senate. Pro. Tem.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot a message was sent to the House, informing that body of the election of Joseph W. Knowlton as Secretary of the Senate Pro. Tem,

Mr Blake of Penobscot was charged with the message; and that Senator subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged

Prayer by Rev Mr Tappan of Augusta

The following papers came from the House

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16. Petition of Eldridge Harris that the name of the Bangor and Piscataquis Rail Road Company be changed to Old Town and Milford Rail Road Company, and petition of E. B. Pierce and others for the renewal of the Old Town and Milford Bridge Company, and authorizing said Company to use the Bridge recently erected of the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Rail Road Company, and to receive tolls upon the same, were severally referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

The petition of George Plaisted and others for a Bank Charter, and Manufactures Bank, came from the House, referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, and the same were severally referred to said Committee, in concurrence

The petition of John Bird and others for a Charter to incorporate North Insurance Company of Rockland; - and the petition of Oliver J. Livermore and others to be incorporated as the Eastport Gas Light Company, came from the House referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and the same were referred to the aforesaid Committee, in concurrence

The petition of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and sundry individuals members of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians, for an appropriation from the school fund for a school at Old Town Island for the Indians; - and the credentials of Pol Sockis, Delegate of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians, came from the House, refered to the Joint Stand

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Committee on Indian affairs, and the same were refered to the said Committee, in concurrence

The petition of Darius Wentworth for right to erect a weir in Damariscotta River, came from the House, refered to the joint Standing Committee on Interior Waters, and the same was refered to said Committee, in concurrence.

The petition of Elizabeth Sylvester for a divorce, came from the House refered to the Committee on the petition of Jane K. Lewis, and the same was refered to said Committee, in concurrence

The petition of J. A. Fassenden and others for incorporation and endowment of Maine State Seminary, came from the House, and the same was refered to the joint Standing Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Memorial of N. E. Law Institute for donation of the Statutes of Maine for a Public Library, came from the House, refered to the joint Standing Committee on the Library and the same was refered to said Committee, in concurrence

The petition of Mark Scott and others for incorporation into a town by the name of Woodville, came from the House, and the same was refered to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence.

The petition of Joseph M. Moore and another, that certain land may be set off from

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Detroit to Pittsfield, came from the House, and the same was referred to the Committee on the Division of Towns, in concurrence

Petition of Town of Detroit to be set off from Somerset County to Penobscot County came from the House, and the same was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence

On motion of Mr Downs of Washington, Ordered, That a joint Special Committee be appointed consisting of three on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join to consider what further legislation is necessary, if any, in relation to elections in Plantations as provided in the Chapter 89d of the Laws, passed at extra session 1840, and approved October 2nd 1840. Messrs Downs, Blake of Aroostic and Quimby were appointed said Committee.

Sent down for concurrence

Order from the House, directing the papers and documents on the files of the last Legislature, relating to the purchase of the fee of the real estate of the reform School, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on the Reform School, read and passed in concurrence

Order from the House, requesting the Secretary of State to lay upon the Speakers table forthwith the several County estimates that have been received at his office, read and passed, in concurrence

Order from the House, instructing the Committee on Education to enquire into the ex-

dency of increasing the pay, per diem, of members of Superintending School Committee for their services, and also of compensating them for their travel performed, in the regular discharge of their duties; read and passed in concurrence

Order from the House, requesting the Committee on the Judiciary to enquire into the expediency of amending the law for the collection of County taxes on unincorporated lands, so that the County Treasurer shall be obliged to receive the amount due from any one of the proprietors, as his proportion, and give a receipt for the same, read and passed in concurrence.

Order from the House, instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to enquire into the expediency of repealing Chapter 69 of the Public Laws approved July 22-1846; also Chapter 202 of the public Laws approved Aug 7th 1845, commonly known as the usury laws, read and passed in concurrence.

An act in addition to an act entitled an act to establish the County of Sagadahoc came from the House, referred to the delegation from the County of Sagadahoc, referred in concurrence

The Petitions from the House, of C. M. Withee and Others

The Petition of Wm P. Haines and Others

" " " Thomas H. Cole " "

" " " John H. Allen " "

" " George A. Warren " "

" " F. E. Cutler " "

" " Elias Harmon " "

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The Petition of Hanson Lowell and others all of Biddeford for a City Charter; and an act to incorporate the City of Biddeford, were refered to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Bill respecting the erection of wooden buildings in the City of Portland, approved April 1st 1854, came from the House, and passed to be engrossed, and the same was read once, and Monday next at eleven o'clock assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot,

Ordered,

That the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges be directed to enquire into the expediency of repealing an act entitled, "An act additional to an act, incorporating the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Rail Road Company approved March 24, 1845. read and passed

Sent down for concurrence

The petition of J. T. Champlin and another praying to be incorporated by the name of Waterville Library Association, and the petition of E. Mc Wood and others of Camden for incorporation and endowment of Maine State Seminary were severally read and refered to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Inhabitants of for a law concerning School funds, was read and refered to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

Sent down for concurrence

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Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State. 81.
was finally passed, and was presented by
the Secretary, Pro Tempore, to the Governor for
his approval.

Adjourned,

Louis O Cowan, Secretary.

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In Senate

Monday Jany 15 1855.

Prayer by Rev Mr Dexter of Augusta.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns granting order of notice, returnable to the present Legislature, on petition of Thomas J. Haines and others that certain Lands may be set from Servant came from the House, recommitted, and the Senate concurred

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Order from the House, requesting the Committee on Education to consider the expediency of passing a law, compelling truant and vagrant children to attend school, and if the Committee think such a law would be expedient, or would be effectual, to report a bill - was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House, instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of passing a law reducing the salary of the Attorney General - was passed in concurrence

Petition of Daniel Lord and others for a law to protect forests against fire

Petition of William Freeman and 39 others for same Object ...

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Petition of the City of Bath, by the Mayor for liberty to pass an ordinance for the removal of snow from side walks

Petition of David Stewart and others of Corinna to make valid the doings of said Town, were severally referred to the Committee on the

Judiciary in concurrence

Petition of Trustees of Limington Academy for a grant of land.

Petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for aid

Petition of Corinna Union Academy for aid

Petition of Joseph Staples and others of Penn for the incorporation and endowment of the Maine State Seminary

Petition of Azael Lovejoy and others of Unity for same object

Petition of Thomas Burdin and 77 others of for same object

Petition of Seth Mary and others of Winthrop that aid may be granted to Foule Academy were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Selectmen of the Town of Farmingdale against the petition of Simeon C. Whitten and others, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Bill. An act to amend an act respecting the erection of wooden buildings in the City of Portland approved April 1, 1854. was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Adjourned,

Louis O Cowan Secy

In Senate

Tuesday Jan'y 16. 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Ingraham

Mr Blake from the Select Committee to prepare Rules and orders for the government of the Senate Reported "the Rules and orders of the Senate for the year 1854, without amendment" and the report was accepted, and the rules and orders of 1854, were declared to be the rules and orders for the government of the Senate for 1855.

A communication was received from Woodbury Davis. Treasurer elect, signifying his acceptance of the office, and transmitting his official bonds and the same was referred to the joint Select Committee raised to examine and settle the Treasurers books for 1854

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Dascomb from Somerset presented the petition of Joseph M. Moor and others to be set off from Solon to Pittsfield and the same was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Pease from the Committee to which was referred the petition of Susan Thing for a Divorce reported order of notice on the same, on motion the Senate recommitted the report with instructions to report reference to the next Legislature

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Boody of Cumberland introduced the following order, Ordered, That a joint Select Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider the expediency

of an appropriation to complete the Geological Survey of the State. The order was passed, subsequently Mr Thorndike of Lincoln moved a reconsideration of the vote passing the order, and the Yeas and Nays having been ordered the Senate refused to reconsider as follows;

Nays Adams, Nathaniel Blake, Newell Blake, Boody, Carlton, Carver, Cushing, Dascomb, Downes, Dunnell Eaton, Elliot, Flint, Hutchinson, Muzzy, Pease, Quimby Ruggles, Scammon, Shephard, Sprague, Torsey, Turner, Watson and Willis — — — 25

Yeas Bennett, Thorndike, Walker 3

Mr Willis, presented the petition of Waterville College for aid, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education,

Sent down for concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire within the amount of monthly wages due for the services of the principal defendent and of the family, and which is by Statue exempted from the reach of Trustee process, should not be limited to some definate sum, was passed in concurrence

Bill, "An act granting appeals from decisions of County Commissioners of two or more counties,"

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes,

Bill, "An act in relation to power of County Commissioners" came from the House, refered to the Judiciary Committee, and the same were refered in concurrence.

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Order from the House, That the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of amending the seventh section of the 17 chapter of the Revised Statutes, was passed in concurrence.

Mr Dunnells of Oxford presented the petition of Abraham Andrews and others praying that the law in relation to taxes may be so amended as that lumber justly and unavoidably taxed in another State may be exempted from taxation in this State, and the same was referred to the judiciary Committee

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. An act to establish a Police Court in the City of Portland and to abolish the Municipal Court in said City, came from the House referred to the judiciary Committee and the same was referred, in concurrence

Adjourned

Louis O Cowan Sect.

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In Senate

Wednesday Jany 17 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Cheney

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee to which was referred an order relating to an amendment of Chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes, reported,

Bill "An act to amend Chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes," and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a Second Reading

Same Gentleman from same Committee to which was referred certain petitions for a City charter from the inhabitants of Biddeford reported,

Bill, "An act to incorporate the City of Biddeford" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Garcelon of Cumberland, presented the petition of C. W. Goodland, County Attorney of the County of Androscoggin for increase of salary, and the same was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Blake of Penobscot, presented the petition of certain voters of the Town of Old Town, praying for an amendment of the Constitution of the State, in relation to the election of State officers and also in relation to persons of foreign birth, and the same was referred to the Joint Select Committee having under consideration so much of the Governors message as relates to the elective franchise

Sent down for concurrence

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Mr Willis from the Select Committee to which was referred the Treasurers Bond, reported that they had examined the same and found it correctly drawn and the sureties amply sufficient to respond said amount, The report was accepted Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act to amend an act respecting the erection of wooden buildings in the City of Portland, approved April 1, 1854" was reported as truly and strictly engrossed, and the same passed to be enacted, and was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, declaring Legislation inexpedient on the petition of Ellis Gilbraid, was accepted, in concurrence

Mr Watson from the joint Committee of the Delegation of Sagadahoc County to which was referred Bill "An act amendatory to an act entitled an act to establish the County of Sagadahoc; reported, "that the Bill ought to pass" the report was accepted the Bill read once, the rule suspended, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

On motion of Mr Shephard of Hancock,

Ordered,

That the Committee on the judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of amending Section 35 of the 125th Chapter of the Revised Statutes by striking out the word four in the fifth line, and inserting the word thirty, so that it shall read thirty days after instead of "four days after"

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the joint Select Committee to which was referred the petition of Susan Thing for a Divorce, came from the House, that Branch nonconcurring the Senate on the petition to the next Legislature and indefinately postponing the report. The Senate insisted upon its former vote referring the same to the next Legislature

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Scammon from the Committee on Manufactures to which was referred the petition of Walter Hobbs and others, praying to be incorporated into a Paper Company, reported, Bill, "An act to incorporate the Wayne Paper Company" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Petition of Thomas Marshall and others, Directors of Belfast Bank for extension of time to pay in new Capital Stock authorized by act of March 1854, came from the House, referred to Committee on Banks and Banking. and the same was referred, in concurrence

Petitions of Hiram Ricker and others of Daniel Brown and others; of Nathaniel L. Shenkeff and others praying for the incorporation of the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road, were referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petitions of W.A. Rust and others for aid for the Oxford Normal Institute; of G. W. Bean and others of the town of Waterville for the incorporation and endowment of the Maine State Seminary, were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petitions of Charles W Rideout and others for

amendment of State Constitution, was referred to the Joint Select Committee on the Naturalization Laws, in concurrence.

Petition of A. G. Bacon for a Divorce, was referred to the Joint Select Committee having under consideration the petition of Jane. G. Lewis, in concurrence.

Petition of L. D. Hanson and others for a Law to prevent the destruction of timber Lands by fire, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Petitions of Charles Thompson and others to be set off from Hartford and annexed to Canton: of John Otis and others that certain Real Estate of theirs in Manchester may be annexed to the City of Hallowell; of E. Libby and others praying for the setting off a part of Brewer and annexing the same to Eddington, were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of William B. Ward and others against the annexation of a part of Brewer to Eddington, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Adjourned

Louis A Cowan, Sec of S.

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In Senate

Wednesday Jany 18 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Weston

Mr Flint of Somerset presented the petition of Savice Bunker and others praying that the towns of Anson and North Anson may be incorporated into one town, and the same was refered to Committee on Division of Towns

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Josey of Kennebec presented the petition of John Gilbert and others in aid of the petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Ezra Myrick and others for incorporation of a town by the name of Alna was refered to the next Legislature, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Francis Weeks and others against the petition of Ezra Myrick, was refered to next Legislature, in concurrence

Petitions of Rufus Berry and others for leave to sell the Meeting House of the Freewill Baptist Church in Wayne, was refered to Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Moscow, that their doings may be made valid, was refered to Judiciary, in concurrence

Mr Currier of Franklin presented the petition of Isaac Rogers and others praying for the incorporation of the Maine State Seminary, with suitable endowments was refered to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

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92 Bill. An act to amend Chapter 244 of the Public Laws of 1852, was referred to Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence

Mr Cushing from the Committee on Claims. to which was referred "Petition of Samuel Chase jr as Guardian of G. C. Minot, for remuneration of Clothing destroyed by fire" reported, Leave to withdraw on the Claim, accepted
Sent down for concurrence

Mr. Blake from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was referred the petition of the inhabitants of Bancroft plantation for a Law concerning School Funds, reported "Legislation Inexpedient" and the same was accepted Sent down for concurrence

Communications were received from the Hon Franklin Clark, and Hon Henry Richardson, accepting the office of Councillors, to which they had been elected, Read and
Sent down for concurrence

A message was received from the House proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature at eleven oclock A.M. this day, for the purpose of administering the Official oaths to Hon Franklin Clark, and Hon Henry Richardson, to qualify them to advise with the Governor in the Executive branch for the current political year, The Senate concurred in the proposition.

At the Hour appointed for the holding of the Convention the Senate proceeded to the Hall of Representatives, where a Convention was formed

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In Convention

On motion of Mr Hill & Bangor that gentleman was charged with a message to Hon Franklin Black and Hon Henry Richardson, Councillors informing them that the two branches were assembled in the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to them the necessary oaths of office. Mr Hill accordingly informed the Convention that the Councillors elect would attend forthwith for the purposes mentioned

Thereupon Messrs Black and Richardson came in and in the presence of the two Branches and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the necessary oaths to qualify them to act as Councillors to advise with the Governor as Councillors, in the Executive Branch, for the current political year

The Convention then adjourned

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In Senate

The Secretary was charged with a message to the Governor informing him the Hon Franklin Black and Hon Henry Richardson had taken and subscribed the necessary oaths to qualify them to act as councillors to advise with the Executive Branch of the Government for the current political year

Mr Blake from the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, reported with an amendment

Bill, An Act to amend the fourteenth Section of Chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes and the same was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

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Same Senator, from same Committee, reported without amendment. Bill an act to incorporate the City of Biddeford" and the Committee further recommended that the same be laid upon the table, and 350 Copies be printed for the use of the Legislature, the Report was accepted,

[illegible]

That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the Governor and the Council that the [illegible] bill has been approved by both branches of the Legislature and that the same be now deposited in the office of Secretary of State.

Mr Blake from the Committee on Bills in third Reading, reported without amendment.

Bill.

"An act to incorporate the Wayne Paper Company" and the same was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Mr Downes from the joint Select Committee to which was referred an order "to consider what further legislation is necessary, if any, in relation to elections in Plantations, as provided in Chapter 89 of the Laws, passed at the Extra Session of 1840, and approved Oct 2nd 1840, made a report accompanied with a bill and the same was laid upon the table and 350 copies of the Report and Bill ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture to which was referred, "An act to regulate the sale of Oats." reported the same, which was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

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Mr Dunnell from the Committee on Library to which was refered the memorial of the New York Law Institute, reported a resolve entitled.

"Resolve in favor of the New York Law Institute". and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, to which was refered Petition of Lewys Island Rail Road Company for change in act of incorporation, reported, Bill.

"An act to authorize the Lewys Island Rail Road Company to change its location" and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Same Senator, from same Committee, to which was refered the petition of G. D. Thing and others, reported, Bill "An act in addition to an act to authorize the City of Calais to aid in the construction of the Lewys Island Rail Raid, and the report was accepted, the Bill once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Petitions of the Directors of Casco Bank for increase of its capital Stock; of the Merchants Bank, Portland for increase of its capital Stock, was refered to Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence

Petition of Oren Williamson and others for incorporating the Mechanics Association, was refered to Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence

Petition of Richard Seargent and others to be set off from Porter and annexed to Brownfield, was refered to the Committee on division of Towns

in concurrence

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture to which was referred the petitions of Joce Fuller reported,

Bill, An act additional to an act to incorporate Androscoggin Agricultural and Horticultural Society, and the same was accepted. Bill read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

The Senate concurring

The following orders from the House,

Ordered,

That the Chaplains of this Legislature have the same privileges in regard to the Library as members of this Legislature, was passed in concurrence

Order from the House, "That the Committee on the State Prison be directed to consult upon the expediency of allowing convicts in the State Prison a certain per centage of their earnings to be paid when their time expires," was passed in concurrence

Orders from the House, Ordered, that the Committee on Judiciary consider and report upon the expediency of Authorizing the Governor of this State to appoint a Commissioner to revise, abridge, and arrange the Public Laws of this State, also to prepare for publication a copy of all the private & special Laws, and also a copy of all Resolves passed, which have been passed up to, and including the present Session, indicating what have been repealed, and make a report to the next Legislature, was passed, in concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee

Agriculture be directed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the existing law granting a bounty on wolves and bears, as to increase the bounty on wolves to 10$ per head, instead of 8$ The amount now allowed, was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House. That the Committee on Public Buildings be instructed to enquire as to the expediency of making a cistern of large capacity on the Northerly side of the State House, to be used in case of fire. was passed in concurrence,

Proceedings of the Pom. Pomological Society, were refered to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petitions of William Smith and others; of Zachariee Jordan and others; of Ebenezer Knowlton and others; of H. B. Mecservey and others severally in favor of the incorporation and endowment of the Maine State Seminary, were refered to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petitions of Edward Emerson and others, citizens of China praying for amendments of Constitution and change in naturalization Laws, was refered as follows, so much of said petition as relates to the elective franchise refered to the joint Select Committee on the Elective franchise, and so much as relates to change in the naturalization Laws, to the joint Select Committee on naturalization Laws, in concurrence

Petitions of the Portland Calvery Guards. That Cavalry Companies be furnished by State

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with necessary House Equipments, and petition of James B. Calvon in aid of the same, was referred to Committee on Militia, in concurrence.

Petition of Peter Hanes and others, That Township No 3 being a part of Rangely Plantation in the County of Franklin may be incorporated into a Town was referred to Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands granting "Leave to Withdraw" on the petition of Joshua Hathaway was accepted, in concurrence

Adjourned,

Louis A Cowan, Secretary.

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In Senate

Friday Jan'y 19 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Cone

Mr Hutchinson presented Communication of J. G. Dickerson on subjects relating to Common Schools and the same was referred to the Committee on Education Sent down for concurrence

Mr Cushing of Waldo. Presented a Bill to establish a Municipal Court in Belfast, and the same was referred to the Committee on Judiciary Sent down for concurrence

Mr Cushing from Committee on Claims. to which was referred the petition of the City of Belfast for payment of Expenses incurred for an insane pauper. having no settlement in Maine, also petition of the City of Calais for expenses incurred for an insane, foreign, pauper. Reported reference of the same to the Committee on Accounts. Report accepted Sent down for concurrence

Mr Flint of Somerset presented the petition of Bradley T. Densmore in aid of Petition of Danie Bunker and others for the joining together of the Towns of Anson and North Anson into one Town and the same was referred to Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petitions of A. C. Buffam and others; of P. M. Nethington and others; of Ezra Totman and others; of G. M. Burleigh and others; of Amos Hutchings and others; of Henry J. Warren and others, of Wm A. P. Dillingham and others severally in favor of the Trustees of Nettook Seminary; also the petition of Edward Emerson and others

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of Jacob D. Colliard and others; of James N. Neal and others severally for the incorporation and endowment of the Maine State Seminary were refered to the Committee on Education. in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Hoant and others, citizens of Old Town for amendment of the constitution and change in naturalization laws. refered by the Senate to the joint Select Committee on Elective franchise came from the House non-concurred and so much as relates to election of State officers refered to Committee on Elective franchise, and so much as relates to change in Naturalization Laws refered to Committee on Naturalization Laws, The Senate receded and concurred the House in its reference.

Mr Currier of Franklin presented the petition of Joseph D. Linscott for an increase of salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Franklin, and the same was refered to the Joint Delegation of the County of Franklin Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions of Benjamin J. Herrick and others for a Bank Charter; of Randall Savings and Benevolent Association for amendment of Charter were refered to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence,

Remonstrance of Robert Southater and others against the incorporation of Township No 3 into a a Town, was refered to Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petitions of Hiram E. Rice and others for incorporation for Manufacturing purposes and Bill to incorporate the Hiram Dale Manufac-

- turing Company, were referred to Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence

Mr Cochore of Waldo presented the petition of John F. Gerard and others in favor of the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary was referred to the Committee on Education Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Dane Hammond and others for a law to prevent the destruction of fish in certain ponds and streams in Kennebec County, was referred to Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence

Petition of James Butterfield and others for a law to protect forests against fire, was referred to Judiciary Committee, in concurrence

Memorial of the citizens of Bangor praying to suspend action on the petition of the Penobscot and Kennebec Rail Road Company to loan the credit in aid of said road until an investigation of the affairs of said Company can be had" was referred to Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence ...

On motion of Mr Hitchborn of Waldo,

Ordered,

That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to enquire into the expediency of abolishing all Statute provisions for the appointment of Justices Quorum on the Penobscot Waters

On motion of Mr Garcelon,

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the subject of printing documents as authorized by Resolve of March 22 1856, and report what action may be necessary to secure their ...

- lication hereafter at so early a day, as not to embarass the action of the Legislature - passed and Messrs. Garcelon, Eaton and Boody, appointed said Committee

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary made the following reports

On the petition of C. P. Wentworth. Bill. "An act to increase the salary of Register of Probate for Aroostic County."

On the petition of Joel Millington. Bill. "An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for Aroostic.

On an act to amend the 38th Section of the One Hundred and fourth Chapter of the Revised Statutes.

Bill "An act to amend the 38th Section of 104 Chapter of Revised Statutes.

On an act to amend Chapter 244 of the public Laws of 1852.

Bill An act to amend Chapter 244 of the public Laws of 1852. on petition of Charles W. Goodard.

Bill. "An act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Androscoggan County."

On an order amending the Law relating to the collection of taxes in unincorporated places.

Bill. "An act additional to an act for the assessments and collections of taxes in an unincorporated places" - and the following Reports were severally accepted, the Bills once read, and tomorrow assigned for

Second reading

Adjourned,

Louis O'Conner Sec'y.

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In Senate

Thursday Jany 20 1853

Prayer by Rev Mr Tappan

Mr Blake of Penobscot, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the credentials of Piel Sockis, Delegate from the Penobscot Indians, Reported

Resolve in favor of Piel Sockis" and the same was read once and the rule suspended, read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Mr Crehore of Waldo, presented the petition of He. O. Alden and others members of the Bar of the County of Waldo that no Grand Jury be requested to the January term of the Court of said County, and that the criminal jurisdiction of said Court at said term be abolished and the same was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Hutchinson of Waldo, from the Committee on Division of Counties, to which was referred the petition of the Town of Detroit from Somerset County to Penobscot County reported, Bill for that purpose, and the same was read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading

Bill, "An act in addition to an act entitled, "An act to establish the County of Sagadahoc came from the House passed to be enacted;" was reported as truly and strictly engrossed, and the same was passed to be enacted, and was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

Mr Watson of Lincoln presented the petition of Charles B. Fisher and others in aid of the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Academy, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education Sent down for concurrence

Mr Hitchborn of Waldo presented the petitions of John Fowler and others, and of Jerome Harris and others severally in aid of the prayer of the petitions of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education Sent down for concurrence

Mr Blake of Penobscot from the Committee on Indian Affairs to which was referred the petition of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and sundry individuals of the Penobscot Indians. Reported,

"Resolve to promote Education among the Penobscot Indians" which was read once and Monday assigned for a second reading

Resolve in favor of Peol Sockis, came from the House, finally passed, and being reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the same was finally passed, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

On motion of Mr Cushing of Waldo,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency, if any alteration in addition to the Statue relating to Divorces be required to render it less onerous for persons destitute of pecuniary means to prosecute their suits before the Constitutional Tribunals, in such cases made and provided.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Augusta

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and Fairbanks Gas Light Company, was referred to Judiciary Committee, in concurrence

Bill. An act in addition giving Mortgages of real estate a lien on Policies of assurances against fire. was referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

Report upon the petition of Susan Thing came from the House that branch adhering to its former vote indefinately postponing the same, The Senate receded from its former vote referring it to the next Legislature and concured with the House in indefinately postponing the same

Report of the Judiciary Committee to which was referred an act to Amend Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, referring the same to the Committee on Manufactures, was accepted, in concurrence.

Mr Dunnell of Oxford, presented, Resolve authorizing the Acting Quarter Master General to dispose of Certain Military Property, was referred to Committee on Militia

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease of Cumberland presented petition of Nathaniel T. Littlefield in aid of the petition of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third reading. viz.

Bill. An act to amend Chapter 244 of the Public Laws of 1852

Bill. An act to increase the Salary of the Judge of Probate for Aroostic County;

Bill An act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Androscoggin County."

Bill An act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for Aroostic County;

Bill. An act to amend Chapter 133 of the Revised Statutes.

Bill An act to amend Chapter 104 of Section 38 of the Revised Statutes

Bill An act additional to an act to incorporate Androscoggan Agricultural and Horticultural Society;

Bill An act to authorize the Lewys Island Rail Road Company to change its location.

Bill An act to regulate the sale of Oats."

Bill "An act additional to an act to authorize the City of Calais to aid in the construction of Lewy Island R. Road.

and the foregoing Bills were severally read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Some Committee also reported, Resolve in favor of New York Law Institute, and the resolve was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Petitions of Davis Johnson for authority to call a meeting of the Stockholders of the New York Lisbon and Portland Exchange Granite Company

was refered to Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence

Mr Turner of Lincoln, presented the petition of Marshall Smith and others of Boothby for an amendment of the constitution in relation to the elective franchise, and in relation to the Naturalization laws, and the same was refered as follows, so much as relates to the Elective franchise to the joint Select Committee on Elective franchise, and so much as relates to Naturalization laws to the joint Select Committee on Naturalization.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Jesse Hayes and others for the Incorporation of the Maine State Seminary, was refered to Committee on Education, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Elbridge Harris and others in behalf of the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Rail Road Company against the repeal of an Act approved March 24th 1843, was refered to Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Mr Barker of Hancock presented the petition of Putnam Ingalls and others for an amendment of Constitution in regard to the elective franchise, and relating to change in Naturalization Laws, and the same was refered as follows so much as relates to the elective franchise to the joint Select Committee on Elective franchise and so much as relates to the Naturalization Laws to joint Select Committee on Naturalization Laws, Sent down for concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on Judiciary be instructed to enquire into

the expediency of enacting a Law requiring the several Plantations in the State to raise money for the support of Schools and the repair of highways in the same manner as incorporated Cities and Towns are required to do by Law. was passed in concurrence

Order from the House. Ordered. That the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of so altering the Law establishing the the basis of distribution of the Common School funds that their funds may be more fully equalized among the poorer and less populous districts in the State, was passed. in concurrence

On motion of Mr Turner of Lincoln. Ordered That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Monday a eleven o'clock A. M.

Adjourned.

Louis C Cowen, Secty

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In Senate,

Janʸ 22 1853.

Prayer by Rev Mr Armitage.

The President being absent, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary, who informed the Senate that the President would be absent from the Chair several days, and that it would be necessary to chose a President Pro Tempore

On motion of Mr Cochrane of Waldo, a Committee consisting of Mr Mr Cochrane of Waldo, Pease of Cumberland, and Barker of Hancock were appointed to receive, sort, and count the votes for President Pro Tempore,

Having attended to that duty reported as follows

Whole Nos of votes	22
Necessary to a choice	12
Newell Blake has	16
Millen Millis "	6

The Report was accepted and Newell Blake declared elected President Pro Tempore.

Mr Blake thanked the Senate for its expression of their confidence, and accepted the office and took the Chair

On motion of Mr Dennett of York, a message was ordered to be sent to the House, informing that body that the Senate had, in the absence of the President, made choice of Newell Blake, as President Pro Tempore.

On motion of Mr Cochran of Waldo a message was ordered to be sent to the Governor and Council informing that branch of the election of Newell Blake as President Pro Tempore.

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These messages were conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr Downs,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be ordered to enquire whether any alteration or amendments are necessary to be made in Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes, and also to enquire as to the expediency of repealing the act contained in Chapter 136 passed August 14 1849

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of G. H. Douglas and others for aid to the town of Guilford in building a Bridge, came from the House, referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, on motion of Mr Elliot the Senate concurred the House in the reference, and referred the same to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Boody,

Ordered, That the papers relating to the Geological Survey of the State be taken from the files of the last Legislature, and referred to the joint Special Committee, who have that subject under consideration.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Flint

Ordered, That the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges be directed to enquire into the expediency of the acts and doings of the Kennebec and Somerset Rail Road Company, particularly in respect to that part of their Charter between Skowhegan and North Anson with power

to send for persons and papers, and to report by Bill or otherwise

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Donnell of Oxford presented petitions of the Inhabitants of Hebron praying that they may be set off from Oxford County, and annexed to Androscoggin County, and the same was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Crehore of Waldo presented the Remonstrance of Gideon Richards and others, inhabitants of the town of Belmont against the petition of Nathaniel Cushman and others, and the same was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns

Sent down for concurrence

Same Senator presented the petition of David Howe and others of Lincolnville in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary and the same was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of G. P. Sewall and others, of Robert Bricker and others, of J. N. Johnson, of Edward Anderson and others of Elisha Coolidge and others severally in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary; of H. G. Colley and others of Lewiston, and E. F. Lobie and others for incorporation and endowment of the Main State Seminary, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petitions of A. S. Patten and others of Piscataquis County for amendment or revision of State Constitution, of Caroline F. Sargent for power to convey certain real estate; and of James C. Madigan and others for the passage

of an to prevent the destruction of forests from fire, was refered to the Committee in Judiciary, in concurrence

Petition of W. H. Prentice and others of Bristol in relation to the naturalization laws. was refered to the joint Special Committee having the naturalization laws under consideration, in concurrence

Petition of Thomas Taylor of Strong for removal and increase of pensions. was refered to the Committee on Pensions, in concurrence.

Account of Daniel Pineo for repairs done on Indian Township Road in the County of Washington, was refered to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in concurrence

Petitions; of Wm G. Rust and others in reference to the toll on Orono Bridge; of Moses M. Libby and others of Poland for incorporation of Poland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company; of C. H. Forbes and others in aid of the petitioners of the Penobscot Rail Road Company; of John Winn and others for same, of the petition of the directors and Stockholders of the Penobscot Rail Road Company for the alteration and extension of their road; of the Directors and Stockholders of the Rail Road Company for the credit of the City of Bangor to said Company; of Eldridge Harris in behalf of the Bangor Piscataquis Canal and Rail Road Company for the loan of the credit of the City of Bangor to said Company, were severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Frederick Frye and others of Dor-

-ham asking that Dedham be set off from Han-
-cock County, and annexed to Penobscot County,
was referred to the Committee on Division of Coun-
-ties, in concurrence

Petition of Allegash Dam Company for increase
of toll, was referred to the Committee on Interior
Waters, in concurrence.

Adjourned,

Louis A Cowan, Secretary.

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In Senate

Tuesday Jany 23 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Dexter

Mr Garcelon from the Committee on Joint Rules and orders, reported without amendment the first ten of the joint rules, in an amended form, also rule 11th, The report was accepted subsequently Mr Donnell of Oxford moved a reconsideration of the vote accepting the same, and on this question the Yeas and Nays were ordered and being taken the motion to reconsider prevailed

Yeas, Adams, Barker, Cochrane, Cumin
Dascomb, Fennett, Donnell Elliot
Flint, Goodwin, Hutchinson, Pease,
Scammon, Shephard, Sprague, Turner.
Nays N. Blake, Native Blake, Boody, 16
Downes, Garcelon, Watson and Willis

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Mr Donnell of Oxford moved to amend by striking out the eleventh rule and the motion to amend prevailed, the report was then accepted as amended

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Blake of Aroostic moved a reconsideration of the vote of yesterday concurring with the House in its reference of the petition of the Aldgash Dam Company and the motion prevailed and the petition was refered to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Boody of Cumberland presented

Bill, "An act to provide for the Education of Youth and establish a department of public instruction"

and on motion the Bill was laid upon the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State communicating the 38th annual Report of the American Asylum at Hartford, for the education of the Deaf and Dumb, and the copies of the report transmitted, were distributed to the members of the Board.

Resolve authorizing the Treasurer of the State to balance certain Accounts for taxes," came from the House finally passed, and being reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the same was finally passed, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr Connell of Oxford, presented the petition of Ephraim Atwood and others, of George Grigg and others, of Amory H. Allen and others, of Aden Keene and others severally in favor of the incorporation of the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company, and the same were referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

An act additional to an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Mechanics Bank, approved April 18 1834 was referred to Committee on Banking, in concurrence.

Mr Hitchborn of Waldo, presented the petition of A. D. Ames for a divorce, and the same was referred to the Committee having under consideration the petition of Jane K. Lewis.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Elliot of Piscataquis presented the petition

James Holmes and others, Trustees of Ivcroft Academy, for aid, and the same was refered to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Goodwin of York presented the petition of Joseph Dennett and others in aid of the petition of Jefferson Moulton and others to be set off from Lyman and annexed to Alfred, and the same was refered to the Committee on Division of Towns

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Sawtelon,

Ordered. That the papers of the last Legislature in relation to the Reform School, together with such reports of the Trustees, Superintendents or Committees as may exist be taken from the files for the use of the Committee on said schools,

Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to enquire into the expediency of designating and setting apart certain Townships for settling purposes, was passed, in concurrence.

"Resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians", reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading; was read a second time and passed to be engrossed,

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Alfred Hutchins and others in aid of petition of Darius Wentworth, was refered to the Committee on Interior States, in concurrence

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Bill. "An act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Martin Point Bridge, reported in the House on petition of Stockholders of Bridge, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill "An act to set off Detroit in the County of Somerset, and annex the same to the County of Penobscot," reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time amended as on sheet annexed marke A. and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Petitions of David Stanley and others of Winthrop: of E. B. Averill and others, of John Bean and others, of Moses Springer and others, of Frederick Nutting and others of Raymond; of George A. Pierce and others of Charlestown: of S. B. Batchelder and others, severally in favor of the petition of the Petition of the Trustees of the Westbrook Seminary; was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of A. H. Morrill of Philips: of Daniel Allen and others of Monmouth, of B. C. Bailey and others of Bath, severally in aid of the Maine State Seminary, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Bill. An act to establish the Northern Pacific Railway; Petitions, of John Hersey and others in aid of the petition of Ebenezer Cobb and others to incorporate the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company; of I Fairfield and others for an appropriation for a Bridge over Chrystal Stream in Aroostic County; and the petition of Eliphalet Greely and others for the incorporation of a company authorized to construct the Northern Pacific Railway, were severally

referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of David N. Densmore of Oxford to be allowed certain money paid out by him, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence

Petition of George F. Sinclair and others for repair of Gen House situated in Bowdoinville, was referred to the Committee on Militia, in concurrence

Petitions of E. S. Harkness and others for the election of State Officers, and for amendment of the Naturalization Laws, was referred, so much as relates to elections to the Committee on Elective Franchise, and so much as relates to the Naturalization Laws to the Committee on Naturalization Laws, in concurrence

Petition of R. P. Whitney and others for amendment of the Constitution so as to elect all State Officers, was referred to the Joint Select Committee, on the elective franchise, in concurrence

Order from the House, That the Messenger of the House of Representatives of the Senate be directed to distribute six copies of the Report of the Superintendent and Trustees of the Reform School, to each member of the House and Senate that what remains after such distribution be reserved to the Superintendent and Trustees of the Reform School for distribution by them, was passed, in concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire whether any amendments are necessary to be made in Chapters 243, 286, 311 and 352 of the Special Laws of 1854, was read and halted

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concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on Banks and Banking be directed to enquire into the expediency of requiring the Secretaries of Saving Institutions to make an annual Report of the amount deposited with the names of the depositors to the Assessors of those citys and towns where such depositors reside

On motion of Mr Dennett of York.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the City of Biddeford," was taken from the table and the question being in the passage of the Bill to be engrossed, Mr Dennett moved to amend the same as per sheet annexed to the Bill marked A, and the amendment was adopted. Mr Dennett then moved further to amend as per sheet B, and the question being on the adoption of the amendment the Bill and amendments on motion of Mr Dascomb was laid upon the table

Adjourned.

Louis A Cowan, Sec'y

Addenda.

Bill an act to establish a Police Court in the City of Agusta, and Remonstrance of Thomas Amory, Deblois & others members of the Cumberland Bar against the abolition of the Municipal Court in Portland were severally referred to the Judiciary Committee in concurrence.

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In Senate

Wednesday Jany 24 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Hanson

Mr Willis of Cumberland presented the petition of the Directors of the Androscoggin and Kennebec Rail Road Company for a Charter for a Rail Road between Danville Junction and Portland was refered to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Quimby of Cumberland presented the petition of Asa Leavitt and others of Westbrook in aid of the prayer of the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, was refered to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Willis of Cumberland presented a Bill, "An act additional to an act in relation to criminal prosecutions, and the same was refered to the Committee on Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence,

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was refered so much of the Governs message as relates to a change in the Judicial System of the State ... presented

"Resolve in favor of a Commission to prepare a Judiciary System" and the same was once read, the rule suspended, and the Resolve passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease from the committee on Agriculture to which was refered "Proceedings of the State

Reported,

That the Book containing said proceedings be returned to the House as properly belonging to that body", and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Donnell of Oxford presented the petition of certain inhabitants of Hartford to be set off from said town, and annex the same to the town of Buckfield, and the same was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence,

Mr Watson from the Committee on engrossed bills reported,

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Wayne Paper Company" as truly and strictly engrossed and the same was passed to be enacted, and sent to the Governor for his approval, by the Secretary

Mr Bennett of York moved to take from the table, Bill, "An act to incorporate the City of Biddeford" and the question being on the adoption of the pending motion, the same was withdrawn and the Bill further amended as per sheet annexed marked B. and the Bill as amended, passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence,

Mr Dascomb from the Committee on Interior Waters to which was referred the petition of Jewett Merrill and others, reported reference of the same to the Committee on Militia, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Same Senator from same Committee to which was referred the petition of Jacob S. Lewis reported

Bill "An act to allow the construction of a Dyke across Pidgeon Hill Marsh Creek in the town of Millbridge," and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Same Senator from same Committee to which was referred the petition of Paul Hammond and others, reported reference of same to the Committee on Fisheries, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee, reported,

"An act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Gas Light Company" the same also on petition of Rufus Berry and others

Bill, "An act to authorize the Freewill Baptist Society to sell their Meeting House on the line between Winthrop and Wayne,

The reports were severally accepted, the Bills read twice, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

On motion of Adams,

Ordered, That the Committee of Agriculture be directed to enquire into the expediency of amending Chapter 24 of the public Laws of 1853 by striking out the first and sixth sections and inserting the words "first" and "March", also by striking out the word "October" in the third line of the first and sixth sections, and inserting the word September.

On motion of Mr Boody, the vote by which the Senate directed the printing of the 350 copies of the Act to provide for the education of Youth and establish a department of Public

-instruction" was reconsidered and the Bill was on his motion referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Goodwin of York presented the petition of Ephraim C. Spinney of Kittery praying for a grant of Duck Island, one of the Isle of Shoals, and the same was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Willis of Cumberland, presented, Bill, An act making further provisions for the conveyance of land by married woman" was referred to the Judiciary Committee

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease of Cumberland, presented the petition of Horace Billings and others for a Charter of a Rail Road from Portland, Westbrook to Harrison Village, and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.

Louis A Cowan, Secty

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In Senate.

Jany 25, 1853

Prayer by Rev Mr Squire.

Mr Downes of Washington presented, Resolve entitled

"Resolve providing for the promulgation of the Laws of the State"

and the same was read once, the rule suspended, and passed to be engrossed,

On motion of Mr Torrey of Kennebec,

Ordered

That the Secretary of the State be requested to furnish for the use of the Senate twelve copies of the Acts and Resolves of the Session of 1854.

Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of the town of Lyman against the petition of Jefferson Moulton and Nathl Low being set off from that town to Alfred, was referred to Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee, an order to enquire into the expediency of amending Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes and Chapter 136 of the Public Laws of Maine

Reported;

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter 136 of the Public Laws in the year 1849." and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

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"An act to allow the construction of a Dyke across Pidgeon Hill Marsh Creek in the town of Millbridge" reported by Committee on Bills in second reading, was passed to be engrossed.

An act to incorporate the Hallowell and Augusta Gas Light Company, reported by Committee on Bills in second reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Bill. "An act to authorize the Free Will Baptist Society of Wayne to sell their Meeting House on the line between Winthrop and Wayne"

Bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Manton Point Bridge" severally reported by the Committee on Bills in third reading, were read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, reported on petition of J. Fairfield and others, reference of the same to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions of H. D. Fellows and others of Richmond, of J. B. Thorndike and 660 others of Portland, of Lowell Moulton and 52 others, for the election of all State Offices by the people, and for alterations in the Naturalization Laws, were severally referred as follows, so much as refers to the election of Offices to Committee on Elective Franchise, and so much as relates to Foreigners, on the Naturalization Laws, in concurrence.

Petitions of Sherburn Sleeper and others, of Eldridge Booker and others, of William Prins-

130 - Low and others, of Samuel F. Hersey and others for an act to prevent forests and timber lands from fire, and an act for the protection of forests and timber lands from fire was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence

Petitions of Warren Thayer and others; of William Lowell and others, of Henry Pennell and others, of William Cousins and others severally in favor of granting a charter for the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petitions of J. B. Stevens and others, of William Mosely and others severally in favor of granting the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, and the petition of J. H. Ingraham and others in behalf of the Trustees of Cony Female Academy for a grant of land to said Academy, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of Kennebec and Moosehead Rail Road Company for the right to extend said road over the Kennebec River, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence,

Petition of Thomas Hancock and others of Gray for an act of incorporation for a Mutual Benefit Association, was referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and insurance, in concurrence

Order, That the Committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of making it a penal offence for any person to convey real estate by deed mortgage or otherwise knowing

that prior incumbrance exists, without making the same known to the grantee or Mortgagee before receiving the consideration, came from the House and was passed in concurrence

Order from the House, That the petition of John Dudley and others, Inhabitants of Waite Plantation for remuneration for Lumber hauled from School Blocks be taken from the files and that the same together with the certificate of John Dudley accompanying that order be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads. was passed in concurrence

Adjourned.

Louis A Cowan, Sec'y

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In Senate

Jan'y 26. 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Felch

Mr Dennett of York from the Committee on Division of Towns to which was referred the petition of Daniel Bunker and others, that the towns of Anson and North Anson may be reannexed reported, order of notice on same and the same was accepted. The vote accepting this report was subsequently reconsidered and the Report laid upon the Table on motion of Mr Blake

Same Senator from same Committee, reported Order of notice on petition of Frederick Frye and others, and the Report on motion of Mr Blake was laid upon the table.

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary reported, "Legislation Inexpedient" on an order relating to cases of Divorce, also same report on order respecting Trustee Process, and the same were accepted

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Garcelon from the Committee on Rail Road Bridges to which was referred the petition of C. Cobb and others for the incorporation of the Oxford and Portland Central Rail Road Company reported, Leave to Withdraw on the same, and the report was read and on motion of Mr Dennett laid upon the table and Wednesday next assigned for a second reading

On motion of Mr Goodwin of York,

Ordered

That the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance be directed to enquire what Legislation if any, is necessary in addition to Chapter 79 of the the Revised Statutes.

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve for the promulgation of the Laws of the State reported as duly and strictly engrossed was finally passed, and conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter 136 of the Public laws for the 1849" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading was read a second, and on motion of Mr. Cushing the Bill was laid upon the table, and 350 Copies of the same ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr Seamnon from the Committee on Manufactures to which was refered an order relating to the amendment of Chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, reported Legislation Inexpedient, on the same, accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The petition of William Mills and 58 others legal votes of Levant;

The petition of Peter K Radcliff and 47 others legal votes of Lincolnville.

The petition of John K Frohock and 30 others legal votes of Lincolnville, all praying for alteration of the Constitution in relation to election of Offices of State Government by the people, and in relation to persons of foreign birth, were severally read and re-

- ferred. so much as relates to election of Offices, to the Committee on Naturalization & laws and so much as relates to persons of foreign birth to the Committee on Naturalization & laws

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Jesse Craig and others for an appro- priation to open a Rail Road from Chrystal Plantation to Island falls and Long Island was refered to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of Rufus B. Walker and others against the petition of Simeon Allen and others for a Bridge across Davis Narrows in Bluehill, was read and refered to the Com- mittee on Rail Roads and Bridges

Sent down for concurren

On motion of Mr Thorndike of Lincoln Ordered, That the Committee in the Judici- ary be directed to enquire and report on the expediency of repealing Chapter 28 of the Acts of 1847 giving Jurisdiction to Distr- icts Courts over Doings of County Commissioners,

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of James Cutler of Troy for the en- dowment of the Maine State Seminary; of John H. Rice and others of Gorham in aid of the prayer of the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, were refered to the Committee on Education, in concur- rence.

Petition of Joseph C Newton of Ports- mouth for a grant of Duck Island, was ref- erred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence

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Remonstrance of Eldridge G. Dargin and others against the petition of Simeon Allen and others for leave to build a Bridge across Davis Narrows in Brooksville was refered to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Jonathan Hawkes of Minot, in aid of the petition of E. Cobb and others for the incorporation of the Oxford and Portland Rail Road Company, was refered to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of S. L. Carlton and others of Portland for a Charter for a Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was refered to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

Petition of James Bagley and others of Woolwich to be set off from Sagadahoc County to the County of Lincoln, was refered to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Elliot of Piscataquis Ordered, That the petition of the Trustees of Foxcroft Academy, with accompanying papers be taken from the files and refered to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence.

Resolves in favor of a Commission to prepare a Judiciary System" passed to be engrossed in this branch, came back from the House amended as on sheets marked A and B. The Senate receded from its former vote, concurred in the adoption of the amendments, and passed the same to be engrossed, as amended.

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On motion of Mer Mills.

Ordered, That the Senate appoint a Committee of three with such as the House may appoint to select suitable Commissioners to revise the laws establishing the Supreme Judicial Court and to prepare a Bill or Bills to establish an additional Court, and Messrs Goodwin and Cushing of Eaton were appointed on part of the Senate

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Joint Committee to prepare rules and orders, came from the House that branch nonconcurring the Senate in the adoption of the report as amended, and the report was accepted as made by the Committee. The Senate insisted upon its former vote amending the report and proposed a conference and Messrs Hitchborn of Waldo Blake of Penobscot and Dennett of York appointed Conferees on the part of the Senate

Sent down for concurrence.

The following Resolves came from the House passed,

Resolved, in concurrence with the Senate, that the members of this Legislature have heard with deep regret of the decease of our late fellow citizen, the esteemed and honored Luther Severance, for many years a most useful and distinguished member of the Legislature of this State.

Resolved That as a testimonial of our sincere regard for his memory as a man of high integrity and honor, and as a faithful public officer, the members of this body will attend the funeral of the deceased tomorrow afternoon

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Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be subscribed by the presiding officers of the two branches, and forwarded to the family of the deceased

They were read and unanimously passed.

On motion of Mr Torsey,

Ordered That a Committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be raised to make arrangements for the funeral services of the late Hon Luther Severance, The order passed and Messrs Torsey of Kennebec, Willis of Portland and Ruggles of Penobscot were appointed Committee on the part of the Senate, The House joined. Messrs Leavitt, Lincoln of Hallowell, O'Brien of Thomaston, Gunnison of Eastport and Nickerson of Belfast

Adjourned

Louis O Cowan, Sec'y.

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In Senate

Saturday Jan'y 27 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Steele

The vote of yesterday passing to be engrossed Resolves to appoint a Commission to prepare a Judiciary System. as amended, was reconsidered on motion of Mr Willis amended as per Sheet A. and then laid upon the table

On motion of Mr Willis, the vote passing an order for the raising a Joint Committee to appoint Commissioners to report a Judiciary Bill was reconsidered, and the order laid upon the table

On motion of Mr Watson,

Ordered, That the Messenger be authorized to employ an assistant during the absence of the Assistant Messenger

The following order came from the House, Ordered the Senate concurring that a Committee be appointed to be composed of three from the Senate and five from the House to nominate the Commissioners whose names shall be inserted in the resolve providing for the appointment of Commissioners to revise the Judiciary System of the State passed, and Messrs Hale of Bangor, Leavitt of Skowhegan, Dane of Portland, Chesley of Augusta, and Cole of Harrington appointed Committee on part of the House, The Senate passed the order in concurrence and joined Messrs Goodwin of York, Eaton of Kennebec and Cushing of Waldo

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The following Bills reported as truly and duly engrossed

Bill, "An act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Martin Point Bridge";

"An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of Aroostic,"

"An act additional to an act for the assessment and collection of taxes in unincorporated places,"

"An act additional to an act to authorize the City of Calais to aid in the construction of the Leboy Island Rail Road."

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Agricultural and Horticultural Society."

"An act to authorize Leboy Island Rail Road Company to alter its location";

"An act to amend Chapter two hundred and fifty four of the public laws of the year eighteen Hundred and fifty two";

"An act to amend Chapter two hundred and forty four of the public laws of the year Eighteen Hundred and fifty two."

"An act to amend the fourteenth section of Chapter forty four of the Revised Statutes"

"An act to increase the Salary of the Register of Probate for Aroostic"

"An act to amend the 38th Section of the

One Hundred and Fourth Chapter of the Revised Statutes," were severally passed to be enacted

Resolves in favor of the New York Law Institute, were finally passed, in concurrence

These Bills were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

On motion of Mr Goodwin of York,

Ordered

That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of giving to either party in all cases in Equity the right of trial by Jury.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petitions of W. L. Tabor and others of Westport; of Henry J. Warren and others; of John B. Thing and others, of H. H. Sherman and others; of Josiah Merrow and others; of Wm Arnold and others; of Thomas Hawks and others and of Moses G. Dow and others severally in favor of the election of State Officers by the people, and in relation to the Naturalization Laws, were severally referred as follows So much of the said petitions as refers to Elections to the Committee on Elective Franchise, and so much as refers to the Naturalization laws, to the Committee on Naturalization Laws in concurrence

Resolve in favor of Charles Turner was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of James Sargent and others; of Samuel Mc Clelland and others; of

Fuller and others for a Law to prevent fires in the forests, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Petitions of G. Purrington and others; of James C. Church; of P. M. Garcelon; of John S. Hoyt and others severally in favor of the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary; of True W. Hill and others and others; of L. D. Strout and others, of J. M. Mussey and and others, of Brooks; of Cambell Bacheldor and others, of Samuel Small and others severally in favor of the incorporation and endowment of the Maine State Seminary; of the Trustees of the East Maine Conference Seminary, of J. M. Tilton and others, of Ladies of Rockland, of Knott Crockett and others severally in favor of prayer of the Trustees of the East Maine Conference Seminary for aid, and the petition of the Trustees of the East Cornish Academy for aid from the State in behalf of that institution were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of the Board of Agriculture praying for the incorporation and endowments of a State Agricultural Society" was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Pickard and others for a Bank Charter to be located in Danville, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence

Petition of John R. Whiting of Belfast for an act of Incorporation for Manufacturing purposes: was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

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142 Petition of the Directors of the Gardiner-Pittston Bridge Company to increase the rates of toll on said Bridge, was refered to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Selectmen of Town of Woolwich against the petition of James Bailey and others that said town may be annexed to Lincoln County, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence

Account of Daniel Putnam against the State for distributing Documents in Waldo County, was refered to the Committee on accounts, in concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the 75th section of Chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes so as to allow members of Rail Road corporations to be witnesses on trials of actions where said corporations may be parties, was passed in concurrence

Order from the House, That the State Librarian be directed to procure one copy each of the Tri weekly Kennebec Journal, and Tri weekly Age of the last session and one copy each of said papers for the present session of the Legislature and cause the same to be bound and to be placed in the Library, was passed in concurrence

Mr Losey from the Committee on Education to which was referred the petitions of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary,

reported

"Resolve in favor of Westbrook Seminary" and the same was read once and Wednesday the seventh day of February, assigned for a second reading

Mr Hutchinson from same Committee to which was referred the petition for aid to the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, reported. "Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary" which was read once, and Wednesday the seventh day of February assigned for a second reading.

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance to which was referred.

Bill, "An act to additional giving Mortgages on real estate a lien on Polices of Insurance against fire, was read once and monday assigned for a second reading

Mr Eaton from the Committee on Banks and Banking to which was referred the petition of the Directors of Casco Bank for increase of Capital Stock reported.

Bill, "An act to increase the Capital Stock of Casco Bank"

also on the petition of the Mechanics Bank"

Bill "An act additional relating to the Merchants Bank of Portland" and the same were read once and Monday assigned for a second reading.

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee to which was referred an Act making

further provisions for the conveyance of properties of married women reported.

Bill, "An act making further provisions for the conveyance of property of married women" also an order relating to amendments or alterations of Chapter 243, 286, 311 and 352 of the Special Laws of 1854, reported.

An act to amend certain acts passed by the Last Legislature" and the same were severally read once, and Monday next assigned for a second reading

On motion of Mr Dennett of York:

Ordered That when the Senate adjourn it adjourns to meet at eleven A. M. Monday next

Adjourned,

Louis O Cowan Sec'y.

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

Monday Jan'y 29 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Ware

On motion of Mr Ruggles. who suggested that
at no quorum was present, the Senate

Adjourned.

Louis Bowman, Sec'y.

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate.

Tuesday, Jan'y 31 1855.

Prayer by Rev Mr Dean.

Communication from the Secretary of State transmitting a list of the names of Inspectors of Fish, was referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Fisheries. Sin concurrence

Communication from the Secretary of State transmitting Official Statements of the Agricultural Societies, was referred with accompanying Statements to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence

Communication from Secretary of State, transmitting returns of Cashier of Bank and Clerks of Corporations, comprizing "names of Stockholders, their residence, and the amount of Stock owned by each."

Mr Hichborn from the Conference Committee on the disagreeing vote of the two branches relating to the adoption of the report of the Joint Committee on the Joint rules and orders reported.

the orginal report, with an amendment annexed.

Report accepted
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Downes laid upon the table

Bill, "An act repealing Chapter 28 of the Public Laws. approved March 29 1853 and the same"

-used to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Elliot of Piscataquis presented the petition of Stephen Williamson and others of Orin Bartlett and others for the incorporation and endowments of a Maine State Seminary, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Adams of Washington presented the Remonstrance of the Milbridge Company against the petition of Alonzo E. Small and others, and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Elliot of Piscataquis presented petition of Alden Monroe and others, praying "The Legislature to instruct our Senate and request our representatives in Congress to use their influence to procure the entire prohibition of the importation of Alchoholic Liquors into this Country"; and the same was referred to the Committee on so much of the Governors Message, as relates to the Liquor Laws.

Sent down for Concurrence.

On motion of Mr Cushing of Waldo,

Ordered,

That the Secretary be requested to take from the files, the petition of the Ladies Temperance Band in Liberty for amendment of the Liquor Law, and that the same be referred to the Committee having under consideration that part of the Governors Message relating to the said Liquor Law.

Sent down for concurrence.

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Credentials of John Newell, Representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians came from the House refered to the Committee on Indian affairs, and were refered, in concurrence.

Mr Garcelon of Androscoggin presented the petition of William Buckman and others of Lisbon in aid of the Maine State Seminary, and the same was refered to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator presented the petition of William Buckman and others of Union Meeting House in Weston for request to sell the same, was refered to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance,

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Downes of Washington.

Bill, "An act in addition to an act in relation to elections, passed at Extra Session 1840. approved October 2nd 1840.

was taken from the table, and on his motion the Bill was read once, the rule suspended, read a second time, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr Bennett of York. the report of the Committee on Division of Towns, ordering notice returnable to present Legislature on the petition of Daniel Bunker Jr and others, was taken from the table, and the same was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of John M Wood and 545 others of Portland praying that the Municipal Court of Portland may be abolished and

Police Court established in its stead, was referred to the Judiciary Committee, in concurrence

Bill, "An act regulating the use of Rail Road Bridges" was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Mr Boody of Cumberland, presented the Memorial of J. H. Williams, Judge of the Municipal Court of Portland, asking that the charges against him may be investigated in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, and the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing the February Term of the Criminal Court in Penobscot County; in concurrence

On motion of Mr Boody, the Secretary was directed to procure the printing of the usual number of copies of the Resolves in favor of the Wesleyan Seminary, and the Westbrook Seminary, for the use of the Legislature

Communication from the Secretary of State, relating to the State Library made in compliance with the act of April 20 1854, was referred to the Committee on the Library, in concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on the State Reform School, be directed to visit said school and to examine the condition of the same and report to the present Legislature, was passed in concurrence

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Remonstrance of Noah Wood and 280 others inhabitants of the City of Gardiner against the petition of the Directors of the Gardiner and Pittston Bridge for an increase of toll, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petitions of Albert Smith and others, of Jacob Bemis and others, of William A Fry and others of Trustees of the Corinna Union Academy of Dixton Page and others for endowments of Charlestown Academy, of Loren L. Knox and others of Bucksport, of John Black and others for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary; of A. M. Lofe and others of Old Town for the endowment of a department of Natural Science in connection with Westbrook Seminary, were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petitions of R. D. Savage and others, of John Jumpers and others relating to election of all State officers, and Naturalization Laws were severally referred so much of the petitions as refers to Elections to the Committee on Election franchise, and so much as relates to changes in the Naturalization Laws to the Committee on Naturalization, in concurrence.

Petition of William Kilbourne and others in aid of the petition of Samuel Pickard and others for a Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence

Petition of O. R. Bachelder and others for incorporation of Key Stone Lodge, was referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Manu-

-ance, in concurrence

Petition of Charles Kidder and others for grant of Land in Township Letter B. Aroostick County for certain purposes, also of John Taber for a similar grant, were referred to Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence

Petition of Benjamin Warren and others of Belfast for a grant to build a wharf in Penobscot Bay waters near Crow Cove, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence

Petition of Joel Hodgman Agent of School District No 8 in Camden that the doings of the Agent and Building Committee may be legalized, was referred to the Judiciary Committee in concurrence.

Mr Hutchinson of Malden presented Bill, "An act to incorporate Pew Holders of the first Congregational Church of Searsport," and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of S. W. Taylor and others against the annexation of the "Gore" to the town of Weston Aroostic County, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of L. P. Shaw and others in aid of the Petition of the Trustees of Waterville College for aid in behalf of that institution, was referred to the Committee on Education

Petitions, of Wales Hubbard and others, of A B. Dyer and others, of David T. Stevens and others of Emery A Bean and others, for aid of the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for aid from State, were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Order from the House, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to enquire into the expediency of so amending the Laws in relation to the assessments of taxes as to require the assessors of Cities, Towns and Plantations to make their assessments on the first day of May instead of the first day of April as now provided, was passed, in concurrence

The following Bills reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, without amendment.

Bill, "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Casco Bank"

Bill, "An act additional to the Merchants Bank of Portland"

Bill, "An act to amend certain Acts passed by the Last Legislature"

Bill, "An act making further provisions for the conveyance of property of married women" and these Bills were severally read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns giving "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of Jefferson Moulton and Nathaniel Low that the

farms may be set off from Lyman to Alfred, was accepted, in concurrence

Bill, An act to apportion and assess on the inhabitants of this State a tax of two Hundred and one Thousand, One Hundred fifty three Dollars and forty two cents, reported in the House by the Finance Committee, and passed to be engrossed in the House, The Bill was read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading."

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance to which was referred the petition of John Bard and others reported on same

Bill. "An act to incorporate the North Insurance Company of Rockland" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Bill. "An act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Allegash Dam Company approved June 3 1857", reported in the House by the Committee on State Roads and State Lands. and from that branch, passed to be engrossed, The Bill was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill. "An act in additional giving to mortgages on real estate a lien on Policies of assurances against fire",

reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading was read a second time and on motion of Mr Eaton it was laid upon the table

Order from the House, relative to ame

154- ding Chapter 72 of the Laws of 1848 and Chap-
-ter 216 of the Laws of 1851 giving to laborers
in lumber a lien on the Lumber that they
help cut and haul, came from the House
was referred to the Committee on the Judici-
-ary, and the same was passed, in concur-
-rence

Adjourned.

Louis O Cowan, Secretary

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In Senate

Wednesday Jany 31 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Drew

The following Bills reported by the Committee on Bills in the second Reading without amendment.

Bill, "An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Aliqash Dam Company approved June 3 1851,

Bill "An act to incorporate the North Insurance Company Rockland,"

Bill. "An act to assess and apportion on the Inhabitants of this State a Tax of $201,153,44 for the Year 1855

were severally read a second time and the same passed to be engrossed

Resolve in favor of John Newell and Joseph Toler Selmore, reported in the House from the Committee on Indian affairs, came from the House and passed to be engrossed and the same was read once, and the rule suspended, and read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence

Mr Blake from the Committee on Indian affairs reported

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians; and the same was read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

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Mr Cushing from Waldo moved to take from the table

Bill. "An act to amend Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes and Chapter 136 of the Public Laws for 1849. and the motion prevailed; On this motion the bill was assigned for a further consideration tomorrow at eleven o'clock.

The report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, granting leave to withdraw on the petitions for the incorporation of the Portland and Central Rail Road Company, came up by assignment. On motion of Mr Donnell the report was laid upon the table, and Tuesday Feb'y 6. assigned for its further consideration

On motion of Mr Walker of Oxford. That a joint Select Committee be raised consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join to contract with some person or persons to do the State printing and binding for the current political year. The order passed and Messrs Walker of Oxford. Downs of Calais, and Eaton of Kennebec were appointed Committee on the part of the Senate. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill. An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Randall Savings and Benevolent Association, reported in the House on petition of the Treasurer of said Institution was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Eaton from the Committee on Banks and Banking on the petition of the Directors of Union Bank, reported

Bill. An act to incorporate

Capital Stock of Union Bank." and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill, "An act to authorize the Free Will Baptist Society of Wayne to sell their Meeting House on the Line between Winthrop and Wayne

Bill, "An act repealing Chapter twenty eighth of the Public Laws, approved March twenty ninth Eighteen Hundred and fifty three

Bill, "An act to allow the construction of a duke acop Pidgeon Hill Marsh Creek in the town of Milbridge

Bill "An Act to incorporate the city of Biddeford

Bill "An act in addition to an act entitled An act to incorporate the Allegash Dam company, approved June 3 1857,"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Augusta and Hallowell Gas Light Company." were severally reported as truly and strictly engrossed were passed to be Enacted.

Resolve in favor of John Newell and Joseph Selmore., reported as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed

These Bills and Resolves, were conveyed to the Governor, by the Secretary, for his approval

Mr Blake from Committee on Indian Affairs reported, "Resolve in favor of Passamaquoddy Indians" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

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Report of the Committee on Interior Waters ordering notice on petition of Davis Wentworth and others, was accepted, in concurrence

Petition of Henry Emerson and others, in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, was refered to Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petitions of William Ham and others of Leeds to be set off from Leeds and annexed to Wales, of George Dodge and others to be set off from Bridgton Centre Village Corporations and Remonstrance of the Selectmen of Manchester against the petition of John Otis and others, were refered to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Petitions of Benjamin Walker and others for a Rail Road from Portland to Bridgton or from Portland to Harrison and Waterford of John Dresser and others, of Boston, for a Bridge across Davis Narrows; of Alexander Snowman and others for a Bridge across Davis's Narrows, were refered to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petitions of Moses Abbott and others of Stoneham for the Incorporation of a new County by the name of Sebasticook, was refered to the Committee on Division of Counties in concurrence

Petition of Maine Charitable Mechanic Association for extension of Charter, was referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

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Bill "An act making further provisions for the protection of public ways" was referred to the Judiciary Committee, in concurrence

Petition of Francis Stilphin and others of Dresden, praying that all State Officers may be elected by the people, was referred to the Committee on Elective Franchise in concurrence

Petition of Jacob W. Reed and others praying for an amendment of the Constitution so that no person of foreign birth shall hold office civil or military, was referred to the Committee on Naturalization, in concurrence

Mr Elliot of Piscataquis presented the petition of C. H. Woodbury and others of Dover for an amendment of the Constitution so that all State Officers and County Officers shall be elected by the people, was referred to the Committee on Elective Franchise

Sent down for concurrence

Order from the House, That the petition of Francis Libbey together with the accompanying papers be taken from the files of the last Legislature, and referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Adjourned

Louis O Cowan, Sec'y

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

February 1 1853.

Prayer by Rev Mr Hanson

On motion of Mr Brody.

Ordered, That a Bill entitled "An act to authorize the business of Banking be taken from the files of the last Legislature of 1850, and referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking"

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On motion of Mr Bennett of York. The report of the Committee on Division of Towns ordering notice, returnable to this Legislature on the petition of Frederick Frye and others, was taken from the table, and the same was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Goodwin of York from the joint Select committee to nominate three Commissioners to revise the Judiciary System, Reported as follows

"That they nominate Edward Kent of Bangor, Lot M. Morrill of Augusta, and John Rand, of Portland, as Commissioners whose names shall be inserted in the resolve providing for the appointment of Commissioners to revise the Judiciary System of this State" and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

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The following Bills and Resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading without amendment, viz

Bill, "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Randall Savings and Benevolent Association."

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Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Union Bank" and a Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians, were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Pease, Ordered, That the Committee on Military Pensions be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the Resolve granting William Poor Jr a pension, and the same passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Dunnells from the Committee on the Libary. Reported on a recommendation of the Secretary of State the following.

"The Secretary of State is hereby authorized to embrace in the list of exchanges with different States of the Union, one set of all our Legislative, Educational and Agricultural Documents and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading."

"Resolve authorizing the assessment of County Taxes on the several Counties" reported by the Finance Committee in the House, and passed to be engrossed in that Branch, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Petitions of Jonas Farnsworth and others of Pembroke: of Samuel Gibson and others: of Calvin Bridgham and others: of Alpheus Lyon and others in aid of the prayer of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, and the petition of Arthur Cavern and others of Biddeford, also

Petition of C. O. Libby and others in favor of the Maine State Seminary, were severally referred to the Committee on Education in con-

Petition of the inhabitants of the town of Dunham to be set off from Androscoggin County to Cumberland County, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties in concurrence

Remonstrance of Asa Paine and others against the petition of Daniel Bunker Jr for the Union of the towns of Anson and North Anson, was refered in concurrence

Petitions of Hemai Dromne and others for aid to Edward Gray to build a Carding Machine

Petitions of Sylvanus C. Prince and others: of Paul R. Curtis and others for an act to incorporate the Harpswell Mutual Fire Insurance Company; and an act to incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Harpswell, were severally referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

Petition of Luther Curtis for remuneration for services in expenses in arresting a criminal, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence

Remonstrance of John Winn and others against the petition of the Bangor & Piscataquis Canal: Rail Road Company for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of F. W. Dillingham and 406 others, to have the Police Court of the City of Bangor abolished, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence

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Petition of Solomon Downing and others of Charlestown also

Petitions of Ai Waterhouse of Durham; of A. R. P. Smart and others of Dexter; of N. P. Haskell and others; of Timothy Bailey and others of Auburn; of A. L. McDonald and others relative to changes in the law respecting the election of State Officers, and changes in the naturalization laws, were severally referred so much as relates to the election of State Officers to the Committee on Elective Franchise, and so much as relates to the naturalization laws to the Committee on Naturalization Laws, in concurrence

Mr Ruggles from Penobscot presented the petition of Adams Treat and others for authority to construct a Railroad from Frankfort to Bangor, and the same was referred to the Committee on Railroads and Bridges, ...

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Ruggles of Penobscot, from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of Eliphalet Greely and others, reported ...

Bill to establish the Northern Pacific Railway, and on motion of Mr Garcelon the report and accompanying Bill was recommitted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis of Cumberland presented the petition of John Sparrow and others for an appropriation of $25,000 to the establishment of Natural Science in the Westbrook Seminary, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence.

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164 Mr Pease of Cumberland presented the petition of Ephraim Flint and others Assessors, Treasurers and Collectors of Baldwin, that their doings may be legalized, and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Eaton, presented,

Bill, An act in amendment of the ninety first Chapter of the Revised Statutes, and the same, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Blake of Penobscot from the Committee on Indian Affairs to which was referred the account of Daniel Pines,

Reported, reference of the same to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Carleton of Cumberland, Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to enquire what Laws if any are necessary to secure the employment of competant teachers in such Institutions as may be endowed by the State

Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes and Chapter 136 of the Public Laws of the year 1849," came up by assignment, and the Bill was read a second time and halsed to be en-

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Adjourned.

Louis P. Bowan, Sec'y.

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In Senate

Friday Feby 2 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Squire

Petition of Charles Foster and 98 others of Machias that the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for aid may be granted

Petition of Nathaniel Andrews and 22 others praying for incorporation and endowment of Maine State Seminary

Petition of Cornelius Holland and others citizens of Camden for the endowment of a department of Natural Science in connexion with Westbrook Seminary

Petition of George Smith and 56 others in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary. came from the House and were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of J. B. Marrow and 43 others in aid of the petition of Ebenezer Cobb to incorporate Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company

Petition of F. O. J. Smith for an act of incorporation to rebuild a bridge at Canton point, Oxford County, came from the House and were severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

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Petition of Moses M. Eaton and 19 others praying for a new County.

Petition of John Puffer and 23 others for a new County

Petition of Watson Clark and 78 others inhabitants of the town of Newport for a new County, came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Petition of Ephraim Marble and others Proprietors and of the Dixfield Union Meeting House for an act authorizing them to make sale of said House.

Remonstrance of the inhabitants of school District No 3, in Belmont, asking the Legislature to make valid the doings of said District.

An additional act respecting the assessment of taxes.

An act to authorize Hosea Austin and others to sell Union Meeting House (so called) situated in Dixfield village in the County of Oxford, came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Edmund Noyes and 81 others of West Bath, against the petition of A. Lemont, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Division of Town, in concurrence

168. Petition of Assessors and Agent of Patrick-
-town for that part of the East line of Pa-
-trickstown to be established, came from the
House and was referred to the Committee
on incorporations of Towns, in concurrence

Petition of Directors of Ticonic Bank for an incre-
-ase of their Capital Stock of said Bank, was
refered to the Committee on Banks and Banki-
-ng

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Charles Jewett and 130 others of
Clinton

Petition of Michael Shea praying for an
alteration of the Constitution were referred
so much as relates to election of officers
to Committee on Elective franchise, and so
much as relates to persons of foreign birth
to Committee on Naturalization laws

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Brady of Cumberland from the joint
select Committee appointed to inquire into
the expediency of an appropriation to
complete the Geological Survey of this
State, made a Report accompanied by
a Resolve for the completion of said Surve-
-y, which on his motion was laid on
the table and 350 copies of said repo-
-rt with the accompanying resolves, were
ordered to be printed for the use of the
Legislature

Petition of Thomas S. Fuller and 57 others
of Deer Isle

Petition of Nathaniel Bennett and 59 others

-ers of Webster.

Petition of Wales O. Packard and 70 others of Ellsworth

Petition of J. L. Merrill and 55 others of Webster and vicinity all praying for an alteration in the Constitution, came from the House, and so much as relates to the election of Officers by the people was referred to the Committee on the elective franchise, and so much as relates to persons of foreign birth was referred to the Committee on Naturalization Laws, in concurrence

Petition of Charles W. Snow and others for a charter to incorporate the Rockland Savings Bank, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Bryeburg Academy for aid, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of J. A. Milliken for an appropriation by the State to defray expenses of surveying a shore route of the European and North American Rail Road between Penobscot and St Croix Rivers

Petition of Jeremiah O'Brien and 113 others for the same object, were severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of H. N. West and company for an appropriation for building a Bridge was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of A. Burbank and 35 others of Lewiston Falls for aid for Waterville College was referred to Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Thorndike of Lincoln.

Ordered, That the Committee of State Prisons be directed to inquire and report on the expediency of increasing the pay of the State Prison Inspectors.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis of Cumberland, from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred the petition of A. S. Patten and others and petition of G. F. Small for a revision of the Constitution in regard to Elections & Officers, made a report, "that this Committee be discharged from the further consideration thereof; and they be referred to the Committee on Elective franchise, and the the Committee on Naturalization Laws" read and accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled. An act to regulate the Sale of Oats came from the House, and the same was indefinately postponed in concurrence

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The following order came from the House, "Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of paping a law repealing Chapter ninety one of the Public Laws, paped by the Legislature of 1854, and the same was paped in concurrence.

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was refered an order to inquire into the propriety of repealing Acts establishing Fish Waders on the Penobscot River, made a report "that Legislation thereon is inexpedient" which report was accepted,

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis from the Committee on Judiciary to which was refered a Bill in relation to power of County Commissioners, reported "that further Legislation is inexpedient on the subject" which report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis from the Committee on Judiciary to which was refered the petition of Daris Johnson, praying that he may be authorized to call a Meeting of the Stockholders of the New York City and Portland exchange Granite company, Reported that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw which Report was accepted.

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was refered the petition of Caroline F. Sargent for power to convey real estate. Reported. That the petitioner have leave to withdraw" which reports were accepted

Sent down for concurrence

LLMC DIGITAL

172. The Committee on the joint delegation of Franklin County to which was referred the petition of J. A. Linscot and others, reported Bill to increase the Salary of the Register of Probate for Franklin County, which was once read and monday next assigned for a second reading

Bill entitled An act to abolish the February Term of the Criminal Court in the County of Penobscot, came from the House and passed to be engrossed, and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Bill entitled, An act making further provisions for the protection of Public ways.

Bill entitled, An act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Bath reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, and were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill entitled An act to amend Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes, and Chapter 136 of the public Laws for the year 1849, came from the House, recommitted,

The Senate receded from its vote of yesterday passing this Bill to be engrossed, and recommitted the same, in concurrence

The Resolve to promote the education of the Penobscot Indians, was finally passed and the same was presented by the Secretary Pro Tem, to the Governor for his approval

Adjourned

In Senate

Saturday Feby 3 1855

The Secretary being absent. on motion of Mr Boody. Messrs Boody. Carelton and Adams were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a Secretary of the Senate Pro Tempore and having attended to that duty, reported as follows

Whole number of votes	20
Necessary for a choice	11
J. W. Knowlton has	20

Mr Knowlton signified his acceptance and took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties before Alden Jackson Esq. authorized by dedimus potestatem

Bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Randall Young and Benevolent Association,

Bill entitled, An act to apportion and apess the inhabitants of this State a tax of two hundred thousand one hundred and fifty three dollars and forty four cents for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty five. were severally passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary Pro Tem, to the Governor for his approbation

Petition of Isaac H. Grover and 30 others of Glenburn, that the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for aid may be granted

1/14 Petition of Rhodes Hourlin and others of Lyman for the endowment of the Maine State Seminary

Petition of Joseph Workman and others of Buxton and Hollis that the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for aid may be granted

Petition of William Nash and others of Addison for the same object

Petition of Joseph Baker and others of Brewer for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary located in Bucksport

Petition of J. H. Nickerson and others of Orrington for same object

Petition of Timothy Nye and others of Orrington for same objects

Petition of the Directors of East Pittston Academy for aid

An act to amend an act to provide for the Education of Youth approved August 29th 1850, came from the House and were severally referred to the committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of H. H. Ford and 44 others of the H. Company of Cavalry, 1st Division Town of Acton for an appropriation for equipments, came from the House and the same was referred to the Committee on Militia, in concurrence

Petition of Peleg Thomas and others for the repeal of an act passed May 23 1850

Petition of Selectmen and Clerk of the town of Sweden, that their doings may be made valid

Bill entitled "An act further defining the power of Mayors of Cities in the Election of City Officers."

Remonstrance of Edward Kent and 38 others members of the Bar of the County of Penobscot against the proposed change in the Judiciary System, came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Petition of L. S. Libby and others of for a new County

Petition of Stephen Hedgewood and others of Corinna for same object, came from the House, were severally referred to the committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence

Remonstrance of the Selectmen of the town of Hilton against the petition of Joseph M. Shore and others to set off a part of Detroit to Pittsfield

Remonstrance of William C. Dunton and 33 others against the same, came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on Divisions of Towns, in concurrence.

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176 Petition of Luther Hayworth and others inhabitants of North half of Township No 8, South Division of Bingham Purchase for incorporation of a town by the name of Middleton.

Petition of Joseph A. Woodard and 25 others inhabitants of Waltham, that the petition of inhabitants of No 8 for an act of incorporation, may be granted

Petition of Joseph A. Dean and 34 others of Ellsworth for same object, came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence

Petition of George Pierce and 15 others for a Rail Road charter from Portland to Bridgton, or from Portland through Harrison and Lovell.

Memorial of the meeting of the citizens of Bangor on the subject of the loan of the credit of the City in aid of the construction of the Penobscot and Kennebec Rail Road, came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

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Petition of Amasa Sletson for an act for the protection and preservation of highways came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence,

Bill entitled "An act to abolish the February term of the Supreme Court"

the County of Penobscot, was read a seco-
-nd time and passed to be engrossed, in
concurrence

Bill entitled "An act additional to an
act to incorporate the City of Bath."

Bill entitled "An act to increase the sala-
-ry of the Register of Probate for the County
of Franklin".

Bill, An act making further provisions
for the protection of Public ways, were
severally passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

On motion by Mr Thorndike,

Ordered,

That a message be sent to the House, inf-
-forming that body that the Senate have
in the absence of the Secretary, made
choice of J. W. Knowlton as Secretary
Pro Tempore

Mr Thorndike was charged with the
message; and that Senator subsequently
reported that he had delivered the
message with which he was charged.

An act entitled "An act abolishing
the April term of the Supreme Judicial
Court in the County of Androscoggin,
came from the House, and the same
was referred to the Joint Delegation
from the County of Androscoggin, in
concurrence

Petition of Elisha Brown and 24 others
of Township No 8- Range 6. Aroostic

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County for an appropriation to build a bridge in said Township, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on State Roads and State Lands in concurrence

Petition of Bradford Varnum and others of Penobscot for an alteration of the Constitution so that all Offices shall be elected by the people, came from the House, and was referred to Committee on Elective Franchise, in concurrence

Petition of George Coy and 36 others of Passadumkeag for change of Constitution

Petition of Francis Soule and 67 others of Orland for same object

Petition of Joshua Hawes and 37 others of Corinth for same object, came from the House, and so much of said petition as relates to election of Officers, was referred to the Select Committee on the elective franchise; - and so much as relates to persons of foreign birth, was referred to the Select Committee on Naturalization Laws, in concurrence

On motion of Mr Quimby

Ordered, That the Memorial of George K. Smith, asking for a Military Pension together with all the accompanying Papers, be taken from the files of the last Legislature, and referred to the Committee on Military Pensions

Sent down for concurrence.

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Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on the petition of inhabitants of Fryeburg Academy Grant, that Fryeburg Academy Grant, together with a part of Bachelders Grant may be annexed to the town of Gilead, that the petitioners cause an attested copy of their petition, with this order thereon be served on the Town Clerk of Gilead, and on the Plantation Clerks of Fryeburg Academy Grant and Batchelders Grant, 14 days at least before the 27 inst

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Oakes Thompson and others. that a part of Hartford may be set off, and annexed to Canton, that the Petitioners cause an attested Copy of their petition and this order thereon to be served on the Clerks of Hartford and Canton fourteen days at least before the 27th inst.

Report of the Committee on Divisions of Towns on the petition of Thomas J. Haines and others that Lots No 5 & 6 in Range 11, may be set off from Levant and annexed to Kenduskeag, — that the petitioners cause an attested copy of their petition and this order thereon to be served on the Clerks of Levant and Kenduskeag, fourteen days at least before the 23d instant, came from the House, and were severally accepted, in concurrence

Mr N. G. Fickborn from the Committee on Division of Counties, to which was referred petition of petitioner Bailey and others inhabitants of Wolcott praying that said town may be set off from the Cou-

-nty of Sagadahok and annexed to the County of Lincoln, - reported, that petitioners have leave to withdraw, which report was accepted,

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled, "An act to incorporate North Insurance Company, Rockland", came from the House, Recommitted, with instructions to reprint a bill in accordance with the provision of the Statute.

The Senate receded from the vote, they passed this bill to be engrossed, and the same was recommitted, in concurrence

Bill entitled, An act to establish the salary of the County Attorney of the County of Androscoggin, came from the House referred to the joint delegation from the County of Androscoggin. The Senate reconsidered the vote passing this bill to be engrossed, and the same was refered, and the same was refered, in concurrence

Order, that the papers relating to the Portland Society of Natural History be taken from the files of the last Legislature and referred to the Committee on Education, came from the House, and was passed in concurrence

Order, that the Committee on Education consider and report, if any, if what legislation may be required to enable Cities to choose annually a suitable number of persons who shall constitute the board of School Committee for the City, and who shall be subject to such rules and regulations as the Council of said Cities may prescribe provide

the same do not conflict with the provisions of the Statute for the Education of Youth, came from the House, and was passed, in concurrence

On motion by Mr. Flint,

Ordered. That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of excepting from taxation, blood animals imported into this State for the purpose of improving the breeds of stock,

Sent down for concurrence

On motion by Mr Eaton a bill entitled "An act in addition giving to Mortgagess of real estate a lien on Policies of insurance against fire, was taken from the table and recommitted to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance,

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled, "An act to authorize School Districts to raise money for the support of Schools", Reported by Mr Corser from the Committee on Education, was once read and Monday next assigned for a second reading,

Bill entitled, "An act to give the Supreme Judicial Court power to examine the parties in cases of Divorce, was laid on the table by Mr Willis & was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled "An act to increase the Capital stock of Ocean Bank" reported by Mr Eaton from the Committee on Banks

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and Banking was once read and Monday assigned for a second reading.

On motion by Mr Garcelon,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it adjourns to meet at 11 o'clock A. M. on Monday next.

Bill, entitled, "An act to reorganize the Board of Agriculture," was laid upon the table, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill entitled, "An act to extend Charter of Maine Charitable Mechanics Association, reported from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance by Mr Thorndike, was once read, and Monday next assigned for a second reading

Bill entitled, "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government, came from the House, and passed to be engrossed, and was read once and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

On motion by Mr Downes,

Ordered, That the Committee on State printing and binding, be directed to enquire and report the most favorable terms on which the printing and binding may be done, by seperate and distinct contracting parties prior to making the contracts therefor

Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned

Jos. W. Knowlton Sec'y Pro Tem

In Senate

Monday Feby 5th 1855.

The Journal of Saturday, was read and approved.

Petition of Eldridge G. Redeout and 60 others, in aid of the prayer of Westbrook Seminary.

Petition of Thomas Robinson and 30 others of Ellsworth that the prayer of Trustees of Waterville College, may be granted

Petition of P. Sheldon and others of Farmington in favor of a Grant to Westbrook Seminary.

Petition of Henry Clark and 22 others of Miscasset in favor of the prayer of Trustees of East Maine Wesleyan Conference for aid

Came from the House, and the same were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of J. K. Kilgore for remuneration of expense on account of sickness of George Heathaway. came from the House, and was referred to Committee on claims, in concurrence

Petition of Benjamin Brockridge and others praying for the Charter of a Rail Road from Portland to Waterford,

Petition of Eben Hinckley and 52 others of Blue Hill for a bridge across Davis Narro-

-ws came from the House, and were refe-
-rred to Committee on Rail Roads and Br-
-idges. in concurrence

On motion of Mr Willis the Senate proceed-
-ed to the consideration of Resolve in favor
of a commission to prepare a Judiciary
System, and the same was passed to
be engrossed as previously amended as on
sheets annexed marked A. B. and C
Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Lydia Lorimore, praying that
the State will relinquish to her the
title to the real estate of her late hus-
-band

Petition of Samuel Painter and others to
amend the Homestead Law.

An act to repeal Chapter 286 of the pub-
-lic Laws of 1852

Resolve in favor of Lydia Lorimore, came
from the House, and were severally refer-
-ed to the Committee on the Judiciary, in
concurrence.

Remonstrance of B. A. Bryant against the
petition of William Buckman and others for
right to sell Meeting House in Webster,
came from the House, and was referred
to Committee on Mercantile affairs and
Insurance, in concurrence

Petition of Thomas Drury and others for an
appropriation to build a road in No 4
Range 5, in Aroostic Co, came from the
House, and was referred to the Committee

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on Rail Roads and Bridges. in concurrence.

Bill entitled. "An act to increase the Capital stock of Saco Bank".

Bill. entitled. "An act to abolish the February term of the Criminal Court in the County of Penobscot."

Bill entitled "An act to amend certain acts passed by the last Legislature"

Bill entitled. "An act additional relating to Merchants Bank of Portland".

Bill, "An act to increase the Capital Stock of Umbagog Bank".

were severally passed to be enacted and presented to the Governor for his approval

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of Thomas Hancock for incorporation of a Mutual Benefit Association, Reported a bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Gray Mutual Benefit and Library Association"

Mr Willis from the Committee on Judiciary to which was referred, "An act additional to Chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes, Reported a bill in a new draft

Resolve directing the State Treasurer to balance accounts with the Washington County and St Croix Banks, came from the House, and passed to be engrossed, and were severally read once and to-

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Report of the Committee on the Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of William Ham and others that a part of Leeds and Monmouth may be set off and annexed to Wales. Ordering notice to be served on the town Clerk of Monmouth, Leeds, and Wales, returnable to this Legislature, came from the House and was accepted in concurrence.

Mr Dean from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred,

The petition of Jane K. Lewis for divorce

The petition of Elizabeth Sylvester for divorce

The petition of Albert S. Burnham for divorce.

The petition of Elisha H. Dunham for divorce, Reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, Read and accepted
Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Hallowell, came from the House of Representatives, and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence.

The following orders came from the House,

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that one thousand copies of the accompanying bill, entitled, "An act for the establishment of Normal Schools, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

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Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to enquire into the expediency of further Legislation on Chapter 17th Section 42nd of the Revised Statutes in relation to the duties of Districts School Agents, and were severally read and passed in concurrence

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking to which was referred the order directing said Committee to enquire into the expediency of requiring the Secretaries of Savings Institutions to make an annual report of the amount deposited with the names of the depositors to the Assessors of those Cities and Towns where such depositors reside, came from the House, and the same was recommitted, in concurrence

Petition of William Reed and others of Mount Desert, for an alteration of the Constitution

Petition of John A. Marden and 42 others of Brazil for same object, came from the House, and so much of said petition as relates to the elections of Officers, were referred to the Committee on the Elective franchise, and so much as relates to persons of foreign birth was referred to the Committee on the Naturalization Laws, in concurrence

An Bill to abolish the Police Court in the City of Bangor, and to establish a Municipal Court with enlarged jurisdiction, introduced in the House by Mr Hill of Bangor, came from the House and was re-

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in concurrence

On motion by Mr Donnell,

Ordered, That
there be taken from the files of last year
all petitions praying for the incorporation
of the Town of Umbagog, and that the same
be referred to the Committee on incorpo-
ration of Towns

Sent down for concurrence

Adjourned

Louis O Bowan Secretary.

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In Senate,

Tuesday Feby 6th 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Weston

Petition of S. P. Dennett and others Creditors of Sullivan and Hancock Bridge Company praying that acts of said Company may be made valid.

Petition of A. D. White and others, Stockholders of Sullivan and Hancock Company that the prayer of said petitioners may be granted, came from the House, and were referred to the Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence

Mr Blake of Aroostic from the Committee on bills in the second reading, reported without amendment bill entitled, "An act additional to Chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes, and on motion by Mr Eaton it was laid upon the table,

Petitioners of George W. Springer and others of Franklin in behalf of East Maine Conference Seminary for aid, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence,

Petition of Josiah Grindle and others citizens of Penobscot praying for a bridge across Davis Narrows,

Petition of John Barry and others asking for an appropriation to survey a shore route for the European and North American Rail Road; came from the House, and was referred to Committee

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on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Bill entitled "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government," was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence,

Bill entitled "An act to extend the Charter of the Maine Charitable Mechanics Association,

Bill entitled, An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Casco Bank, were severally twice read, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr Ruggles, a Message was sent to the Governor, requesting him to return to the Senate an act entitled, "An act to abolish the February term of the Criminal Court in the County of Penobscot

The Secretary of the State laid on the table the bill aforesaid and

On

motion by Mr Ruggles,

The Senate reconsidered the vote passing to be enacted, a bill to abolish the February term of the Criminal Court in the County of Penobscot, and it was referred to the Committee on Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Willis,

The Senate reconsidered the vote of yesterday passing to

engrossed, Resolve in favor of a commission to prepare a Judiciary System. and said Resolves were further amended as on sheet annexed marked A. and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr. Dunnell presented the petition of Hiram Barrows and 91 others of Hebron for a change of constitution, and on his motion it was refered to the Committee on Naturalization Laws.

Sent down for concurrence

The same Senator also presented the petition of Joseph Barrows and 86 others legal voters of Hebron for a removal of Public Buildings, and on his motion it was refered to the joint delegation from Oxford County

Sent down for concurrence

Mr. Boody laid upon the table a bill entitled "An act to authorize the business of Banking," and the same was refered to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Thorndike presented the petition of Haskell Fuller and 46 others of Saygange, for further legislation in regard to powers conferred by Chapter 28 of the acts and Resolves of 1847, giving jurisdiction to District Courts over doings of the County Commissioners, and it was referred to Committee on Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

192 Mr Sprague presented the petition of Thomas C. Norris and others citizens of Vienna in favor of the Maine State Seminary

Mr Donnell presented the Petition of C. C. Stevens and 26 others for aid to Waterville College, and they were severally referred to the Committee on Education
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred a bill to define more fully the powers and duties of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies, Reported a bill which on motion was made by Mr Pease, was laid on the table and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature,

Petition of owners of Free Meeting House in Hartford for an act to authorize them to sell the same, came from the House, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges. The Senate nonconcurred in that reference, and referred the same to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Donnell from Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of John Barker to be set off with his estate from Chelsea and annexed to Pittston, Reported a bill which was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Report of Committee on Rail Roads and

Bridges, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of E. Cobb and others for an act to incorporate the Portland and Oxford Central Rail Road Company, was taken from the table.

Mer Dunnell of Oxford moved that the report be recommitted with instructions to bring in a bill, and on this motion the Yeas & Nays were ordered, and the question decided in negative as follows

Yeas, Messrs Cumin, Dunnell and Richborn 3

Nays Messrs Nathaniel Blake, Brady, Bennett, Downes, Eaton, Elliot, Garcelon, Goodwin, Mayo, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles, Salmon, Shepherd, Sprague, Thorndike, Turner, Walker, Watson and Willis 20

The Report was accepted and sent down for concurrence

Petition of D. Warren and sons of West Brookville for Wharf Extension.

Petition of David Benjamin and others for a Charter to build a dam on Swift River, came from the House, and was severally referred to Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence

Petition of President of Rockland Water Company, for an amendment of their Charter,

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1914 Petition of City Council and citizens of Rockland for amendment of City Charter

Petition of City Council and citizens of the Rockland Water Company.

Petition of A. P. Fuller and others of Albion for an act to increase the pay of Witnesses of our County Courts of Jurisdiction

Petition of James Orrington Clay for such a modification of the laws of the State relating to Marriage as will bring them into harmony with the Laws of Love: also for the disbanding of the Militia of the State, and recommending the genral government to abolish the Army and Navy, so that Government may rely for its defence, not on carnal weapons, but on Spiritual weapons, tempered with the sublime doctrines enunciated by the Saviour of the World

Remonstrance of H. Beverage and 118 others of North Haven against the petition of P. Thomas and others for the repeal of the act passed the 23rd day of May 1850, came from the House, and was severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence

Petition of President and Directors of State Bank for increase of Capital Stock, came from the House, and was referred to Committee on Banks and Banking. in concurrence

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Bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Gray Mutual Benefit and Library Association, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence

Adjourned

Joseph W. Kennellow,
Sec'y Pro Tem.

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In Senate

Feby 7 1853

Prayer by Rev Mr Cheny

On motion of Mr Pease of Cumberland.

Ordered,

That the Committee on Education be directed to enquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of Superintendant of Common Schools, and the reestablishment of the Board of Education, and Teachers Institutes

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, ordering notice returnable to the present Legislature on the petition of Georgi Dodge and others, was accepted, in concurrence

Mr Downes from the joint Select Committee to which was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the election of State Officers, made a report accompanied with a Resolve, entitled "Resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution relating to the elective franchise," and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Lovejoy from the Committee on Education to which was referred the petition of the Trustees of East Maine Conference Seminary, reported, "Resolve in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary;"

and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned

for a second reading

Mr Dascomb from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the petition of David Nelson and others, reported on the same,

Bill, "An act authorizing the extension of a Wharf into tide waters of Castine River," and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee to which was referred a Bill, "An act further defining the power of Mayors of Cities in the election of City officers" reported the same and the Bill was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Same Senator from same committee reported on the petition of Lydia Longmore, "Resolve in favor of Lydia Longmore" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Same Senator from the same committee to which was recommitted,

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 173 of the Revised Statutes and Chapter 136 of the Laws of 1849" reported the Bill in a new draft as amended, and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Report of the Committee on Claims giving leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. K. Kelsea, reported by Mr Cushing

of Waldo from the Committee on Claims, was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Same Senator from the same Committee to which was referred the petition of Luther Curtis reported, "Resolve in favor of Luther Curtis" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Pease of Cumberland presented Petitions of Franklin Sawyer and others, of Lewis W. Houghton and others; of Benjamin Webber and others; of Stephen Phinney and others severally in favor of the petition of Horace Billings and others, and the same were referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Watson presented the petition of Sullivan Berry and others of Georgetown; of Joseph Berry and others; of W. L. Berry and others, in aid of the East Maine Conference Seminary, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Cochrane of Waldo presented the petitions of James White and others of Belfast; of Samuel Fletcher and others, severally in favor of the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, were referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Henry R. Parsons and 280 others citizens of Paris, for the removal of the County Buildings in Oxford, was referred

to the Committee on the Joint Delegation of Oxford County, in concurrence

Petition of A. A. Bittues for an act authorizing the erection of a wharf in tide waters at Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

Memorial of a citizen's meeting of the inhabitants of Bangor in aide of the petition of the Penobscot Rail Road Company for the loan of the credit of the City in aid of the construction of said road, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Joseph [illegible] of Addison and others for survey of a Rail Road between Bangor and Calais, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Assessors and Agent of Patricktown asking that a portion of Whitfield may be set off from that town and annexed to Patrickstown, was referred to Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Petition of Assessors and Agent of Patrickstown for said town State for building and repairing Highways and Bridges, was referred to Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Richard Mayberry and others of Casco; of Orew Smith and others of Clinton, of John Page and others of Hartford, of Oliver Moses and others of Bath in

 aid of the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of Aaron Ayer and others of Newfield for aid to the Maine State Seminary; of J. Menshaw and others; of Mary S. Wardwell and others severally in behalf on the East Maine Seminary; of George Leavitt and others of Addison, for aid to Common Schools, were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of S. Royale and 50 others for a Law to regulate Bowling Alleys, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of A. L. Nichols and others of Bremen praying for amendments in Constitution and in the Naturalization Laws, was referred to the Committee on Elective Franchise, and Committee on Naturalization, in concurrence,

Order from the House, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into into the expediency of abolishing the act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Superintendent of Common Schools and for county conventions of teachers," approved by the Governor April 17 1854, was passed in concurrence.

Mr Walker of Oxford presented the petition of Jeremiah Wormwell and others of Rumford, for the removal of the County Buildings of Oxford County, was referred to the Joint Delegation from Oxford County

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee, to which was referred the petition of the City of Bath for leave to pass an ordinance for the removal of Snow from sidewalks, reported, Bill "An act additional to an act incorporating the City of Bath"

and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Downes of Washington presented the petition of Stephen Emery and others of Paris for aid to Waterville College, was referred to Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary" came up by assignment and the same was amended as per sheets A, B, and C, and the question then being upon the passage of the Resolve to be engrossed, the Senate adjourned without taking the question

Adjourned,

Louis P Brown, Sec of S.

In Senate

Friday February 8 55

Prayer by Rev Mr Dexter

The President said that the Senate when it last adjourned had under consideration a "Resolve in favor of the Wesleyan Seminary" and the question was on the passage of the Resolve to be engrossed on motion of Mr Eaton the bill was laid upon the table and 11 o'clock this day assigned for its further consideration

Mr Willis of Portland presented the petition of John M. Wood and 248 others in aid of the petition of Horace Billings for a Rail Road from Portland through Stroudwater to Sebago Pond and thence to Sweden and Lovell, and the same was refered to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Eaton presented the petition of Charles Ross and others of China praying for a Bank Charter in said town: of Amasa Taylor and others in aid of the petition of Charles Ross and others for a Bank, was refered to the Committee on Banks and Banking

Sent down for concurrence.

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Mr Pease from Cumberland presented the petition of George Copeland and others for incorporation to manufacture Twilled Seamless Bags. and the same was refered to the Committee on Manufactures

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Boody, by leave laid upon the table Bill, "An act to establish Normal Schools" and the rule was suspended, the Bill was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr Buggles from the Committee on Public Roads and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of Rufus Dunnal President of the Penobscot & Kennebec R. R. Co for authority for the City of Bangor to loan its credit in aid of the construction of said road, reported

Bill "An act to authorize the City of Bangor to extend further aid to the construction of the Penobscot and Kennebec Railroad, and the same was once read and Thursday the fifteenth day of February assigned for its second reading.

Mr Scammon from the Committee on Manufactures to which was referred the petition of Thomas Crocker and others, reported on the same Bill, "An act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Slate Company" and the same was read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture, Reported Bill "An act to incorporate the West Penobscot Agricultural Society" and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Hartford" reported in the House from the Committe

204 on Mercantile affairs and Insurance on the petition of Paul R. Curtis and others, was read once, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Atlantic Mutual Fire Insurance Company" reported in the House from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance on the petition of Samuel L. Carleton and others, and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill "An act to incorporate the Belfast Sugar Company" and the petition of Edward Grey for aid to build a carding machine, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence

Communication from the Governor, transmitting certain papers relative to ceding certain lands for public uses situated in Belfast to the United States, was referred with accompanying papers to the committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

A message was received from the House, conveyed by Mr Lincoln of the House, informing the Senate in the absence of the Speaker, had made choice of John B. Hale as Speaker Pro Tempore

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Resolve in favor of a commission to prepare a Judiciae System; reported as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed and having been signed by the President, was presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

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Resolve providing for amendment of the Constitution, reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Remonstrance of Jeremiah Meirhew and others against Bills for the incorporation of the first Congregational Society of Seaport was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence

Resolve in favor of the East Maine Conference Seminary, reported without amendment by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot.

Mr Elliot from committee on Military pensions reported on petition of Peter Folsom, "Resolve in favor of Peter Folsom"; and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Flint from Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported. Order of Notice upon petition of Agent, Assessors of Patricktown for incorporation of Town and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading

Bill. "An act amending Chapter 143 of Revised Statutes and Chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1849

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206 Bill, "An act authorizing the extension of a wharf into tide water in Castine River" and the same were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Resolve in favor of Lydia Seymour

Resolve in favor of Luther Coates, severally reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading, were read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Report of the Judiciary Committee giving leave to bring in a Bill entitled,

Bill, "An act additional in relation to criminal prosecutions, was recommitted, in concurrence

Resolve in favor of the Methodist Seminary was taken up at the hour assigned and further amended as per sheets annexed marked Dana C, and the question being on the passage of the resolve to be engrossed the Yeas and Nays were ordered and it was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Brady

Report of Committee on Banks and Banking to which was recommitted, Report declaring Legislation Inexpedient, on an order relating to returns from Saving Institutes, was accepted, in Concurrence,

Bill "An act in relation to the set off of demands" Petitions of Stockholders of the York Street Freewill Baptist Meeting House in Bangor for leave to sell said House. Bill to amend the 35th Section

of Chapter 25th of Revised Statutes and Petitions of Joseph Hobson jr and others of Saco, of David Libby and others of Saco, of David Burnham and others of Saco, of Olivir Boothby Boothby and others of Saco, severally in favor of some stringent legislation to prevent the destruction of forests and woodlands from the fire, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Bill, "An act to define the rights of the owners of Seasport Steam Boat wharf" was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act additional in relation to Public Schools"

Petition of David S. Witham and others, of Smithfield; of B. H. Taylor and others of New Sharon; of James Weymouth and others of Sebattisville severally in favor of the Endowment of the Maine State Seminary.

Petition of Charles Mc Faddden and others of Vassalboro, in aid of the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary, were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of Ivory Brooks and others of Seasport for amendments in the Section 2nd Chapter 211 of the Public Laws of 1851, was referred to the Joint Select Committee having under Consideration so much of the Governors message as relates to the Legislature, in concurrence

208 Mr Jewell of Oxford presented the petition of Caleb Blake for remuneration for services while pursuing a fugitive from justice, and the same was referred to the Committee on claims

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Baker of Hancock, presented the petition of Wm J. Robinson and others for aid to the East Maine Conference, was referred to Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease of Cumberland presented the petition of George Copeland "for an act of incorporation to manufacture Swilled Seamless Bags" and the same was referred to Committee on Manufactures

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of N. Webster and others for a law to protect Trout in Cold Stream Pond in Enfield, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence

Mr Hitchborn presented the petition of the Selectmen of Prospect asking for protection from foreign pauperism thrown upon said town from Cabroes on Fort Knox, and the same was referred to a joint Select Committee consisting on the part of the Senate of Messrs Hitchborn, Sumner and Goodwin, the House joined Messrs Mc Gilvery, Burgess, Stilling, Stevens of Paris and Cole of Hannigton

Mr Baker of Hancock presented the petition of Joseph Walker and others for a right to build a bridge across Hutchinson's

and a remonstrance against the petition of Simeon Allen and others for a bridge across Davis Narrows in Brookville and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Petitions of James M. Deering and others of Saco; of Osgood Carr and others of Mercer; of John H. Lovejoy and others of Lebec; of Charles Prentiss and others of Belmont; of E. W. French and others of Eastport; of J. F. Hamilton and others; of S. M. Mc-Kee and others citizens of Franklin; of Nathan Woodbury and others of Auburn, severally for changes in the constitution so that the people may elect all State Officers, and for changes in the Naturalization Laws, were severally referred to the Committee having those Subjects under consideration.

Mr Baker of Hancock presented the petition of Leonard Joyce and others, that all Officers may be elected by the people and for changes in the Naturalization laws. and the same was referred to the Joint Select Committee having those subjects under consideration

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Turner,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire and Report within some further provisions should not be made for the fees of Officers, for their services in committing persons to jail in criminal cases

Sent down for concurrence

Order from the House,

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of making an application to finish the repairs on the Bridge at Mattawamkeag Point, was passed, in concurrence

Mr Boody by leave laid upon the table Resolve providing for the appointment of Commissioners to revise the System of Public Instruction"

and the same was once read,

Mr Josey moved that Thursday next be assigned for the second reading of the Resolve, and

Bill "An act authorizing the extending of a wharf into tide waters in Searsport, introduced by Mr Nickerson, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters

Sent down for concurrence

Adjourned

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In Senate.

February 9th 1855.

Prayer by Mr Tappan,

The consideration of the the motion to assign Thursday next for the second reading of a "Resolve authorizing the appointment of Commissioners to revise the system of public Instruction", which was under consideration when the Senate last adjourned, was received. On motion of Mr Hickborn the Resolve was laid upon the table, Subsequently, the Resolve was taken up and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

"Resolve in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary" was called up on motion of Mr Hickborn, and, on his motion, Wednesday next was assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr Ruggles, the vote assigning Thursday next for the further consideration of the "Bill, "An act to authorize the City of Bangor to extend further aid to the Construction of the Penobscot and Kennebec Railroad" was reconsidered, and this day at 12 o'clock was assigned for its second readings.

Bill "An act to establish Normal Schools" reported by the committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time, and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration

Bill, "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the construction of the Penobscot and Kennebec Rail Road"

came up by assignment, and having been reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, the same passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr Boody, Resolves authorizing the Continuance of the Geological and Agricultural Survey of the State were taken from the table, and Thursday next assigned for their further consideration,

On motion of Mr Hitchborn of Waldo ordered that the Judiciary Committee be requested to enquire what further legislation may be necessary for restraining Lotteries and other species of gambling in this State.

Sent down for Concurrence

The following Bills reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in second reading, viz.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis State Company."

" An act to incorporate the west Penobscot Agricultural Society.

" An act further defining the powers of Mayors of cities in the election of city officers

" An act to sett off certain land from Chelsea and annex the same to Vassalboro

" An act to incorporate the Harpswell Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

" An act to incorporate the Atla

Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and the same were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Resolve in favor of Peter S. Folsom, reported by Committee on Bills, on second reading, was passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred the petition of the Board of Agriculture praying for the incorporation and endowment of a State Agricultural Society, reported on the same, Bill. "An Act to incorporate the Maine State Agricultural Society" And the same was once read, and 350 Copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr Mills, the Committee on the Judiciary reported on the following orders.
Legislation inexpedient, to act, on an order relative to conveyance of Real Estate
On a Petition of Selectmen of Moscow.
" " " " N. P. Fuller and others to increase pay of witnesses.
And on Bill relative to Criminal Prosecutions, and on Bill, an act repealing Chap 286 of the Public Laws of 1852 that the same ought not to pass, and the reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for Concurrence

Petition of Joseph Percival & others of Waterville asking for a Charter for a Bank to be located in Waterville, was referred to the Committee on Banks & Banking in Concurrence.

Petition of County Commissioners of Androsc-

216.- ogin County for Loan for County Buildings was referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs & Insurance in concurrence.

Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns reported on petition of Wm Butterfield & others;

Bill, "An act to annex certain territory to the town of Weston" and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee, to which was referred;

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Pew Holders of the First Congregational Church in Searsport" reported the same.

On an act entitled, "An act to amend an act to incorporate the City of Hallowell," reported the same,

On an act entitled "An act in amendment of the ninety first Chapter of the Revised Statues," reported the same.

On an act entitled "An act ceding to the United States of America jurisdiction over certain Lands and their appurtenances, situated in the town of Ellsworth and the City of Belfast and for other purposes therein mentioned" reported the same, and these bills were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr Scammon from the Committee on Manufactures reported on the petition of Chas Williamson & others.

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Bill, An act to incorporate the Mechanics Association at Augusta in the County of Kennebec" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Blake of Penobscot from the committee on Claims reported on the petition of A. B. Thompson. "Resolve in favor of A. B. Thompson". and the same was once read and Thursday the 15th instant assigned for a second reading.

Mr Walker of Oxford presented Petition of Joel Howe and others for the removal of the County Buildings in Oxford County, and the same was referred to the Committee of the joint Delegation of the County of Oxford.

Sent down for Concurrence

Mr Shephard of Hancock presented the petition of Stephen Johnson jr, and others for authority to sell Union Meeting House in the town of Sullivan and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for Concurrence

Petitions of Sylvanus Poor and others of Andover; of Moses M. Merrill & others of Roxbury; of Richard Tayler and others, of Byron severally for the passage of a law authorizing the removal of the County Buildings in Oxford County were referred to the joint Delegation of the County of Oxford in concurrence

Petition of Nehemiah Ellis for compensation for services & money expended in arresting a criminal was referred to the Committee on claims, in concurrence

Petition of S. H. Tewksbury and others members

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of the Maine Medical Association for the passage of an act for the advancement of Medical Science in this State; and same was referred to the Judiciary, in concurrence

Petition of G. D. King & others of Calais for aid to Waterville College was referred to the Committee on Education.

Petition of B. N. Vernon & others of Wayne; of David Butler of Industry; of Benjamin Batchelder and others, of James D. Emery of Hampton; of Robinson Cook & others of Bolster & Mills in lieu of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary; of Levi Emery jr & others in favor of Farmington & others for endowment of the East Maine Conference Seminary, were referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Bill, "An act relating to the transfer of actions" laid upon the table by leave, was refered to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for Concurrence

Petition of Isaac Wilder for a grant of land in consideration of building Mills in 13th Range was refered to committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence

Petition of Warren Leighton and others for an appropriation to survey a Rail Road route from Bangor to Calais was refered to Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Peleg Hall & others of Milford, against the petition of E. B. Pierce, and others, for making the Rail Road Bridge between Olata- -ton and Milford, may be used as a toll bridge, was refered to the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges, in concurrence.

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Remonstrance of G. M. Burleigh and others of Dexter, against the incorporation of the County of Sebasticook, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence

Petition of Moses L. Appleton & others for aid to make roads in Township No 6 Range 5, was referred to the Committee on State Lands & State Roads, in concurrence

Petitions of Richard Mayberry and others,; of Samuel S. Robinson and others, of Bath,; of James Cochran and others of Monmouth,; and of Asa Heath and others of Detroit, severally asking that all State officers may be elected by the people, and for changes in the laws respecting the voting of naturalized citizens, and the same were severally referred to the Committees having these subjects under consideration,

Mr Watson of Lincoln presented the petition of John P. Preston and others, of Arrowsic, for revision of the constitution so that all State officers shall be elected by the people, and for changes in the laws respecting the voting of naturalized citizens, and the same was referred to the Committee who have these subjects under consideration

Adjourned

Louis A Cowan, Secretary

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In Senate

Saturday Feby 10th 1855

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State Seminary" came from the House recommitted to the Committee on Education and the same was recommitted, in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Waterville College reported in the House by Committee on Education, was recommitted, in concurrence,

Order of Notice returnable to present Legislature on the petitions of the Assessors and Agent of Patrick Town Plantation was accepted in concurrence.

Order of Notice returnable to present Legislature reported in the House from the Joint Committee on the Delegation from Oxford County, on the H. R. Parsons and others for removal of County Buildings was accepted, in concurrence

Order of Notice returnable to present Legislature reported in house on the petition of John Kendall and others by the Committee on Interior Waters was accepted, in concurrence

On motion of Mr Goodwin, ordered, that the petition of Jefferson Moulton and Nathaniel Low to be set off Lyman and annexed, in and of the same be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Division of Towns. Sent down for concurrence

"Resolve in favor of Charles Lamson" reported in the House by Committee on Agriculture, was referred to the Committee on Claims

concurrence

The following Bills reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading viz.

Bill, "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Hallowell."

Bill, "An act on amendment of the ninety first chapter of the Revised Statutes.

Bill, "An act to annex certain territory to Weston

Bill, "An act to incorporate the pew holders of the first Congregational church in Belfast

Bill, "an act to incorporate the Mechanics Association

Bill, "An act ceding to the United States of America jurisdiction over certain lands, and their appurtenances, situate in the town of Ellsworth, and the City of Belfast and for other purposes therein mentioned."

were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence.

Communication from the Governor transmitting report of Seth Smith agent of Passamaquoddy Indians, was referred to the Committee on Indian affairs, in concurrence.

The following Bills reported by the Committee on engrossed Bills, as truely and strictly engrossed, viz

Bill, "An to authorize the City of Bangor to extend further aid to the construction of the Penobscot and Kennebec Rail Road.

Bill entitled An act to increase the capi

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Bill "An act to provide in part for the expenditure of Government.

Bill entitled An act additional to an act to incorporating the City of Bath.

Bill entitled An act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Franklin.

Bill entitled An Act in addition to an act in relation to elections approved October second eighteen hundred and forty

Bill entitled an act making further provisions for the Protection of public highways and the same were severally passed to be enacted

Resolve directing the Treasurer to balance accounts with the Washington County and Mt Desert Bank.

Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians. and the same were finally passed.

On motion of Mr Garcelon, ordered, that the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges be instructed to enquire into the expediency of repealing the act concerning Rail Roads approved March 30th 1853 and also into the expediency of appointing Rail Road Commissioners to whom all schemes for new Charters shall be presented for approval prior to the application for the same to the Legislature Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Willis from the Committee on Rail

Roads and Bridges to which was referred the petition of the Androscoggin & Kennebec Rail Road Company reported on the same "that the petitioners having made satisfactory arrangements with the Grand Trunk road for their joint business, have asked leave to withdraw their petition which is granted by the Committee" and the report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Agriculture declaring "Legislation inexpedient on an order relative to the increase of bounty on wolves was accepted, in concurrence

Order from the House "Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire if any further legislation is necessary to protect the public against Losses by Executors, was passed in concurrence

Order from the House, Ordered, that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of making void all Notes, bills of exchange, drafts, or any description of Paper, discounted or purchased by the Banks of this State, or their agents, wherein more than six per cent was taken or reserved, directly or indirectly, was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House, Ordered, that the joint select Committee on "naturalization Laws" be directed to enquire into the expediency of restricting or annulling the naturalization powers of our courts, was passed in concurrence.

Order from the House that the Judiciary

committee be instructed to enquire into the expediency of removing all objections to the testimony of witnesses in civil cases, was passed, in concurrence

Bill "An act relating to the transfer of actions" was referred to Judiciary Committee, in concurrence.

Petitions of Jeremiah Fowler and others of Lubec; of George F. Talbot and others of L. L. Shaw and others, of Cover, and severally in favor of granting aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of Alvin Burdell asking remuneration for expense incurred on account of sickness while in the service of the State, presented by Mr Ruggles of Penobscot, was referred to the Committee on Claims

Sent down for Concurrence

Mr Ruggles of Penobscot presented the petition of Jeremiah Fowler and others of Lubec for aid to the East Maine Conference Seminary, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for Concurrence

Mr Blake of Aroostic presented the petition of Isaac N. Clark asking investigation into the taxes in Township No 2 Range 8 Penobscot County and the same was referred to Committee on State Lands & State Roads.

Petition of Samuel F. Hersey and others to have a contract made with the Land

of Massachusetts, complied with the part of Maine referred to the Committee on State Lands & State Roads, in concurrence

Petition of the President & Directors of Bucksport Bank was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence

Petition of Samuel F. Rawson for services and expences in holding an Inquisition on the dead body of a Pauper not belonging to the State, was referred to the Committee on claims, in concurrence

Petition of Soman Dewey to be restored to the possession of certain meadow, was referred to the Committee on Indian affairs in concurrence

Petition of Valentine Ripley for reimbursement of loses incurred by aid rendered an officer while executing a criminal process, was referred to the Committee on claims, in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Ellsworth of Avon, asking for a division of said town, and annexing a part of the same to Phillips, and the other part of the town of Strong, were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence

Petition of A. D. White praying that Valentine Ripley may be remunerated for services performed for the State; of Sristrans Hardy and others for the same purpose; of Lewis Bisbee and others for same were refer to Committee on claims; in concurrence

Petitions of Amos M. Roberts and others for a new line of Telegraph through the State from east to west line thereof; and the petition of Nathaniel L. Thompson of Kennebunk for an incorporation for the purpose of insuring against loses by fire and marine risks, were referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of John Milliken and others, citizens of North Hancock praying for a more stringent Liquor law was referred in concurrence to the joint select Committee having under consideration that part of the Governor message which relates to the Liquor law.

Petition of Joel Howe and others for the removal of the County Buildings of Oxford County were refered to the Committee on the Joint Delegation of Oxford County in Concurrence.

Petitions of the Selectmen & Clerk of the town of Stoneham that their doings may be made valid; of Nathaniel G. Gould and others for leave to sell the Free Will Baptist Meeting House in Woolwich, of Henry Hobbs and others proprietors of the Free Meeting House in Hope to sell the same, were severally refered to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Petition of Wm Mc Farland and others of Hancock; of Richard H. Gilman and others of Liberty severally, that all state officers may be elected by the people.

and for changes in naturalization laws were referred to the Committees having those subjects under consideration in concurrence

Mr Ruggles of Penobscot presented the remonstrance against the petition of Hiram Perry and others for a charter to run a Steam Boat on the Rapadunkeag River, and the same were referred to the Committee on Interior waters

Josh Porter et als

Sent down for concurrence

Order from the House, that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency of legalizing the doings of School District No 8 Camden, was passed, in concurrence

Resolve in favor of Charles Turner, was recommitted to the Committee on claims in concurrence

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges to which was referred the petition of Simeon Allen and others, for an act to incorporate the Brooksville Bridge Company, Reported Bill an act to incorporate the Brooksville Bridge Company and the same was read once and monday assigned for a second reading

Adjourned

Louis O Cowan Sec Ty

In Senate

February 12th 1853

Prayer by Rev Mr Cone

Mr Pease from Cumberland presented the petition of Amon Jordan and others, for and improvement on present School System, and the same was referred to the Committe on Education

Sent down for concurrence

The President presented the petition of Joseph Plummer, and others of Gorham, in favor of the incorporation and endowments of the Maine State Seminary and the same was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

The Committee of Bills in the second reading reported without amendment.

"Bill," An act additional to an act incorporating the City of Bath.

And the was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Blake from Committee on Bills in the second reading reported, without amendment

Bill "An act to incorporate the Brookville Bridge Company" and the same was read a second time, and amendment on motion of Mr Cushing of Waldo, as per sheet annexed marked A and as amended, passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill," An act to incorporate the East Port Gas Light Company reported in the House

by the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance on the petition of S. L. Livermore and others was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Scenic Bank" reported to the House by the Committee on Banks and Banking on the petition of the President Directors and Company of the Scenic Bank was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act authorizing the erection of a wharf in tide waters in the City of Augusta" reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading was read a second time and passed to be engrossed Sent down for concurrence

Petition of S. L. Boulter and others of Jackson Brook Plantation to be incorporated into a town was referred to the Committee on incorporation of towns, in concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to Chapter 126 of Revised Statutes" was referred to Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Bleaching and Laundry Company, was referred to Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Account of the Sheriff of Penobscot County for distributing Blank Returns for the Sept Election was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence

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Remonstrance of N. Pendleton, and others against the loan of the credit of the City of Bangor for the construction of the Penobscot Rail Road was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Thomas Jordan and others against the petition of William Buckman and others for leave to sell Meeting House in Webster was referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance

Petition of A. H. Kimball and others of Rockland for the establishment of a new County was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Benjamin N. Perkins and others against the petition of the Directors of the Gardiner & Pittston Bridge Company for increase of Toll was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Joseph Jones and N. Berry and 100 others, of L. G. Robbins and others of Dover severally in favor of East Maine Conference Seminary were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of B. C. Freeman and others citizens of Yarmouth in aid of the prayer of the Trustees of Waterville College, for aid to that institution

Petition of Levi Loring and others, of

"N. Pingate and others." of J. R. Ward and others, severally in favor of changes in the laws so as to elect State Officers, and for changes in the naturalization Laws, was referred, in concurrence, to the Committees having these subjects under consideration

Petition of the First School District in Bucksport for an act authorizing said District to raise a sum of money exceeding Thirty five Hundred Dollars, was referred to the Committee on Education in Concurrence,

Petition of Mark Trafton for Lot No 12 Letter D. Range 1 Aroostic County for work done on roads to the amount of Fifty Dollars was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in Concurrence.

The following order came from the House Ordered that the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire whether any further Legislation is necessary for the protection of Burying grounds, and the same was passed, in Concurrence

Adjourned,

Louis O Conroy, Secretary.

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In Senate

Tuesday Feby 13 1855

Mr Barker of Hancock presented the petition of David Walker and others for an appropriation of money for the survey of a route of the European and North America Rail Road and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Garcelon of Lincoln presented the petition of the President Directors and Company of Winthrop and the same was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Sprague of Kennebec presented the petition of Oliver Mower and others for the election of all State officers by the people and for changes in the laws allowing foreigners to vote, was refered to the Committee having those things under consideration

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Goodwin of York by leave laid upon the table "Bill an act in addition to an entitled, An act to incorporate the York County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and the same was refered to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance"

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Charles Ferand and others presented by Mr Elliot for the incorporation and endowment of the Maine State Seminary was refered to the Committee on Education

Sent down for Concurrence

Mr Blake from the Committee on Indian affa-
-irs to which was referred a resolve for support of
Schools among the Passamaquoddy Indians,
reported the same, and the resolve was once
read and tomorrow assigned for a second
reading.

On motion
Mr Downes of Washington. Bill "An act
additional to Chap. 170 of the Revised Sta-
-tutes" was taken from the table, and the que-
-stion being on its passage to be engrossed,
Mr Downes offered an amendment, and the
Bill together with the amendment was
then recommitted to the Judiciary Com-
-mittee, Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Lydia Cushman and others
that certain lands and buildings may
be restored to them came from the House,
referred to a joint Special Committee. The
Senate non concurred in the reference of the Hou-
-se and referred the same to the Judiciary
Committee Sent down for concurrence

Petition of L. P. Waterhouse and others in aid
of the petition of Joseph M. Moore and
others to set off certain lands from Detroit
and annex the same to Pittsfield was
referred to Committee on Division of
Towns, in concurrence

The following Bills, reported as truly and
strictly engrossed viz
Bill "An act to incorporate the Char-
-ter of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Assoc-
-iation
Bill "An act to incorporate the Gray
Mutual Benefit and Library Association,

Bill "An act authorizing the extension of a wharf into the tide waters of Castine River"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Harpswell Mutual Fire Insurance Company" and the same were severally passed to be enacted, and were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr Deuel presented the petition of Joseph F. Sanborn and others for authority to sell the meeting House in West Bowdoin, and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Peley Wadsworth and others of Hiram for the removal of the public buildings of the County of Oxford, presented by Mr. Dunnell, was referred to the joint Delegation of the County of Oxford.

Mr Pease of Cumberland, presented the petition of Alvan Davis and others praying for a new county to be composed of Bridgton, Harrison, Otisfield, Naples, Casco and Sebago in the County of Cumberland and Denmark, Brownfield, Hiram, Porter, Fryeburg, Lovell, Sweden, Stowe, Stoneham and Waterford, in the County of Oxford, of Luther Billings and others; of N. L. Littlefield and others severally in favor of the petition of Alvin Davis and others for a new County were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges to which the petition

the assessors of Patricton Plantation was referred, reported reference of the same to the Committee on State Roads and Lands, and the same was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of the Mayor and Aldermen and Common Councilmen of Belfast against changing the Police Court in said City, and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence,

Bill "An act to incorporate the Eastport Gas Light Company.

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Scenic Bank" reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills, in the second reading, were severally passed to be engrossed

"Resolve in favor of Lydia Dorymene" came from the House referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Mr Barker of Hancock, presented the petition of William Freeman and 224 others of Cherryfield; of Joseph Brandon and 105 others of Columbia; of David Walker and others of Brooksville severally for appropriation for the survey of a shore route for the European and North American Railway were referred to the Committee on Railroads & Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Adams of Washington presented the

Remonstrances of Moses Fickett and others and Albert Hayford and others, severally against the petition of A. C. Small and others and the same were referred to the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Torsey of Kennebec, presented the petition of Samuel Melvin and others for authority to sell the Methodist Meeting House in East Readfield and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to incorporate the York Insurance Company" was referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance in concurrence

Bill An act for the promulgation of the public Laws, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence,

Petitions of Joshua Hill and others of Hamden of W. T. Jewett, and others of Appleton of Samuel Trott and others; of James Hartford and others of Athens, in favor of granting the prayer of the Trustees of the East Maine Conference Seminary same were referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence, ...

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Petition of Benson J. Mitchell and others for the repeal of the act dividing the town of Wilson approved August tenth eighteen Hundred and forty eight, and the same was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

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Petition of Moses B. Lean, James B. Fellows, and Benjam P. Briggs, Committee of Proprietors of Universalist Meeting House in Winthrop, for leave to sell a part of the real estate, and petition of B. F. Sprague and others for an amendment of the Constitution relative to the exercise of the right of voting, was referred to the Judiciary Committee, in concurrence

Petition of John B. Coffin and others of Hovrington for the survey of a Railroad Route from Bangor to Calais, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of Andrew Wiggin, and others for an appropriation for the repair of State Roads, from Kingsbury to Moosehead Lake, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence

Petition of Charles Cothrop and others for an Act to incorporate the Augusta Shovel Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

Petition of Wm. L. Mitchell and 1089 others, citizens Bangor, Hermon, Dixmont, Exeter, Kenduskeag, Milford, Springfield, Lincoln, Eddington, and Brodley for an amendment of the Constitution so that all State officers may be elected by the people and relative to the exercise of the right of persons of foreign birth to vote, was referred to the Joint Select Committee having those subjects under consideration, in concurrence.

The following order came from the House,

Ordered that the Committee on Education be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending our School laws as to require the number of scholars to be returned the first day of April instead of the first day of May as it now is. That it may correspond with the amendments of the Tax Act, requiring the Inventories to be taken the first day of April, and the same was passed.

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties granting leave to withdraw on petitions of the Inhabitants of Etna Newport, for a new County was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Flint.

Adjourned

Louis P Bowen, Sec'y

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In Senate

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Prayer by the Rev Mr Aspinwall

Mr Downes by leave laid upon the table Bill, "An act additional and explanatory of the act authorizing the City of Lewiston to aid in the construction of Lewiston and Rail Road passed January twenty ninth eighteen hundred and fifty five" and the Bill was once read, the Rule suspended, the Bill read a second time and the same passed to be engrossed.

The following Bills reported, as truly and strictly engrossed having passed to be enacted in the House Viz

Bill "An act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis State Company."

Bill "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Hallowell"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Eastport Gas Light Company".

Bill "An act to increase the capital Stock of Peconic Bank" And the same were severally passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor, for the approval.

Resolve authorizing the appointment of Commissioners to revise the system of Public Instruction came up by assignment, and the question being on its passage to be

engrossed, the resolve was refused a passage

Bill an act to establish Normal Schools, assigned for consideration today was taken up, and the question being in the passage of the Bill to be engrossed the same was passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Sorsey from the Committee on Education to which was recommitted, Resolves making appropriations to the Maine State Seminary and Waterville College reported a "Resolve in aid of certain Literary Institutions" and the same was once read, the resolve ordered to be printed and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Sorsey from the Committee on Education to which was recommitted the Bill for the incorporation and endowments of the Maine State Seminary reported back, Bill, "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, and the same was once read, ordered to be printed, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr Willis of Cumberland from the Judiciary Committee to which was referred certain petitions to protect forests from fires reported,

Bill "An act to protect forests and timber lands to punish the unlawful and careless kindling of fires" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for its

Mr Willis from the same Committee reported "Legislation Inexpedient" on an order relating to cost in real & mixed actions and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of Samuel C. Bradley and others against the petition of E. B. Price and others for the use of Rail Road Bridges from Old Town in Milford as a toll Bridge, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of D. D. Lakerman and others for authority to alter the Methodist Meeting House in Hallowell, and an act to incorporate the "Glen Mills Manufactory Company, were referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Mr Eaton from the Committee on Banks and Banking which was referred the petition of the Directors of Belfast Bank reported leave to withdraw on the same, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee reported "Leave to withdraw" on petition of B. F. Sprague and others, and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Blake of Aroostic from the Committee on State Banks & State roads, reported the following resolves, Viz.

"Resolve authorizing the State Treasurer

to adjust the accounts among the lots reserved for public uses in certain cases and "Resolve in favor of Thomas Goss and the same were read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mor Cushing from the Committee on Claims to which were referred the petition of Charles Turner reported "Resolve in favor of Charles Turner and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

To which was referred to the Senate from same Committee, petition of Samil F Rawson reported that said petition be referred to Committee on accounts, and the report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence

Mor Scammon from the Committee on Matures to which was referred,

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Portland Sugar Company" reported that the same ought to pass, and the Bill was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading;

Mor Mills from the Committee of the Judiciary, to which was referred an Order Relative to the power of Plantations, to raise money for Schools and Highways reported.

Bill "An act to authorize Plantations to raise money for Schools & Highways, also "An act additional to Chap 126 of the Revised Statutes, also

On an order praying that the doings of School District No 8 in Camden may be legalized,

Bill "An act to make valid the doings of School District No 8, in Camden

and the same were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr Scammon from the Committee on Manufactures to which was referred the petition of John R. Whiting, reported on the Frazier Same

Same

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Belfast Edge Company and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading. Ord

Bill, "An act additional to an act explanatory of the act authorizing the City of Calais to aid in the construction of Lewis Island Railroad passed and approved April fourteenth eighteen hundred and fifty four and of the act in addition to authorize the City of Calais to aid in construction of Lewis Island Railroad passed January twenty ninth eighteen hundred and fifty five Reported, as truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval Calais

Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns to which was referred the petition of Nathaniel Cushman and others to be set from Belmont and incorporated into a Town reported

Bill "An act to divide the Town of Belmont and to incorporate the Northerly part of Belmont into a new Town by the name of Morrill" and the same was Read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

244 Mr Cushing from the Committee on claims to which was referred the petition of David W. Densmore and reported on the same,

Resolve in favor of David W. Densmore and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill "An act to amend an act to provide for the Education of Youth approved August twenty seventh eighteen hundred and fifty, reported in the House by the Committee on Education was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Master Wardens and members of Key Stone Lodge" reported in the House by Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance in petition of R. Batcheldor and others, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in aid of roads in the Counties of Aroostic and Penobscot, reported in the House by Committee on State Lands and State Roads, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Resolve for the support of Schools among the Passamaquoddy Indians" reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of James Arrington Clay on the laws relating to marriage came from

the House, referring so much of the petition as relates to the disbanding of the Militia, to the Militia Committee, and the Senate accepted the report in concurrence.

Mr Dennett of Oxford presented the petition of Mark L. Smith and others of Norway to be incorporated by the name of the Norway Mutual Fire Insurance Company and the same were referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance,

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Quinby of Cumberland presented the petition of Citizens of Westbrook for the repeal of the provision of law exempting the wages of laborers from Trustee process, was referred to the Judiciary Committee

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Watson of Lincoln, presented the petition of John M. Sadden and others, citizens of Georgetown that said town may be authorized to raise money by a tax for a town Library, and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Quinby of Cumberland presented the petition of H. O. McClellan and others, for an act of incorporation, and the same was referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Crehore of Waldo presented by leave Bill "An act to incorporate the Lincolnville Steam Boat Wharf Company" and the same was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters. Sent down for concurrence

246 Mr Nelson of Lincoln, presented the petition of Ira B. Delano, for remuneration for damages sustained in the purchase of Coop. and the same was referred to the Committee on State Land and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Rose of Cumberland presented the petition of Oliver M. Pike and others, for a law that whenever a person is prosecuted in behalf of the State, and shall be acquitted he shall be entitled to costs and damages, and the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of John McLean and others of the town of Alna, praying that all officers of the States Government shall be elected by the people also for an alteration in the naturalization laws, the same was referred to the Committee having those subjects under their consideration

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Sprague of Kennebec presented the petition of Wm C Dow and others for the passage of an act indemnifying persons for depredations committed on their property for enforcing the Legion Law, and the same was referred to the Joint Special Committee having under consideration so much of the Governors message as relates to the Legion Law Sent down for concurrence

Mr Adams of Washington presented the petition of Ira Nash and others of Steuben for the election of all State officers, by the people and relative to the right of voting,

persons of foreign birth, and the same was referred to the Committee having those subjects under consideration

Sent down for concurrence

Petitions of Calvin S. Rowe and others of Kirkland praying that the name of said town may be changed to Hudson; of William Moore and others for increase of toll on the Fairfield Boom Corporations; of H. N. Wood and others for an extension of the Charter of the Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company; of N. C. Buffum and others of the Penobscot Lumbering Association, to make a Canal at the point of Orswiteland; and N. C. Buffum and others to have a Commissioner appointed to examine the inlet of the Silt Water Branch of the Penobscot River on account of its filling up; and the same were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petitions of John Harris and 390 others of Bath, of William Porter and others of Freeport, of Samuel Eames and others of Bath of George W. Lane and others of Lewiston, of William Field and others of Freeport, of Thomas P. Hall and others of Yarmouth, of Edward Thompson and others of Freeport, of Henry Bradbury and others of Auburn of Joseph H. Haines and others of Dunham, of Daniel Coffin and others of Yarmouth of Rufus Goddard and others of Freeport, of G. V. Mills and 58 others of Brookville, of J. Horn and others of Bingham, severally in favor of election of State officers by the people, and in relation to allowing persons of foreign birth to exercise the right of voting were referred

to the Joint Special Committee having those subjects under consideration, in concurrence.

Petitions of J. A. Davis and others citizens of Surry praying for aid in behalf of the East Maine Conference Seminary; of E. B. Harvey and others of Calais for aid to Waterville College; of O. B. Walker and others of Franklin for same; of the Trustees of Belgrade Academy for aid to that Institution; of David Brown and others of Waterville College for aid, and act in additional to an act for the Education of Youth approved August twenty-seventh eighteen hundred and fifty, were referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petitions of John C. Fogg and others citizens of Wales, in aid of the petition of William Ham and others, of Isaac S. Small and others of Wales for the same object and the petition of Bronson J. Mitchell and others, praying that the act dividing the town of Wilton may be repealed, were referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of J. L. Smith and 78 others, of Noah Haven, of Christopher Young and 79 others of Union, of Milton C. Holman and 146 others of Rockland for the establishment of a new county, and the Remonstrance of Henry Hobbs and others of Hope against being incorporated into a new County, were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

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Bill, "An act to establish a municipal Court in the City of Biddeford."

Bill, "An act to incorporate the officers and members of King Hiram's Chapter And petitions of Thomas L. Stanton and others, for an act of incorporation under the name of Union Meeting House Parish and to legalize their doings as an association, and the petition of Charles Hill, praying that all laws which provide for the exemption from attachments of the proceeds of the personal labor of any person may be repealed, were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence

Petitions of the Trustees of the Kennebec County Agricultural Society for an appropriation to establish an endown a Stock & Experimental Farm within the State, of petition of Bushrod W. Hickly and others for an incorporation of the Blue Hill Horticultural Society, and bile to amend Chapter of the Revised Statutes was referred to the Committee on Agricultural, in concurrence.

Petition of William E. Brown and others for an appropriation on road from to Moose Head Lake; of E. G. Savage, and others, for the same object of George Downing and others for the same, were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence

Petition of Thomas Bragdon, for a Military pension, was referred to the Committee on Military Pensions, in concurrence

250 Petitions of John Andrews, and others for Warren Mutual Insurance Company; of Joseph Wight, and others for changes in the laws authorizing licenses to be granted to Hawkers and Pedlars, were severally referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs, in concurrence

Petition of Ezra Tolman and others for a Bank at Kendalls Mills; was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence

Petition of G. W. Taylor and others; of John B. Coffin and others for an appropriation for the Survey of Shore route for the European and North American Railway of John Creighton and others of Warren; and Thomaston that the second section "Of an act entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Warren Toll Bridge Company may be repealed, was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of A. N. Hill and others, for an act of incorporation, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence

Petition of Sumner Burnham for allowance of a bill incurred in arrest of Rueben Willey, was referred to the Committe on claims, in concurrence.

Order from the House, that the Governor be requested to communicate to this Legislature what action has been taken under the provisions of a Resolve approved August twenty fourth eighteen hundred and [illegible]

setting apart and reserving twenty four half Town Ships of the Public Lands for common School funds was passed, in concurrence.

Petition of Timothy Ludden for the increase of salary of the Judge of Probate of Oxford County, came from the House referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and the Senate nonconcurred. the House on its reference and referred the petition to the Joint Delegation of the County of Oxford Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act authorizing a School District to raise money for the support of Schools" was called up by the Committee, and the question being on its passage to be engrossed, it was further considered and then laid upon the table

252. The following order came from the House.
Ordered, That a joint select committee be
appointed, consisting of five of the part of
the House and such as the Senate may
join, to inquire and report as soon as
may be, at what time the standing com-
mittees will be able finally to report on
all business before them, and also what day
may be fixed for the adjournment of the
two Houses without day, and Messrs Hill
of Green, Barnes of Harwich, Hutchins of
Penobscot, O'Brien of Thomaston, and Gilmore
of Enfield, were appointed. and the same
was joined in concurrence the Senate join-
ned, Ruggles, Adams, Sprague.

Adjourned

Louis C Cowan Secretary.

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Prayer by the Rev Mr Arnold;

Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of Joseph W. Moore and others, reported,

Bill, "An act to set off a part of Detroit and annex the same to Pittsfield" and the same was read once, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading,

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of Charles Dalton, reported,

Bill "An act to incorporate the Augusta Wood Company", also on a Bill, entitled An act additional to "give mortgages of real estate a lien on policy of insurance against fire, and the same was Read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading ...

Same Senator for the same Committee, to which was referred a "Bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Glen Mills Manufactory" and the same was read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Resolve in favor of Daniel Pinco, reported in the House by the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, was read once, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill, An act authorizing Seward Merrill

and others, to construct a wharf, on the petition of Seward Merrill and others.

Bill "An act to authorize Seward Merrill and others to construct a wharf" and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Goodwin from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, to which was referred an order directing said Committee to enquire what legislation if any is necessary in addition to Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes,

Bill "An act in addition to Chapter seventy ninth of the Revised Statutes" was refered and laid upon the table and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr Descombe from the Committee on Interior Waters to which was refered the petition of Benjamin Warren reported on the same

Bill "An act authorizing the extention of a wharf into tide waters of Penobscot Bay at Sedgwick" and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act to regulate the sale of wood and Bark in Lewiston" laid on the table by leave, by Mr Garcelon of Lewiston was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Connell of Oxford presented the petition of Mr Turner and others of Hebron praying

for an act to prevent the destruction of Pickerel in Mathews Pond and the same was referred to the Committee on Fisheries
Sent down for concurrence

Petitions of W. S. Brown and others of Newcastle for an insolvent Law. of Moses Springer and 313 others of Bath. for the passage of an act to regulate Billard Rooms; petition of Selectmen and assessors of Cutler for abatement of State Tax, of John Potter and others for additional protection of Mechanics by lien on buildings; of the Independent Baptist Society, of the town of Corinth for leave to remove their Meeting House, and to sell the land on which it stands; and Acts
Bill, "An act to regulate Billard Tables.

Bill, An act in relation to the contracts of minors.

Bill, "An act relating to Criminal Proceedings; and remonstrance of D. K. Straw and others of the Piscataquis Bar against a revision of the Judiciary System of this States and petition of F. H. Mead and others for a law to regulate the construction of Sleigh shafts and whiffletrees, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petitions of Wm Marsh and others of Aaron P. Emerson and others of Dan'l Clark and others, Joseph Leighton and others severally praying for aid to the East Maine Seminary of Isaac S. Kalloch and others in aid of the petition of the Trustees of Waterville College were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

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Petitions of the Trustees of Norway Liberal Institute for aid; presented by Mr Donnell of Oxford, was refered to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis of Cumberland, presented the petition of Maine Historical Fund Society for aid, and the same was refered to the Committee on Library

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Donnell of Oxford presented the petition of the Trustees of the Norway Liberal Institute for aid and the same was refered to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Goodwin of York presented the petition of James Cushing and Alonzo J. Mason for compensation for expenses in arresting William B. Smith, a fugitive from justice, and the same was refered to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence

Mr Shephard of Hancock presented the Remonstrance of Allen Griffin, and others against the petition of Luther Hapworth and others and the same was refered to the Committee on incorporation of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Barker of Hancock presented the petition of John R. Bridges of Castine for change in the naturalization laws and for amendment of the constitution, relating to the exercise of the right of the election franchise, and the same were refered to the Committee having the naturalization laws cond

Consideration

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of Inhabitants of Old Town, that the Rail Road Bridge may be used for travel; of Inhabitants of Penobscot residing above Old Town for same purpose. of Selectmen of Old Town for same purposes; of John Kirby and others of Dennysville and vicinity asking for an appropriation for the survey of a Rail Road from Bangor to Calais through the shore towns were referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to Chap 79 of the Revised Statutes relating to Insurance Companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, in concurrence

Remonstrance of George Gleddon and others inhabitants of Indian Township No 2 against being incorporated into a town and the same was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence,

Petitions of Jonas Day and others praying for a release from obligation to pay stumpage cut on Township No 4 Range 5; and of E.G. Sutton in aid of the petition of Jonas Day; of Ephraim Packard and others for an appropriation for the repair of State Road from Ringsbury to Blanchard and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Dorcas Freeman aged 84 years and 92 other ladies of Rumford for an

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alteration of the Law for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tipling Shops may be amended so as to prohibit the sale of Alcoholic Liquors for medicinal and mechanical uses, was referred to the Committee having under consideration so much of the Governors Message, as relates to the Liquor Laws, in concurrence.

Petition of Jeremiah Howe and others of Norway for the removal of the County Buildings, was referred to the Joint Delegation of Oxford County, in concurrence.

Petitions, of David Norton and others of Ozias Millett and others; of John Cobb and 175 others of Kennebunk, and of Reuben Higgins and 78 others of Cape Elizabeth praying that the constitution may be altered by the people and for changes in the Naturalization laws were severally referred to the Committees having those things under consideration, in concurrence and "Readers and

The following Bills, reported without amendment by Committee on Bills in the Second reading.

Bill "An act to protect forests and timber lands from fires and to punish the unlawful and careless kindling of the same"

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Bill "An act to amend an act to provide for the education of Youth approved August twenty seventh eighteen hundred and fifty."

Bill "An act to divide the town of Belmont and to incorporate the northerly part

said town into a new town by the name of Morrill

Bill "An act to incorporate the Master Wardens and members of the Key Stone Lodge"

Bill "An act to make valid the doings of School District Number 8 in the town of Camden"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Portland Sugar Company".

Bill "An act to incorporate the Belfast Edge Tool Company."

Bill "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary."

Resolve in favor of Thomas Lufkin.

Resolve in favor of David N. Denison.

Resolve in favor of Charles Turner.

Resolve authorizing the State Treasurer to adjust the accounts among the lots reserved for public uses in certain cases.

Resolves in aid of roads in the Counties of Aroostic and Penobscot; and the same were severally read a second time and passed to be Engrossed.

Order from the House, ordered that petition of Daniel Hersey and others praying to be set off from Kenduskeag to Levant

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be taken from the files of eighteen hundred and fifty three and referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, was passed in concurrence.

Mr Turner from the Committee to which was recommitted the petitions of James Harrington Clay, praying the Militia may be disbanded and recommending the General government to abolish the army and navy so that government may rely for its defence not on cannon & weapons but Spiritual Compared by the sublime doctrines communicated by the Savior of the world, reported Leave to withdraw on the same, and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Order of Notice returnable to the present Legislature reported in the House by the Committee of Division of Towns on the petition of Willoughby Prescott & als. and others that a part of Norridgewock may be annexed to Skowhegan, was accepted, in concurrence.

Mr Lowry moved to proceed to the consideration of the Resolve in favor of certain Literary Institutions.

Pending this motion: Mr Brady of Cumberland moved that the Senate adjourn and the motion prevailed.

Bill "An act giving power to Plantations to raise money" reported by the Committee on Rules in the second reading, was laid on the table and the usual number of copies printed for the use of the Legislature

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The motion pending when the Senate, last adjourned to take up

Resolves in aid of certain Literary Institutions, prevailed, and the question being on its passage to be engrossed, They were further considered and on motion of Mr Gardner, were laid upon the table.

Mr Adams from the Committee on the Militia to which was referred, Resolve authorizing the Acting Quarter Master General to dispose of certain Military Property, reported the resolve as amended and the same was read once, and tomorrow assigned, for its second reading.

Bill "An act additional to Article 1st Sect 8 of the School Laws approved August twenty seventh eighteen hundred and fifty" reported in the House by the Committee on Education on an order relating to the compensation of Superintending School Committees, was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the State Bank" reported in the House by the Committee on Banks and Banking on the petition of the President Director and Company of the State Bank was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

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Bill an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Bucksport Bank" reported in the House on the petition of the President Directors and Company of the Bucksport Bank, was read once, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr Crehore, moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed to be engrossed "Bill to incorporate the Belfast Edge Tool Company" and the motion prevailed and on motion of Mr Crehore the Bill was amended and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges granting "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of Daniel Bunker and others for a charter for a Rail Road from North Anson to West Waterville, granting leave to withdraw came from the House of Representatives, and was accepted, in concurrence.

Petition of John Plaistead and 322 others of Gardner

Petition of John G. Perry and 49 others of Bath

" " S. B. Holt and 47 others of Turner

" " James H. Tibbetts and 55 others of Brunswick

Petition of Wm F. Higgins and 49 others of Thorndike

Petition of John W. Lamond and others of Uni-

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Petition of Robert E. Rider and others of Washington

Petition of Oren G. Stewart and others of Unicorn

Petition of Jos Tuttle and 26 others of Smithfield, for a revision or amendment of the Constitution, were severally referred, so much as relates to the election of State officers, to Committee on election franchise; and so much as relates to persons of foreign birth, to Committee on Naturalization Laws, in concurrence.

Petition of Sewall Fly and others of Denmark

" " Marshall Saunderson and others of Waterford

Petition of S. C. Hawkins and 69 others of Waterford

Petition of E. W Woodbury and 55 others of Sweden, of Franklin Hosmer and 41 others of Sweden, for a new County by the name of Lebago to be incorporated from certain towns in Cumberland and Oxford Counties.
And petition of John E. Moody of Rockland for the establishment of a new County, came from the House of Representatives, and were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Petition of H. H. Hill and others for an amendment of City Charter of Augusta.

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264 Petition of James W. Holden and others for changing the whiffletrees and shafts of single sleighs

Petition of C. G. Morill and others of Milton for leave to sell second Free Meeting House in said town.

Petition of William Tillson in behalf of the Maine Medical Association.

Petition of George P. Barrows of the first Parish of Fryeburg, for parish funds in said Parish to be exempt from taxation.

Petition of E. A. Pike and 82 others for an insolvent law.

Bill authorizing sale of second Free Meeting House in Milton. Came from the House of Representatives, and were severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel F. Hinds and 30 others of Bristol; of Annie Storer and others of Yarmouth, in aid of prayer of Trustees of Westbrook Seminary; of John Walker and 22 others; of John A. Bowmen and 40 others of Eastport, in aid of East Maine Conference Seminary, came from the House of Representatives, and were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Pay Roll of Company B, 1st Regiment, 1st Brigade, 4th Division, with papers relating to the services of said company during the riot in the city of Bath in July last. Came

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from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Samuel Getchle and 35 others of Wales, against the petition of Wm Hoar and others to be set off from Monmouth and Leeds and annexed to Wales came from the House of Representatives, and was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Petition of D. E. Somes and others of Biddeford for a Bank Charter, came from the House of Representatives and was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence

Petition of William Wetherbee and others of Canton
" " Willis Snow and others of Centreville
" " John M. Wilson and others "
of John F. Wallace jun and 39 others for an appropriation for a survey of Rail Road from Calais to Bangor, through Machias! of O Pearson and others of Old Town in aid of petition of C. B. Pierce for Toll Bridge at Old Town!... of Franklin Homes and 26 others for a Rail Road from Portland to Bridgton, Sweden and Lovell. came from the House of Representatives and was severally referred to the Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Gibson and 270 others, of John Bartlett and others, of Alden Chase and 80 others for removal of County of Oxford, came from the House of Representatives, and were severally referred to joint Delegation from Oxford County, in concurrence

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Order, That the Committee on Judiciary be directed to Report what further Legislation is necessary, to compel the Proprietors of unincorporated places to maintain in good repair public Highways in such places, and to enforce the payments of damages for neglect of the same.

Order, That Committee on Judiciary inquire if any further legislation is necessary to prevent Treasurers of Corporations from using the money or funds of such corporations for purposes of private speculations.

Order, That the Committee on Judiciary be instructed to inquire what further Legislation may be proper to enable Mortgagors desiring to redeem mortgages held by persons residing out of the United States to make tender to redeem said Mortgages came from the House of Representatives and were severally passed, in concurrence

On motion by Mr Eaton of Kennebec Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to take from the files of the Senate last year, Resolve in favor of Bowdoin Institute with the accompanying papers, and the same be referred to the Committee on Education

Sent down for concurrence.

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Mr Hutchinson moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Banks and Banking giving leave to withdraw on the petition of the Directors of Belfast Bank, and on his motion the motion to reconsider was laid upon the table.

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

February 17 1855

Prayer by the Rev Mr Ingraham

The following Bills reported, as truly and strictly engrossed having passed to be enacted in the House. to wit.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Mechanics Association

Bill an act to incorporate the Brooksville Bridge Company

Bill "An act to amend Chap. 173. of the Revised Statutes and Chap 136 of the Public Laws for the year eighteen hundred and forty nine.

Bill "An act to incorporate the new holders of the first Congregational Church in Searsport;"

Bill "An act to set off certain land from Chelsea and annex the same to Pittston"

Bill "An act in amendment of the ninety first Chapter of the Revised Statutes;

Bill "An act to incorporate the Masters Wardens, and members of Key Stone Lodge;

Bill "An act further defining the power of Mayor of cities, in the election of city officers

Bill An act to annex certain territory to the town of Weston

Bill "An act additional to an act incorporating the city of Bath

Bill. "An act authorizing the erection of a wharf in tide waters in the City of Augusta

Bill "An act ceding to the United States jurisdiction over certain lands and their appurtenances" Bill an act to incorporate the West Penobscot Agricultural Society.

Bill "An act to establish an act to provide for the education of the Youth approved August twenty seventh eighteen hundred and fifty. were severally passed to be enacted

Resolve in favor of Peter S. Todem

Resolve in favor of Lincoln County

Resolve in aid of roads in the counties of Aroostic and Penobscot, were severally reported as truly and strictly engrossed and having been finally passed in the House, were finally passed.

The foregoing Bills and resolves were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Atlantic Mutual Fire Insurance Company, came from the House, amended and passed to be engrossed; and the vote of the Senate praying the same to be engrossed, was reconsidered, amended the same in concurrence, and the same passed to be engrossed

Resolve in favor of A. B. Thompson reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second reading, was amended as per sheets A & B. and as amended passed to be engrossed

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On motion of Mr Quimby of Cumberland
Ordered, That the joint Standing Committee
in the State Prison be directed to select
from their number a sub-committee to consist
of not more than five, to visit the Prison in
person, to examine into the condition and
affairs of the same, and make report to the
next Legislature

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to set off a part of the town
of Detroit and annex the same to the town
of Pittsfield, reported by Committee on Bills in second reading was read a second
time and on motion of Mr Flint laid upon
the table, and Tuesday the 20 inst assigned
for its further consideration

On motion of Mr Pease, the Reports of the
Committee on Agriculture reported, Bill
"An act to reorganize the Board of Agriculture, &
Bill "An act to incorporate and endow
the Maine State Agricultural School, was
taken from the table and recommitted to
the Committee on Agriculture

Sent down for concurrence

Resolves in favor of certain Literary Institutions, was called up on motion of Mr Gerrish
and on his motion Tuesday next, was assigned for its further consideration of the resolves

Ordered from the House, That the Committee
on the Maine Law be directed to cause to be
printed for the use of the Legislature four
hundred and fifty copies of the bill they
have prepared to Reprint was passed, in
concurrence.

LLMC DIGITAL

270 Report of the Committee on Interior waters made in the House of Representatives on the petition of Calvin Rolve and others asking to be discharged from the consideration of same and recommending its reference to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, was accepted, in concurrence.

Reports from the Committee on State Lands and State roads granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Nathaniel Walker, and others, on the petition of James B. Pleasel - and and others also Legislation Inexpedient on an order relating to the petition of John Dudley and others also leave to withdraw on the petition of C. H. Douglas and others reported in the House were severally accepted, in concurrence

Mr Baker of Hancock from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported an order relative to a cistern, near the State House reported Resolve authorizing a cistern near the State House

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on Railroads and Bridges on the petition of Hiram Bussell and others, Bill "An act to incorporate the Somerset Bridge Company,

Mr Lorehue from the Committee on Fisheries reported petition of N. Webster and others

Bill "An act to prevent the destruction of fish in Cold Stream Pond in the towns of Enfield and Lovell" also on the petition of Paul Hamamond and others Bill "An act to prevent the destruction of fish in certain Ponds and Streams in Kennebec Co.

east Counties

Mr Seamon from the Committee on Manufactures reported on the petition of Hiram E. Pierce and others

Bill "An act to incorporate the Hiram Dale Manufacturing Company"

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary reported Bill "An act for the Promulgation of the Public Laws"

Mr Prescott from the Committee on Interior waters reported on the petition of Benjamin Warren and others Bill "An act authorizing the extension of a wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot Bay at Isleboro

Mr Willis from the Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred

Bill "An act to incorporate the officers and members of King Hiram's Chapter at Lewiston, reported on the same.

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance to which was referred, Bill "An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the York County Mutual Fire Insurance Company"

Mr Elliot from the Committee on Military Pensions, to which was referred the petition of George K. Smith, reported.

Resolve in favor of George K. Smith, and the ~~foregoing~~ Bills and Resolves were severally read once and Monday assigned for their second reading

272 Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, reported Leave to withdraw on the petition of Joseph Wight and others and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Mills from the Committee on the Judiciary reported, on the petition of Peleg Thompson and others, Leave to withdraw and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills and Resolves reported without Amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading viz.

Bill "An act to authorize Lewall Merrill and others to construct a wharf in the tide waters of the Harbour of the City of Portland".

Resolve in favor of David Pineo were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, also

Bill "An act additional to give Mortgagees of real estate a lien on Policies of assurance against fire"

Bill "An act authorizing the Town of Lewiston to regulate the sale of wood and Bark in said Town,

Bill "An act to incorporate the Eden Mills Manufacturing Company" and the same were severally passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease of Cumberland presented the petitions of William Maxfield and others of Casco; of Daniel Bean and others of Brookfield in aid of the petition of Alvin Davis and the same were severally referred to the Committee on the Division of Counties

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of John P. Perley and others against the petition of Alvin Davis and others for a new County, was referred to Committee on Division of Counties. also petition of Albert Davis and others of Bridgton, of Gilmer H. Lombard and others of Sebago, in favor of the petition of Alvin Davis for a new County. were referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Mr Shephard of Hancock presented the petition of A. S. Gaylord and others for an appropriation for a survey of a shore route for the European and North American Rail Road, and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Remonstance of J. N. Palmer and others against petition of J. L. Butler and others for Incorporation of Townships No 9 Range 3, and the same be referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns

Sent down for concurrence

Petition of A. G. Chesley and others in aid of petition of E. B. Pierce and others praying that the charter of the Town and Milford Bridge may be revised and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in concurrence

2744 Petition of Ebene Stevens praying that a law may be passed prohibiting persons from sending Mackeral under certain cases, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence

Adjourned

Louis A Locuan, Secretary

In Senate -

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

Monday Feby 19th 1855

The President being absent the Senate was called to order by the Secretary who informed the Senate that the President would be absent, several days and that it would be necessary for the Senate to choose a President Pro Tempore.

On motion of Mr Quimby of Cumberland, a committee consisting of Mr Quimby of Cumberland, Baker of Hancock and Bonnell of Oxford was appointed by the Secretary to receive sort and count the votes for a President Pro Tempore. Having attended to that duty, Reported as follows

Whole No of votes	18
Necessary for a choice	10
Wm Willis had	14
M. H. Donnell	3
Newell Blake	1

The Report was accepted and Hon Wm Willis declared duly elected President, Pro Tempore, to serve in the absence of the President, and thereupon Mr Willis took the chair, and addressed the Senate as follows. [Copy not furnished.]

Bill, "An act to amend Sect 14 of Article 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the education of Youth approved August twenty seventh eighteen hundred and fifty, reported by the Committee on Education in the House on the petition of D. K. Chase and others, was recommitted in concurrence

Messages were respectively sent to the House

and to the Governor informing those branches of the Government that the Senate in the absence of the President had elected Hon William Willey President Pro Tempore.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Atlas Insurance Company, reported in the House, and passed to be engrossed in that Branch, was read once, and tomorow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act to change the names of certain persons" reported in the House and passed to be engrossed in that Branch was read once, and tomorow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act additional to the twenty third Chapter of the Revised Statutes" reported by the Judiciary Committee on an order relating to private Burying Grounds, in the House, and passed to be engrossed in that branch, was read once, and tomorow assigned for its second reading.

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Auburn Block Company" reported in the House on the petition of William Kilburn and others and passed to be engrossed in that branch. was read once, and tomorow assigned for its second reading ...

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Bill "An act to incorporate the Union Mutual Marine Insurance Company" reported on the petition of John E. Donnell and others, and passed to be engrossed in that branch. was read once and tomorow assigned for its second reading

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Bill "An act authorizing the Methodist Society in Hallowell to repair and remove their Meeting House" reported in the House on the petition of D. D. Lakeman and others and passed to be engrossed in that branch. was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

The following Bills reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, to wit,

Bill "An act to incorporate the officers and members of King Hooam Chapter of Lewiston Me"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Somerset Bridge Company.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Augusta Shovel Company"

Bill "An act to prevent the destruction of fish in cold Stream Pond in the towns of Enfield

Bill "An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the York County Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Bill, An act to prevent the destruction of fish in certains Ponds and Streams in Kennebec and Somerset Counties"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Hiram Dale Manufacturing Company" were severally passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act additional to Article 1 Sect 5th of the School laws approved August twenty seventeen eighteen hundred and fifty

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the State Bank"

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of Buckspurt" were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The following Resolves reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading. viz.

Resolves for continuation of the Geological Survey of State.

Resolve in favor of George K. Smith.

Resolve authorizing a cistern near the State House

Resolves, authorizing the Acting Quarter Master General to dispose of certain Military property were severally passed to be engrossed.

Mr Pease from the Committee, to which was referred the petition of Alonzo Dames for a Divorce, reported, Leave to withdraw on same, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Lochon from the Committee on Fisheries to which was referred the List of Inspectors of Fish, reported, That they find 123 Inspectors in commission the present year, only forty one of which have made returns to the Secretary of the State, in conformity with the twenty seventh Section of Chapter fifty fourth of the Revised Statutes, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to provide for the promulgation of the Laws" reported without Amendment by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Petitions of A. J. Howard and others of Hanover for a new County by the name of Lebago was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Daniel Lord and others against the petition of Amos Messer and others to be set off from Lowell to Enfield was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Joseph Hackney and others against the petition of Hiram Peavy and others to run a Steam Boat on Passadumkeag Stream, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petitions of John H. Staples and others of Eliot;
" " B. F. Jewett and others of Sidney;
" " John Johnson and others of Whitefield
" " Samuel P. Sargent and others of Garland severally praying for an amendment of the constitution so that all officers may be elected by the people also that no foreigners be allowed to vote or hold office, were referred to the Committee having those subjects under consideration, in concurrence.

Petitions of C. G. Porter and others of Henry Kennedy and others of E. Trask and others in aid of the Trustees of Waterville College; of John Crosford and others of Jackson; of Wm. L. McAllister and others in favor

of endowment of East Maine Conference Seminary, were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Remonstrance of Hildreth Robinson and others against the petition of C. G. Morrill and others for leave to sell the second Free Meeting House in Milton, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence

Bill authorizing Caroline F. Sargent to convey certain Real Estate, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Petitions of Edwin Wood and 75 others of Surry & C. K. Higgins and others of Brooklyn, and Petition of Amos Haswell and 250 others of Ellsworth, severally for aid to survey a Rail Road Route from Bangor to Calais, and the same was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

The following orders came from the House

Ordered, That the several committees of the Legislature be instructed to report upon all the subjects now before them, as soon as practible, and without any delay on account of petitions or remonstrances that may hereafter referred to them

Ordered, That all petitions in aid of petitions now pending before the Committee and all remonstrances against such petitions now in the hands of members of the House, be presented and referred to the respective committees having the subject under consideration

Ordered. That the Committee on State Lands and Roads, consider the expediency of appropriating a sum of money for repair of the road in Indian Township, in Washington County. and the same were passed in concurrence

Report of the Committee on Education, declaring legislation inexpedient on an order relative to the time of taking census, was accepted, in concurrence,

On motion of Mr Cushore

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to take from the file the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Belmont praying that the wages of School district No 3. in said town and that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Adjourned

Louis C. Cornish,
Secty.

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

Tuesday February 20 1855

Mr Flint presented the petition of Francis Caldwell and others in aid of the petition of Daniel Bunker and others, for the reunion of Anson and North Anson was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Cochrane moved to take up the motion made by Mr Hichborn to reconsider the vote of the Senate accepting the Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the President Directors and Company of the Belfast Bank and the motion prevailed, and the vote accepting the report was reconsidered. On motion of Mr Cochrane the report was recommitted.

The following Bills and Resolves having been reported without amendment, by the Committee on Bills in concurrence reading, to wit

"Resolve authorizing the assessment of County Taxes on the several Counties."

Bill An act to incorporate the Union Mutual Marine Insurance Company.

Bill "An act authorizing the Methodist Society at Hallowell to repair and remodel their Meeting House

Bill, An act additional to the twenty third Chapter of the Revised Statutes.

Bill An act to incorporate the Atla[illegible]

-rance Company

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Auburn Blo-
-ck Company" was severally read a secon-
-d time and passed to be engrossed, in conc-
-urrence

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns,
on the petition of Thomas Ellsworth and oth-
-ers for the Division of the town of Avon, order-
-ing notice returnable to the next Legislatu-
-re on the same, was accepted, in concurra

Report of the Committee on Education, dec-
-laring legislation Inexpedient, on an order
relating to the repeal of an act providing
for the appointments of Superintendents
of Common Schools, was accepted, in concu-
-rrence.

A communication was received from the
Governor, announcing that a vacancy exists in
the office of Major General Amos McLaughlin.
The communication was read and placed in
the files

Petition of Robert Hussey and others of Kenduskea-
-g, in aid of the petition of D. Hussey praying
that he may be set off from the town of Kenduskea-
-g and annexed to the town of Levant was
Referred to the Committee on Division of Towns
in concurrence, Remonstrance of Joshua Hilton in
opposition of Daniel Bunker et-als referred as above.
Petition of L. Jones and others in aid of the
petition of F. Frye and others.

Remonstrance of J. Stafford and others of Pond-
-and for an act for relief of Insolvent Debtors"
was referred to the Committee on the Judicia-
-ry, in concurrence.

2814 Petition of Daniel Putnam and others of Belfast in aid of the prayer of the Trustees of Westbrook Seminary for aid, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of M. W. Wentworth and others of Kittery, of Joseph E. Cox of Kittery; of Moses H. Brier of Belfast and Ward praying that all offices shall be elected by the people and for changes in the laws relating to the right of foreigners to vote, were referred to the Committee having those subjects under consideration, in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of certain Literary Institutions" assigned for further consideration to day, was taken up, and the question being on the passage of the resolve to be engrossed to be engrossed, the Yeas and Nays were ordered, on motion of Mr Walker of Oxford and being taken, the Resolves were passed as follows

Yeas, Adams, Nathaniel Blake, Newell Blake, Bourier, Brehon, Bennett, Donnell, Eaton, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Quimby, Sprague, Thorndike, Tracy, Turner and Watson 17

Nays, Barker, Brady, Bushing, Dascomb, Downes, Dean, Scammon, Walker and Willis 9

The following Bills having passed to be enacted in the House and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed to wit,

Bill "An act to incorporate the Atlantic Mutual Fire Insurance Company

Bill, "An act to authorize Lewall Merrill, and others to construct a wharf in tide waters in Portland Harbour and was passed to be enacted.

Resolve in favor of Dan Pine, finally passed in the House and reported as truly and strictly engrossed was finally passed, and the foregoing Bills and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

Adjourned

Louis C. Cowan. Secy.

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

Wednesday Feby 21st 1855

Prayer by the Rev Mr Squire

Mr Downes from the Committee on the Insane Hospital to which was referred orders relating to appropriations for the same. made a report accompanied by Resolves as follows.

Resolves making an appropriation for Insane Hospitals"

Resolve making an appropriation for Chaplain and Assistant Physicians for Insane Hospital" and the same were read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Eaton from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported on the petition of Samuel Packard and others

Bill "An act to incorporate the Danville Bank". and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Downes from the Committee on Banks and Banking reported on the petition of Ezra Carter and others. Bill. An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mechanics Bank; approved, April eighteenth eighteenhundred and fifty four and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Cushing from the Committee on Claims reported on the petition of Simon Burnham, and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading. Resolve

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Same Senator from same Committee reported on the petition of Caleb Blake

Resolve in favor of Caleb Blake.

Remonstrance of D.D. Wiggin and 220 others of Levant against the petition of Thomas J. Haines, presented by Mr Ruggles, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Bennett from the Committee on Division of Towns reported on Petition of Alfred Lemont and others for the Division of West Bath.

Bill "An act to cut off certain Lands from West Bath and annex the same to the City of Bath" and the same was recommitted on motion of Mr Turner

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease by leave presented Bill, "An act relating to bounties on wild animals, and the same was once read and on motion of Mr Walker, was laid on the table.

Mr Dascomb from the Committee on Interior routes to which was referred, the petition of David Benjamin and others, reported on the same

Bill "An act to incorporate the Swift River Dam Company" and the same was read once and laid upon the, on motion of Mr Walker.

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture to which was recommitted.

Bill to reorganize the board of Agricultural

288. and to incorporate a State Agricultural Society" reported.

Bill "An act to incorporate and endow the Maine State Agricultural Society, and more fully prescribing the powers and duties of agricultural Societies" and the same was read once, and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr Cushing, from the Committee on Claims, reported on the petition of Valentine Ripley a statement of facts accompanied by a resolve in favor of Valentine Ripley, and the Statement of facts, was laid upon the table, and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Was taken up.

On motion of Mr Flint, Bill "An act to set off a part of Detroit and annex the same to Pittsfield. Was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Downes, again.

Mr Dascomb from the Committee on Interior waters to which was referred.

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Lincolnville Steam Boat Wharf Company" reported the Bill ought to pass, and the Bill was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr Boody from the Committee on Education to which was referred an order relating to Chapter 17 Sect 42 of the Revised Statutes.

Reported.

Bill "An act respecting School Agents" and the same was read once and tomorrow

ed for their second reading

Bill "An act to make valid the doings of School District No. 8 in the town of Camden, was recommitted to the Committee of the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Mr Eaton presented Bill "An act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Ohio Bank" and the same was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease presented Bill "An act defining the time of office for Clerks of Courts and County Attorneys" and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Flax Company" laid upon the table by Mr Eaton, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Pease presented petitions of Peabody Knowland and others; and Wm P. Lewis and others in aid of petition of Alvin Davis for a new County was referred to the Committee on Division of new Counties

Sent down for concurrence

Petition E. Drisco and others, of H. C. Emerson and others for a survey of Railroad for a shore route from Bangor to Calais was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of J. Sawyer, and others of Biddeford, for changes of the laws relating to Trustee

Princeps, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petitions of J. F. Winchester and others, in aid of Westbrook Seminary; of S. Powers and others for aid for Waterville College, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Holway and others of the County of Somerset, for the reorganization of the Militia, was referred to the Committee on the Militia, in concurrence.

Petition of Lorenzo D. Stacy and others of Porter, Hiram, and Parsonsfield for an amendment of the constitution so that all officers may be elected by the people and for changes in the laws allowing foreigners to vote was referred to the Committee having those subjects under consideration

Bill "An act to incorporate the Augusta and New York Navigation Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Mr Richborn from the Committee on Division of Counties, to which was referred petition of the inhabitants of Dunham to be set off from Androscoggin, to Cumberland County, reported 'Leave to withdraw' on the same, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Cushing from the Committee on Claims to which was referred the petition of Nehemiah Ellis for compensation for money and service in arresting a criminal, reported Leave to withdraw on same, and the report

was accepted,

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Richborn from Committee on Division of Counties, reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Inhabitants of Hebron to be set off from the County of Oxford and annexed to the County of Androscoggin, and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Brady from the Committee on Education, reported Legislation Inexpedient, on an order, directing them to inquire what Laws are necessary to secure competent teachers in institutions endowed by the State, and the same was accepted,

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee, reported Legislation Inexpedient, on an order relating to liabilities of express men.

Also, on an order relating to mortgages held by persons residing out of the United States.

Also, on petition of O. W. Pike and others that defendants in criminal process who are acquitted be entitled to costs.

Also, on an order relating to the duties of Treasurer of Corporation and wether further legislation is necessary to prevent them from using funds of such Companies for private uses.

Also, "on petition of the citizens of Westbrook to repeal so much of Trustee Law as exempts a months wages of Laborers"

Also, on petition of the Inhabitants of Conte

292 - ville, for changes in the Laws in relation to the taxes of non resident proprietors, and the foregoing Reports were severally accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Same Senator from same Committee, reported, Leave to withdraw on the petition of John McFadden and others, and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Bill, An act to authorize Caroline J. Sargeant, to sell real estate, that the same ought to pass, and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Also Leave to withdraw, on the petition of the 2nd Parish of Smyrna that their names may be exempted from taxation, and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Same Committee to which was referred numerous petitions from owners of pews in meeting Houses, and owners and proprietors of meeting Houses, for leave to sell their houses and land and to repair or remodell their said Houses, reported on the same.

Bill, An act giving further powers to owners of Meeting Houses, and the Bill was read once and the Bill was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature

On motion of Mr Blake of Avoodick ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads enquire into the expediency of appropriating a sum of money to complete a bridge partly erected in Township No 11

Mr. Nathaniel Blake from Committee on State Lands & State Roads reported on Petition of Isaac Wilder.

"Resolve in favor of Isaac Wilder"

also. "Resolve making an appropriation for a Fire Proof Safe in Land office"

Order from the House, Ordered That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to enquire into the expediency of raising the Salary of the County Attorney for the County of Somerset was passed in concurrence.

The following Bills, having passed to be enacted in the House, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed; viz -

Bill; an act to increase the Capital Stock of Bucksport Bank,

Bill an act to increase the Capital Stock of the State Bank,

Bill An act additional to Article first Sect. 8. Rev. Statutes approved Aug 27. 1850

were passed to be enacted and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Mr Blake of Penobscot moved to reconsider the vote passing to be engrossed. Bill to incorporate the Atlas Insurance Company and moved to lay the motion on the table, which prevailed.

"Bill to change the names of certain persons, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill an act to incorporate the Rockland Savings Bank reported in the House on the petition of Charles N. Snow et als and passed

to be engrossed in that branch was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill. An act incorporating the Maine Bleaching and Laundressing Company, and

Bill An act in addition to an act entitled an an act incorporating the Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company reported on petition of Henry A Wood als and passed to be engrossed in the House was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Resolve repealing Resolve in favor of William Poor approved April 17. 1854 reported in the House by the Committee on the Militia was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

On motion of Mr. Garcelon "Bill to authorize School Districts to raise money" for the support of Schools was taken up and on motion of Mr Flint of Somerset was indefinitely postponed, as follows

Yeas, Adams, Newall Blake, Crehore, Descomb, Dennett, Eaton, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Pease Quinby Huggles Sprague, Thorndike Turner, Walker, Watson, Willis. 18.

Nays. Barker, Nathaniel Blake, Brody Cushing, Dunnett, Goodwin, Hoichborn Scammon and Torsey 9.

Bill an act relating to criminal prosecutions and to prevent unnecessary costs to the State was referred to the committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Mr. Watson from the Committee on accounts reported,

Resolve for the Payment of Rett of Account Number 35. and the same was once read and laid upon the table.

Adamned Louis O'Conway [illegible]

In Senate.

Thursday, Feb. 22, 1855.

Prayer by Rev Mr Felch.

On motion of Mr Eaton the vote passing to be engrossed

"Bill an act to incorporate the Somerset Bridge Company," was reconsidered and the bill recommitted to Committee on Rail Roads & Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Willis by leave, laid upon the table "Bill to abolish the Police Court for the City of Bangor and to establish a Municipal Court for said City with enlarged jurisdiction" and the same was once read and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr Brody presented,

"Resolve for building a Reservoir of water" and the same was referred to Committee on public buildings

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Goodwin of York presented Bill an act in addition to Chapter One Hundred and Twenty Six of the Revised Statutes. and the same was referred to Committee on the Judiciary Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Nascomb presented the petition of Joseph Barrett wals for the amendment of the Maine Law relating to Town Agencies for the sale of Liquors and the same was referred to the Joint Special Committee to which was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Liquor Law.

Sent down for concurrence.

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The following Order, from the House

Ordered That the petition of Samuel Pillsbury and others praying for a charter of a Bank to be located at Rockland be taken from the files of last year and referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking was passed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Danville Bank reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the Second reading was read a second time and the same passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Lydia Longmore" reported in the House in a new draft by Committee on the Judiciary, and passed to be engrossed in that branch, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance granting "Leave to withdraw on the petition of William Buckman and others, was accepted in concurrence.

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred the petition of William H. Hall and others reported that the petitioners have "Leave to withdraw" and further Report a general act giving authority to all towns and cities to regulate that subject entitled "An Act granting further powers to cities and Towns" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

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Mr Hammon from the Committee on Manufactures on the petition of George Copeland and others Reported Bill, An Act to incorporate the Novelty "Bagging Company" and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a Second reading.

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary reported, on an order to enquire into the expediency of raising the Salary of the County Attorney of Somerset that they be discharged and the Same referred to the delegation of the County of Somerset.

Report accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Willis from Same Committee Reported on "an act relating to the contracts of minors" that the Same "ought not to pass" and the Report was accepted,

Sent down for concurrence.

Remonstrances of H. A. Spofford et als; and of Aaron Fitz and others against the petition of Frederick Fife and others, praying to be set off from Dedham to the town of Holden, was referred in concurrence to the Committee on Division of towns.

Remonstrance of Chester Weld and others
" H. B. Kenniston and others
against the petition of John W. Hussey and others, to be set from the town of Kenduskeag and annexed to the town of Levant, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of John Hum and others, for aid

 to East Maine Conference Seminary was referred to Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of P. E. Heald and others for aid in repairing State Roads through Kingsbury and Blanchard was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of John Williams and others, of Webster for the election of all State Officers of the State government by the people and that foreigners may not be allowed to vote was referred to the Joint Special Committee having those subjects under consideration in concurrence.

The following order came from the House

Ordered,

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to enquire into the expediency of extending the operations of a resolve for the collection of debts due the State in the Land Office, approved April 20. 1854

and the same was passed in concurrence.

Bill "An act to set off a part of the town of Detroit, and annex the same to Pittsfield came up and the question being on its passage to be engrossed; the Yeas and Nays were ordered, and being taken the Bill passed to be engrossed as follows,

Yeas, Adams, Barker, Newall Blake, Beedy, Crehore, Dascomb, Donnell, Fennes, Hannell, Elliot

Flint, Goodwin, Muzzy, Pease, Quincy
Ruggles, Scammon, Sprague, Thorndike,
Torsey, Turner, Watson, and Willis
Total 23.

Mess. Richborn and Garcelon were excused
from voting.

Adjourned

Louis Cowan, Secretary

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

February 23. 1855

Prayer by Rev. Mr Drew,

Bill "an act to authorize School Districts to raise money for the Support of Schools" came from the House recommitted. The Senate adhered to its vote indefinitely postponing the Bill.

On motion of Mr Flint Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to enquire into the necessity of any appropriation upon the Canada Road and report

Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House communicated through Mr Cobart of that branch, that the House had elected, by ballot, Oil Jones as Major General of the Second Division of the Militia of Maine to fill the vacancy which exists in that office.

On motion of Mr Dunnell, Ordered that the Senate this day at Eleven o'clock proceed to elect a Major General of the Second Division of the Militia of Maine.

At the hour assigned the Senate proceeded to the election of a Major General to fill the vacancy which exists in the Second Division of the Militia of Maine.

Messrs. Dunnell, Blake of Penobscot, and Quimby of Cumberland, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes and Reported, "Whole number of votes 24

Necessary for a choice		13
Samuel Goodrich has		17
Eli Jones	"	2
Samuel Wood	"	2
Henry P. Lesey	"	2

The report was accepted and Samuel Goodrich declared duly and constitutionally elected Major General of the Second Division of the Militia of Maine.

On motion of Mr Donnell, a message was sent to the House informing that Branch that the Senate had by ballot duly and constitutionally elected on its part Samuel Goodrich as Major General to fill the vacancy that exists in the second Division of the Militia of Main

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The following Bills having been reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second Reading, viz. . . .

Bill. An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mechanics Bank approved April eighteenth eighteen hundred and fifty four

Bill "An act to incorporate the Main Bleaching and Laundry Dressing Company".

Bill "An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brewer Ferry Company"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Pineville

 Steam Boat Wharf Company"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Novelty Bagging Company"

Bill "An act respecting school Agents" reported by the Committee on Bills in second reading, were severally passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence

Bill to amend Chap 126 of Revised Statutes reprinted without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading was read a second time amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act additional to Chap 79 of the Rev Statutes reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading without amendment was amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Resolve making an appropriation for ~~a~~ fire proof safe for the Land office.

Resolve, repealing the resolves in favor of William Poor jr approved April seventeenth eighteen hundred and fifty four.

"Resolve in favor of Lydia Gorymore"

"Resolve in favor of Isaac Wilder"

Resolve for payment of Roll of Accounts No 35

Resolve making an appropriation for Chaplain and assistant Physician for Insane Hospital"

Resolve making an appropriation for Insan Hospital, reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was severally passed to be engrossed.

Resolve in favor of Caleb Blake" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time on motion of Mr Crehore, laid upon the table

Resolve in favor of Simon Burnham" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time on motion of Mr Crehore laid upon

The following Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed having been passed to be enacted in the House, viz,

Bill "An act additional to the twenty third Chapter of the Revised Statutes

Bill "An act to incorporate the Auburn Block Company"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Glen Falls Manufacturing Company" were severally passed to be enacted and a resolve authorizing the State Treasurer to adjust the accounts among the lots reserved for public uses, in certain cases, reported as truly and strictly engrossed and finally passed These Bills and resolves were conveyed to the Governor by Secretary for for his approval

Petition of Calvin Jewett and 56 others of Solon: of John T. Morrill and 24 others praying for a revision and amendment of the constitution came from the House of Repre-

sanctions, and were severally referred to the Committee on Reincorporation Laws, in concurrence

Petition of Burns Walker and 41 others in aid of the petition of Alvin Davis and others for a new county, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Petition of Albert Corner and others in aid of the petition of John Creighton, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Rails Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of James Miller of Belfast for leave to extend a wharf into the tide waters in the harbour of Belfast, came from the House, and was referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

Petition of Geo. F. Emery and others in aid of the prayer of Trustees of Waterville College for aid, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Josiah Knight and 75 others of Fryeburg for a new County, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence

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An act concerning public schools in the City of Bangor, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

"An act to amend Chapter 177 of Revised Statutes"

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An act to facilitate the detection, and prevent the circulation of counterfeit bank bills, came from the House, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Gardner.

An act relative to foreclosure on Mortgages, came from the House, and was severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Millian Haskell and others Stockholders in the Sullivan and Hancock Bridge Company against the petition of A. White and others, came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of David B. Moses and 55 others against the petition for a new County.

Remonstrance of Jacob Hazen and 44 others of Bridgton against the petition of Moses Davis and others for a new County, came from the House. and were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Order, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire wether further legislation is expedient relating to notice to be given by debtors to disclose came from the House, and was read once, and passed in concurrence

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to enquire into the expediency

repealing. Chapter twenty eighth of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and fifty two
Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary. granting leave to withdraw on the Petition of the citizens of the town of Westbrook, came from the House, recommitted. The Senate Receded from their former vote accepting said report, and recommitted the same, in concurrence,

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred the petition of H. K. Hill and others for amendment of City Charter of Augusta, reported that the Petitioners have leave to withdraw: and further reported An act entitled an act giving further powers to cities and towns to pass by Laws and ordinances

and the same was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed

Mr Bennett from Committee on Division of towns to which was referred the petitions of William Ham and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to bring in a bill, which was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee to which was referred the petition of the City Council and citizens of Portland praying that their city Charter may be amended, Reported that Petitioners have leave to bring in a bile which was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Flint from the Committee to which

referred the petition of Peter Haines and others inhabitants of township No. three second range in the County of Franklin for incorporation into a town by the name of Rangely. Reported that the petitioners have leave to bring in a bill, which was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr Garcelon from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of Horace Billings and others for a Rail Road from Portland to Bridgton, Reported that the same be referred to next Legislature, which report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Presidents and Directors and Stockholders of the Penobscot Rail Road Company, republished in the House.

Bill an act to authorize the City of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Penobscot Rail Road, and the same was read once, the rule suspended, the Bill read a second time and laid upon the table, on motion of Mr Briggs

Adjourned

Louis Clinton Sec'y

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Saturday Feby 24 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Dexter

Mr Quimby of Cumberland moved to reconsider the vote of the Senate by which it accepted the report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges referring to the next Legislature the petition of Horace Billings and others, and the motion prevailed. The report was then recommitted

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Shephard,

Ordered, that the Secretary be directed to take from the files the petition of Samuel Whitmore and others of Deer Isle for a law to regulate the taking of Pogies.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges reported on petition of F. O. J. Smith, for an act of incorporation to rebuild the Bridge at Canton Point, order of notice returnable to the next Legislature, on the petition, and the petition was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same senator from same committee to which was referred an order directing the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges to inquire into the acts and doings of the Somerset and Kennebec Rail Road Company, reported "Legislature Inexpedient" on the same and the report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on enrolled Bills reported as

duly and strictly engrossed.

Resolve in favor of A. B. Thompson, and the same was finally passed

Resolve to incorporate the Belfast Edge Tool Factory.

Resolve to incorporate the Union Mutual Marine Insurance Company.

Resolve to protect forests and timberlands from fires, and to punish the unlawful and careless kindling of fires, and the same were severally passed to be enacted and signed by the President, and presented to the Governor for his approval.

Petition of J. R. Chadborne and 75 others in favor of an exploration of a Shore route of the North American Rail Road, came from the House of Representative, and was referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence

Petition of Curtis P. Howe and 27 others of Oxford for the removal of County Buildings in Oxford County.

Petition of Darius Forbes and others for same object, came from the House, and were severally referred to the joint Delegation of Oxford County, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Watson Dyer and others against the petition of S. L. Bolter and others for incorporation of Township No 4 Range 3. came from the House, and was referred to the Committee on incorporations of Towns, in concurrence

Mr. Ruggles moved to take up the Bill "An act to authorize the City of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Penobscot Rail Road" and the motion prevailed. He then moved to recommit the Bill and report, with instruction to report on Monday morning next and the motion prevailed

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of H. G. Brown and 75 others of Oxford County against the petition of Alvin Dallis for a new county.

Remonstrance of Charles M. Jones of Oxford County against the same.

Remonstrance of A. R. Knapp and 32 others against the same.

Remonstrance of Wm A. Rust and 63 others against the same.

Petition of George Small and 16 others of Bridgton for a new County. of P. S. Peary and 10 others for same object. came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of Caleb Blake.

Resolve in favor of Sumner Burnham.

Bill entitled "An act to incorporate the town of Rangely, amended as on sheet annexed marked A. were severally read a second time. and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence.

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Mr. Elliot from the Committee on Bills in the second reading, reported without amendment, "An act in addition to an act to incorporate the City of Rockland", and on motion of Mr Eaton the same was laid on the table

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance to which was referred the petition of the County Commissioners of Androscoggin County for loan for building County buildings, reported a resolve which was read once, and on motion of Mr Garcelon, it was laid on the table

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Wm Hopes and others of Bath, West-Bath, and Phippsburg, for power to County Commissioners of Lincoln to lay out and establish a bridge over Winnegance Creek, came from the House and the same was accepted, in concurrence

Report of Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges granting leave to withdraw on the petition of A. C. Lindle and others praying that the dock through the dam at Mill Bridge, may be recommitted

Report from same Committee granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Samuel H. Blake; also order on Governors message for survey of a Rail Road from Mattawamkeag, to Aroostook River.

Report of same Committee granting leave to withdraw on petition of John Cameron and others for a toll Bridge across tide waters between Boothbay and Southport, came from the House, and were severally accepted in concurrence

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Tyler and others of Fryeburg Academy Grant against being annexed to Gilead

Remonstrance of Peter Dunbar and others against petition of assessors of Patrick town Plantation, came from the House, and were severally referred to the Committee on the Division of towns, in concurrence.

A message was received from the House by Mr Hobart that the House had elected Samuel Goodrich Major General of the second Division of the Militia of Maine, in concurrence

Report of the Committee on the Maine Law, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Royal Williams for an amendment to be made in the law so as to allow Manufacturs of Alchohol in this State for certain purposes, came from the House, and was accepted, in concurrence,

Bill entitled "An act for the preservation of Pickerel in Mathews Pond and its tributary streams", reported by Mr Lenhore from the Committee on Fisheries

Bill entitled "An act to change the time for the close of the financial year of the State Reform School" came from the House

Resolve making an appropriation for building a Bridge across the Crystal Stream, and for repairing a road in township No 4 Range 5 came from the House, were severally read once and Monday 25 instant at 11 o clock assigned for a second reading.

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314. Bill entitled "An act to annex certain territory to the town of Wales" reported by Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of towns was read once, and the 28 instant assigned assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Elliot;

Ordered, that when the Senate adjourn, it adjourn to 11 oclock A. M. Monday next

Adjourned

Louis Oberman, Secretary

LLMC DIGITAL

Monday February 26th 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Cheney

On motion of Mr Dunnell.

Ordered, The House concurring, that when the two branches of the Legislature adjourn, on Monday the 12th day of March they adjourn without day.

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Willis

Ordered: That no bill or order laid upon the table hereafter by any member of the Senate shall be referred to any committee, but the same shall be referred to the next Legislature

Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns to which was referred the petition of Daniel Bunker and others from the reannexation of Anson and North Anson.

Reported.

Bill "An act to reunite the towns of Anson and North Anson" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Scammon from the Committee on Manufactures to which was referred the petition of Edward Ivy and others reported

Leave to withdraw on the same, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, on the petition of Horace Billings and others referring the same to the next Legislature and accepted in the Senate came from the House.

that Branch now concurring the Senate in the acceptance of the report. on motion the Senate reconsidered its former vote and recommitted the same to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges granting "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of J. A. Milliken for an appropriation for the survey of a Shire route for a Rail Road from Bangor to Calais, was accepted in concurrence

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges to which was recommitted.

Bill

"An act to authorize the City of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Penobscot Rail Road". reported the Bill on a new draft and the same was once read, the rule suspended and the Bill passed to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on Education declaring

Legislation Inexpedient, on an order relative to the duty of cities and towns to choose School Agents, was accepted, in concurrence.

The following Bills and Resolves reported without amendment by Committee on Bills in the second reading. viz.

Bill "An act for the preservation of Pickerel in Mathews Pond and its tributary Streams"

Resolve authorizing the Secretary of the State to effect certain exchanges of public documents

Resolve making an appropriation for building a Bridge across Crystal Stream and for repairing a road in Township No 10 Range 5 and 6

same was passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Hitchborn from the Committee on Division of Counties to which was referred the petition of Alvin Davis and others for a new county reported, Leave to withdraw, on the same, and the report was accepted
Sent down for concurrence

Report of Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges made in the House, on petition of John Creighton and others giving, Leave to withdraw, on the same, was accepted, in concurrence,

Report of Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges, made in the House, on the petition of John Short and others for a charter for a Rail Road from Bangor to Castine giving, Leave to withdraw on the same, was accepted, in concurrence

Report of the Committee on Ranks and Banking made in the House giving Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Ezra Totman and others, was on motion of Mr. Flint recommitted
Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to incorporate the Oaklands Bank" reported in the House, on petition of George Plaisted and others

Bill An act to incorporate the Warren Mutual Fire Insurance Company and Bill to prevent Exorbitant taxation of Blood Animals" reported by the Committee on Agriculture on an order asking that Blood Annimals may be exempt from taxation

"Resolve authorizing the Governor to subscribe for the publications of the Maine Historical Society"

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318 reported by Mr. Donnell from the Committee in the Library on the petition of the Maine Horticultural Society, was severally read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns giving Leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Ellis and others, made in the House was accepted, in concurrence

On motion of Mr Cushore

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and council informing them that Samuel Goodridge by a concurrent vote of the two branches of the Legislature has been duly elected Major General of the 2d Division of the Militia of the State

Remonstrance of William Fitch and others against the petition of Simeon H. Lombard and others of Lebago in aid of the petition of Alvin Davis and others, and Remonstrance of H. O. Knight and others of Naples against the formation of new County

Remonstrance of James Smeaton and others against a law to legalize the doings of District No 8 in Camden, was refered to the Committee on Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of Timothy J. Chadbourne and others against the petition of Augustus C. Stiles and others for the annexation of Hebron Academy grant to Gilead, was refered to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence

The following communication was received from the Governor.

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State of Maine

Council Chamber Feby 16 1853

In obediance to an order of the Legislature of the 13 inst, asking to be informed what action has been taken under the provision of a Resolve approved August 24th 1850 setting apart certain lands for a common School fund, I have to inform the Legislature, that no action has been taken under said resolve

To the Senate and House of Representatives

The foregoing communication was refered to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence

Adjourned

Louis A Cowan Sec of St.

LLMC DIGITAL

In Senate

Tuesday Feby 27 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Dexter

Mr Downes by leave laid upon the table,

Bill

"An act to unite Calais and Baring Rail Road with Lewy's Rail Road", and the bill was once read, the rule suspended, and the Bill read a second time and was passed to be engrossed

The vote by which the Senate passed the following order, viz

Ordered, That no bill or order laid upon the table by any member of the Senate shall be referred to any committee but the same shall be referred to the next Legislature, was reconsidered, and the same was laid upon the table.

Remonstrance of John L. Tenney and others, and of the Selectmen of Northfield and others against the petition of Willoughby Prescott and others for a Division of said town, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee reported Legislation Inexpedient on an act extending the time of Franklin Bank to commence suits:

Also, on an order relating to the official conduct of J. C. Cochran

Also, a resolve in additional authorizing a tax on the several Counties of the State.

Also, on the support of paupers by counties instead of towns.

and the same was accepted, excepting so much of the said report as relates to

Franklin Bank which was recommitted.

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary reported Leave to withdraw, on the following petitions

On Petition of John Gooch
" " " Mordecai Mitchell and Others
" " " Nathaniel Chamberlain " "
" " " Samuel Tainter " "
" " " John Potter " "
" " " Selectmen of Bowdoin
" " " Ephraim Flint and Others

also

Legislation Inexpedient, on an order relative to repeal of the usury laws.

also

"Ought not to pass" on an act on foreclosures of mortgages.

And the same were severally accepted, in the House, down for concurrence.

Bill "An act making further provisions for the administration of police in the City of Portland" was laid upon the table by Mr Dunnell.

Mr Brady by leave laid upon the table,
Bill "An act to incorporate the Brunswick Paper Manufacturing Company"

Bill. "An act to prevent unnecessary cost in criminal proceedings. reported by the Judiciary Committee.

Bill "An act to regulate Billiard Rooms, reported by the Judiciary Committee on petition of Moses Springer and others.

Bill "An act defining the term of office of Clerks of Courts and County Attorneys reported

by the Mills from the Judiciary Committee

Bill "An act relating to Corporations" reported by Mr Mills from the Committee on the Judiciary."

Bill An act for the protection of Mackerel Fishery on the coast of Maine, reported by the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Eben Stevens

Bill "An act to change the name of Kirkland" reported by Mr Flint from the Committee on Division of Town & petition of Calvin L. Rowe and others

Bill, An act to incorporate the City Bank" reported in the House by Committee on Banks and Banking on petition of D. E. Somes and others

Bill "An act to incorporate the Alfred Bank, reported by the House, by the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Benj. J. Herrick and others

and a

"Resolve authorizing the County of Androscoggin to procure a loan" called from the table on motion of Mr Blake, were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading

Mr Eaton from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred the petition of the Readfield & Bank of Winthrop for increase of capital, reported

Leave to withdraw

on the same, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

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Mr Cochrane from the Committee on Fisheries, reported,
Leave to withdraw on the petition of Samuel Whitmore and others for a law to prevent the taking of manhaden, and the same was accepted
Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills and Resolves reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading

Bill "An act to incorporate the Oakland Bank

Bill "An act to incorporate the Warren Mutual Fire Insurance Company

Bill "An act to prevent exorbitant taxation of Blood animals, and the same was severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence

Bill "An act to reunite the towns of Anson and North Anson" and
"Resolve authorizing the Governor to subscribe for the publications of the Maine Historical Society" severally reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading were passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Mills from the Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Boyd and others for the passage of an insolvent law, reported
Leave to withdraw and the same was accepted
Sent down for concurrence

Petition of Jacob Smith and others for the incorporation and endowment of the Maine

State Seminary, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Bill. An act in addition to Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes, came from the House recommitted to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and insurance and the vote of the Senate asking the same to be engrossed, reconsidered, and the same was recommitted in concurrence

The following Bills having been passed to be enacted in the House and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, viz

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Bleaching and Dawon Dressing Company"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Rockland Savings Bank"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Danville Bank"

Bill An act authorizing the town of Lewiston to regulate the sale of Wood and Bark in said town

Bill "An act to prevent the destruction of fish in certain ponds and streams in Kennebec and Somerset Counties"

Bill "An act for the promulgation of the public laws"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Hiram Dale Manufacturing Company"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Atlas Insurance Company"

Bill "An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mechanics Ba-nk

Bill "An act authorizing the extension of a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot Bay at Islesborough

Bill. "An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Bangor and Brew-er Ferry Company.

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Portland Su-gar Company.

Bill "An act in addition to an act entitled "An act to incorporate the York County Mutu-al Fire Insurance Company"

Bill. "An act to incorporate the officers and members of King Hirams Chapter of Lewiston".

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Augusta Boo-el Company".

Bill "An act additional to give mortgages of real estate a lien on policies of assurance a-gainst fire".

Bill. "An act to prevent the destruction of fish in Cold Stream Pond in the towns of Enfield and Lowell" were passed to be ~~engro-ssed~~ enacted.

The following Resolves having been fin-ally passed in the House and having been repo-rted as truly and strictly engrossed, viz—

"Resolve for support of Schools among the Pas-samaquoddy Indians".

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Resolve repealing the resolve in favor of William Poor jr approved April seventeenth in the year of our Lord one Thousand eight hundred and fifty four"

Resolve authorizing the acting Quarter Master General to dispose of certain Military property"

"Resolve in favor of David N. Dinsmore"

"Resolve in favor of Thomas Goss"

"Resolve in favor of Charles Turner"

Resolve authorizing the assessment of County Taxes in the several counties" and

"Resolve in favor of Lydia Longmore"

were severally passed

These Bills and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Bill. "An act giving further powers to cities and towns to pass by laws and ordinances" was called up by Mr Mills and the question being on the passage of the bill to be engrossed the same was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

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Adjourned

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In Senate

Wednesday, Feby. 28 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Weston

Bill, An act to incorporate the Bath Bank laid upon the table by Mr Watson of Lincoln and was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act entitled an act to increase the Capital Stock of the Eastern Bank of Bangor was laid upon the table by Mr Blake of Penobscot and the same was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of Frederic Frye and others reported "Leave to withdraw" on the same, and the report was accepted Sent down for concurrence....

The following Bills reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading without amendment, viz.

Bill. "An act defining the term of office of Clerks of the Courts and County Attornies"

Bill, "An act making further provisions for the administration of Police in the City of Portland"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Brunswick Paper Manufacturing Company"

Bill, "An act to regulate Billiard Rooms"

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Bill, "An act to regulate Mackerel Fishery on the coast of Maine"

Bill, "An act to prevent unnecessary cost in criminal proceedings" and these Bills were read a second time and severally passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act to incorporate Alfred Bank"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the City Bank" reported by Committee on bills in the Second Reading without amendment, were read a second and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture reported "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of Amasa Stetson and others in relation to the duties of Highway Surveyors, and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Same Senator from same Committee to which was referred the petition of D. A. Fairbanks and others for the appropriation of 25,000 to establish and endow a Stock and experimental School, reported "Leave to withdraw" on the same, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Scammon from the Committee on Manufactures to which was referred a Bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Augusta and New York Navigation Company" reported reference of the Bill to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance and the same was accepted Sent down for concurrence

Mr Mills from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred an order to make rates taken by banks void when extra interest is reserved, reported, Legislation Inexpedient, on the same

Same Senator from same Committee to which was referred the petition of Citizens of Westbrook and Charles Hill and others praying that so much of the Trustee law as exempt one months wages of Labor from that process reported that they do not think it expedient to make any alteration on the Law,

and the several reports was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Mills from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred an order Relating to increasing the pay of County Commissioners, reported Legislation Inexpedient, on the same.

Same Senator from same Committee to which was referred the petition of Joshua Hubbard and others, reported Leave to withdraw, on the same, and these reports were severally accepted Sent down for Concurrence

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture reported on petition of Bradford W. Hinkley and others,

Bill "An act to incorporate the Blue Hill Horticultural Society"

Mr Scammon from the Committee on Manufactures, to which was referred the petition of Hiram H. Hide and others reported

Bill, An act to incorporate the Shiners Brook

Manufacturing Company".

Same Senator from same Committee to which was refered,

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Maine Flax Company".

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee reported on the petition of William Kilborn and others praying that the Maine Medical Association may be incorporated reported

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Maine Medical Association".

Mr Barker from the Committee on Agriculture to which was refered an order to enquire into the expediency of amending Chapter 27th of the Revised Statutes, reported,

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 27th of the Laws of 1853

Mr Downes from the Committee on Banks and Banking on the petition of President Directors and Company of the China Bank reported,

Bill, "An act accepting the surrender of the China Bank."

Same Senator from same Committee, to which was refered the petition of the first School District in Bucksport, reported.

Bill to authorize the first School District in Bucksport to accept a bequest made by Joseph G. Folsom.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Union Meeting House Parish" reported in the House by the Judiciary Committee and the foregoing

done severally read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking made by Mr (Downe) referring to the next Legislature

Bill, "An act to authorize the business of Banking" was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Goodwin of York moved to take from the table.

Bill "An act relating to Stockholders in Corporations and amending Chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes" and the motion prevailed, the Bill was amended as per sheet marked A. read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill. "An act relating to Corporations reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was amended, was read a second time and recommitted to the Judiciary Committee

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. An act to change the name of Kirkland reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading without amendment was read a second time and laid upon the table on motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot

Bill "An act to annex certain territory to the Town of Wales" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading without amendment, was read a second time and laid upon the table on motion of Mr Donnell

332. Resolve authorizing the County of Androscoggin to procure a loan" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, without amendment, was read a second time, and the question being on the passage of the Resolve to be engrossed" the Senate without taking the question.

Adjourned

Louis A Lyman,
Secretary.

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Thursday March 1 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Webb

Resolve authorizing the County of Androscoggin to procure a Loan" which was under consideration when the Senate last adjourned was laid upon the table

Mr Willis from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges recommitted report of said Committee on the petition of Horace Billings and others reported,

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Lake Sebago R.R. Company" and the Bill without being read was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Willis.

On motion of Mr Blake

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join be a committee to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the releaf of indigent persons residing on the St Johns River in the county of Aroostic,

and Messrs Blake, Currier, and Donnell were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senators. The House passed the order in concurrence and Messrs Patter of Fort Fairfield, Smith of Mattawamkeag, Scammon of Saco, Lincoln of Bath, Buck of Bucksport, of Eastport, and Thomes of Portland were joined as Committee

The following Bills having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, and having been passed to be enacted in the House viz

Bill. An act to authorise the City of Bangor

in the construction of the Penobscot Rail Road"

Bill "An act authorizing the Methodist Society in Hallowell to repair and remove their Meeting House, and

Bill. "An act to prevent exorbitant taxation of Wood animals" were severally passed to be enacted and were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

Mr Willis by leave laid upon the table Bill "An act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the Atlantic Bank"

Mr Goodwin by leave laid upon the table Bill. "An act in additional to an act incorporating the City of Biddeford, and these Bills were read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill. "An act to regulate the business of pawnbrokers" was laid upon the table by Mr Goodwin

Bill. An act in relation to Bankrupt. Plaintiffs" laid on the table by Mr Dounells by leave.

Bill "An act respecting Judicial proceedings, laid on the table by Mr Thorndike by leave were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrance of William Thompson and 44 others
and 195 others, of Thomas Rowe and 91 others, of Leonard Rupple and others all against the petition of Henry K. Parsons and others for the removal of the County Buil-

in Oxford County was referred to the delegation from Oxford County

Sent down for concurrence

Remonstrances of John M. Deshon and others, of Percy Thomas and others against the petition of Henry R. Parsons and others for the removal of County Buildings in Oxford County, were referred to the joint Delegation of Oxford County, in concurrence

Petition of A. Marston and others in aid of the petition of H. R. Parsons for removal of County Buildings in Oxford County, was referred to the joint Delegation of Oxford County, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of James S. Glidden and 55 others against the petition of Josiah Bruce and others to incorporate Patricktown Plantation may be incorporated into a town, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence

Petition of E. H. Neil and others in aid of the petition of Willowby Prescott and others to be set off from Norridgwock to Skowhegan was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of John Black and others Stockholders of Sullivan Bridge Company against the petition of S. P. Donnell and others that the doings of said Company may be legalized was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance reported,

Legislation

Inexpedient on the petition of the owners of the

Free Meeting House in Hartford and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mer Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Willoughby Prescott and others to be set off from Norridgewock to Skowhegan and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mer Ruggles from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges reported, Leave to Withdraw, on the petition of the Directors of Gardiner and Pittston Bridge Company and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mer Elliot from the Committee on Military Pensions reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Abigal O Brien that the benefits of the resolve of March 20 1838 May be extended to her, and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Same Senator from same Committee, reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas Taylor of Strong for a renewal and increase of pension and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mer Flint, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported, order of Notices returnable to next Legislature as follows.

on petition of Mack Scott and others
also " " " " L. Bolter and others
" " " " Luther Hapworth and others

and these reports were severally accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Maine Flax Company" reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading, without amendment, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr Goodwin was laid upon the table

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary declaring Legislation Inexpedient on "An act extending the time of Franklin Bank to commence suits, which was recommitted in the Senate, came from the House that branch nonconcurring in the recommitment and accepting the report as originally made, The Senate receded from its former vote and accepted the report in concurrence.

Bill, "An act to amend the Twenty sixth Chapter of the Revised Statutes" was reported with the Amendment adopted and the Bill and Amendment was read a second time, and the Bill was recommitted with instructions to prepare a bill in accordance with the principles of the amendment, to the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Flint from the Committee on Incorporations of Towns, to which was referred the petition of the Assessors and Agent of Patrick Plantation, reported on the same

Bill, "An act entitled an act to establish the Easterly Line of Patricktown Plantation" and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills having been reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading viz

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Bill, "An act to incorporate the Union Meeting House Parish, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill. "An act to authorize the inhabitants of the first School District in Bucksport to accept a bequest made by Joseph R. Folsom."

Bill. "An act to amend Chapter 27 of the laws of 1853"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Medical Association".

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Spring Brook Manufacturing Company."

Bill. "An act to amend Chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Blue Hill Horticultural Society".

Bill "An act accepting the surrender of the Chapter of the China Bank" reported without amendment, by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, were severally read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Bill, "An act to increase the Salary of the County Attorney of Androscoggin County" reported by the joint Delegation of Androscoggin County in the House, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

On motion of Mr Sprague the Senate took up the the

Resolves authorizing the County of Androscoggin to procure a Loan" and the

Mr Gardner moved to recommit the resolves to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance with instructions to bring in an act explanatory of the act establishing the County of Androscoggin agreeably to the facts proved before the Committee "the accompanying Bill"

Pending this motion to recommit the Bill on motion of Mr Boody it was laid upon the table

Bill. An act in additional to Chapter one Hundred and twenty six of the Revised Statutes" reported as truly and strictly engrossed and passed to be Enacted in the House, was, on it passage to be enacted, laid on the table on motion of Mr Willis

The following order came from the House Ordered that the Secretary of the State be authorized to purchase a suitable number of copies of the Revised Statutes, and the subsequent Public Laws, for the use of the Library and for distribution to parties entitled to the same under existing laws, not exceeding twenty copies of the Revised Statutes and ten copies of the subsequent public laws, came from the House, and was passed in concurrence.

Bill, An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary" came from the House amended and passed to be engrossed, on motion of Mr Hichborn the Bill was laid upon the table

Adjourned
Louis A. Cowan Secretary.

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In Senate

Friday March 2 1855

Prayer by Rev. Mr Marr

The Senate, on motion of Mr Mills, reconsidered the vote recommiting the act relating to Stockholders in Corporations and amending Chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes" and the question being on the passage of the Bill to be engrossed the Bill was amended, and as amended passed to be engrossed

The following Bills having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, and having passed to be enacted in the House, Viz.

Bill. "An act in additional to Chapter one Hundred and Twenty Six of the Revised Statute"

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Oakland Bank" were severally passed to be enacted and were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

The joint Special Committee to which was referred the petition of David Page and others also an order relative to enquiring into the expediency of an appropriation for the relief of indigent persons residing on the St Johns River in the County of Orange, reported on the same.

"Resolve in aid of certain persons on the St Johns River" and the resolve was read once, the rule suspended, resolve amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for Concurrence

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Mr Goodwin from the Committee on the Judi-
-ciary to which was referred,

Bill. "An act regu-
-lating the use of Railroad Bridges" and the
same was read once, and on motion of Mr Goo-
-dwin the usual number of copies ordered to be
printed for the use of the Legislature.

The following Bills having been reported as two-
-Committee Bills in the second reading.
viz.

Bill. "An act accepting the surrender of the
Charter of the Atlantic Bank"

Bill. "An act additional to an act incorpor-
-ating the City of Biddeford"

Bill. "An act to establish the Salary of the
County Attorney of the County of Androscoggin"

Bill. "An act to establish the Easterly line
of Patrickstown Plantation", and these bills
were severally read a second time and were
passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Mills from the Committee on the Judicia-
-ry reported; on the following orders and
Acts, on "An order relative to appeals
from County Commissioners."

on "An act res-
-pecting reviews"

On "An act of transfer of act-
-ions in new Counties

on an act in relation to set off demands

Legislative Inexpedient, and these reports were
severally accepted. Sent down for concurrence

342 A message was received from the House through the Clerk communicating to the House that the Governor had informed the House that he had approved on the 28 of February the following acts

"An act for the promulgation of the Public Laws"

An act additional to give mortgagees of Real Estate a lien on policies of assurance against fire"

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee to which was referred an order relative to the expediency of repealing Chapter 28 of the Laws of 1847 relating to appeals from County Commissioners reported Legislation Inexpedient on the same on motion of Mr Donnells the report was laid upon the table

Reports of Edward Kent and Sot Merrill and John Rand, Commissioners by a resolve of the present Legislature "to prepare a judiciary system" were received, and on motion of Mr Willis the same were laid upon the table and 400 copies of them ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr Ruggles Bill, "An act to change the name of Kirkland" was taken from the table and the question being on its passage to be engrossed the bill was indefinately postponed on motion of Mr. Ruggles

On motion of Mr Boody "Resolve authorizing the County of Androscoggin to procure a loan" was taken up and the question being on

with instructions the Yeas and Nays were ordered, and the Senate refused to recommit as follows.

Yeas Nathl Blake Descomb, Flint, Garcelon, Mezzy, Ruggles, Scammon, Sprague, Thorndike, Turner Walker, Watson

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Nays Newall Blake, Boody, Cornin, Dennett Downes, Donnell, Elliot Goodwin, Richborn, Shephard, Tossey, Wills

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Mr Garcelon, then moved the indefinate postponement of the Resolves, and the Yeas and Nays having been ordered the motion to postpone prevailed as follows

Yeas Nathl Blake, Descomb, Dennett, Elliot Garcelon, Mezzy, Ruggles, Scammon, Tossey Sprague, Thorndike, Turner, Walker, Watson

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Nays Baker, Newall Blake, Boody Cornin, Downes, Donnell, Flint, Goodwin, Richborn, Shephard and Willis.

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Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee reported Legislation Inexpedient, on An order to enquire into the expediency of reducing the Salary of the Attorney General.

Mr Descomb from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of John Winn and others, on the petition of John Kendall and others, on the petition of Mattawamkeag Log Driving Company,

on the petition of Seth Paine and others

on the petition of Ephraim Caulk and

 others

Mr Newall Blake from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, reported Leave to withdraw, on "Petition of A. M. Roberts and others"

Mr Pease from the Committee on Agriculture reported "the same ought to pass"

"An act to establish an experimental farm" and the above reports were severally accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Ruggles from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported a "Resolve for the repair of the Canada road"

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee reported,

"An act additional to an act entitled an act giving to laborers on lumber a lien thereon"

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Gardiner"

An act additional to Chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes"

"An act to regulate the business of Pawn Brokers"...

Mr Donnell from the Committee on the Library reported, "Resolve authorizing the purchase of certain National Medals"

Mr Torsey from the Committee on Education

reported

"An act to incorporate the Waterville Library Association"

and the foregoing Acts and Resolves were severally read once, and tomorrow at ten of the clock in the forenoon assigned for a second reading.

Bill entitled "An act to amend the fifteenth Chapter of the Revised Statutes, came from the House, passed to be engrossed, and the same was read once, and tomorrow at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, assigned for a second reading.

Mr Goodenow by leave laid upon the table

Bill entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 88 of the Statutes of 1854, and the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Baker from the Committee on Public Buildings reported "ought not to pass" on a

"Resolve for building of a Reservoir for Water"

Mr Dascomb from the Committee on Interior Waters, reported reference to next Legislature on the petition of William Moore and others which reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Eastport Steam Mill Company" came from the House, passed to be engrossed, and the same was read once and tomorrow at 10 o'clock in the forenoon assigned for a second reading.

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346 Mr Dascomb from the Committee on Interior Affairs. reported.

"An act to allow the construction of a Pier in tide waters of Damariscotta River,

which was read once, and on motion of Mr Watson was laid on the table

Adjourned

Louis A. Cowan Secretary

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Saturday March 3 1855

"Resolve for the repair of the Canada Road"

Bills entitled, "An act to incorporate the Water-ville Library Association"

"An act to annex certain tuitory to the town of Wales"

"An act additional to Chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes

"An act additional to an act entitled an act giving to labourers on lumber a lien thereon

"An act to regulate the business of Pawn Brokers"

"An act to incorporate the Eastport Steam Mill Company" were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled, "An act to incorporate the Swift River Dam Company, was taken from the table, amended as on sheet annexed marked A, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed as amended

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled, "An act to authorize the owners of Meeting House to sell, or remove, or repair the same, was amended as on sheets annexed marked A and B. and as amended read a second Time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

"Resolves in aid of certain Letters on the St. Johns River" reported as truly and strictly engrossed and finally passed in the House, was finally passed.

The following Bills, reported as truly and strictly engrossed, and passed to be enacted in the House. viz.

Bills. An act to divide the town of Belmont and to incorporate the northerly part thereof into a new town by the name of Morrill.

Bill. "An act to incorporate the City Bank"

" "An act to incorporate the town of ~~Belmont~~" Morrill

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Oakland Bank"

Bill. "An act to establish the salary of the County Attorney of the County of Androscoggin"

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Union Meeting House Parish,

were passed to be enacted and the foregoing Bills and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his Approval

Mr Walker from the Joint Delegation of the County of Oxford reported Leave to withdraw on the Petition of sundry persons in Oxford County for the removal of Public Buildings Henry R Parsons and others.

Mr Nathaniel Bleke from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported Leave to withdraw on the petition of C

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Mr Garcelon from the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. Harris in behalf of the City of Bangor to loan its credit.

Mr Hitchborn from the Committee on Division of Counties, reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Christopher Young and others.

Mr Ruggles from the joint Select Committee to which was refered an order directing them to enquire and report what time the several Joint Standing Committee will be able finally to act on all business before them; and also what day may be fixed for the adjournment of the two Houses without day, made a report, and the foregoing reports were severally read and accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Shumdike presented the petition of Knott Crockett and others, asking for permission to increase the Capitae Stock of Lime Rock Bank; and the same was refered to the next Legislature

Sent down for concurrence

Bill entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Gardiner"

Resolve authorizing the purchase of certain National Medals" were severally read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

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Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to establish and pay the claim of Edward Kent, Sot M. Moulle, and John Rand, Commissioners appointed by Resolve to revise the Judiciary System

Bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden Bank"

Bill entitled "An act to authorize the town of Lewiston to raise money for certain purp-oses" laid on the table by Mr Gurcelon, were severally read once, and Monday ne-xt at 11 oclock, assigned for a second re-ading

On motion of Mr Downes

Ordered, That from and after Monday next the Senate hold two sessions a day commencing at 10 oclock A. M. and half past 2 oclock afternoon.

Mr Blake from the Committee on Indian affairs to which was referred a communication from the Governor and accompanying report of the Passamaquoddy Indians Agent, reported upon the same accompanied with a resolve entitled.

Resolve on relation to Passamaquoddy Indian Lands, and the resolve was once read and the resolve, and accompanying Documents were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature

On motion of Mr Thorndike it was voted that when the Senate adjourn, it adjourns to meet on Monday a eleven oclock

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Bill.

An act to amend the fifteenth Chapter of the Revised Statutes" reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading was read a second time and on motion of Mr Goodwin laid upon the table

Adjourned

"Louis A Cowan"

Secretary.

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In Senate

Monday March 5 1855

Prayer by Rev. Mr Ware

The following bills reported as truly and strictly engroped having been paped to be enacted in the House viz

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Alfred Bank"

Bill "An act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Atlantic Bank."

were severally paped to be enacted.

Resolve for the payment of sote of accounts reported as truly and strictly engroped, and finally paped in the Senate, was finally paped.

The foregoing Acts and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters granting leave to withdraw on the petition of John Kendall and others came from the House that Branch nonconcurring the Senate on accepting the report, and refering the same to the next Legislature. The Senate receded and concured the House in refering the same the next Legislature

On motion of Mr Blake of Aroostic

Ordered,

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be instructed to enquire into the expediency of repairing the road through Township No 4 Range 5 Pwned partly by the State and partly by individuals proprietors and report by resolve or otherwise

Mer Blake of Aroostic by leave laid upon the table

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell the Lot reserved for the further Disposition of the Legislature in the town of Brownville, and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mer Turner of Lincoln by leave laid upon the table.

Bill. "An act to authorize the Selectmen of the town of Wiscasset to lay out a road over tide waters, and the Bill was once read, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill. "An act additional to an act to establish the Kenebec and Miscapsete Rail Road Company;" reported by the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges in the House, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

"Resolve providing for a revision of the Public Laws of the State;" reported in the House from the Judiciary Committee, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

"Resolve for the representation of Maine at the Paris Exhibition of 1855," reported in the House by the Committee, and refused a passage then was read once, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill. "An act to protect Mackeral Fishery on the coast of Maine;" came from the House, amended, and passed to be engrossed. The Senate receded from its former vote passing the Bill to be engrossed, amended it in concurrence with the House and as amended passed the

 Bill to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns granting Leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Assessors of Patricktown, came from the House, that Branch amending the Bill so as to allow the petitioners to bring in a Bill, and the Senate concurred in the amendment and

Bill. "An act to set off parts of Whitfield and Jefferson and annex the same to Patrick-town Plantation", and the Bill was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr Shondike from the Committee on Division of Towns to which was referred the petition of Alfred Lemont and others reported thereon

Bill. "An act to set off certain lands from West Bath and annex the same to the City of Bath, and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr Watson of Lincoln

Bill. "An act to allow the construction of a Weir in tide waters of the Damariscotta River": was taken from the table and read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills and Resolves having been reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading without amendment, Viz.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Canton Bank".

Resolve in favor of the Commissioners in the of the Judicial System, was [illegible]

-ally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Petition of Cyrus Shinn and others in aid of the East Maine Conference Seminary was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence

Petition of Nath. Dunnie and others for changes in the Naturalization Laws and for the election of State Officers by the people, was referred to the Committee having those subjects under consideration, in concurrence

On motion of Mr Pease

Bill, "An act to incorporate and endow the Maine State Agricultural Society, and more fully prescribing the powers and duties of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies" was taken from the table and the Bill was read once, rule suspended, amended in its 8 section, the rule suspended, and the bill read a second time as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Downes

"Resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution relating to the elective franchise"; was taken from the table and on his motion the further consideration of the same was postponed until Wednesday next

Mr Donnell from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred

Bill, "An act to amend the charter of the City of Biddeford", reported

An act to establish a Municipal Court in the City of Biddeford, and the same was read once, laid upon the table, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature

Mr Turner from Lincoln by leave laid upon the table

Bill, "An act to authorize the town of Wiscasset to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Rail Road" and the bill was once read, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Mr Hichborn from the Committee to which was referred so much of the Governors Message as relates to the Maine Law reported

Bill. "An act for the Suppression of Drinking Houses and Tippling Shops"

and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

The following Reports came from the House, from the Judiciary Committee; granting Leave to withdraw, On petition of Selectmen of Scarborough

On petition of Selectmen & Town Clerk of Stoneham

On petition of Selectmen and Town Clerk of Sweden

On petition of David Stewart and others

" " of Barnard Morse and others

By the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges

On act to incorporate the National Rail Road

Road Company."

That the same ought to pass

On the petition of Elbridge Harris and others
Leave to withdraw.

By the Committee on Interior Waters

On the petition of N. C. Buffum and others
and referred to the next Legislature

On the petition of Hiram Peary and others.
Leave to withdraw.

By the Committee on the Militia

On the petition of the Portland Cavalry Guards of Portland

Leave to withdraw.

By the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

On the petition of John Tabor and others

On petition of Mark Trafton and others

By the Committee on Banks and Banking

On the petition of Joseph Percival and others
Leave to withdraw.

By the Committee on Education

On a Bill concerning the Public Schools in Bath, ought not to pass; and the same were accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the House communicating to the Senate that the Governor

has sent information to the House, that he had approved March 3 1853. the following acts. viz

"An act additional to Chapter one Hundred and twenty six of the Revised Statutes"

"An act to prevent exorbitant taxation of Wood animals."

"An act to establish the Salary of the County Attorney of the County of Androscoggin

Adjourned

Louis A. Cowan,
Secretary

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In Senate

Tuesday March 6 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Armitage

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges referring to the next Legislature "An order relating to repeal of an act additional incorporating the Bangor and Piscataquis Rail Road Companies" made in the House was accepted, in concurrence

Report of the same Committee, made in the House granting reference to the next Legislature the petition of S. B. Pierce and others, was accepted, in concurrence

Report of the same Committee made in the House granting reference to the next Legislature, the petition of Adams Treat and others and ordering that the petitioners furnish a working Survey and profile of the Rail Road route asked for, was accepted, in concurrence

Message from the Governor transmitting certain Rhode Island resolutions, was referred to the Committee on the Naturalization Laws, in concurrence

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges granting leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Rail Road Company" for change of name made in the House, and accepted in that Branch, was amended so as to give the petitioners leave to bring in a bill, and the report was then laid upon the table, and on motion of

360 Mr Blake of Penobscot

Resolve for the representation of Maine at the Paris Exhibition of 1853 reported without amendment by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time and refused a passage, in concurrence

A message was received from the House asking for the return of the "Resolve for the representation of Maine at the Paris Exhibition in 1853" and the Senate directed the return of said resolve and accompanying papers

The papers were returned by Message

Mr Donnell from the joint Committee of the Delegation reported on the petition of Timothy Sanderson

Bill, "An act to increase the Salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Mr Downes by leave laid on the table "Resolves in relation to the payment of the State Debt" and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr Donnells by leave laid upon the table

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Bill. "An act providing for a Standard and Inspection for Gas Meters and preventing fraud in the admeasurement of Gas. and the same was referred to the Judiciary Committee

Sent down for concurrence

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Mr Sawtelon by leave laid upon the table

Bill, "An act entitled an act to incorporate the Old Town and Lincoln Rail Road Company" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred, "An order for enquiring into the expediency of assessing Taxes on Mortgaged property, declaring Legislation Inexpedient on the same, was accepted, in concurrence

On motion of Mr Donnell the vote of the Senate, ordering the printing of the bill to establish a Municipal Court in the City of Biddeford was reconsidered and the bill was once read the rule suspended, Bill read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking giving Leave to withdraw, on the petition of the President Directors of the Bank of Winthrop, came from the House, that branch nonconcurring the Senate in the acceptance of the report and amending the same by giving the petitioners Leave to bring in a Bill. the Senate receded, and

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Bank of Winthrop in Winthrop" was read one and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Norway Mutual Fire Insurance Company"

reported in the

862 House by Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance on petition of Mark Smith and others

Bill. An act authorizing the Penobscot Lumbering Association. or Daniel White & Benjamin F. Gilman and others to make a cut a canal across a point on the easterly side of Orons Island, reported in the House by the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of A. C. Buffum and others

Bill. An act additional to an act entitled an act to establish the Bangor and Orono Rail Road, approved August 21 1850. reported in the House by Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on the petition of the Penobscot Rail Road Company

Bill An act to incorporate the Somerset Bridge Company, reported in the House on petition of Hiram Bunill and others on recommitment to Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges.

Bill. An act to punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of Stock in corporations reported by the Committee on Banks and Banking in the House on an order relative thereon.

Bill. An act additional to Chapter one Hundred and fourth of the Public Laws of the year 1854 entitled. and act additional to an act to provide for the education of Youth, reported by the Committee on Education on an order relative to the basis of distributing the School Funds

Bill An act to change the terms of the Criminal Court for the County of Penobscot

in the House by the Committee on the Judiciary to which the previous bill was recommitted and the foregoing Bills were once read and tomorrow assigned for their second reading

Resolve in favor of Samuel F. Hersey" reported by the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Samuel F. Hersey.

"Resolve in favor of Coman Lewy" reported by the House on petition of Coman Lewy by Committee on State Lands and State Roads, were severally read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill, "An act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tipling Shops," reported without amendment by Committee on Bills in the Second reading was amended as per sheets A & B. and was then laid upon the table on motion of Mr Gardner

Resolve extending the time when certain Lands shall be forfeited to the State, reported by the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, was once read and laid upon the table on motion of Mr Eaton.

On motion voted that when the Senate adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 10 A.M. tomorrow.

The following Bills having passed to be enacted in the House and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, viz.

"An act to incorporate the Eastport Steam Mill Company"

An act to incorporate the Blue Hill Horticult-

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"An act additional to an act incorporating the City of Biddeford"

"An act defining the terms of office of Clerks of Courts of County Attornies."

An act making further provisions for the administration of police in the City of Portland

... "An act to authorize the inhabitants of the first School District in Bucksport to accept a bequest made by Joseph G. Folsom."

"An act to protect the Mackerel Fishery on the Coast of Maine."

"An act to amend Chapter twenty seven of the laws of 1853"

An act to incorporate the Brunswick Paper Manufacturing Company"

"An act giving further power to Cities and and towns to pass by laws and ordinances"

"An act for the preservation of Pickerel in Mathews Pond and its tributary streams."

"An act to incorporate the Warren Mutual Fire Insurance Company"

An act to unite Calais and Baring Rail-road with Lewys Island Rail Road"

and those bills were severally passed to be enacted.

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The following Resolves having been finally passed in the House, and reported as truly and strictly engrossed viz.

"Resolve in favor of Isaac Milder."

"Resolve making an appropriation for the Insane Hospital"

"Resolve authorizing the Governor to subscribe for the publication of the Maine Historical Society."

"Resolve making appropriations for Chaplain and Assistant Physicians for the Insane Hospital."

And the same were finally passed and the foregoing Acts and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned

Louis C Cowan, Secretary.

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In Senate

Wednesday March 7 1855

Prayer by the Rev Mr Lapham

On motion of Mr Goodwin who stated the Secretary had received a letter from the assistant Secretary who had been absent several days, stating that he was sick and it was uncertain when he would be able to discharge his duties, the Secretary was authorized to procure such help as he may need to enable him to discharge his duties during the absence of the assistant Secretary

Mr Willis from the committee on the Judiciary reported, Leave to withdraw, on the petition of Hosea Fuller and 46 others for legislation in regard to County Commissioners

Also same report on Abraham Andrews and others that the law relating to taxing personal property which has been taxed in other States

Also reference to next Legislature on petition of the President of the Rockland Water Company and the City Council of Rockland that the Charter of said company may be amended

These reports were severally accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Bill An act entitled an act in addition to an act entitled an act incorporating the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Railroad Company was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred a Bill entitled a Bill An act to regulate the fees of Officers in cases in cases

Same Senator from same Committee to which referred an order relating to the subject. reported,

Bill, "An act to authorize the Clerk of School District No 8 in Camden to amend his records

Same Senator from same Committee to which was referred the petition of H. D. White and others reported a

Bill "An act for the amendment of the records of the Sullivan and Hancock Bridge Corporation"

Mr Goodwin from the same Committee to which was referred an order relating to the subject a

Bill, "An act to amend the tenth section of an act entitled an act concerning the assessment of taxes.

These Bills were severally read once and tomorrow at 10 oclock A. M. assigned for a second reading

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell the lot reserved for the future disposition of the Legislature in the town of Brownville, was read a second time and on motion of Mr Bushing laid on the table

Resolve providing for a revision of the public laws of the State, were read a

second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence

On motion of Mr Pease the Senate proceeded to the consideration of a Bill, "An act to incorporate the Sebago Lake Railroad Corporation, and the same was read once and tomorrow at 10 o'clock A.M. assigned for a second reading

Bill, "An act to authorize the town of Wiscasset to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad," was read a second time, and on motion of Mr Willis referred to the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges,

Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 88 of the laws of 1844 in regard to poor debtors," reported by Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary, ought to pass. the report was accepted, and the same was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr by leave laid on the table Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes on Marriage, and the same was read once and tomorrow at 10 o'clock assigned for a second reading.

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Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a Bill, "An act additional to Chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes, reported that the same ought to pass. The bill was read once and tomorrow at 10 oclock assigned for

on motion of Mr Goodwin laid on the table

Bill. An act to authorize the Selectmen of the town of Wiscasset to layout a road over tide waters, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Blake of Aroostook by leave laid on the table a
Resolve authorizing the appointment of a Commissioner to settle certain claims against the Govenor Government of the United States, and the same was read once and to-morrow at 10 o'clock assigned for a second reading

On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot the Senate proceeded to the consideration of Resolve in relation to Passamaquoddy Indians, and the same was passed to be engrossed Sent down for concurrence

Bill. "An act additional to an act to incor-porate the Kennebec and Wiscasset Railroad Company, was read a second time and amendment number 1. of the House concurred in, and further amended on motion of Mr Watson, as on sheet annexed marked B. and as amended, passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Resolve extending the time when certain lands shall be declared forfeited to the State; was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence

Bill. "An act to increase salary of the

Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford was read a second time and on motion of Mr Walker amended by striking out $350 and inserting $275 as the salary of the Judge and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Resolve authorizing the continuation of the Geological and Agricultural survey of the State passed to be engrossed in the Senate came from the House, recommitted to the Senate

Bill, "An act to set off parts of Whitfield Jefferson and annex the same to Patricktown Plantation, was read a second time and laid on the table

"Resolve in favor of Valentine Repley"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Somersit Bridge Company"

were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of stock in corporations.

Bill, An act to increase the Capital stock of the Bank of Winthrop in Winthrop.

"Resolve in favor of Torman Lewy"

"Resolve in aid of Bridge in letter B."

Bill - "An act to set off certain lands from West Bath to the City of Bath

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Bill, "An act additional to Chapter 104 of the public laws of the year 1854. entitled an act additional to an act to provide for the education of Youth"

Bill, "An act additional to an act additional to an act entitled an act to establish the Bangor and Orono Rail Road, approved August 21 1850

were severally read a second time and passed to be Engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, "An act to regulate Billard Rooms. passed to be engrossed in the Senate, come up from the House amended as on sheet annexed marked A and as amended passed to be engrossed, The Senate receded and concurred in the amendment and passed the bill as amended to be engrossed. in concurrence,

Resolve in relation to the payment of the State debt, was read a second time, amended on motion of Mr Willis as on sheet annexed marked A. and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Goodhue by leave laid upon the table Resolve in favor of the Committee on State Reform School" and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill. "An act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Old Town and Lincoln Rail Road", reported by Committee on Bills in second reading, was read once second time and laid upon the table on

372. Motion of Mr Downes

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary declaring Legislation Inexpedient on an order on expediency of repealing Chapter 28 of Laws of 1847 granting appeals from County Commissioners, was recommitted to Judiciary Committee

Sent down for concurrence

The following Communication was received from the Governor,

To the Senate and
House of Representatives

A vacancy exists in the office of Major General of the Eighth division of the Militia of Maine occasioned by the death of Major General Enoch L. Beckler. The duty of filling the vacancy devolves on you

Council Chamber
March 7 1853

The communication was read and placed on file

Report of Committee on Division of Towns granting Leave to withdraw, on petition of Amos D. Hesseltine to be set off from Lowell to Enfield was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

"An act to authorize the City District in Belfast to raise Money for the support of Schools therein, reported by Committee on Education on petition of Mayor and Aldermen of City of Belfast.

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Bill, "An act to authorize the extension of the Steam Boat Wharf in Searsport into the tide waters of the Penobscot" reported in the House by the Committee on Interior Waters

Bill "to change the name of Nathaniel Darius Emery" reported in the House by Committe on change of names, on petition of Nathaniel Darius Emery.

and the same were read, once, and tomorow assigned for a second reading

Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns to which was refered petition of Benson J. Mitchell and others, reported order of notice returnable to next Legislature on the same and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Garcelon, it was ordered that when the Senate adjourn it adjourn to meet at 10 A.M. tomorow morning

Mr Losey from the joint Select Committee to which was refered so much of the Governors message as relates to Slavery reported a series of resolves, and the same were one read and laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature

The following Bills having passed to be enacted in the House and reported as truly and strictly engrossed, viz.

"An act to incorporate the town of Rangely"

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Gardiner"

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"An act respecting School Agents"

"An act to incorporate the Spring Brook Manufacturing Company,"

"An act to incorporate the Novelty Bagging Company."

"An act accepting the surrender of the Charter of the China Bank,"

"An act to incorporate the Lincolnville Steam Boat Wharf Company".

"An act to incorporate the Maine Medical Association."

were severally passed to be enacted.

"Resolve in favor of George K. Smith"

"Resolve in favor of Simon Bunker"

"Resolve in favor of Caleb Blake"

"Resolve authorizing a cistern near the State House"

"Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to effect certain exchanges of documents"

Resolve making an appropriation for a fire proof safe in the Land Office.

were passed in concurrence.

The foregoing Acts and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

Mr Downes laid upon the table. the petition of Isaac G. Johnson and others for the election of State Officers by the people, and for changes in the Naturalization Laws and the petition was read; and laid upon the, it having been sugested that the Committee having those subjects under consideration had reported.

On motion of Mr Willis, of the Commissioners appointed "to prepare a Judiciary System" together with the bills presented by the Commissioners were taken from the table, and the Bills were assigned for further consideration for tomorrow at twelve o'clock

Adjourned.

Louis A. Cowan, Sec'y.

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In Senate

Thursday March 8 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Ingraham

A message was received from the House by the hand of William Nile of Bangor, informing the Senate that the House has this day by ballot made chosen Hannibal Belcher as Major General to fill the vacancy existing in the 8th Division of the Militia of the State.

On motion of Mr Nichbon the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Bill.

An act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tippling Shops. The bill was read a second time amended as on sheets annexed Marked A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. Mr Garcelon moved to amend the bill in section 22nd by adding after the word Statue, the words, except all fines accruing from violations of section 2nd of this act which shall go the several cities, towns or plantation, where the officers was committed" And the question of the addition of this amendment was decided in the affirmative by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas Messrs Barker, Newell Blake, Boody, Crehore, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Downes, Donnell Elliot, Garcelon, Nichbon, Scammon, Sprauge, Wells, Torsey and Turner 17

Nays, Donnell, Hill, Goodwin, Muzzy, Pease, Quinby, Thorndike, Walker and Watson, 9. Bill then laid on table

Resolve extending the time when certain lands shall be declared forfeited to the State" was reported as truly and strictly enrolled

and having been finally passed in the House was finally passed

Nays. On amendment to Sect. 2 v. Bill for suppression of Drinking &c

Nays. Messrs Dennett, Flint, Goodwin Muzzy, Pease Quimby, Thorndike, Walker and Watson 9

The Bill was then laid on the table

Adjourned to 2 h P.M.

Afternoon

Mr Boody by leave laid on the table Bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Peoples Bank" and the same was read once and laid on the table

On motion of Mr Crehore

Ordered, That the Senate tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M. proceed to the election of a Major General for the 8th Division of the Militia of this State

On motion of Mr Willis the Senate reconsidered the vote whereby it accepted the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, declaring Legislation Inexpedient, on an act granting appeals from the decisions of County Commissioners of two or more Counties, and then on motion of same Senator the report was so amended as to grant leave to bring in a bill.

Resolves in aid of certain Literary Institutions, passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came up from the House amended

378 as on sheets annexed marked A. B. C and D and indefinately postponed, Mr Donnell moved that the Senate insist on its former vote passing the Resolves to be engrossed without amendment, which motion was decided in the affirmative by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas Messrs Newall Blake, Currier, Dennett, Donnell, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Muzzy Hitchborn, Quimby, Spragae, Thorndike Torsey, Turner, and Watson 15

Nays Messrs Barker, Boody, Crehore, Cushing Dascomb Downe, Goodwin, Pease, Scammon, Walker and Willis 11

On motion of William Hichborn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Bill "an Act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tippling Shops" On motion of Mr Hichborn the vote whereby the Senate adopted amendment f was recommitted the amendment withdrawn. The Bill as amended then passed to be engrossed Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Willis the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the minority report of the Commissioners appointed to re-organize the Judicial Courts of this State accompanied by a bill entitled,

"An act to establish a Court of common Pleas" and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

On motion of same Senator the Legislature proceeded to the consideration of the Majority

Report of said Commissioners, accompanied by a Bill entitled.

"An act additional concerning the Supreme Judicial Court and its jurisdiction and

Bill "An act to modify and limit the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court. the same was read once and tomorrow at 10 o'clock A. M. assigned for a second reading

Mr Pease by leave laid on the table a "Resolve in favor of certain members of the Maine Board of Agriculture." and the same was read once and tomorrow at 10 o'clock A. M. assigned for a second reading

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 84 of the Revised Statutes, on m.

Resolve authorizing the appointment of a Commissioner to settle certain claims against the General Government of the United States

"Resolve in favor of Committee on State Reform School"

Bill, "An act to regulate the fees of Officers in certain cases

Bill "An act in addition to an act entitled an act incorporating the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Railroad Company,

was severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. An act to change the name of Nathan-
-iel Davis Emery.

Bill. "An act to change the time for the close
of the financial year of the State Reform Sch-
ool."

Bill "An act to authorize the extension of
the Steamboat Wharf in Searsport into the tide
waters of the Penobscot Bay."

Bill. "An act to authorize the City District in
Belfast to raise money for its support of Schools
therein.

were severally read a second time
and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence

Bill. An act to authorize the Clerk of School
District No 8 in Camden to amend his
records. was read a second time, amended
on motion of Mr Richborn as on sheet ann-
-exed marked A. and as amended passed
to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act additional to Chapter 125
of the Revised Statutes, reported in the
House from the Committee on the Judic-
-iary, came from the House, refused a
Joint Select Committee consisting on the pa-
-rt of the House of Messrs Buck of Buckfield,
Wakem of Franklin, Berry of Gardiner and
Gunnison of Eastfield, Rawson of Waldboro-
-ugh, Means of Surry and Hobart of Ed
The Senate concurred in the reference and
joined Messrs Thorndike, Richborn and Black
of Penobscot.

On motion of Mr Donnell, Messrs Jon[illegible]

Dowells, Thorndike and Dennett were appointed conferees on a disagreeing vote between the two Branches, on "Resolves in aid of certain Literary Institutions."

"An act to incorporate the Sebago Lake Rail Road Company" reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time and laid upon the table

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to amend the Chapter 88 of the Revised Statutes" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time and on motion of Mr. Downs was laid upon the table

Bill. "An act for the amendment of the records of the Sullivan and Hancock and Bridgton Corporation" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading was passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Dennett from the Committee on Division of Towns to which was referred the petition of Charles Aldrich and others, reported on the same.

Bill. "An act to set off certain territory from Bridgton to Eddington", also on the petition of George Dodge and others.

Bill. "An act relating to Bridgton Central Village Corporation"

and the same were severally read once, and tomorrow assigned for their second reading.

Rep't of the Committee on Banks and Bank-

382 - ing, on the petition of Ezra Colman and others, came from the House, amended, so as to give the petitioners leave to bring in a Bill, was amended, in concurrence. and the Bill

An act to incorporate the Fairfield Bank was read once, amended as per sheet A, and, tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

The following Bills having been passed to be enacted in the House, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, viz.

Bill. "An act to regulate Billiard Rooms"

Bill. "An act to incorporate the North Fire and Marine Insurance Company"

Bill "An act to punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of Stock in Corporations"

Bill. An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Bank of Winthrop in Winthrop".

were severally passed to be enacted

The following resolves came from the House finally passed, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed. viz.

"Resolve in aid of a bridge in Letter B."

"Resolve providing for a revision of the public laws of this State"

"Resolve on the petition of Lyman Lewis"

were severally, finally passed, and the Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval. 383

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Gardiner Market Company," laid upon the table, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance

Sent down for concurrence

Adjourned

Louis C Cowan, Secretary

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Friday March 9. 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Dexter

Mr Willis from the Committee on the Judiciary reported reference to the next Legislature on Bill "An act for providing a Standard and inspection of Gas Meters"

Said Senator from the same Committee reported "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of Isaac R Black. also

On "Bill to establish a municipal Court in Belfast and abolish a police Court. that the Bill "ought not to pass"

Mr Quimby from the Committee on the State Prison reported "Legislation inexpedient" on an order respecting the earnings of convicts

Mr Thorndike from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance reported "Legislation inexpedient" on the petition of A. F. Atwood and others, and the foregoing reports were severally accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature on a Bill to establish a Police Court in the City of Augusta and to abolish the Municipal Court in said City and that the Judge of said Municipal Court be served with personal notice of this act fourteen days before the first day of January next" and the report was accepted

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary giving leave to withdraw on the petition of John N.

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386. Millions made in the House, was accepted in concurrence

Mr Dunnell from the Judiciary Committee reported ought to pass

On, An act relating to witnesses in criminal proceedings in other states; also on petition of Miriam C. Allen and others,

Bill "An act to dispense with the criminal business of the January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Waldo County"

also On an order relating to the Chancery powers of the Supreme Court.

Bill "An act concerning trial by Jury" also ought to pass; also

ought to pass

On Bill "An act to amend the 35 section of the 35 Chapter of Revised Statutes"; also

ought to pass. On bill "An act to amend Chapter 187 of the public laws of 1846, relating to Coroners' and the same were severally read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

The following Bills and Resolves reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, viz,

Bill "An act to set off certain territory belonging to the of Brewer and annex the same to the town of Eddington

Bill "An act relating to Bridgton Centre Village Corporation"

Resolve in favor of certain members of the

Board of Agriculture,
were severally passed
to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to incorporate the Norway Mutual Fire Insurance Company" was passed to be engrossed in concurrence

"Resolve in favor of Isaac Park" was read once, the rule suspended, and the same was passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Bill "An act authorizing the Lumbering Association of Daniel White, Benjamin F. Gilman and others to make a cut or canal across a point on the east side of Orson Island, reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading was amended as on sheets A & B, and the same was passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

"Resolve in favor of Samuel F. Hersey and Dudley C. Hale" was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence

On motion of Mr Scammon Bill "An act to incorporate the Sebago Lake Rail Road Company" was taken from the table and the Bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Mr Willis from the Judiciary Committee reported ought to pass.
On Bill "An act to amend Chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes"

Mr Walker from Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported
Resolves setting apart

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 certain Townships for settlement.

Bill an act to incorporate the Revolutionary Monumental Association in Buckfield" laid upon the table by Mr Dunnell.

Resove to correct the variation of the towns of Belmont and to establish that of the town of Morrill, laid upon the table by Mr Hawkins

An act to amend an act incorporating the Wells Mutual Fire Insurance Company approved February 16 1836. laid upon the table by Mr Bennett

and the forgoing Bills and resolves were read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

The hour assigned by the Senate for the choice of a Major General of the eighth division having approved. Messrs Boody, Downes, and Goodwin were appointed a Committee to receive sort and count the votes, and having attended to the duty assigned them reported

That the whole number of votes cast	21
Necessary to a choice	11
Hannibal Belcher has	19
John Heald "	1
J. C. Kinsman "	1
Wm J. N. Goodwin "	1
Cornelius Turner "	1

The report was accepted, and Hanibal Belcher was declared duly elected, on the part of the Senate, Major General to fill the vacancy ...

ing in the eighth division of the Militia of Maine

On motion of Mr Crehore a message was about to the House informing that branch that the Senate had elected on its part Hanibal Belcher of Farmington to fill the vacancy existing in the office of Major General in the eighth division of the Militia of Maine. The Message was conveyed by the Secretary

On motion of Mr Crehore

Ordered

"That a message be sent to the Governor informing him that Hanibal Belcher by a vote of both branches has been duly elected Major General of the eighth division of the Militia of this State"

Mr Boody from the Committee on Geological Survey to which was recommitted Resolves authorizing the continuation of the Geological and Agricultural Survey of the State" reported the same as amended and the same was read once and tomorrow assigned for the second reading

Bill "An act for the regulation of Bowling Alleys" reported in the House by the Committee on Judiciary on the petition of J. Royall and others

Bill "An act making valid the doings of cities towns and districts" reported in the House by the Committee on Education on petition of sundry petitions that the doings of Town Offices may be made valid

Bill "An act to amend Section 14 of "An act to provide for the education of Youth approved August 27 1850" reported by Committee on Education a bill on same Children, and the foregoing bills were read once and tomorrow assigned for

their second reading

Bill "An act to set off parts of Whitefield and Jefferson and annex the same to Patricktown Plantation was taken from the table amended as on sheet A, and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to set off part of Dixmont and annex the same to Kenduskeag, passed to be engrossed in the House was read a second time and referred to the next Legislature

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Boody from the Committee on Education reported reference to the next Legislature on Bill "An act additional to an act for the education of Youth approved August 27, 1850 and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary Committee made in the House giving "leave to withdraw" on John H. Williams" was accepted in concurrence

On motion of Mr Sumner

Ordered, That there be taken from the file[illegible] the present session, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary An act entitled an act granting appeals from the joint boards of County Commissioners

Sent down for concurrence

P. M.

Met at 3 o'clock

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine

Flax Company" was taken from the table, and the bill was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to incorporate the Waterville Library Association" came from the House amended and passed to be engrossed. The Senate receded from its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed adopted the amendments of the House and passed the same to be engrossed, in concurrence

Mr Willis by leave laid upon the table. Bill "An act to establish the office of auditors of accounts" was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Bill "An act additional respecting Banks" reported by Committee on Banks and Banking in the House

"Bill an act respecting Divorces" reported in the House by the Judiciary Committee.

Bill "An act to set off a part of the town of Lyman and annex the same to Alfred". reported by the Committee on Division of Towns.

Resolve for the shingling of the Mattawamkeag Bridge, reported by Committee on State Lands, on an order relating to repairing Mattawamkeag Bridge

Resolve in favor of Charles F. A. Johnston and Charles Kelleher reported on petition of Charles F. A. Johnston and Charles Kidder by Committee on State Lands and State Roads

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Resolve in favor of Jonas Dorr and others reported in House by same Committee on petition of Jonas Dorr

Resolve making appropriations to be expended on Roads in Kingsbury, Blanchard and Shirley" reported in House on the petition of Ephraim Packard and others

Resolve making an appropriation for the road acrop the Indian township in Washington County, reported in the House by Committee on State Roads and State Lands on an order relating to roads on Indian Townships

Resolve to provide for the repair of roads and bridges in Patricktown Plantation, reported in the House on petition of Israel Gliddon and others by the Committee on State Roads and State Lands

Resolve to diminish the State valuation of the town of Cutler reported in the House by the Judiciary Committee on petition of Selectmen of Cutler.

Bill "An act entitled an act to increase the Capital Stock of the Eastern Bank Bangor" reported in the House, by the Committee on Banks and Banking

Bill. "An act to incorporate the West Buxton Bank" reported in the House on petition of Olivia Dow by the Committee on Banks and Banking

"Resolve for the repair of the Gun House at Bowdoinham" reported by the Committee on the Militia in the House on the petition Geo. W. Curren and others

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Resolve for the encouragement of Flax Growing
Laid upon the table by leave, by Mr Hichborn

Bill "An act to amend an act in relation to the returns of Railroad Corporations, reported in the House by the Judiciary Committee

Resolve in relation to the printing of certain Documents, reported by Mr Garcelon from the joint select committee to which was referred an order relating to the printing of certain documents

The foregoing Bills were read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Bill, "An act in addition to Chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes" came from the House, amended and passed to be engrossed, the Senate receded from its former vote, passing the bill to be engrossed, amended the bill in concurrence, and then passed the same to be engrossed in concurrence

Mr Bennett from the Committee on Division of Towns reported "Leave to withdraw" on petition of Asher Thompson and others, also on petition of Herman Wood and others "Leave to withdraw," and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Report of Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges on "An act respecting Rail Roads" that the same ought not to pass, was accepted in concurrence

Bill "An act to incorporate the People's Bank reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr Foster was laid upon the table

391 Resolves" providing for a revision of the private and special Laws and of the resolves of this State" reported in the House by the Judiciary Committee, came from the House accompanied by an order directing an enquiry into certain matters connected with the subject matter of the resolves, and appointing on the part of the House Messrs Tetcomb of Augusta, Leavitt of Skowhegan, and Ingersoll of Bangor, committee to make such enquiries— The resolves were read the order passed in concurrence and Messrs Jones, Eaton and Nichols were appointed Committee on the part of the Senate

The following acts having passed to be enacted in the House, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed viz,

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Canton Bank"

Bill "An act to set off a part of Deering and annex the same to the town of Pittsfield"

Bill. "An act additional to an act entitled An act giving to Laborers on Lumber a lien thereon"

were severally passed to be enacted

"Resolve in favor of Isaac Park"

"Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to audit and pay the claims of Edward Kent Sot M. Morrill and John Rand Commissioners appointed by resolve to revise the Judiciary System"

were reported as truly and strictly engrossed, and having been finally passed in the House were finally passed

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The foregoing Bills and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Bill "An act in addition to Chapter 69 of the Revised Statutes" reported in the House by the Judiciary, in the House on an order relative to repeal of the usury laws, was read once and on motion of Mr Goodwin was laid upon the table

Adjourned

Louis A Bowan, Asst Sec

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In Senate

Saturday March 10. 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr

Mr Willis moved to take up "Bill to establish a Court of Common Pleas" and the bill was read a second time, was refused a passage

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act to modify and limit the jurisdiction of the Supreme Judicial Court" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading. was read a second time and on motion of Mr Eaton, indefinitely postponed

Bill "An act additional concerning the Supreme Judicial Court and its jurisdiction reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading was read a second time amended on motion of Mr Willis as per sheet annexed marked A. further amended as per sheet marked B. and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Dunnell the vote of the Senate by which was passed to be engrossed Bill "An act in additional to Chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes" was reconsidered and on his motion the Bill was laid upon the table

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Bill. "An act to incorporate the Fairfield Bank" was called from the table by Mr Flint, and the same was read a second time and passed to be engrossed as amended

Sent down for concurrence

Mr. Cushing by leave laid upon the table Bill "An act authorizing the town of Fran-

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to appoint Surveyors of Lumber

also. Bill "An act to incorporate the town of Reed"

also. Bill "An act to provide for the adoption of children"

Mr Blake. by leave laid upon the table Bill "An act to amend Chapter 145 of the Private and Special Laws of 1853" and the same were once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Eaton by leave laid upon the table. Bill "An act to incorporate the Mechanics Manufacturing Company of Waterville,

and the same were once read, rule suspended and the same passed to be engrossed

The following Bills and Resolves having been reported by Committee on Bills in Second reading. viz

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Revolutionary Monumental Association in Buckfield"

Bill "An act to amend Chapter one Hundred and Thirteen of the Revised Statutes"

Bill. "An act making valid the doings of cities towns, plantations and districts," in concurrence.

"Resolve to correct the State valuation of the town of Belmont as amended"

Resolve setting apart certain Townships for settlement were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Bill "An act to repeal all laws granting appeals from County Commissioners" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading was read a second time and laid upon the table on motion of Mr Walker

Mr Thorndike from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill "An act additional to Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes" reported by the Judiciary Committee "Legislation unexpedient" on the same, and the same was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Barker

On motion of Mr Dunnells, Bill "An act to incorporate the Peoples Bank at Waterville was taken up, pending the consideration of this Bill, Mr Greene moved that when the Senate adjourn it adjourn to meet on Monday next at 10 A. M

Adjourned

Louis O Brown Secretary

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In Senate

Monday March 12th 1855

Senate met at 10 A.M.

The act to incorporate the Peoples Bank at Waterville under consideration when the Senate last adjourned was laid upon the table

On motion of Mr Willis. The vote of Senate passing to be engrossed. Bill "An act concerning the Supreme Judicial Court and its jurisdiction was reconsidered and the Bill was further amended as per sheets D. E. F. and G. amended, and as amended, passed the Bill to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Gardiner Market Company came from the House that branch nonconcurring the Senate in its reference to the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance and passing the bill to be engrossed. The Senate reconsidered its former vote referring the same, and the bill was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Mr. Willis by leave laid upon the table Bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the New York City and Portland Exchange Company" and the same was read once, rule suspended, and passed to be engrossed

"Resolve for the representation of Maine at the Paris Exhibition in 1855" came from the House amended and passed to be engrossed. The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the resolve a passage, amended the same in con-

currence. and as amended, passed the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr Dennett by leave laid upon the table "Resolve relating to the debts of the French claim" and the same were once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Petition of Solomon Ives and others for the repeal of the Statute relating to the surveying of lumber and scaling of Logs was referred to the next Legislature, in Concurrence

The following order from the House

Ordered, That the order which passed this House, fixing the day of adjournment of this Legislature on the 12th of March instant is hereby rescinded, the Senate concurring" was passed in concurrence

Mr Watson from the Committee on Accounts reported finally, per resolve, entitled "Resolve for the payment of additional rolls of accounts number 35 and the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Dunnell from the Committee on Divisions of Towns reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Augustus W. Stiles and others for the incorporation of the Bayeburg Academy Grant to the town of Gilead.

Mr Walker from the Committee on State Lands and State roads reported leave to withdraw, on petition of Joseph G. Newton and others for a grant of Duck Island

Same Senator from same Committee reported

"Leave to withdraw" on the petition of Ephraim C. Spinney and others for a grant of Duck Island, and the foregoing reports were accepted severally

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Cushing from the Committee on Claims reported "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of John Sergent, for balance of accounts be allowed him for services as forage master in the Aroostic war

Mr Dunnell from the Committee on Division of Towns reported, order of notice returnable to the next Legislature on petitions of Robert Hussey and others to be set off from Kenduskeag to Levant and the report was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Education declaring "Legislation Inexpedient" on a bill additional in relation to public Schools, was accepted in concurrence

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary reported in the House "Legislation Inexpedient" on an order relating to notices be given to debtors to disclose, and the same was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr Downes Bill, "An act additional to Chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes" was taken up, and the question being on the passage of the Bill to be engrossed the Yeas and Nays were ordered and the Senate refused the Bill a passage, as follows

Yeas Cushing, Downes Flint, Hichborn, Scammon, Sprague, Turner Watson,

402. Nays Barker, Blake, Boody, Chehore, Currier Dennett, Dunnell, Eaton, Elliot, Goodwin, Muzzy Quimby Ruggles Thorndike, Walker Willis 16

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Augusta and New York Navigation Company" reported in the House by the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance

Bill "relating to Lotteries" reported in the House by the Judiciary Committee on an order requiring the Committee to inquire into the expediency of further Legislation upon Lottery Schemes

Bill "An act in relation to Bankrupt Plantiffs", reported in the House, by the Judiciary Committee.

Resolve for the repair of road in No. 9 R. 5th reported in the House by the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

and the foregoing Bill and resolves were read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Dennett from the Committee on division of Towns. reported on petition of Richard Sargeant and others

Bill. "An act to set off certain lands from Porter to Brownfield"

Mr Cushing from the Committee on Claims, reported on petition of Alvin Barden

Resolve in favor of Alvin Barden.

and the foregoing Bill and resolve were read once and tomorrow

signed for a second reading

The following Bills and Resolves having been reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading viz

Bill. "An act authorizing the Selectmen of the Town of Frankfort to appoint Sworers of Lumber"

Bill. "An act to provide for the adoption of children"

Bill "An act to abolish the criminal term of the Supreme Judicial Court held in Lincoln County in January"

Bill. "An act to amend Chapter 187 of Laws relating to coroners"

"Resolve to diminish the State valuation in the Town of Butler"

Resolve making appropriation to be expended on roads in Kingsbury, Blanchard and Shirley"

"Resolve for the repair of the Gun House in Brunswick"

"Resolve in favor of James Cushing and Alonzo L. Mason"

were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Bill "An act for the regulation of Bowling Alleys" reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading was amended as per sheet A. and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills and Resolves having been reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the second reading &c,

"Resolve making an appropriation for the road across the Indian Townships in Washington County"

Resolve in favor of Charles K. N. Johnston and Charles Kidder"

"Resolve directing the printing of certain documents

were severally read a second time and were passed to be engrossed

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary made in the House granting leave to withdraw on the petition of John M. Wood and 545 others for a police Court in the City of Portland, came from that Branch amended by giving the petitioners leave to bring in a Bill, and the report was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Mills

Bill. "An act to reunite the towns of Anson and North Anson" passed to be enacted in the House, came up on its passage to be enacted, and was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot

Bill. "An act to incorporate the town of Reed" came up for a second reading and the same was read and laid upon the table on motion of Mr Trowbridge

Resolve in favor of Jonas Davis and others" came up for a second reading and the same was read a second time and was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Cushing

Mr Cushing from the Committee on claims reported "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of the City of Bath, to be remunerated for payments made to the Militia for supressing a riot in the City of Bath and the report was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Watson

Bill "An act additional respecting divorces came up for a second reading and the same was read a second time and laid upon the table on motion of Mr Cushing

Bill. "An act to set off Jefferson Moulton and Nathaniel Low with their estates from Lyman to Alfred, came up for a second reading and the same was read a second time and was laid upon the table by Mr Boody

Bill "An act to amend Section 35 Chapter Revised Statutes" came up for a second reading and the same was read a second time and was laid upon the table on motion of Mr Downs

Resolve to provide for the repairs of Roads and Bridges in Blucktown Plantation" came up for a second reading and having been read a second time was refused a passage

The following Bills have been passed to be enacted in the House, and having been reported by the Committee on engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed

Bill "An act additional to Chapter 121 of the Revised Statutes

Bill. "An act authorizing the owners of Meeting Houses to sell or remove or repair the same

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Bill "An act additional to Chapter 104 of the Public Laws of the year 1854 entitled, "An act additional to an act to provide for the Education of Youth"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Norway Mutual Fire Insurance Company"

Bill "An act to change the time for the close of the financial year of the State Reform School"

Bill "An act to authorize the extension of the Steamboat wharf in Searsport into the waters of the Penobscot Bay"

Bill "An act to allow the construction of a weir in tide waters of the Damariscotta River"

Bill "An act to regulate the business of Pawn Brokers"

Bill "An act to authorize the City District in Belfast to raise money for the support of Schools therein"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Swift River Dam. Company"

Bill, "An act to change the name of Nathaniel S. Emery"

Bill, "An act to establish a Municipal Court in the City of Biddeford"

Bill, "An act to authorize the clerk of District No 8 in Camden to amend his records,

were severally passed to be enacted, and were signed by the President, and presented by the Secretary

to the Governor for his approval

Resolve in favor of Samuel F. Hersey, and Dudley C. Hale

Resolve making an appropriation for building a Bridge across Crystal Stream, and for repairing a road in Township number 4 Range 5

Resolve authorizing the purchase of certain National Medals

Resolve for the repair of the Canada Road, came from the House, and being reported by the Committee on engrossed Bill as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally and finally passed, and signed by the President, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

P. M.

Met at 2½ o'clock

Bill "An act making valid the doings of Cities, towns, plantations and districts

Bill "An act to regulate the fees of officers in certain cases

Bill "An act to sell off parts of Whitefield and Jefferson and annex the same to Patricktown Plantation"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Waterville Library Association

Bill "An act authorizing the Penobscot Lumbering Association, or Daniel White, Benjamin P. Gilman

408 and others to make a cut or canal across a point on the easterly side of Orson Island

Bill. "An act to amend Chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes."

Bill. "An act to annex certain territory to the town of Walds

Bill "An act additional to an act to establish the Kennebec and Wiscasset Rail Road Company"

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Somerset Bridge Company"

Bill. "An act additional to an act entitled An act to establish the Bangor and Orono Rail Road, approved August 21 1850. came from the House, and being reported by the Committee on engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, were severally passed to be engrossed

Resolve in favors of Committee on the reform school, came from the House, and being reported by the Committee on engrossed bills, as truly and strictly engrossed, was finally passed

Bill. "An act to incorporate the People's Bank" was called up and amended as per Sheet A. and the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Yeas and Nays as follows

Sent down for concurrence

Yeas Barker, Boody, Currier, Dennett, Flint, Dunnell, Elliot, Goodwin, Hickborn, Pease, Thorndike, Walker, Watson

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Nays. Newall Blake. Crehore. Cushing. Downes. Eaton. Garcelon. Mowry. Quinby. Scammon and Willis 11

On motion of Mr Hichborn the vote of the Senate refusing a passage to "An act additional to Chapter 170 of the Revised Statues was reconsidered and the bill was recommitted to the Judiciary

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Blake the report of the Select Committee to which was refered "An act additional to Chapter 125 of the Revised Statutes" reporting "Legislation Inexpedient" on the same was taken up and the same was accepted

Sent down for concurrence

Order. That the Secretary of State is hereby authorized and required to prepay the postage on all documents furnished Cities. towns and plantations in this State, came from the House and was passed in concurrence

Bill. "An act to set off the town of Detroit. in the county of Somerset, and annex the same to the County of Penobscot. came from the House, and was refused to the next Legislature in concurrence

Bill. "An act to change the terms of the Criminal Court in the County of Penobscot" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading. was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. in concurrence

Bill. "An act to establish the Office of Auditor accounts. reported from the Committee on Bills in second reading was refused a passage.

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On motion of Mr Goodwin

Bill concerning the liability of Raieroads be taken from the table, and amended as on sheet annexed marked A. and as amended, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. "An act to amend section 14 of article 1 of an act to provide for the Education of South approved August 27 1850, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence

Bill, "An act to amend an act incorporating the Wells Fire Insurance Company" was read a second time and laid upon the table, on motion of Mr Dunnell

On motion of Mr Thorndike

Bill "An act to incorporate the town of Reed" was taken from the table, amended on motion of Mr Thorndike, and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of [illegible]

Bill. "An act additional to Chapter 69 of the Revised Statutes was read a second time and refused a passage by Yeas and Nays as follows.

Yeas Mr Blake, Dunnell, Eaton, Garcelon, Walker, Willis 6

Nays Barker, Boody, Crehore, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes Elliot Flint, Hichborn, Muzzy, Pease Quimby, Ruggles, Scammon, Sprague, Thorndike and Watson 19

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Bill. "An act to amend the 76 Chapter of the Revised Statutes" was called up by Mr Downes, and was further considered and laid upon the table by Mr Eaton

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution. was called up by Mr Downes and tomorrow assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr Chehore, The Senate

Adjourned,

Louis C Cowan Sec'y.

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In Senate

Tuesday March 13 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Welch

The Senate resumed the consideration of "Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution relating to the elective franchise" and the question being on the passage of the resolves to be engrossed, Mr Dunnell moved their indefinate postponment. and the motion was negatived as follows

Yeas, Dunnell, Eaton, Walker, Willis 4

Nays, Barker, Newell Blake, Boody, Crehore, Currier, Dascomb, Downes, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Hichborn, Mowry, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles, Scammon, Turner, Sprague Thorndike, Watson 20

Mr Willis of Cumberland moved to amend the Resolves by striking out the word Judge of Probate wherever it occurs in said Resolve, and on his motion the Yeas and Nays were ordered, and the motion was not adopted.

Yeas, Crehore, Currier, Dunnell, Scammon, Eaton, Thorndike, Walker and Willis 8

Nays, Barker, N. Blake, Boody, Dascomb Dennett, Downes, Elliot, Garcelon, Flint, Hichborn, Mowry, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles Sprague, Turner and Watson 17

Mr Dunnell moved to amend by striking out the word Sheriff wherever it occurs in the first Resolves, also add after the word election in the 17th line of the same Resolve the following words, and Sheriffs shall

elected by the people at their annual meeting in September by a plurality vote for the term of two years, and on this question the Yeas and Nays were ordered, and the amendment was adopted. as follows

Yeas, Barker, Boody, Crehore, Currier, Dascomb, Dennett Downes, Dunnell, Eaton, Ellicot, Flint, Hichborn, Muzzy, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles, Scammon, Sprague, Thorndike, Torsey, Turner, Walker and Watson 23

Nays Mr Blake 1

On motion of Mr Downes the resolves were further amended by inserting in the 19th line of the first Resolve of the printed resolve after the words March the words "or April"

The resolves were then passed to be engrossed as amended by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas, Barker, Newall Blake, Boody, Crehore, Currier, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Hichborn, Muzzy, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles, Scammon, Sprague, Thorndike, Torsey, Turner and Watson 22

Nays Dunnell, Eaton, Willis 3

Mr Blake of Penobscot moved to take up the Bill "to reunite the towns of Anson and North Anson" and the question being on the passage of the bill to be enacted, Mr Eaton moved the indefinate postponement of the Bill, and the Yeas and Nays having been taken the motion was negatived as follows

Yeas, Newall, Blake, Cushing, Eaton, Elliot,

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4/14 Mousy, Ruggles, Thorndike, Willis 8

Nays. Barker, Boody, Currier, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes, Dunnell, Fleet, Garcelon, Hichborn, Pease, Quinby Scammon, Sprague, Torsey, Turner, Walker and Watson 18

The Bill then passed to be enacted, was signed by the President, and conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

The following Bills and Resolves having been reported without amendment by the Committee on Bills in the third reading (to wit)

"Resolve for the payment of additional role of accounts number Thirty five"

"Resolves relating to the vote of the French Spoliation Bill".

were read a second time and passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act to amend the City Charter of Rockland was taken up on motion of Mr Thorndike, and the same was passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Eaton by leave laid on the table a Resolve in favor of the Town of Richmond, and the same was read once, the rule suspend, and said Resolve was read a second time and passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Garcelon by leave laid on the table a "Bill to change the name of the Danville Bank which was once read, and [illegible]

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at ten o'clock A. M. assigned for a second reading 4.15.

Bill. "An act to abolish the Police Court in the City of Bangor and to establish a Municipal Court for said City with enlarged jurisdiction reported from the Committee on Judiciary. to which was referred a Bill with the above title. was read once. and tomorow at 10 o'clock A. M. assigned for a second reading

On motion of Mr. Bushing "Resolves relating to Slavery. and the repeal of the Missouri Compromise" were taken up and assigned for further consideration to 3. P. M

Bill. "An act respecting Lotteries" reported without amendment by Committee on Bills in second reading. was read a second time and was laid upon the table by motion of Mr Mills

P. M.

met a 2 h P. M

The following Resolves and Bills. reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading without amendment. viz.

"Resolve in favor of Shingle's Mattawamkeag Bridge"

Bill. "An act to incorporate the West Buxton Bank"

Bill. "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Eastern Bank"

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Augusta and New York Navigation Company"

Bill. "An act additional respecting Banks. were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Mr Willis from the Special Committee to which was referred order of the House, to enquire into the expense of preparing and publishing and binding one Thousand volumes of the Special laws and Resolves of this State, reported. "Resolve concerning the Special acts and resolves of this State" And the same was once read and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

At the Hour assigned for the consideration of the Resolves respecting Slavery and the repeal of the Missouri Compromise" They were taken up and the question being on their passage to be engrossed. the resolves were amended as per sheet annexed, and as amended. passed to be engrossed

Bill "An act to set off part of the town of Lyman and annex the same to the town of Alfred." was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill to abolish the Municipal Court in the City of Portland, and to establish a Police Court in said City, was taken up, read once and tomorrow at 10 oclock A. M. assigned for a second reading.

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Bill "An act to amend the thirty fifth section of the twenty fifth Chapter of the Revised Statutes. Reported from the Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Resolve in favor of James Simonds" reported

in the House by the Committee on State Lands and State roads, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Bill, "An act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tipling Shops, came from the House. that branch nonconcuring the Senate in the amendments A, G, I, K, and adopting O, P, Q, R, S, and the Senate acceded and concurred the House in the amendments A & G, and the bill was then laid upon the table on motion of Mr Dunnells

The following Bills having been passed to be enacted in the House, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, viz.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Fairfield Bank"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Peoples Bank"

Bill, "An act to change the terms of Criminal Courts in the County of Penobscot"

Bill, An act in addition to an act entitled An act incorporating the Bangor and Piscataquis Canal and Rail Road Company

Bill "An act relating to Bridgton Centre Corporation" Bill an act to provide for the education of youth to amend Sect 14 of Act 1, Approved Aug 27, 1850 Bill, "An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, and the same were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence and signed by the President, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

The following Resolves having been finally passed in the House, and having been reported as strictly and truly enrolled, viz.

418 Resolve to diminish the State valuation of the town of Cutler

Resolve making appropriations to be expended on roads in Kingsbury, Blanchard and Shirley.

Resolve in favor of Charles N. N. Johnston and Charles Tibbets

Resolve for the repair of the Gun House in Bowdoinham

Resolve making appropriations for the repair of the road across Indian Township in Washington County

Resolve for the representation of Maine at the Paris Exhibition in eighteen hundred and fifty five

Resolve in favor of James Cushing and Alonzo L. Mason.

and the same were severally finally passed in concurrence, signed by the President, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Resolves relating to Slavery.

The resolves were amended as per sheet A.

Mr Cushing then moved to amend by adding another section as follows

Resolved, That the third paragraph in the second section of the first article of the constitution of the United States, should be amended by striking out the words, "which shall be determined by adding to the whole number of free persons including those bound to service for a term of years, and including Indians not taxed three fifths of all other persons" and adding in place thereof the words "excepting Indians not taxed and all persons deemed and held [illegible]

The question on adopting this amendment was taken by Yeas and Nays and decided in the affirmative as follows:

Yeas. Messrs Wm Barker, N. Blake, Boody, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Emmets, Elliot, Garcelon, Goodwin, Hichborn, Pease, Sprague Scammon, Thorndike, Torsey, Turner and Watson 18

Nays Messrs Downes, Dunnell, Eaton Flint, Mowry, Quimby, Ruggles, Walker and Willis 9.

The resolves were then further amended and as amended passed to be engrossed.

A message was received from the House by the Clerk communicating to the Senate the fact that the Governor had signed the following public acts

March 8 1855

An act making further provisions for the administration of police in the City of Portland

An act to protect Mackerel Fishery on the coast of Maine

An act to amend Chapter 27 of the Laws of 1853

An act additional to an act incorporating the City of Biddeford

March 12 1855

An act defining the terms of

420 Office of Clerks of the Courts and County Attorneys

An act to amend Chapter Seventy Seven of the Revised Statutes

An act to regulate Billiard Rooms

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Gardiner

An act to punish the fraudulent issue and transfer of certificates of stock in corporations

An act additional to an act entitled An act giving to laborers on lumber a lien thereon

Adjourned

Louis C Cowan, Secretary.

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In Senate

Wednesday March 14 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Cheney

On motion of Mr Hichborn the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Bill "An act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tippling Shops" and on motion of the Senate insisted on its former vote amending the bill as per sheet annexed I. and receded and concured with the House in rejecting the amendment marked K. and adopted in concurrence. the amendments of the House, marked O. P. 2. R. S. and as amended passed the same to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act additional to an act establishing a Police Court in the City of Biddeford laid upon the table by Mr Goodwin, was once read rule suspended, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

"Resolve in favor of James Simmons" came from the House, and reported from Cries in second reading, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence,

Order that the Secretary of State be authorized to deliver to the Chairman of Committee on Change of Names, certain private papers the property of Thomas March. came from the House, and was read and passed in concurrence

Bill. "An act for the regulation of Bowling Alleys" came from the House. amended and passed to be engrossed. The Senate receded from its former votes amended the Bill in concurrence

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and as amended passed the same, to be engrossed, in concurrence

Bill, "An act regulating the formation of Military Companies" reported by the Committee on the Naturalization Laws in the House was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Piscataquis Mutual Fire and Marine Insurance Company" reported in the House from the Committee on Mercantile affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Abner Baker, came from the House, was read once and tomorrow at 10 A. M. assigned for a second reading

Mr Garcelon by leave laid upon the table

Resolve providing for the annual appropriation of the reform School, which was once read and tomorrow at 10 A. M. assigned for a second reading;

Bill "An act to abolish the Municipal Court in the City of Portland, and to establish a Police Court in said City" came from the House up for its second reading with amendments as per sheets annexed marked A, B, C, D, E, F, G, were concurred in and the House amendments marked H, The Senate nonconcurred the House in adopting the same, further amended the Bill as per sheets marked 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 and as amended passed the same to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill, "An act to authorize the town of Wiscasset, to aid in the construction of the Kennebec and Wiscasset Rail Road" came

the House. and was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Bill. "An act to change the name of the Danville Bank" reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading. was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Eaton from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported on petition of the President Directors of the Belfast Bank.

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Belfast Bank" and the Bill was once read. the rule suspended, the bill read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Bill. "An act regulating the formation of Military Companies. reported in the House, from the Committee on Naturalization Laws.

Resolve for furnishing Registers of Deeds with the Laws and Resolves

Resolve for the purchase and distribution of the Maine Register.

came from the House. and were severally read once, and tomorrow at 10 A. M. assigned for a second reading

Resolve, the Special acts and resolves of this State reported from Committee on Bills in second reading entitled.

"Resolve concerning the Special Acts and Resolves of this State" was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence.

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P. M

Met at 2½ o'clock

Bill "An act to abolish the Police Court for the City of Bangor and to establish a Municipal Court for said City with enlarged jurisdiction, reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time amended as per sheet annexed marked A, and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An act authorizing the Selectmen of the Town of Frankfort to appoint Surveyors of Lumber" came from the House amended and passed the same to be engrossed. The Senate receded from its former vote, amended the Bill in concurrence and passed the Bill to be engrossed in concurrence

Bill, "An act relating to corporations, came from the House passed to be engrossed. The Bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill, "An act relating to Lotteries" came up for a second reading and the same was read a second time amended by substituting a new Bill after the enacting clause, and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Report of the Committee on Rail Roads and Bridges giving "Leave to withdraw" on the petition of E. Eggs and others for the incorporation of the Central Rail Road, and accepted in the Senate, came from the House that Branch nonconcurring the Senate in acceptance of the Report The Senate insisted and

former vote accepting the report as originally made

Sent down for concurrence

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Bath Bank" came from the House passed to be engrossed The Bill was read once, and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill "An Act for the admission of interested witnesses" reported in the House by the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating thereto, and passed to be engrossed in the same, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading

Bill "An Act for the promotion of Medical Science in the State of Maine" reported in the House by the Judiciary Committee on petition of the Maine Medical Association, and refused a passage in the House, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Bill. "An act to change the name of George Carlle Jr" reported in the House by the Committee on change of names was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Bill. "An act amending the Naturalization powers of Courts in this State" came from the House passed to be engrossed it having been reported by the Joint Select Committee on Naturalization, was read once and tomorrow assigned for a second reading

Mr Thorndike moved to take from the table Bill granting appeals from County Commissioners" and the motion prevailed. The Bill was then indefinitely postponed by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas. N. Blake, Boody, Crehore, Dennett, Elliot, Flint, Hichborn, Mouzzy, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles, Scammon, Torsey, Walker and Willis 15

Nays, Barker, Currier, Dascomb, Dennett, Eaton, Garcelon, Goodwin, Sprague Thorndike, Turner, Watson. 11

Bill. "An act additional to an act to incorporate the New York City and Portland Exchange Granite Company

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Augusta and New York Navigation Company"

Bill "An act to set off certain territory belonging to the town of Brewer" and to annex the same to the town of Eddington"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Revolutionary Monument Association of Buckfield

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Mechanics Manufacturing Company of Waterville

Bill "An Act to incorporate the Camden Bank

Bill "An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Eastern Bank of Bangor

Bill "An act to amend the tenth section of an act entitled an act concerning the assessment of taxes

Bill, "An act to authorize the Selectmen of the town of Wiscasset to lay out a road over tide waters.

Bill "An act to incorporate the West B...

Bank"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Slate Company"

came from the House, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence, and were signed by the President and presented to the Governor for his approval.

Resolve in relation to the payments of State Debts.

Resolve in relation to the Passamaquoddy Indian Lands

Resolve in favor of Valentine Ripley

Resolve to correct the State valuation of the town of Belmont and to establish that of the town of Morrill

came from the House, and being reported as truly and strictly engrossed were severally finally passed and signed by the President, and presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr Cumin

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 50 of the Revised Statutes" and the motion prevailed, and the bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Mr Dennett from the Committee on the disagreeing vote of the two branches on the disagreeing vote of the two Branches on a "Resolve relating to certain State "Institutions," and the report was laid upon the table without acceptance, and [illegible] now assigned for its further consider-

 ation

Ordered That the Legislature, the House concurring, will adjourn without day on Friday March 16

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Willis the vote by which the Senate passed to be engrossed.

Bill to abolish the Municipal Court in Portland and to establish a Police Court in said City" was reconsidered and Mr Willis moved to amend as follows by adding to Section 26 the words provided the citizens of Portland in their respective ward meetings shall accept this act voting by ballot on which shall be written the word Yes or No, And if accepted by a majority of ballots so cast it shall not take effect; and the city authorities are required to present this question in their call for ward meetings"

and the question of adopting this amendment was taken by Yeas and Nays and the amendment was adopted, as follows

Yeas, Barker, Blake, Boody, Crehore, Eaton Flint, Goodwin, Mezzy, Ruggles, Scammon, Thorndike, Torsey, Walker Watson and Willis 15

Nays Currier, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes, Dunnell, Hichborn, Pease, Quinby, Sprague, Turner, 10

The Bill was then amended further as per sheet annexed marked No 7 and as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

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Bill. "An act to amend the 76 Chapter of the Revised Statutes. was taken up on motion of Mr Goodwin. and further amended on his motion as per sheet annexed marked E.

Mr Blake moved the indefiniate postponment of the Bill and on his motion the Yeas and Nays were ordered and being taken the motion was rejected as follows

Yeas, Blake. Muzzy and Ruggles 3

Nays, Boody. Cumin, Dennett, Downes, Dunnell Eaton. Flint, Goodwin. Hichborn. Pease, Quinby, Scammon Sprague, Thorndike. Torsey. Turner Watson and Willis 18

An the Bill as amended passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Bill. "An act additional to an act establishing a Municipal Court in the City of Biddeford. was reported as truly and strictly engrossed and having passed to be enacted in concurrence and signed by the President and presented to the Governor for his approval

Mr Willis called up the Report of the Committee on claims giving "Leave to Withdraw" on the petition of the Officers and Soldiers of the City Guard of Bath. and moved to amend the report by giving the petitioners leave to bring in a Bill pending this motion, the report was laid upon the table and the Senate

Adjourned

Louis C Cornish Secretary

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In Senate

Thursday March 16th 1855

Prayer by Rev Mr Steele

Mr Willis introduced the following

Resolved, That the Secretary be and he is hereby authorized and required to cause exchanges to be made with the Governments of Canada and New Brunswick of all the public documents of this State in the same manner as is effected with the several States of this union

and the resolve was once read and the rule suspended, and passed to be engrossed

Mr Watson moved to take up the report of the Committee on claims on the petition of the Officers and Company of the Bath Greys, and the motion to amend so as to give the petitioners leave to bring in a Resolve, and the motion to amend was adopted, and the Resolve was once read, the rule suspended, and the resolve was read a second time

Mr Bickne moved the indefinate postponment of the resolve and the motion was negatived by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas, Messrs Blake, Boody, Bickne, Cushing, Eaton, Flint, Hichborn, Mozzy, Pease, Quinby, Scammon & Willis 12

Nays, Messrs Barker, Bircin, Dascomb, Dennett, Dunnell, Garcelon, Goodwin, Sprague, Ruggles, Thorndike, Turner, Walker, Watson and Downes 14

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The Resolve was then passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Crehore, The Senate reconsidered the vote whereby the "Act to abolish the Municipal Court in the City of Portland, and to establish a Police Court in said City, was passed to be engrossed and on his motion amended as per sheet annexed marked C by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas, Barker N, Blake, Boody, Crehore, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes, Dunnell, Eaton, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Goodwin Hichborn, Muzzy, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles Scammon, Sprague, Turner & Watson 24

Nays Willis 1

and the Bill was then passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Resolve for the payment of additional roll of accounts No 35 came from the House and being reported as truly and strictly engrossed was finally passed,

Bill. "An act to incorporate the Lake Sebago Rail Road Company" came from the House, and being reported as truly and strictly engrossed was passed to be enacted

The above Resolve and Bill was then signed by the President, and presented to the Governor for his approval

On motion of Mr Thorndike.

Resolve for the

432. purchase and distributions of the Maine Register was called up, and

On motion of Mr Boody the same was indefinately postponed

On motion of Mr Boody the Senate proceeded to consider

Resolves authorizing the continuation of the Geological and Agricultural Survey of the State

Mr Thorndike moved the indefinate postponment of said resolves, and on his motion the Yeas and Nays were ordered, and were as follows

Yeas. Crehore, Flint, Muzzy, Scammon, Thorndike, Walker. 6

Nays, Barker, Boody, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes, Dennett, Eaton, Elliot, Hichborn, Pease, Quimby Ruggles Sprague, Torsey, Turner, Watson, Willis 18

The Resolves were then read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

On motion of Mr Downes the Senate proceeded to consider.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Gardiner Market Company" and

"Resolve in favor of James Simmonds" and being read a second time they passed to be engrossed

Mr Flint by leave laid upon the table

Bill, "An act to change the name of the town of Kirkland" and the Bill was once rea

rule suspended and passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Dunnell by leave laid upon the table

Bill "An act authorizing Plantations Letter G. & No 11 Range 5 and Crystal to raise money to repair the roads in said Plantation" and the same was read once and Tomorrow assigned

Mr Downes called up from the table Bill. "An act giving power to plantations to raise money for Schools and Highways" and the same was read a second time. The Bill amended as per sheets annexed marked A, and B, and as amended passed to be engrossed
Sent down for concurrence

Mr Atchborn from the Select Committee reported on petition of Selectmen of Prospect
Bill "An act to provide for the relief of persons having no legal settlement in the State" and the same was read once and laid upon the table

P. M.

Met at 2 h o'clock

Mr Bichore from the Committee on Fisheries to which was referred An act for the preservation of Salmon, Shad and Alewives in Penobscot River" reported that Legislation on that subject is inexpedient and the report was accepted
Sent down for concurrence

"Resolve in relation to the purchase of Eaton and Plymouth Grants" came from the House passed to be engrossed, and the Resolve was read once. The rule suspended and the Resol

434. was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill, "An act to facilitate the detection and to prevent the circulation of counterfeit Bank Bills," reported in the House by Committee on Banks and Banking

An Act regulating the suffrage of Naturalized Citizens"; reported by the Naturalization Committee

Resolve in favor of certain members of the Legislature came from the House, and the same were severally read once and tomorrow at 10 A.M. assigned for a second reading

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Gardiner Market Company" reported by Bills in the second reading read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Bill "An act to abolish the Police Court for the City of Bangor and to establish a Municipal Court for said City with enlarged jurisdiction" came from the House that branch nonconcurring the Senate in the adoption of the amendment &, and passing the Bill to be engrossed. The Senate receded from its former vote adopting the amendment, and passed the Bill to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate and endow the Maine State Agricultural Society and more fully prescribing the powers and duties of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies" passed to be engrossed heretofore in the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet annexed. The Senate receded from its former vote, adopted the amendments in concurrence with the Senate and as amended passed to be engrossed

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concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to Chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes" made in the House by the Committee on the Judiciary to which it was recommitted by the Judiciary, and passed to be engrossed in that branch was read once, read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence

Bill "An act for the promotion of Medical Science in the State of Maine" reported by Committee on Judiciary in the House, came from the House indefinately postponed. The question being in con with the House that question was decided in the negative as follows by Yeas and Nays.

Yeas. Barker, Carver, Dascomb, Garcelon, Eaton Elliot, Flint, Richborn, Mowry, Turner, Walker and Watson 12

Nays N. Blake, Boody, Cushing, Dennett Goodwin, Pease, Quinby, Ruggles, Scammon, Sprague, Thorndike and Willis 13

and the same was refused to the next Legislature Sent down for concurrence

Bill. "An act in addition to Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes" came from the House amended, and passed to be engrossed, the Senate, receded, and amended the same in concurrence and passed the same to be engrossed, in concurrence,

Resolve in favor of Alvin Briscoe, reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading, was read a second time and passed to be Engrossed Sent down for concurrence

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Resolve authorizing the County of Androscoggin to procure a loan" came from the House passed to be engrossed, the resolve was read once and laid upon the table on motion of Mr Cushing

Resolve authorizing the County of Androscoggin to procure a loan, came from the House, that branch nonconcurring the Senate in the indefinite postponment of the resolves, and passing them to be engrossed

Mr Sprague moved that the Senate adhere to the vote, indefinately postponing the resolves, and on this question the Yeas and Nays were ordered to be taken and being taken the motion was adopted as follows

Yeas, Currier, Dascomb, Bennett, Eaton, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Ruggles, Scammon, Sprague, Torsey, Turner, Walker, and Watson 15

Nays Barker, N. Blake, Brady, Chehore Cushing, Downes, Dunnell, Goodwin, Richborn, Muzzy, Pease, Quinby and Wiles 13

Bill, "An act to amend Chapter 145 of the private and Special laws of the year 1853

Resolves in favor of the appropriation of the Reform School"

severally reported by Committee on Bills in the second reading were read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills and Resolves reported by the Committee on Bills in the second reading viz

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Bill, an Act to change the name of George Carlie Jr.

" An act in relation to Bankrupt Plaintiffs,

" An act to amend an act in relation to Rail Road Corporations,

Resolve for the repair of Road to Township No 9. in the Fifth Range.

And the same were read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of certain members of the Maine board of Agriculture," came from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its former vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

The following Bills having passed to be enacted in the House and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, viz.

Bill an act to amend Chapter 50 of the Revised Statutes;

" An act relating to Corporations;

" " " to amend Sect 35. Chap 25 of the Revised Statutes;

" to dispense with the criminal business of the January term of the Supreme Court in Waldo County;

" authorizing the Selectmen of the town of Frankfort to appoint Surveyors of Lumber;

" to amend Chapter 186 of the public Laws of 1846. relating to Coroners;

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130 Bill An act to increase the Capital Stock of the Belfast Banks;

" An act additional to incorporate the City of Rockland;

" An act to authorize the town of Wiscasset to aid in the construction of Kennebec and Wiscasset Rail Road;

" An act additional Savings Banks; were passed to be enacted

Resolve to provide for the Printing of the Massachusetts Reports, was finally passed

And these Bills and Resolves were conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his Approval.

Adjourned,

Louis A. Cowan
Secretary.

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In Senate,

Friday, March 1st 1855.

Prayer by Peer Mr Cone,

Mr Crehore moved the following order,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to prepare and procure the printing of 350 Copies of the Journal of the Senate for the current Session, and there be distributed two copies to each of the Senators, two each to the State Senators for 1856, one copy to the States with which this State exchanges documents, and the remaining Copies to be deposited in the State Library, providing the whole expense of preparing and printing the same shall not exceed Six Hundred Dollars. and the order was laid on the table.

Mr Barker by leave laid on the table Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain Islands near Swan's Island which was once read, the rules suspended read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr Ruggles, from the Committee on Last Roads and Bridges to which was referred the papers on the petition of Eliphalet Greeley and others for the incorporation of the Pacific Railroad Company reported,

Legislation Inexpedient

on the subject

and the Report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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The following Bills reported by Committee on Bills in Second Reading; viz.

Bill, An act to incorporate the Piscataquis Fire and Marine Insurance Company;

" An act to set off certain lands from Porter to Brownfield;

were severally read a Second time and passed to be engrossed Sent down for concurrence.

Resolve in favor of certain members of the Legislature who visited the State's Prison;

Bill, An act to set off certain lands from West Bath and annex the Same to the city of Bath;

Bill, An act annulling the Naturalization powers of Courts in this State;

Bill An Act to incorporate the Bath Bank,

Resolves for furnishing Registers of Deeds with the Laws and Resolves, &c.

Resolves in favor of certain members of the Legislature, were severally passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill An Act additional respecting the Supreme Judicial Court and its jurisdiction came from the House, that Branch nonconcurring the Senate in its amendments marked B, D, E, and F. concurring in the other amendments of the Senate, and

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and further amended as per sheets marked No. R.S. and as amended passed to be engrossed
The Senate receded from its former votes concurred in the House in the rejection of amendments marked B. D. E. and F. and also concurred in the House of amendments No. R. S. and as amended passed the Bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill. "An act authorizing Plantations Letters G. & No 11 Range 5 and Bayleat Plantations to repair the roads in said plantation" was read twice and referred to the next Legislature

Mr Sunnell moved to take up the Report of the Conference Committee upon the disagreeing vote of the two Houses in

Resolve in favor of certain Literary Institutions" and the motion prevailed

Mr Currier moved to amend by striking out the words of the Maine State Seminary in the sum of Eight Thousand dollars" and motion prevailed. and the reports were accepted and the Resolves accompanying the report entitled

Resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan and Female Collegiate Institute. was read once. the rule suspended. read twice

Mr Peaslee moved to amend by adding before the word "provided" at the close of the" preceding sentence. the words "and also a like sum of seven thousand dollars to the Hedbrook Seminary upon the same terms and conditions"

and on the question the Yeas and Nays being taken, the amendment was rejected as follows

Nays.- Barker, Blake, Crehore, Currier

442. Bennett. Eaton, Elliot, Hichborn, Pease, Quinby, Torrey, Turner and Willis 13

Nays.- Boody. Cushing. Dascomb, Flint Garcelon, Goodwin, Mowry. Ruggles Scammon, Thorndike Walker and Watson 13

Mr Baker moved to amend by adding before the word "provided" at the close of the preceeding sentence, the words "and also a like sum of seven thousand dollars to the East Maine Conference upon the same terms and conditions"

and upon this question the Yeas and Nays being ordered and taken. the amendment was rejected. as follows

Yeas.- Baker, Crehore, Currier, Bennett Downes. Hichborn, Quinby, Turner 8

Nays. N. Blake, Boody, Dascomb, Eaton Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Goodwin, Mowry, Pease, Scammon, Sprague Thorndike, Torrey, Walker, Willis 18

Mr Boody then moved. that the resolve be indefinately postponed, and on his motion the Yeas and Nays being ordered and taken. the motion was rejected. as follows

Yeas;- Baker, Boody, Crehore, Cushing. Dascomb, Downes, Goodwin, Scammon, Walker 9

Nays. N. Blake, Currier, Bennett, Bennett, Eaton, Flint, Garcelon, Hichborn, Mowry Pease Quinby, Ruggles, Sprague, Torrey Thorndike, Turner, Watson, Willis 18

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Mr Tinsey moved to amend by striking out the word "seven" and insert the word "ten" in the fourth line of the first resolve and the motion was adopted

The resolve as amended then passed to be engrossed by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas Mr Blake, Burrill, Dennett, Dunnell, Eaton, Flint, Garcelon, Hichborn, Muzzy, Pease, Ruggles Sprague, Tinsey Thorndike, Turner, Watson Willis 18

Nays:- Barker, Boody, Crehore, Cushing, Downs Dascomb, Goodwin, Scammon, Walker 9

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Maine State Seminary, was called up by Mr Burrill of Franklin, and on his motion the amendments of the House concurred in, and the Bill then passed to be engrossed in concurrence by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas;- Crehore, Burrill, Dennett, Dascomb, Eaton, Elliot, Flint, Garcelon, Goodwin, Hichborn, Pease, Quimby, Ruggles, Tinsey Sprague, Thorndike, Turner, Watson Willis 19

Nays Barker, Boody, Cushing, Dascomb, Downs Muzzy, Walker 7

The order of the Senate relating to final adjournment came back amended so as to strike out Friday March 16 and insert Monday March 19- The Senate nonconcurred in the adoption of amendment and insisted Saturday 17 and passed

444. Bill, "An act to protect the Personal Liberty" came from the House referred to joint Select Committee consisting on the part of the House of Messrs Lincoln, Cushman, Fenno, Garland and Warren. The Senate joined Messrs Willis Cushing and Ruggles

The following Bills having passed to be enacted in the House, and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed, viz

Bill, "An act to establish a Municipal Court in the City of Portland and to establish a Police Court in said City"

Bill "An act for the regulation of Bowling Alleys"

Bill, "An act to change the name of George Carlle Jr"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Gardiner Market Company"

Bill "An act to change the name of the Danville Bank"

Bill, "An act to amend the 76 Chapter of the Revised Statutes"

Bill, "An act additional to chapter 170 of the Revised Statutes"

were severally passed to be enacted

The following Resolves having finally passed in the House and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed viz,

"Resolve for the repair of the road in Township Number 9 in the 5th Range"

"Resolve in relation to the purchase of the Eaton and Plymouth Grant"

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Resolve in favor of the town of Richmond

Resolve concerning the Special Acts and resolves of this State

Resolve relating to the vote of the French Spoliation Bill. were severally finally passed, and the foregoing acts and Resolves were conveyed to the Governor for his approval by the Secretary

P. M

Met at 2½ o'clock

Resolve in favor of Albert T. Wheelock was read the rule suspended and passed to be engrossed Sent down for concurrence

Resolve to provide for the repair of certain roads in Patrickstown Plantation, refused a passage in House, came from the House insisting on its former vote passing the resolve and appointing Messrs Buck, Jones conferees on the part of the House - The Senate insisted on its former vote and appointed Messrs Eaton, Cushing and Ruggles conferees

Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution relating to the Elective franchise came from the House that branch nonconcurring in the amendment marked A & B, amended the resolve, as per sheet marked M in concurrence and the resolves were then passed to be engrossed By Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas, Barker, N. Blake, Boody, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Downes, Eaton, Gardner, Hichborn

446 Mozzy, Pease, Quinby, Ruggles, Scammon, Thorndike, Watson 17.

Nays, Bennett, Dunnell, Flint, Goodwin, Walker, Willis 6

Resolve for the purchase and distribution of the Maine Register" Indefinitely Postponed in the Senate came back from the House, that branch insisting upon its former vote passing the resolves to be engrossed

On motion the Senate receded from its former vote and the question being on the passage of the resolves to be engrossed Mr Cushing moved to strike out

"and one copy to each member of the Legislature" and on this motion the Yeas and Nays being ordered and the amendment was adopted as follows

Yeas, Barker, Boody, Cushing, Dascomb, Downes, Eaton, Garcelon, Hutchinson, Mozzy Quinby, Ruggles Scammon, Walker and Willis 14

Nays, Newell Blake, Burnii, Bennett, Dunnell Goodwin, Pease, Thorndike, Tinsey, Watson 9

and the Resolve was further amended and laid upon the table

The Senate to up Act for the admission of interested Witnesses, reported in the House from the Committee on the Judiciary on an order to amend Chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes, and on motion of Mr Eaton the same was indefinately postponed

Sent down for concurrence

The following Bills having been referred

duly and strictly engrossed: and having been enacted in the House, viz

Bill "An act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tippling Shops"

Bill. "An act concerning the liability of Rail Road corporations and other carriers for loss of life in certain cases

Bill. "An act in relation to Bankrupt Plaintiffs"

Bill "An act to amend an act in relation to the returns of Rail Road corporations"

Bill. "An act additional concerning the Supreme Court and its jurisdiction

Bill "An act relating to Lotteries"

Bill. "An act in additional to Chapter 74 of the Revised Statutes"

Bill. "An act to amend the records of the Sullivan and Hancock Bridge Corporations".

Resolve providing for the annual appropriation for the Reform School. was finally passed

Bill. "An act relating to criminal proceedings. reported from the Committee on the Judiciary to which was referred an act relating to witnesses in Criminal proceedings. and the same was indefinately postponed

Sent down for concurrence

Resolves relating to Slavery, came from the House Rice branch Concurring in the adoption of Senate amendments marked A. B. C. nonconcur.

ing amendments be further amended as per sheet marked R. and passed the same to be engrossed - The Senate receded from its former vote adopting amendment 6. concurred the House in adopted amendments, and passed the same to be engrossed

Resolves setting apart certain Lands for settlement, came from the House amended, and passed to be engrossed" The Senate receded from its former vote passing the Bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendments of the House and passed the same to be engrossed

Bill. "An act regulating the formation of Military Companies"

Bill. "An act for the admission of interested witnesses"

Bill. "An act to facilitate the detection and prevent the circulation of Counterfeit Bank Bills

Bill "An act relating the suffrage of Naturalized citizens" as amended in concurrence

Bill. "An act relating to Criminal Proceedings" reported by Judiciary Committee indefinately postponed was brought up on motion, and motion indefinately postponed reconsidered, and the Bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

The vote of the Senate indefinately postponing. Bill"

"An act in relation to interested witnesses was reconsidered, and the Bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence

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Mr Cushing moved to take from the table Resolve, authorizing the Land Agent to sell the Lot reserved for the further disposition of the Legislature in the Town of Brownville and the motion prevailed and the Resolve was read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Bill. "An act authorizing George Smith Guardian of John Rogers to convey the Estate of said Rogers to John Owen Rogers" was taken from the table read a second time and amended as per sheet annexed marked A. and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Dunnell of Dixfield by leave laid on the table "Resolve relating to the State Library" and the same was once read, rule suspended and read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Mr Willis from the joint Select Committee to which was referred "An act further to protect personal liberty, reported the Bill in a new draft, which was read once, the rule suspended read a second time, and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

Resolves in Literary Institutions House adopting amendments and refusing to accept report

Mr. Dunnells moved to insist, - conferees Thaxter Ruggles and Nichols, were appointed

Sent down for concurrence

Resolve for the purchase and distribution of the Maine Register was amended as per sheet annexed A. and passed to be engrossed

1850 Bill. "An act to provide for the relief of paupers having no legal settlement within this State. was referred to the next Legislature

Sent down for concurrence

Resolve for the encouragement of Flax Growing was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Mr Eaton from Committee on disagreeing vote of the two branches upon "Resolve to provide for the repair of roads and Bridges on Patrickstown Plantation". made a report that "the Branches of the Legislature adhere" and the report was accepted Sent down for concurrence

Resolve in favor of N. P. Osgood "came from the House, passed to be engrossed. the resolve was once read. the rule suspended, and passed the same to be engrossed in concurrence

On motion of Mr Bennett.

Ordered That the order passed fixing upon one half past five o' clock for the adjournment of this afternoon be hereby rescinded

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to make up the Pay Roll of the Senate to and including Monday the 19th instant - that he make up the pay of the Officers of the Senate the same as last year - and that he make up for the several clergymen who have officiated as Chaplains to the Senate the present session five dollars each. read and passed

Sent down for concurrence.

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On motion of Mr Blake of Penobscot

Ordered

That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to make up on the Pay Roll of the Senate to James G. Blaine, and Daniel T. Pike as reporters of the Senate for the present session the sum of seventy five dollars each.

Petition of John H. Haskell of Parsonsfield for a title to certain lands, came from the House, and was referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence

The following order

Order. That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to procure and prepare the printing of 350 copies of the journal of the Senate for the current session, and there be distributed, two to each of the Senators, two copies to each of the State Senators for the year 1856, one copy to the states with which this State exchanges documents, and the remaining copies to be deposited in the State Library, provided the whole expense of preparing and printing the same, shall not exceed six hundred dollars, was called up and passed.

Evening

Met at 7½ o'clock

Report of the Conferees on the Disagreeing vote of the two Branches on certain Literary Resolves, came from the House that branch nonconcurring the Senate in accepting the report, and adhering to its former vote. The Senate adhered to its former vote accepting the report

File. An act for the establishment of Normal Schools" passed to be engrossed

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Feby 14 by the Senate came from the House that branch indefinately postponed

Mr Boody moved that the Senate insist on their vote passing this Bile to be engrossed, and that confer ees be appointed, and on this question the Yeas and Nays were ordered, and the motion prevailed as follows

Yeas. Barker. Boody, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes, Dunnell, Eaton, Garcelon, Muzzy, Pease, Scammon, Walker, Watson, Willis 16

Nays; — Elliot, Hichborn, Irwin, Ruggles Sprague, Thorndike, 6

and Messrs Boody, Pease and Dascomb were appointed conferees Sent down for concurrence

The Secretary presented the Pay Rolls of the Senate, agreeably to the directions of the order of the Senate, entitled as follows

"Resolve for the Pay Roll of the Senate" and the same was once read. The rule suspended and the Resolve read a second time and passed to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

The Sub Committee from the joint Committee on State Prison, reported in the House a

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison. and the same was once read the rule suspended and passed to be engrossed

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Bill. An act to set off a part of Lyman and annex the same to the town of Alfred; came up for its passage to be enacted, and the same was referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence

Report of the committee on Rail Roads and Bridges giving "leave to withdraw" on petition of E. Cobb and others: came from the House that branch adhering to its former vote passing the Bill to be engrossed and the Senate adhered to its former vote indefinately postponing the Bill

Resolve for the purchase of Cavalry Equipments and House Furniture was indefinately postponed in concurrence, reported in House, by Committee of Militia on the petition of A. J. Lord.

Bill. "An act respecting Lien on Vessels" together with the report of the minority of Select Committee on Lien law was indefinately postponed, in concurrence

The following Order,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State cause to be printed and be put up in Pamphlet form Sections ten to twenty two inclusive of the Statue Chapter two hundred and five of the year 1846, and the act entitled an act for the suppression of Drinking Houses and Tipling Shops passed by the present Legislature, and that one Thousand and five Hundred Copies be sent to the Clerks of the several cities, Towns, and plantations postage paid and that five hundred copies be Deposited in the Library for future distribution - was passed in concurrence

Resolve respecting Normal Schools" laid upon the table by Mr Larsen of Kennebec

was read once, the rule suspended, and passed to be engrossed

The following Bills having passed to be enacted in the House and having been reported as truly and strictly engrossed

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Maine State Seminary"

Bill, "An act annulling the naturalization powers of the Courts of this State"

Bill, "An act to set off certain lands from the town of West Bath to the City of Bath"

Bill, "An act regulating the formation of Military Companies"

Bill, "An act authorizing Plantations to raise money for the support of Schools"

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Bath Bank"

The foregoing Bills were by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval

Resolve setting apart certain Townships for settlement finally passed in the House, and reported as truly and strictly engrossed, and finally passed in the Senate

... The foregoing Resolves was conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

Bill, "An act for the establishment of Normal Schools, came from the House, that branch insisting on its former vote indefinately postponing the Bill. The Senate receded from its former vote having the Bill to be engrossed

Amended the Bill as per Sheets annexed marked A, & B. And as amended, passed the Bill to be engrossed

Sent down for concurrence

On motion the Senate adjourned to meet a 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Attested,

Louis O'Conran,

Secretary.

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In Senate

March 17. 1855

Met at 8 o'clock A.M.

Bill. "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of the Government" was received from the House passed to be engrossed. The act was read once, the rule suspended, amended by striking out " Printing House and Senate journal" $1200, by Yeas and Nays as follows

Yeas, Barker, Newell Blake, Boody, Currier Cushing, Dascomb, Downes, Eaton, Hichborn, Muzzy, 10

passed to be engrossed. Bill again came back from the House insisting upon its passage to be engrossed without amendment. The Senate insisted upon its former vote and appointed Messrs. Torsey. Ruggles and Hichborn conferees.

Resolves providing for an alteration of constitution relating to Elective Franchise passed to be enacted by Yeas and Nays as follows.

Yeas, Barker, Newall Blake, Boody, Crehore, Currier, Cushing, Dascomb, Dennett, Downes, Eaton, Garcelon, Hichborn, Muzzy, Quimby, Ruggles, Scammon, Thorndike, Torsey, Turner and Watson 20

Nays, Dunnell, Goodwin Willis 3.

Bill an act for the adoption of children was amended and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve in favor of the temporary Clerks in the Secretary of State's Office, also on Pay Roll of the House of Representatives.

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and a Resolve in favor of certain members of the House of Representatives were passed in concurrence. 453

Resolve in favor of Lydia Cushman came from the House passed to be engrossed and the same was laid upon the table.

An order from the House

That the Secretary of State, cause to be printed with the public Laws passed during this Session in the Several newspapers which shall publish said Laws the resolves relating to Slavery, to the French Spoliation Bill, and relating to the amendment of the constitution in relation to the Elective Franchise, was passed in concurrence

Report relating to and Bill establishing a State Normal School came from the House that body adhering to its former vote indefinitely postponing the Bill On motion of Mr Boody the Senate adhered to its former vote passing the same.

The following Bills, Viz.

Bills An act further to protect personal liberty;

" An act to insure the detection and prevent the circulation of Counterfeit Bank Bills,

" An act for the admission of interested witnesses.

" An act authorizing George Smith Guardian of John Rogers to convey certain Real Estate

" An Act to incorporate the town of Reed,

" An act to amend Chapter 145 of the private and Special Laws of the year 1853.

" An act to incorporate the Piscataquis.

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Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bill, An Act relating to Criminal proceedings and to prevent unnecessary costs to the State;

" An Act to change the name of Kirkland;

" An Act to set off certain lands from Porter to Brownfield;

" An Act authorizing Plantations Letter G & H number Eleven Range 5 and boys tat to repair roads in said Plantations;

" An Act in relation to Criminal Proceedings;

" An Act regulating the Subject of naturalizing citizens;

" An Act to amend an Act in relation to the Officers of the State Prison;

" An Act to incorporate the Maine State Agricultural Society and more fully to prescribe the powers and duties of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies;

" An Act to abolish the Police Court in the City of Bangor and to establish a Municipal Court for said City with Enlarged jurisdiction; and

" An Act to provide in part for the Expenditures of the Government; and

"

" An Act providing for the adoption of Children, were severally passed to be enacted, and conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

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The following Resolves viz.
Resolve in favor of Alvin Bardin,

" " " " James Simmons,

" " " " the Bath City Greys,

" " " " certain members of the House of Representatives.

" for the Encouragement of Clay Growing,

" in favor of certain members of the Legislature who visited the State Prison,

" for the publication of certain documents;

" in favor of the temporary clerks in the Secretary of State's office;

" relating to the State Library;

" authorizing the appointment of a Commissioner to settle certain claims against the government of the United States,

" in favor of Schools on certain islands,

" in favor of H. P. Osgood,

" in favor of certain members of the Maine Board of Agriculture

" on the Pay Roll of the Senate

" on the Pay Roll of the House of Representatives,

" relating to Slavery;

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Resolves authorizing the continuation of the Geological and Agricultural Survey of the State;

Resolve in favor of certain members of the Legislature.

Resolve in favor Albert Wheelock.

Resolve in favor of S. C. Haight;

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell the lot reserved for public uses in the town of Fairfield;

Resolve for furnishing the Registers of Deeds with the Laws and Resolves; and

Resolve, for the purchase of the Maine Register, were severally finally passed, and convey ed by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr Torrey.

Ordered. That a committee consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor, and inform him that both branches of the Legislature have acted upon all business before them and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make' and Messrs Torrey, Wells, and Barnes were appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. Sent down for concurrence The House passed the order in concurrence.

Subsequently Mr Torrey reported that the Committee had waited on the Governor, and that he was pleased to say, that he would communicate through the Secretary of State.

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On motion of Mr Garcelon a message was sent to the House of Representatives proposing that when the two branches of the Legislature next adjourn they adjourn without day, Subsequently a message was received from the House concurring in the proposition relative to a final adjournment.

Mr Dunnell of Oxford offered the following Ordered, "That while we retain each for the other the most kindly feelings and highest ~~regard, we would recollect with~~ profound respect the truly generous and noble character of Hon Nathaniel Blake now absent, and the peculiar circumstances under which he left our board, and took upon himself the hazardous enterprize of carrying the means of life to the Starving citizens of our State," which was passed unanimously.

Mr Willis of Cumberland the arose and said,

Mr President.

I have a resolution to offer which I think will receive the unanimous concurrence of the Senate, The Session, Sir, is drawing to its closing hour, and we may honestly speak of it as as remarkable for the dispatch of business, and the harmony of its action. In some things we have not all concurred, there has been an occasional struggle between moderate conservatism and a progress somewhat hasty, in which there have been alternations of success. The blending of the two gives security and strength. I trust that our constituents will have no reason to say that the commonwealth has sustained injury in the result. This is undoubtedly an age of progress and while many linger in the recollections of the past, more dwell in visions of the future. It becomes

the wise and prudent so to temper these conflicting elements that the dead past shall not crush but counsel, the growing life of an advanced civilization.

Most of our members were fresh in the duties of legislation. we brought from our various industrial pursuits habits of business which have been learned with equal readiness to the service of the State. We were free from political partizanship, and acknowledged no leaders but ~~the Right~~ and consequently we have had no party machinery to restrict our movements, or narrow our courses of action

On our assembling together, most of us met for the first time; we were strangers to each other; and on our final adjournment, we shall, in all human probability, never meet again. But in this brief space friendships have been formed which will always endure. Each Senator has made his mark, and his character in a measure stands revealed. The impressions here made will never be effaced while memory shall retain its hold upon the events which move over it.

"What has been writ in this record has been writ," the record is made up, our acts are engrossed for eternity. Our intercourse has been genial, our action has been characterized by no narrow jealousy, nor bitter feeling; and I do not doubt that we shall bear each other testimony, that there has prevailed from the beginning an sincere conscientious desire and endeavor to promote the public good as well as to cultivate a friendly intercourse with each other.

In this hour of seperation, I feel quite sure that we entertain and will carry away with us none but kind feelings and most friendly wishes. For myself, I can and do freely tender to each one of my Senatorial companions and brethren and believe that they will respond to the sentiment

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that most sweet with which Shakespere so beau
tifully expresses.

"May you live longer
Than I have time to tell your years
Ever beloved and living, may your lives be
And when Red Time shall bring you to your end
Goodness and you fill up one monument"

I now turn to you, Mr President, to speak of you what I am confident is the unanimous sentiment of this body — that much of our dispatch of business and harmony of action, may be attributed to the good presiding qualities of the chair; He has proved himself no less skilled in the art of legislation, than as an apt appren tice of that cunning artificer, who of old, in the workshop of the gods, forged their immortal armor.

It is therefore with great pleasure, I lay upon your table, Mr Secretary, the following resolution which I desire you to submit to the Senate.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be presented to the Hon. Franklin Muzzy, for the prompt, the courteous and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body. And that our best wishes accompany him into whatever sphere of duty, and usefulness he may hereafter be guided".

The resolution was unanimously adopted, by Senators rising.

Mr Muzzy responded as follows.
Senators; The resolve you have just passed and the remarks of the Hon Senator from Lamoille have awaken a lively apprehension of the fact that the closing moments of the session are upon us

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For your expression of kindness and approbation I beg you to accept my most grateful acknowledgments.

If I have succeeded in presiding over your deliberations to your acceptance, I am sincerely thankful. I do not, however, forget that I am greatly indebted for this success to the uniform courtesy, kindness and gentlemanly bearing constantly extended to me, and observed between themselves by Senators at this board.

Senators, we are about to part never again to meet as associates in this chamber, and the consciousness of this brings over us all, I doubt not, a cloud of sadness. A few weeks since we met here most of us strangers; we seperate this morning as intimate acquaintances and friends.

For the first time in the annals of our State the seats at this board have been occupied by members of the same political party, imbued with common political principles and sympathies.

In the absence of the Eagle eye of political antagonism to warn of approaching danger, and guided only by devotion to the highest interest of the people of our State in the discharge of the important duties of the session, the Senators of this board have labored with unfaltering assiduity and patriotic fidelity. I am sure, with how much of wisdom is cheerfully committed to the verdict of the future.

Senators, our official labors are closed. May we all as we leave this chamber and return with gladness to the sacred retirement of private life, bear with us hearts of thanksgiving to Him, by whose power alone, during the arduous labors of the session, we are indebted for life, and health, and whatever of wisdom has attended our deliberations.

* Mr Garcelon offered the following,

Resolved. That the thanks of the Senate be tendered to Louis O. Cowan Esq. Secretary and to Joseph W. Knowlton Esq. Assistant Secretary for the able and acceptable manner in which they have performed the duties of their respective offices.

And the resolve was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr Quinby,

Ordered, That the thanks of the Senate be tendered to Edwin Freeman Messinger and to James Shaw assistant Messinger for the faithful and gentlemanly manner in which they have performed their official duties. and the same was unanimously adopted.

The Senate then took recess.

Attest. Louis O. Cowan,
Secretary.

Senate called to order again.

The Secretary being absent on motion of Mr Eaton, Daniel T. Pike was chosen Secretary of the Senate Pro Tempore, and the oaths of office were administered by Hon Noah Smith authorized by Dedimus Potestatim.

Resolve on the Pay Roll of the House of Representatives, Resolve on the Pay Roll of the Senate.

Resolve in favor of certain members of the House of Representatives.

were severally
passed, and presented by the Secretary to the

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466 Governor for his approval.

The Secretary of State came in, and laid before the Senate a communication from the Governor, transmitting a list of the titles of 216 acts and 92 Resolves, passed by the present Legislature, and approved by him, and informing the Senate that he had no further communication to make.

On motion the Senate, then

Adjourned without day.

Daniel F. Pike,
Secretary, Pro. Tempore.

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