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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, March 16, 1861.

ORDERED : That the Secretary of the Senate cause to be printed under his supervision and direction, three hundred copies of the Journal of the Senate for the present session; and that he cause three copies of the same to be distributed to each of the members of this Senate, one copy to each of the members of the present House of Representatives, one copy to each of the State Senators for 1862, and deposit the remaining copies in the State Library.

Read and passed.

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JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

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# JOURNAL OF THE SENATE.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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AUGUSTA, Wednesday, January 2, 1861.

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

*First Senatorial District*.....NATHANIEL G. MARSHALL,  
JOHN H. GOODENOW,  
LEONARD ANDREWS.

*Second Senatorial District*....NATHANIEL J. MILLER,  
SEWALL N. GROSS,  
NATHANIEL PEASE,  
WARREN H. VINTON.

*Third Senatorial District*.....JESSE S. LYFORD,  
RUFUS SYLVESTER,  
ROBERT E. RIDER,  
HENRY KENNEDY.

*Fourth Senatorial District*....CALVIN HOPKINS,  
JAMES A. BICKNELL,  
WARREN PERCIVAL.

*Fifth Senatorial District*.....OTIS KALER,  
NATHAN PIERCE,  
AMOS PITCHER.

*Sixth Senatorial District*.....JOHN BRIDGES,  
JOHN M. NOYES.



*Seventh Senatorial District*....JOSEPH GRANGER,  
TRISTRAM REDMAN.

*Eighth Senatorial District*....JOTHAM DONNELL.

*Ninth Senatorial District*.....JOHN BENSON,  
WILLIAM C. HAMMATT,  
JABEZ TRUE.

*Tenth Senatorial District*.....PHINEAS TOLMAN.

*Eleventh Senatorial District*..HIRAM C. WARREN,  
NATHAN F. BLUNT.

*Twelfth Senatorial District*...Z. MORTON VAUGHAN.

*Thirteenth Senatorial District*.JOHN P. HUBBARD,  
ELBRIDGE G. HARLOW.

The Senators elect were called to order by JAMES M. LINCOLN, Esq., Secretary of the Senate of 1860.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. BALLOU of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL, that Senator was charged with a message to the Governor, informing him that a quorum of Senators elect is present 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. BICKNELL subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he had been charged, and the Governor was pleased to say in reply, 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, preceded by the Sheriff of Kennebec county, and attended by the Executive Council and Heads of Departments, came in, before whom the Senators elect took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Governor and his attendants then withdrew.

On motion of Mr. BRIDGES,

Messrs. Bridges, Rider and Miller, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for President of the Senate.

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

Whole number of ballots is	29.
Necessary for a choice,	15
John H. Goodenow has	29

The report was accepted and HON. JOHN H. GOODENOW was declared duly elected President of the Senate for the current political year.

Mr. Goodenow being conducted to the Chair by Mr. Pease, addressed the Senate as follows :

SENATORS:—For this generous expression of your confidence I tender to you my grateful acknowledgments. While assuring you of my purpose to discharge the delicate and responsible duties of the Chair, with fidelity and impartiality, I must rely, in great measure, upon your courtesy, co-operation and support. Without that aid and indulgence, which I cannot for a moment doubt you will extend to me, I shall be wholly unable to meet your expectations, or fulfil your wishes

The duties which we have been summoned by an overwhelming popular expression to perform, are of a grave and important nature. At this momentous period in our country's history, let us, in our limited sphere, prove ourselves not unworthy of the high trusts committed to us. Let me invoke upon your deliberations that enlarged and comprehensive patriotism, that heroic and self-sacrificing devotion to liberty, which animated the fathers of the Republic. By emulating their spirit, we shall be enabled the better to perform *all* our obligations—as well to our noble State, as to our common country.

On motion of Mr. PEASE,

Messrs. Pease, Hopkins and Blunt, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of the Senate.

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

Whole number of ballots is	30
Necessary for a choice,	16
James M. Lincoln has	30

The report was accepted, and JAMES M. LINCOLN, of Bath, was

declared duly elected Secretary of the Senate for the current political year.

Mr. Lincoln 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 Josiah H. Drummond, Esq., authorized by *dedimus potestatem*, and entered upon the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW,

Messrs. Harlow, Gross and Redman, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Secretary.

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

Whole number of ballots is	30
Necessary for a choice,	16
Ezra C. Brett has	30

The report was accepted, and EZRA C. BRETT was declared duly elected Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

Messrs. Kennedy, Percival and Noyes, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Messenger.

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

Whole number of ballots is	31
Necessary for a choice,	16
Increase Blake has	31

The report was accepted, and INCREASE BLAKE was declared duly elected Messenger of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN,

Messrs. Vaughan, Tolman and Hubbard, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Messenger.

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

Whole number of ballots is	31
Necessary for a choice,	16
John U. Hill has	31

The report was accepted, and JOHN U. HILL was declared duly elected Assistant Messenger of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, that Senator was charged with a message to the Governor and Council, informing the Executive Department that the Senate is duly organized by the choice of Hon. John H. Goodenow as President, and James M. Lincoln, Esq., as Secretary.

Mr. ANDREWS subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he had been charged.

Mr. HOPKINS presented the following :

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to invite the clergymen of Augusta and Hallowell to officiate as Chaplains of the Senate, in rotation.

Pending which, Mr. Vinton proposed an amendment to add after "Hallowell," the words "and Gardiner;" which was adopted.

The order as amended was then passed.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW,

*Ordered*, That the Rules and Orders of the Senate of 1860, be the Rules and Orders of this Senate, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. BENSON,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to procure and distribute to each member of the Senate, to the Secretary and Assistant Secretary, and to the Messenger and Assistant Messenger, one copy of the Thrice Weekly Journal, and one copy of the Thrice Weekly Age.

A communication was received from NOAH SMITH, Esq., Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Senators for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. MARSHALL,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of seven be appointed by the Chair, to which shall be referred the returns of votes for Senators for the current political year.

And Messrs Marshall of York, Lyford of Lincoln, Bicknell of Kennebec, Tolman of Piscataquis, Pease of Cumberland, Harlow of Oxford and Warren of Somerset, were appointed said Committee.

On motion of Mr. NOYES,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary be directed to procure the printing of seventy-five diagrams of the Senate Chamber, on card board, for the use of the members of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be directed to place in the hands of the Messenger of the Senate, for the use of Senators, five copies of the Revised Statutes; also two copies of Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary.

Subsequently, Mr. DONNELL moved to reconsider the vote passing the above order, which motion was adopted

Mr. GROSS then moved to amend the order by striking out the words two copies of "Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary," and inserting instead "one copy of Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary, and one copy of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary."

The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, passed.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, laying before the Legislature the returns of votes for Governor, made to the State Department, for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. MILLER,

*Ordered*, That the returns of votes for Governor, given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the current political year, be referred to a joint Committee of seven on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

And Messrs. Miller of Cumberland, True of Penobscot, Donnell of Aroostook, Rider of Lincoln, Kaler of Waldo, Blunt of Somerset, and Vaughan of Franklin, were appointed on the part of the Senate:  
Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the order came back passed in concurrence, and with the Committee joined on the part of the House, as follows:

Messrs. Foster of Portland, Munroe of Livermore, Sweetser of Saco, Dane of Denmark, Eaton of Jay, Perkins of Gardiner, Wilson of Bowdoin, Stetson of Damariscotta, Buxton of Warren, Brown of Hampden, Pitcher of Belfast, Ramsdell of Atkinson, Weston of

Skowhegan, Sherman of Bucksport, Page of Fort Kent, and Bucknam of Eastport.

On motion of Mr. GROSS,

*Ordered*, That the Senate hold one session per day, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. CURRIER of Athens, informing the Senate that the House is duly organized by the choice of JAMES G. BLAINE, Esq., of Augusta, as Speaker, and CHARLES A. MILLER, Esq., of Rockland, as Clerk.

On motion of Mr. RIDER, that Senator was charged with a message to the House of Representatives, informing that body that the Senate is duly organized by the choice of Hon. JOHN H. GOODENOW as President, and JAMES M. LINCOLN Esq., as Secretary.

Mr. RIDER subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he had been charged.

On motion of Mr. TOLMAN, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHURCH of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. PERCIVAL,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish one copy of the Acts and Resolves of 1860 to each of the members of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the Senate during the present session.

And Messrs. Granger of Washington, Andrews of York, and Blunt of Somerset, were appointed said Committee.

A communication was read from Hon. HANNIBAL HAMLIN, resigning the office of Senator in the Congress of the United States, to take effect on the 17th inst.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be raised, to prepare Joint Rules and Orders for the government of the two Houses for 1861.

And Messrs. Bicknell of Kennebec, Benson of Penobscot, and Harlow of Oxford, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the order came back passed in concurrence, and with the Committee joined on the part of the House, as follows :

Messrs. Currier of Athens, Kimball of Sanford, Teague of Turner, Low of Hodgdon, and Kennedy of Strong.

Mr. MILLER, from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the returns of votes given in the several cities, towns and

plantations in this State, for Governor, for the current political year, reported as follows :

Whole number of votes returned is	124,135
Necessary for a choice,	62,068
Israel Washburn Jr., has	70,030
Ephraim K. Smart      “	52,350
Phineas Barnes         “	1,735
All others,	20

There were returned one hundred and seventy votes for Israel Washburn, all of which were allowed and counted for Israel Washburn Jr. There were eight votes returned for I. Washburn, which were allowed and counted for Israel Washburn Jr.

And Israel Washburn Jr., having a majority of all the votes returned, is elected Governor for the ensuing political year.

The report was read and accepted, and sent down.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS,

*Ordered,* That a Committee of three be appointed on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to wait upon the Hon. ISRAEL WASHBURN Jr., and inform him that he has been elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

And Messrs. Andrews of York, Hammatt of Penobscot, and Miller of Cumberland, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the order came back passed in concurrence, and with Messrs. Goodwin of Wells, Libby of Orono, Fox of Portland, Kennedy of Strong, Webb of Winthrop, Cole of Machias, and Pitcher of Belfast, joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT,

*Ordered,* That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet this afternoon at 3½ o'clock.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee appointed to inform the Hon. ISRAEL WASHBURN Jr., of his election, by the people, as Governor of the State, reported that the Committee had attended to the duty assigned them, and the Governor elect was pleased to say he will accept the office, and will attend upon the Legislature at any



time that may be assigned, to take the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. MILLER, its Clerk, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at fifteen minutes before one o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hon. ISRAEL WASHBURN, Jr., Governor elect, the oaths of office, and of receiving such communication as he may be pleased to make, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

The Senate concurred, of which concurrence the Secretary informed the House by message.

The hour assigned for the Convention having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, and the Convention was formed.

#### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT of Penobscot, that Senator was charged with a message to the Hon. ISRAEL WASHBURN, Jr., Governor elect, informing him that a Convention of both branches of the Legislature is in waiting, ready to administer to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Subsequently Mr. HAMMATT reported to the Convention that he had delivered the message with which he had been charged, and the Governor elect was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend the Convention for the purpose indicated.

Thereupon, the Hon. ISRAEL WASHBURN Jr., Governor elect, attended by the Governor and Council of last year, and the Heads of the Departments, preceded by the Sheriff of Kennebec county, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

NOAH SMITH, Esq., Secretary of State, then made the following

#### PROCLAMATION.

"The votes for Governor, which have been duly returned to the office of Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by

the Legislature, who having declared that a majority thereof were given to Hon. ISRAEL WASHBURN, Jr., and that he is duly elected, and he having in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of that office, I therefore declare and make known to all persons in this State who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all good citizens thereof, that

ISRAEL WASHBURN, JR.,

is Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the State of Maine, and that due obedience should be rendered to all his lawful acts and commands as such.

God save the State of Maine !”

The President of the Convention then signified that the Convention was ready to hear any communication from the Governor that he might be disposed to make.

Whereupon, the Governor addressed the Convention as follows :

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

*and of the House of Representatives :*

The year which has just closed, has been with our people, one of unsurpassed prosperity in all their material relations. The husbandman has enjoyed the advantage of ready markets and remunerating prices for the generous harvests which have been the reward of his labors. The shipbuilder and the lumberman have been encouraged by more liberal returns than had, for several preceding years, waited upon the important branches of industry over which they preside ; and in the employments of labor and capital, in whatever department, with few, if any exceptions, the spring of a quicker and steadier life has been felt. Health, peace, and comfort have been within our borders, and in our habitations. It has been the common remark of our wisest observers, that never before has the State been so strong in all the conditions of physical prosperity—that never has its wealth been so considerable or so generally diffused ; and that the people have at no former period been so free from pecuniary liabilities as at the present time. It may be doubted that the sun in his whole course, visits a commu-

nity whose members are more clear of financial embarrassments, or who are more generally in possession of the means and accessories of comfort and independence than those among whom our lot has been cast.

For these favors and benedictions, let us acknowledge with devout and reverent hearts, with offerings of thanksgiving and gratitude, our dependence upon that beneficent and gracious PROVIDENCE from whom alone they have come; and let us implore the continuance of His blessings to this people, to our beloved Commonwealth, and to that Union-Government, in whose perpetuity and integrity are enfolded so many of the hopes of mankind.

It will be our grateful duty to labor assiduously and earnestly—and in the light of that large and comprehensive policy which perceives that the different sections of the State are intimately related to each other, and that no step taken in behalf of one does not advance them all—for the promotion of those interests and pursuits to which our attention and care are obviously summoned by the natural resources, and the geographical and climatic position of the State whose welfare has been temporarily committed to our charge.

Situated in the path of the intercourse between the new world and the old, with a direct sea frontage of two hundred and thirty miles, and, following the sinuosities of the tide, with more than three thousand miles of coast, upon which are numerous harbors, some of them unrivalled in capacity, safety and accessibility; with railroad connections, extending through the Canadas and the Northwest—few states possess facilities for the transaction of a large and profitable commerce equal to those of Maine. And in the essential conditions of a successful prosecution of the carrying trade, in particular, her superiority over all the other states is manifest and unquestionable. Already she has become the largest shipbuilder in the Union, furnishing two-fifths, at least, of the sailing tonnage of its entire merchant-service.

For the prosecution of the fisheries with economy and success, no people in the United States can be better situated than those who live upon the thousand bays, harbors, creeks and rivers of this State.

The rivers and large streams, so numerous that there is no neighborhood within our boundaries which they neglect to visit, are literally crowded with falls and rapids, furnishing water power of

vast extent and capacity, and at many points so accessible to the centers of trade and distribution, as to place them among the most eligible sites for manufacturing purposes in the country.

Iron of excellent quality, and, it is believed, inexhaustible in quantity, is found in the counties of Piscataquis and Aroostook. And slate, superior even to the best importations from Wales, abounds within fifty miles of Bangor. Such is its quality and the facility with which it may be quarried, that, as I have the highest authority for saying, a reduction of fifty cents per ton in the expense of transportation to tide water, would secure for it the nearly entire market of the United States.

The lumber in our forests is yet so considerable in extent and variety, that the amount of labor and capital employed in its cutting, driving, manufacture, and transportation, will rather be increased than diminished for a quarter of a century to come.

The soil of Maine is not upon an average so fertile as that of most of the Western States, but a good portion of it is arable, and nearly all, in natural adaptation, arable or grazing. Under the auspices of good husbandry it yields better returns, in net exchangeable values, than the fat acres of the West—for the Maine farmer lives in the eye of commerce, and where the best markets are at his door. In no part of the country do the wheat harvests display larger crops—more bushels to the acre—than the fields of the Aroostook valley. Undoubtedly the cost of dressing, planting and gathering is greater in Maine than in Illinois, but the clear profit of the crop is, I think, greater also. And I am confident that no acre sown with wheat in any Western State, shows so liberal a margin of profit, as, with a like investment of labor and capital, is realized by the potato grower in most of the counties in this State.

To enlarge our commerce, to place the great business of ship-building on a surer and stronger footing, to extend the employments of our carriers, to increase the number and enhance the profits of our hardy fishermen, to attract the investment of capital in the manifold varieties of manufactures for which the State is pre-eminently adapted, to work the iron mines of Katahdin, and open those of Aroostook, to enable Brownville and the neighboring towns to supply the markets of America with slate, to systematize the operations and diversify the employments of those engaged in the lumber trade, and, by all these, to give new incitements and ampler recompense to those who till the soil, by creating an increased de-

mand and nearer markets for the fruits of their industry—are among the objects which the people of the State will expect those who have been invested with legislative functions, will, to the best of their ability, endeavor to promote.

But of all the employments of industry in our midst, that of the farmer is unquestionably first in rank and importance. Agriculture is the foundation of all material wealth and strength—its achievements are the measure of the external improvements and progress of a people. Whatever measures, therefore, within the scope of proper and just legislation, will tend to the advancement of an interest so great and so universal; whatever policy will bring to its service the contributions of science, and the generalizations of intelligent observation, will receive from you that degree of attention which their great importance demands. I am happy to believe that the farmers of Maine are taking a higher interest than formerly in the business which forms the chief pursuit of their lives. Ceasing to regard their occupation as one of mere drudgery and toil, they are entertaining juster views of its nature, and of its relations to other departments of human interest and endeavor. In the study of its methods, the investigation of its laws, the working-out of its experiments, and in the increased measure of remuneration achieved thereby, agriculture becomes the useful, the honorable, and the beautiful calling which God has provided for the most favored of his children.

The farmers of our State who have always contributed with cheerfulness in aid of other interests and avocations, will expect of the Legislature some practical recognition of their claim to the fostering care and judicious encouragement which a State may properly extend to those who do so much to make it strong and great and happy. They will come before you, as I am advised, soliciting an appropriation for a scientific survey of the State, believing “that such a survey embracing its Geology, Agriculture, Natural History and Physical Geography, ably conducted and faithfully reported, would greatly tend to develop and improve its agriculture, determine its mineral wealth, increase its mechanical and manufacturing interests, and assist in supplying our educational wants. And moreover, that it would attract population, capital and enterprise from abroad.” Concurring in these views, I have no hesitation in commending the subject to your consideration, expressing at the same time my firm belief that you can in no way render a better

service to the State and all its interests, than by making adequate provision by law for carrying into effect the wishes of this numerous body of our citizens.

In the northeasterly section of the State is a tract of country, embracing an area of not less than one hundred townships, surpassing in capacity for agricultural development and production any territory of equal extent in New England, and which with the encouragement of a wise and liberal policy would become, in the not distant future, the seat of a population not inferior in numbers, nor dissimilar in character, to that of the State of Vermont at the present time. The means for accomplishing an end so much to be desired are obvious and available. What is demanded is not a change of climate, for there is no better climate on the continent, all things considered, than that of the Aroostook—none more conducive to health and strength, to intellectual and physical vigor. If the season is short, it is happily adapted to the profitable cultivation of many valuable crops, some of them among the most important produced in the country, to whose generally unfailing success the long winter with its deep continuous snows, by protecting the earth from the severe frosts common in the more southerly New England latitudes, essentially contributes. A better soil is not wanted, for by far the larger portion of this is not inferior to that of Western New York and Michigan—nor are the prime necessities of wood and water in this region deficient, as its magnificent forests and innumerable springs and streams sufficiently attest. But what is wanted is Access—cheap, speedy, easy communication with the marts of trade and commerce in the country below. With such facilities for the transit of persons and commodities as no free State east of the Mississippi river has failed to provide for any district of equal extent and resources, what is known as the Aroostook country would, long before the close of the present century, be as densely settled as is the county of Kennebec at this day. Certainly, to promote the development and settlement of a domain like this, is an object worthy of the statesmanship of the representatives of a great commonwealth. It is not for me to direct, or perhaps advise, in regard to the particular manner, or the specific means, by which this indispensable service may be best accomplished. But I should be false to my sense of duty, and fail in the love which I have ever borne to my native State, and in the hopes which I have never ceased to cherish of her great future, if I hesitated to commend thi

subject in all its aspects and bearings to your most earnest and thoughtful regard. By the Constitution you are forbidden to make use of the credit of the State for the promotion of works and improvement to any considerable extent; and I am not prepared at this time to recommend any change of that instrument in this regard. But without such change the Legislature may do something—indeed, it may do much—for the encouragement of such works. To the extent of its constitutional power it may grant direct or indirect aid. The unsold lands, the securities in the public offices, the legal and equitable claims of the State against the general government growing out of the war of 1812, of the northeastern boundary controversy, and out of other transactions,—(some of them certain to be allowed and paid to the very considerable amount for which that government, by the principles it has recognized and acted upon in many instances, is fully committed, and others in the end I hope not less certain, upon the able and faithful presentment and advocacy which I know our senators and representatives at Washington are prepared to make)—may be appropriated, in whole or in part, to be holden in trust for their prosecution and completion. In this way such recognition of the value and importance of these enterprises might be made, as, by assuring the public confidence in their importance, would, in connection with the direct aid to which I have adverted, go far towards placing them in the way of early and certain consummation. While the Aroostook section, as containing the largest portion by far of the good settling lands owned by the State and yet unoccupied, will undoubtedly present stronger claims upon your consideration than any other, it is to be readily conceded that the other northerly counties have large tracts of excellent and available settling lands, the development of which should also be the object of your care. To all these districts as well as to the northeast, your aid should be extended, if extended at all, in just and equitable proportions, having regard to the circumstances of each case.

While upon this topic of the settlement of our unoccupied lands, I will take occasion to say, that the plan of some organized measures for the introduction of emigrants from the north of Europe to our State, has been received with much favor by many of the most thoughtful and far-sighted of our citizens. The Norwegians, in particular, it is believed by those who have studied their character, would form desirable accessions to our population. By such they



are said to be athletic, fair, and healthy. They are also represented as intelligent, brave, loyal, frugal, industrious, affectionate, and religious. They are our true ancestors. The climate, growth and agricultural productions of Norway resemble in many respects those of northern Maine; but an industrious Norwegian farmer removed to Aroostook county, with its better soil, larger cattle and horses, and longer summers and more generous production, while he would find a congenial climate, would think himself in a tropical region, so much more bountiful returns would nature yield to his industry.

It will not escape your observation that whatever assistance may be granted towards the construction of a railroad to the Aroostook, will be in aid practically of the interests and purposes of the friends of the European and North American Railway, whether made directly to them or not. Thus while contributing to the settlement of our unoccupied lands you may also be instrumental in forming that connection between the railroads of the United States and Canada on the one side, and of the lower British Provinces on the other, which has so long been regarded as a most desirable consummation by the intelligent people of this and other States. Of the importance of this connection to this State and the United States, as necessary for the completion of a great international highway, I have no occasion to speak after the thorough and exhausting expositions of the question which have been made by some of my predecessors, and by members of former legislatures. The Congress of the United States has heretofore in many instances granted lands to aid the construction of works of general interest. That any of these can compare in national importance, in direct usefulness and convenience to all parts of the country, with an enterprise which would lead to a shortening of the transit between New York and London by from four to six days, will not be asserted by those who will give the subject a careful and thorough examination. While I cannot encourage the hope that an application for aid for this work from the federal government would meet with sufficient favor at Washington to ensure its success at the present time, and under existing circumstances, its importance to the whole country as well as the government itself, and the sacrifices which Maine so generously made in 1842, of her clear and indisputable rights of property and jurisdiction, for the benefit of the whole country, persuade me that the grant of such aid as might be necessary to effect its accomplishment, would be both wise and just.



The consequences of a policy like the one I have advocated in respect to internal improvements, if carried out—and let me say it is a policy which has been growing in favor among our wise and thoughtful men for many years—would be not to impoverish, but to enrich the State—not to run it into debt, not to impair its credit, and not to augment the burdens of the people. It would increase the population of the State, swell its valuation tables, reduce the taxes upon its citizens, and assist it to hold its relative position—if not to improve it—in regard to wealth, strength, population, representation and power, among the sister states.

The trade of the Aroostook, now rapidly increasing with the growth of its population, is in danger of being wholly diverted from this State. Already, much the larger part of it is carried on through channels of communication in a neighboring Province, and without some effectual measures to arrest the present tendency of things, it will be wholly lost to us. With the needed facilities of transit within the State, its entire commerce, thereupon to be largely increased year after year, would flow into the cities of Bangor and Calais, placing their prosperity and expansion beyond the reach of any contingency that human foresight can imagine. The opening up and improvement of other sections of the State, would contribute materially to the trade of the cities of the Kennebec, and of our leading commercial emporium. Added to these results, we should witness the building up of many trades and employments, in the various departments of industry, throughout the State. New incitements would be given and new hopes held out to labor, enterprise and capital every where within our borders.

Within twenty years many millions of capital have been invested in the railroads of the State, upon which in most cases no returns in the form of dividends have been realized. But with the lapse of years, the gradual accommodation of business to the new avenues, and the better management which has come from the lessons of experience, the financial condition of many, if not all of our railroad corporations, is steadily improving, and their earnings are yearly approximating the point at which the shareholders in them may expect to receive interest upon their stock. The increased traffic upon all these roads which would attend the development of the policy I have recommended, would add little to their ordinary expenses, and thus would swell, by nearly the entire amount of the increased receipts, their actual and realized profits. In this

way the certificates of stock in our railroad corporations, held by so many of our citizens, from being the witnesses of so much money lost, would be transformed to signs of so much productive capital. A truth of great practical value would be impressed upon our people in reference to those hasty generalizations, which, because of the comparative failures that have attended investments in railroads, injudiciously located in many cases, and in all built under circumstances involving a cost of twice the amount that would have been required under more experienced management and with adequate means, therefore assumes that all roads, without regard to the amount of traffic they would accommodate, to the vast areas of country they would develop, or to the cheapness and economy with which they could be built, would fail to be sources of income and profit to their proprietors.

The census tables exhibit an increase of the population of the State for the last decade of less than twelve per cent., and the smallest since the formation of the government ; while in the neighboring State of Massachusetts, with no virgin lands, no inviting Aroostook, but under the influence of a liberal and far-reaching policy, and of a spirit of courageous enterprise, there has been a gain of more than twenty-five per cent. The census returns of Maine may be, and probably are, imperfect and incorrect, and fail of showing our actual numbers by many thousands ; still there is no doubt that the ratio of increase for the last ten years has been miserably small. Shall these things go on ? With greater physical attractions and ampler resources than three-fourths of the States possess, shall we cling to the narrow and shrivelling policy which leaves, and will leave, our State far behind any other that enjoys a tithe of its advantages ? The debt of the State is now less than seven hundred thousand dollars. I would not counsel its enlargement, but its reduction, rather ; and I would earnestly advise the adoption of a policy which, by increasing our wealth and numbers, would render its payment more easy. Double the property and population of the State, and you practically reduce its debt one-half. It is in this way that Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois and other states, although they have nominally sunk many millions of dollars in their railroads and canals, have nevertheless become so rich and strong, that their debts, large as they seem, are scarcely felt as burdens. From the causes of imagined ruin have come the means of real prosperity, and from the nettle, debt, has

been plucked the flower, wealth. But, fortunately for us, owing to the felicity of our physical position, and the vastness of our capabilities, the objects which I have so earnestly commended to your notice, depend upon no such contingency, as in the experience of other States, has been the condition of their accomplishment.

A noble field, broad, fertile and beautiful, has been given to us to be cultivated and adorned. With a just appreciation of its extent, capacity and needs, let us enter upon the work that is before us. Waving aside the petty schemes and unseemly wrangles which too often disfigure the actions of public men, and mounting above the trifling views and unworthy purposes of mere partizans, let us rise, if we can, to the height of the great argument which duty and patriotism so eloquently address to us.

The report of the Treasurer will be laid before you in a few days, and will place you in possession of such facts as will fully inform you in regard to the financial condition of the State. I learn that the receipts into the Treasury the past year, were, from all sources, \$452,276, and that for the same period the expenditures were \$483,854, exclusive of the deficiency of the late Treasurer. The estimated receipts for the current year are \$351,940, and the estimated expenditures \$364,927. The operations of this department of the government have been somewhat embarrassed the past year in consequence of the defalcation of the late Treasurer. But it is believed that the ultimate loss to the State, proceeding from this dereliction of duty, will be small. Whether any legislation upon this subject is necessary, will be for your consideration when you shall have been fully advised of all the facts bearing upon it. At a time when the affairs of this office are administered by a gentleman of distinguished ability and unquestionable integrity, the best opportunity will be found (for everybody will understand that no reflection upon him can be implied) for the introduction of such reforms in the manner of transacting its business, and in the rules for conducting its operations, as will serve to protect the State from losses hereafter. In addition to those farther penal enactments, if any, which you may consider expedient, I would earnestly recommend the adoption by the Legislature of a system of accounts for this department, involving, in its perfect execution, the designation of two officers, at least, who should act independently of each other, and each of whom should be required to keep one of the duplicate set of books, in which should be entered every

item of money received or disbursed, no receipt or draft to be valid unless signed by both. Provisions like these exist in New York, Ohio, and most of the other states, (suggested in many of them by the dereliction of their officers,) under the operation of which it is believed that the abstraction or illegitimate use of the public funds is nearly impossible.

Of the State debt, \$30,000 will be due on the first day of March, 1861, and some provision should be made for its redemption. A like or larger sum will be due annually for several years. The spectacle of a State permitting the years to pass without making an effort to reduce its indebtedness, is one which I cannot look upon with pleasure. The people of this State would be glad to diminish the amount of interest which they are annually called upon to pay, and would, I doubt not, applaud the adoption of any well-matured measure for the reduction of the debt upon which it rests. They would, if I do not greatly mistake their character, be pleased to see some moderate increase of the State tax—it would be so small that practically they would scarcely feel it—if thereby they might be assured of the gradual but certain extinguishment of the debt of the State. The people who are ever and justly restive under the weight of burdens imposed for the benefit of individuals or classes, or occasioned by the blunders or frauds of their officers, are ever ready and willing to grant the necessary means for the discharge of their honest obligations.

The reports which the several State officers are by law required to make, will be laid before you at the earliest practicable moment. At the time of preparing this Address, I have not been able, with two or three exceptions, to examine them. They will show the operations of the offices from which they emanate, and to them I must refer you for the knowledge, in the main, of their details, and for such practical suggestions as may have occurred to those whose duty it is to make them.

The receipts of the Land Office for the year ending November 30, 1860, were \$62,624.76, and the disbursements \$58,934.15. I am not aware that any change in the laws respecting the sale and management of the public lands will be demanded.

Whatever measures, whether of encouragement or regulation, will tend to increase the efficiency of the Militia, to place it on a better and more practical footing, and make it more available for the exigencies of actual service, will be regarded by you, I may

not doubt, with that degree of favor which their own merits, and the circumstances of the times, shall require.

Upon a cursory examination of the recommendations of the Attorney General, I am inclined to regard them as timely and judicious.

The welfare and security of a people, and the strength and credit of a State, rest, to a large extent, upon a learned and independent judiciary. It is not only essential that able and honest men should be selected for the elevated position of Judges of our highest Court, but it is also important that it should be known that they have been, that they may thereby enjoy the public confidence and respect. The people should always be able to feel that in the manifold questions affecting life, liberty and property, which come daily before the courts, their rights and remedies are in the hands of men of the best legal accomplishments, and of unquestionable probity. While it is to be readily conceded that hitherto the bench of the Supreme Judicial Court has been so constituted as to secure this end in an eminent degree, is to be considered whether, with the present salaries, we may fairly expect to be so fortunate in the future. There are, I believe, already indications that places on the bench are not certain to attract those who are in all respects the best qualified to fill them. Nor shall we be surprised at this, when we reflect that those who occupy the highest places of honor and trust in the State receive a compensation smaller in amount than is paid to many merely clerical and ministerial officers—and smaller than is often paid to clerks, agents, cashiers, &c., in our mercantile houses and corporations; and which has been increased, in the term of forty years, by only the small sum of two hundred dollars per annum, during which time the expenses of living and compensation received by other persons, whether in public or private life, have advanced nearly one hundred per cent. I leave the subject to your candid examination.

The Constitution has made it the duty of the Legislature “to require the several towns to make suitable provisions, at their own expense, for the support and maintenance of public schools; and

\* \* to encourage and suitably endow, from time to time, as the circumstances of the people may authorize, all academies, colleges and seminaries of learning within the State.” Believing, with the framers of that instrument, that “a general diffusion of the advantages of education is essential to the preservation of the

rights and liberties of the people," we shall not be likely to falter in the discharge of the high obligation they have laid upon us. The suggestions of the Superintendent of Common Schools, and particularly those in regard to Normal Schools, will engage your attention.

The report of the Bank Commissioners will, I have no doubt, confirm the general impression that the banks of this State are in a sound and healthy condition. But while I believe they are entitled to rank among the very safest and best conducted institutions of the kind in the country, and am not prepared to say that further legislation is indispensable, either for the protection of the public or of the stockholders, I am confident that I do not err in asking for the subject your faithful and scrutenizing examination. That every safeguard should be provided consistent with the reasonable convenience of those who are entrusted with the management of the banks, there can be no question. The good name and welfare of the State and of the banks themselves, not less than the security of the public, demand this. In view of the fact which cannot have escaped your observation, that nearly every instance of defalcation, mismanagement and loss, which has occurred within our State for many years, has arisen from the facilities which have been extended to the officers of the bank to issue and put in circulation, bills to a larger amount than is authorized by law, I cannot help thinking that the recommendation of Governor Hamlin in his message to the Legislature of 1857 is pertinent and wise. He said :

"It may be deemed expedient to designate some officer, by law, who shall deliver to each bank, blank bills, duly countersigned and registered, which shall constitute the circulation of the bank ; and also to determine by law the amount of bills to be thus delivered." Whether to the legislation recommended by my distinguished predecessor, may not be added such provisions as would authorize and secure a more detailed and searching examination of the banks, by the Commissioners, than is now required and practiced, is an enquiry which you may think not unworthy of your attention.

The Insane Hospital and the Reform School, the logical expressions of modern civilization, vindicate our title better, perhaps, than any other of our works, to the name of Christian Commonwealth. In the fact of their existence we find a practical recognition of the duties we owe to the unfortunate, the stricken and the wayward, because they, too, are men, women and children.

Of the Insane Hospital I am unable to speak from any direct knowledge or personal examination of its management and results, but the uniform testimony of those who are most conversant with the way in which it is conducted, justifies the belief that no institution could be administered with more practical wisdom, more exact and rigid economy, and with more beneficial results to the unfortunate persons for whose benefit it was formed. The report of its able and upright Board of Trustees, and of the excellent officers to whose supervision the Hospital is now immediately committed, are to be laid before you, and will fully confirm the favorable opinion already entertained in regard to the management of this important institution.

I have recently availed myself of an opportunity to visit the Reform School at Cape Elizabeth, and from what I saw there of its management, of its order, cleanliness and decorum, and of the appearance of the boys—sprightly, hopeful lads, the most of them—all too valuable to be castaways—my conviction of the value and importance of that institution have been strengthened and established. Of the admirable qualifications of the superintendent and matron, Mr. and Mrs. Scamman, all who have visited the School will bear cheerful testimony. In relation to this method of treating boys who have been removed from the ways of vice and crime, in which there was scarcely a chance for them to become any thing but pests of society, I would say that education is better than ignorance, good habits than bad, and that Reform Schools are cheaper than Penitentiaries.

The affairs of the State Prison have engaged the attention of the Legislature for several years. It is apparent, however, that no final solution of the questions which have been raised in reference to them, has yet been found. It will be for you to consider whether any legislation is necessary to place them on a footing that will allay the uneasiness which has existed, and continues to exist to some extent, in the public mind in regard to them. The prison expenses at Thomaston, unlike those of most of the neighboring States, have for many years been considerably in excess of the earnings. The fact is explicable, I think, upon the hypothesis of chronic and fundamental errors in regard to the manner of conducting its operations. From these errors, systems may have grown up with the knowledge and sanction, for many years, of the State government, which the power of no warden could avail to over-



throw. But however this may be, and whether there are just causes for complaint or not, and whether the faults, if any have existed, have been in the system or in the officers, there can be no doubt that the whole subject should undergo a most rigid and searching examination.

In the performance of the duty which may devolve upon you, of districting the State for Senators and Representatives in the Legislature, and for Representatives in the Congress of the United States, for the next decade, it will be scarcely necessary for me to observe that a determination to consult the requirements of convenience and justice in the formation of the districts, should be paramount to all other considerations. The suggestions of duty and true policy in this regard are not antagonistical; for nothing is more certain than that the attempts heretofore made in this and other States, to obtain a party advantage at the expense of fairness, have generally failed to accomplish the purpose intended, and not seldom redounded to the injury of those who put them forth.

While our view is cheered by so many badges of prosperity and signs of hope, a cloud, gathered in the southern sky, is casting its portentous shadow over the land, occasioning uneasiness in the public mind, disturbing the industrial relations and financial operations of the country, and menacing the general welfare. That it will be dispelled, having cleared the atmosphere, and removed many causes of disease in the body politic, thereby promoting life and health, should not be doubted by those who will investigate its origin and trace its progress from the earliest beginnings to its present culmination.

The history of the American people, of their opinions, purposes and aspirations anterior to the revolutionary war, the principles underlying the commencement and prosecution of that struggle, and which were supposed to have been established by its success; the grand and deathless truths of the Declaration of Independence; the Constitution with its affirmations, omissions and exclusions, its luminous contemporaneous expositions; the original policy of the government; the opinions and labors of the fathers, of Washington, Franklin, Rush, Henry, Adams, Jefferson and Madison; the decisions of the judicial tribunals of the Slave States down to a recent period; the frequent admissions in regard to all these, in our own times, and even in the late Presidential canvass, by distinguished southern statesmen—prove beyond the reach of cavil or doubt,



that this government could not have been established with any view to the extension, or the advancement of the interests of slavery, and that the system of African bondage, as practiced in this country, was regarded by those who framed the Constitution, as an evil, and not as a good. That they neither desired nor expected its diffusion, but that they contemplated, and their contemporaries provided for, its restriction, looking to its ultimate extinction, is apparent, to make no other specifications, from the provisions of the Constitution authorizing the prohibition of the slave trade, and recognizing fugitives from labor and service as "persons," and not as property, and therefore not reclaimable by any process applicable to property; from the ordinance of Jefferson, in 1784, and of Dane in 1787, and from the act of the first Congress, passed in 1791, affirming the latter.

These ideas in regard to the Constitution, to the policy of the government, and to the character, rights and destiny of slavery, prevailed throughout the country during the life time of those by whom our institutions were moulded. Slavery was a weakness, an impolicy, an evil with all; with many, a sin. It was the child of municipal law, local, sectional—not national. If there is one fact that stands out stronger, clearer and more indisputable than any other in our history, it is this. There is the record, it cannot be blotted out, it cannot be burnt out—it remains forever.

But the infirmities and necessities of this system were such that its prosperity, perhaps its very existence, depended upon a change of policy and purpose among those upon whom it was fixed. As slavery was in itself thriftless, weak, self-destructive, it required expansion and protection from without—and hence the history of its assumptions and claims for the last forty years. In 1820, the slave power demanded the admission of Missouri into the Union as a slave State. In 1830, it effected the removal of the Indians from their homes in Alabama and Georgia. In 1840 it drove the red men out of Florida. In 1850, having previously acquired Texas and large portions of Mexico, for the advantage of slavery, it obtained an abandonment by Congress of the long approved principles of the ordinance of '87, and it procured the passage of a new fugitive slave law, abhorrent in some of its provisions to every sense of justice and every feeling of humanity. But to all these demands and conquests the people of the free states, from their old and extinguishable regard for their southern brethren, from

their love of peace, and devotion to the Union, submitted. In 1854, it wrested from freedom the abrogation of the Missouri compromise line, opening the virgin fields of the vast and beautiful regions of Kansas and Nebraska to the torture of involuntary labor. In 1855 and '6, it inaugurated a reign of violence and terror in Kansas, that the freemen of that unhappy territory might be awed, subdued and finally driven therefrom. It organized in 1857 and '8 a system of force and fraud, by which it hoped, with the sympathies and aid of the administration at Washington, to bring Kansas into the Union as a slave State, under the Lecompton Constitution, an instrument which embodied the declaration, in substance, that slavery was a thing of divine authority, above and beyond the power of human laws to impinge; and to all these machinations—violent, fraudulent, and revolutionary as they were—the people of the north interposed only the peaceful resistance of the laws and the power of the ballot. In 1860 it demanded of the country an affirmation of the right of property in man by virtue of the Constitution of the United States, and protection to slave property in the territories—demands which, if acceded to, would have made slavery legal and irremovable in every State of the Union—the one thing sacred and national, above all others, under the Constitution established by the great men of the earlier age in order that the blessings of liberty might be secured to them and their descendents, so long as their work should endure. The men of the free states, and of the slave states too, who had been unable to bring their minds to believe that slavery was a blessing favored of Heaven, and upheld by the organic law as a national institution, but who held, without addition or diminution, the doctrines illustrated by the fathers in their works and lives, perceived that but one course remained for them to pursue, unless they could be false to all the invocations of patriotism, and to all the mandates of inexorable duty. They were equal to the emergency, and taking issue with the slaveholders in regard to the dangerous and revolutionary theories, assumptions and claims set up and insisted upon by the latter, they entered with earnestness and vigor into the canvass—which terminated, after the most full and thorough discussion that ever took place in the country, in the election of Abraham Lincoln as President, and Hannibal Hamlin as Vice President of the United States. This result was accomplished in strict conformity with the Constitution and the laws of the United

States, and of the several states, and was the deliberate, well considered and honest verdict of the people. This verdict, so honorably obtained, and so necessary to the defence of the Constitution of our fathers, and to the preservation of the Union in its old integrity of living principles and glorious hopes, is made the pretext, by a portion of the slaveholding states, for the subversion of that Constitution, and the disruption of that Union ; and by another portion for exacting a series of concessions and abnegations from the people of the free states, which they have no moral right to make, and which, while they would involve, if made, a surrender of everything affirmed or gained in the recent election, would, nevertheless, bring no peace to the country, for the reason that the willingness of the people to make them, would only prove their measureless capacity for abasement and servility, and thus invite fresh demands and ever-recurring aggressions. The history of the past shows that no concessions will be accepted as satisfactory which do not secure to the slave states the rights of expansion and protection to their peculiar property under the federal Constitution. This is what they believe they need, and this alone will satisfy them. I believe that I speak the voice of every true, brave, and conservative man in the north, when I say that such concessions cannot be made.

But, if not, we are told that the slave States, or a portion of them, will withdraw from the Union. No, they will not. They cannot go, and in the end they will not want to go. Much as they desire to have their views accepted by the country, far as they would go to secure the protection of slavery by the general government, and its unchecked expansion, they will not pass the brink of the precipice, to effect these ends. Deeply as they regret the accession of the party of Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Hamlin to power in the general government, an actual and permanent secession of any or all of the slave States, they would regret still more,—for they are not regardless of the strifes, the difficulties, the inevitable disasters, and the long line of woes that would beset their path and hang around their way at every step. They will know that their strength, their security and their happiness are in the Union, and in the Union with us, their truer and better friends than those who by their wilful misrepresentations of the views and purposes of their neighbors ; by their unnatural and malignant revilings of the great majority of the people among whom they live, and with their treach-

erous friendship for the slaveholders, have been in no small degree responsible for the want of confidence and fraternity, the distrust and apprehension, the passion and the fever, which are the immediate spring of all our present troubles. They will learn, as they should know already, that the people of the free States have no intention of intermeddling with their system in the States where it exists by virtue of the local law, and that they will cheerfully extend to them all their constitutional and equal rights.

When the excitement of the hour shall have passed, and reason has resumed her sway, when the realities of disunion, the burdens, the difficulties and dangers shall be seen as they are, and the old-time respect and friendship shall re-appear, for they cannot always be repressed, and when the people of the slave States shall come to accept, as they will, the conclusions of that invincible logic which pronounces the Union a necessity—commercial, social and political—to all its members, and which has also determined the position of the free States upon the question, no longer to be a disturbing one, of slavery,—concord, mutual respect and confidence, will be re-established on a basis which no faction, in any quarter, shall be able to disturb. In the meantime, conciliation, forbearance, and tokens of good will, which no criminations shall be allowed to interrupt, and the setting of ourselves right in whatsoever respects we may have been wrong, will be the offerings which as good men and patriots we should lay upon the altar of our country. And in doing this we need consent to the abatement of not one jot or tittle of the principles affirmed by the people at the recent election. We will stand by the Constitution of our fathers, the Constitution as it is, and make no compromises that would involve us in the guilt of moral treason, and justly render us the scorn of mankind.

The personal liberty bills, as they are called, of some of the free States, have been the occasion of much crimination, not only on the part of our southern neighbors, but also from considerable numbers of our own people. The reasons which induced their passage, and the provisions which they embody, have been, I think, singularly misunderstood by many who have complained of them. As a general thing, I believe they were intended, in perfect good faith, to accomplish two legitimate purposes; first, to prevent the kidnapping, or illegal removal, of free persons from the States; and, secondly, to bring their action into entire harmony with the line of constitutional power and obligation as laid down by the Supreme

Court of the United States in the case of *Prigg vs. the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*. So far as this has been the case, and where the legislation of the States has not in fact transcended these limits, there can be no just cause of exception to what has been done. But if, passing this boundary, laws have been enacted which are in violation of the Constitution of the United States, or of any constitutional law of Congress, although they may be mere waste paper and void, and would be so declared by our courts, they ought not to remain on the statute books. Unconstitutional laws are not merely harmless. Powerless for good they are not impotent for evil; and are always of mischievous example. With these views, I would earnestly recommend a candid examination of the laws of this State. And if, thereupon, you shall find among them any provisions that are in violation of the federal Constitution, or of any constitutional law of Congress, there can be no doubt that they ought to be repealed, or so modified that they may be brought within the limits of State authority. To effect such repeal or modification, is a duty which you owe, not to any menaces from without or clamors from within, but to the State and to yourselves who can never afford to be in the wrong. But, if upon such review, you shall find no laws which are not strictly constitutional, and proper in themselves—none that are justly offensive to the people of other States—that have not been revised by men learned in the law, and sanctioned by legislatures of different political parties, and none, in fine, to which any constitutional objection could be pointed out upon examination by those who have complained most vehemently against the personal liberty laws of other States,—I would submit whether, with a due regard to the rights of the State and of the people, and of the essential conditions of popular government, you can find justification for entering upon the work of their repeal. You might be willing upon proper representation, to abrogate laws entirely constitutional and just, when made by others, however needlessly, causes of stumbling and offence. But when such action is demanded as the condition upon which you are to be permitted to enjoy your constitutional rights, your civil and political freedom, you are forbidden to yield to the requisition by every consideration that can have weight among men fit to be free. The concessions, for the most part, which are now demanded from the free States, as the terms upon which the people of this country are to be allowed to govern themselves under the Constitution, are wholly inadmissible,

not merely that they are objectionable in themselves, but also because they have been made such terms. To grant them would be to establish a precedent of incalculable mischief and danger, through which would be wrought, at no distant period, a practical subversion of the Constitution, and a transfer of the government from the hands of the many to the power of the few.

If the people of any of the States have determined that Mr. Lincoln, who has been regularly and legally elected President of the United States, is not to enter upon the duties of that office, unless he and those who have supported him, will purchase his inauguration as President of an unbroken Union, by concessions and compromises involving an abnegation and denial of the vital principles of the government, and of the cherished doctrines and purposes of the great men who established it, and shall attempt by force to execute such purposes, they will be guilty of treason against the United States, and will furnish occasion for testing the strength of this government. The right of the majority to choose their officers and to administer the government, under the Constitution, must not be surrendered, and will not be, whatever may happen. For in the dark catalogue of public ills, all are tolerable but the loss of a people's honor. An errant star, rushing wildly from its sphere, and wandering however long and far, *may* return to its wonted place in our system. But when the manhood of a people is extinguished, there is an end alike of public virtue and of individual freedom and popular government becomes an impossibility. Political degeneracy feels no Promethean heat; the death of a people's spirit is followed by no resurrection.

The practical question in this exigency is not, as has been represented by some high in authority, whether a State is to be coerced, or war made upon it, by the general government, but whether the laws of the land can be and shall be faithfully executed. In other words, it is whether we have a government or not. The President is bound by his oath of office to enforce the laws of the United States—those laws extend into every State in the Union, and are operative upon all the people thereof. There is no power in the government to release the President from the discharge of his constitutional duty. He *must* “see that the laws are faithfully executed,” and that he may, the military and naval forces of the country have been placed at his command, and he can find no excuse for the non-performance of his duty in any State, although it may allege

that it has retired from the Union, and is no longer within the jurisdiction of the United States. The fantasy of secession is without foundation either of authority or reason. It was denied by Mr. Jefferson and Mr. Madison in the earlier, and by Gen. Jackson, Mr. Clay, Mr. Webster, and even by Mr. Calhoun, in the later time. There is no such right in the Constitution; the President cannot permit it; Congress cannot grant it; the States cannot concede it; and only by the people of the States, through a change of the Constitution, can it be conferred. The laws then must be executed, or this, the best, because the freest and most beneficent, government that the world has ever seen, is destroyed. If the people of any of the States shall resist the laws by force, and thus make war upon the United States; or if, in the madness of the hour, they shall attempt to prevent the inauguration of the incoming President at the National Capitol, let there be no doubt that all such treasonable endeavors will utterly and ignobly fail; for the law-abiding, Union-loving, courageous people, not of the free States alone, but of all the States, will rally to the execution of the laws, the defence of the Constitution, and the maintenance of the Union, imbued with the spirit of that patriot-President, who, in an emergency not unlike the present, uttered the memorable words, "THE UNION—IT MUST BE PRESERVED."

In any such contingency, we know that our own State, whose attachment to the Union has been avouched not only by words, but by works—by sacrifices such as she alone of all the states has been called to make, even by the dismemberment of her territory, that the nation might have peace—will renew her claims upon the gratitude upon the country by the alacrity with which she will furnish material and efficient proofs of her fidelity and virtue. Then the divisions of party will disappear from amongst us, and the names by which we have been recognized will be forgotten, and all will be known as Patriots and Defenders of the Union.

But I will not indulge in speculations as to what will happen when civil war shall have been begun. I yet believe most firmly that the moderation and steadfastness of the free states and the good sense and patriotism of all, will be sufficient for this hour, and that God, who was with our fathers, will be with us also, in this crisis of our country, to guide, to strengthen, to chastise it may be, but to save. Even the timid and extreme conservative men of the country, and the political opponents of those who have



been elected to the highest places in the government, and who at first were inclined to deprecate the result which has been made the occasion for these manifestations of disloyalty and violence, will see that there is in it great cause for congratulation and encouragement. For who is there but will acknowledge that recent events and disclosures have demonstrated that the changes in the policy of the government, and the persons appointed for its administration, which the people have willed, have been made not an hour too soon? Now, respect for the Constitution, devotion to the Union, and the love of liberty yet burning in the breasts of the people, may, and I believe will, carry the country safely through the perils which encompass it, while a few more years like the past, with its heresies and demoralizations, would have bound it, without remedy, to the car of a grinding and relentless oligarchy. Now, the corruptions of an administration which have become a national scandal—malversations, frauds and peculations, which in a single term have dwarfed the aggregate of the wrongs and corruptions in the government from its formation to the present time, may be fully exposed, and their progress arrested, before they have become so fixed upon our system as to be ineradicable and fatal, and before the contagion of their example has reached the homes of the people.

GENTLEMEN—In all your endeavors for the public good, whether looking to the preservation of the Constitution, the integrity of the Union, or to the promotion of the varied interests of our own State, you may rely upon my prompt and cordial co-operation.

The Governor having concluded his address, he, with his attendants, withdrew, and the Convention was dissolved.

### IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. VINTON,  
The Senate adjourned.



## AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Representatives' Hall, this afternoon at four o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, an Attorney General, and seven Executive Councillors, and asking the concurrence of the House.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Order from the House:

That on Wednesday, the ninth day of January instant, at 12 o'clock at noon, both branches of the Legislature will proceed to ballot for a Senator, to fill the vacancy now existing in the United States Senate, from this State, occasioned by the resignation of Hon. HANNIBAL HAMLIN. And if any person shall be elected in either House, the result shall be communicated to the other by message. And if the Senate and House of Representatives shall elect the same person, such person shall be considered as elected by the Legislature to be Senator as aforesaid, and the fact shall be communicated to the Governor by message from each House. And if either House shall fail to make an election on the first ballot, the balloting shall be continued in each House until the adjournment thereof on that day, and afterwards from day to day from 12 o'clock at noon, until its adjournment, until an election shall be made, or until otherwise ordered. And if the Senate and House of Representatives shall elect different persons, each House shall proceed to ballot, as herein before provided, and until the same person shall be elected in both, or until otherwise provided.

The order was read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. VINTON.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. MILLER, its Clerk, informing the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention of the two

Houses to choose a Secretary of State, an Attorney General, and seven Executive Councillors.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary be directed to procure for the use of the Senate, the printing of one thousand copies of the Governor's address, delivered this day to the Legislature.

The hour assigned for the Convention having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. GROSS of the Senate, Messrs. Gross, Pierce and Percival of the Senate, and Messrs. Kimball of Sanford, Woodbury of Houlton, Marble of Paris, and Ramsdell of Lubec of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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

Whole number of ballots is	156
Necessary for a choice,	79
Joseph B. Hall has	133
Charles B. Merrill "	23

The report was accepted, and JOSEPH B. HALL, Esq., was declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. MILLER of the Senate, Messrs. Miller, Sylvester and Redman of the Senate, and Messrs. Gould of Thomaston, Sayward of Alfred, Finney of Gorham, and Patten of Topsham of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

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

Whole number of ballots is	158
Necessary for a choice,	80
Josiah H. Drummond has	138
Benjamin A. G. Fuller "	20

The report was accepted, and Hon. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND was declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS of the Senate, Messrs. Andrews, Vinton and Harlow of the Senate, and Messrs. Milliken of Cherryfield, Stocking of Monmouth, Buzzell of Dayton, and Brown of Hampden of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

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

Whole number of ballots is		155
Neceessary for a choice,		78
Jared Fuller	has	135
Frederick Robie	"	135
Benjamin D. Metcalf	"	135
Lewis L. Wadsworth, Jr ,	"	135
George A. Frost	"	135
Joseph M. Dennis	"	135
Washington Wilcox	"	135
William Buxton	"	20
Levi B. Gilchrist	"	20
Eben F. Pillsbury	"	20
Ralph Johnson	"	20
George Walker	"	20
John A. Peters	"	20
Alvah Black	"	20

The report was accepted, and JARED FULLER, FREDERICK ROBIE, BENJAMIN D. METCALF, LEWIS L. WADSWORTH, Jr., GEORGE A. FROST, JOSEPH M. DENNIS and WASHINGTON WILCOX, were declared duly elected Councillors to advise with the Governor in the Executive Department for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. LYFORD of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary be directed to notify Jared Fuller, Frederick Robie, Benjamin D. Metcalf, Lewis L. Wadsworth, Jr., George A. Frost, Joseph M. Dennis and Washington Wilcox, that they have been duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year, and request their immediate attendance.

The Convention then dissolved.

## IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Saturday next, at ten o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that branch of the order passed by the Senate in reference to adjournment to Saturday.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW, the order relating to the election of a United States Senator was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the order was amended by striking out the words, "to fill the vacancy now existing in the United States Senate, from this State, occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. HANNIBAL HAMLIN," and inserting instead thereof, the words, "in the United States Senate, from this State, in place of Hon. HANNIBAL HAMLIN, resigned."

The order as amended was then passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MILLER,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify Hon. Josiah H. Drummond that he has been duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. GROSS,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify Joseph B. Hall, Esq., that he has been duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. Miller, its Clerk, informing the Senate that that branch has voted to adjourn to Monday next at eleven o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the vote passing the order relating to an adjournment to Saturday, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. LYFORD, the order was amended so that the adjournment of the Senate shall be to Monday next at eleven o'clock, A. M.

The order as amended was then passed.

On motion of Mr. LYFORD,

The Senate adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BRADLEY of Augusta.

Journal of Thursday's proceedings read and approved.

The President announced the following Standing Committees of the Senate:

*On Bills in Second Reading.*

Messrs. Hopkins of Kennebec, Lyford of Lincoln, Gross of Cumberland, Vaughan of Franklin, Donnell of Aroostook, Blunt of Somerset, Benson of Penobscot, Bicknell of Kennebec, Andrews of York, Harlow of Oxford, Kaler of Waldo, Warren of Somerset.

*On Engrossed Bills.*

Messrs. Rider of Lincoln, Tolman of Piscataquis, Pease of Cumberland, Percival of Kennebec, Marshall of York, Pitcher of Waldo, Redman of Washington, Noyes of Hancock, True of Penobscot, Hubbard of Oxford, Sylvester of Lincoln, Pierce of Waldo.

On motion of Mr. HUBBARD,

*Ordered*, That the Chaplains of the Legislature be allowed the privileges of the State Library on the same terms as the members of the Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS,

*Ordered*, That there be appointed a Committee, consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to examine the papers and files of the last Legislature referred to the present Legislature, and report what disposition ought to be made of the same.

And Messrs. Hopkins of Kennebec, Hubbard of Oxford, and Kaler of Waldo, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently this order came back from the House passed in concurrence, and with the Committee joined as follows: Messrs. Randall of Lincoln, Frye of Lewiston, Frazier of Ellsworth, Winchenbach of Waldoboro', Dame of Elliot, Gould of Dexter, and Sturtevant of Albion.

A communication was received from NATHAN DANE, Esq., Treasurer of State, transmitting the annual statement and account of the receipts and expenditures of all public moneys for the fiscal year terminating December 31, 1860.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER,

*Ordered*, That the Report of the Treasurer, this day laid before the Legislature, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

And Messrs. Granger of Washington, Marshall of York, and Harlow of Oxford, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently this order came back from the House passed in concurrence, and with the Committee joined as follows: Messrs. Jewett of Bangor, Fisher of Bath, Farwell of Rockland, Dyer of Calais, Rowell of Hallowell, and Page of Fort Kent.

A communication was received from Lewis D. Moore, Esq., Dep-

uty Secretary of State, transmitting the annual Reports of the State Reform School, Insane Hospital, State Prison, Adjutant General, Attorney General, Land Agent, Railroad Commissioners, and Indian Agent for the Penobscot Indians, severally for the year 1860.

On motion of Mr. RIDER,

*Ordered*, That a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed, to contract with some person or persons to do the State printing and binding for the current year, subject to the approval of the Legislature.

And Messrs. Rider of Lincoln, Bridges of Hancock, and Vaughan of Franklin, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently this order came back from the House passed in concurrence, and with the Committee joined as follows :

Messrs. Fisher of Bath, Cole of Machias, Hinds of Bristol, Stocking of Monmouth, Wentworth of Kittery, Woodbury of Houlton, and Nye of Fairfield.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS,

*Ordered*, That there be added to the Joint Standing Committees, one on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish the Chaplains of the Senate with the Thrice Weekly Age and Journal during the session.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW,

*Ordered*, The House concurring, that all petitions for private legislation which shall be presented to this Legislature after the first day of February, be referred to the next Legislature; and that this order be published three weeks successively in the Weekly and Thrice Weekly Age and Journal.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RIDER,

The Senate adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HAYNES of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Communications were received from Jared Fuller, Frederick Robie, Joseph M. Dennis, George A. Frost, and Washington Wilcox, Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance of the trust; which were read and sent down.

The order passed yesterday relating to the reception of petitions for private legislation, came back from the House amended, by making the time specified, the "fifteenth of February," instead of the "first of February."

The Senate receded and concurred.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. Miller, its Clerk, proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day at eleven o'clock, for the purpose of qualifying the Councillors elect, who have signified their acceptance of the trust, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

The Senate concurred, of which concurrence the Secretary informed the House by message.

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

### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify, in form, the Councillors elect who have signified their accep-



tance of the trust, that the two Houses are now in Convention assembled for the purpose of administering to the Councillors elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, who subsequently reported that he had waited upon the Councillors elect, who had signified their acceptance of the trust, and they were pleased to say they would forthwith attend upon the Convention for the purpose indicated in the message.

Thereupon, Jared Fuller, Joseph M. Dennis, Frederick Robie, Washington Wilcox, and George A. Frost, Councillors elect, came in, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councillors then withdrew, and the Convention was dissolved.

### IN SENATE.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Senatorial votes, reported as follows :

The Committee of the Senate, to which was referred the returns of the votes cast for Senators for the current political year, in the several towns and plantations, have had the subject under consideration, and report :

That in the First District—

The whole number of ballots is	13,350
Necessary for a choice,	6,676
Nathaniel G. Marshall has	7,111
John H. Goodenow “	7,103
Leonard Andrews “	7,102
Jonathan Tuck “	6,194
John Hanscom “	6,183
Samuel M. Bradbury “	6,183
All others have	4

The return of the whole number of ballots from the town of Newfield is 973. On inspection of the return, the number cast was evi-

dently 325, and that number is used by your Committee in making this report.

168 votes returned from Cornish for John H. Goodwin, were allowed and counted for John H. Goodenow.

From Acton 168 votes, and from Biddeford 5 votes, returned for Samuel Bradbury, were allowed and counted for Samuel M. Bradbury.

Messrs. Marshall, Andrews and Goodenow are elected.

In the Second District—

The whole number of ballots is	18,620
Necessary for a choice,	9,311
Nathaniel J. Miller has	10,084
Nathaniel Pease “	10,081
Sewall W. Gross “	10,036
Warren H. Vinton “	9,998
Charles Megquire “	8,197
Robert S. Soule “	8,193
Sylvanus R. Lyman “	8,188
Wilkinson Edes “	8,181
All others have	1,374

Messrs. Miller, Pease, Gross and Vinton are elected.

In the Third District—

The whole number of ballots is	15,364
Necessary for a choice,	7,683
Henry Kennedy has	8,161
Rufus Sylvester “	8,454
Robert E. Rider “	8,451
Jesse S. Lyford “	8,434
Archibald Wakefield “	6,561
Thomas J. Southard “	6,551
Josiah Bruce “	6,547
Matthew Kinney “	6,448
All others have	1,412

Messrs. Kennedy, Sylvester, Rider and Lyford are elected.

From Muscle Ridge plantation no return of the whole number of ballots was made. The number cast was evidently 32. From

Newcastle, 102 votes returned for Matthew McKinney were allowed and counted for Matthew Kinney.

In the Fourth District—

The whole number of ballots is	11,847
Necessary for a choice,	5,924
Warren Percival has	7,540
Calvin Hopkins “	7,527
James A. Bicknell “	7,511
Amasa Taylor “	4,269
Albion R. Millett “	4,268
Harrison Small “	4,267
All others have	131

Messrs. Percival, Hopkins and Bicknell are elected.

One vote returned for James Bicknell was counted and allowed for James A. Bicknell.

In the Fifth District—

The whole number of ballots is	9,656
Necessary for a choice,	4,829
Amos Pitcher has	5,452
Nathan Pierce “	5,412
Otis Kaler “	5,336
Eli Vickery “	4,238
Orlando Stevens “	4,181
Sumner Pattee “	4,154
All others have	31

Messrs Pitcher, Pierce and Kaler are elected.

From Northport, there is no return of the whole number of ballots: the number cast was 225. From Searsport, the whole number of ballots returned is 1,319; it should have been 440. There is no return of the whole number of ballots from Morrill; the number cast was 138.

In the Sixth District—

The whole number of ballots is	6,725
Necessary for a choice,	3,363
John Bridges has	3,649

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John M. Noyes	has	3,649
Charles A. Cate	"	2,764
George B. Somes	"	2,719
All others have		26

Messrs. Bridges and Noyes are elected.

From the town of Franklin the whole number of ballots returned is 103; the number cast was 173.

In the Seventh District—

The whole number of ballots is	7,326
Necessary for a choice,	3,664
Joseph Granger	has 3,891
Tristram Redman	" 3,882
Charles R. Whidden	" 3,415
John B. Coffin	" 3,406
All others have	10

Messrs. Granger and Redman are elected.

The whole number of ballots are not returned from Princetón. The return shows the number cast to have been 129.

In the Eighth District—

The whole number of ballots is	3,208
Necessary for a choice,	1,605
Jotham Donnell	has 1,577
Stephen P. Hewes	" 1,296
Parker P. Burleigh	" 275
Israel Washburn	" 57
Ephraim K. Smart	" 1
Joseph Libbey	" 1
Zenas P. Wentworth	" 1

From Monticello and Golden Ridge plantation the whole number of ballots are not returned; the number cast was 71 and 112. From plantation No. 11, Range 1, the whole number of ballots are not returned, nor the names of any persons voted for. The return is signed by the officers of the plantation, preceded by a list of names, 28 in number. 30 votes from Bancroft, 4 from Portage Lake, 32 from D'Aigle and 6 from Wallagrass, returned for Jonathan Donnell were allowed and counted for Jotham Donnell. The

votes for Israel Washburn are returned from Salmon Brook plantation. The returns from this plantation, on file in the office of the Secretary of State for public inspection, shows 57 votes cast for Jotham Donnell—and inasmuch as Israel Washburn, Jr., was a candidate for the office of Governor, and voted for as such, in the plantation in question, your Committee are of the opinion that the official return before us contained a clerical error, and that the name of Israel Washburn was erroneously inserted therein instead of the name of Jotham Donnell. If these are allowed and counted for Jotham Donnell, he will receive a majority of the votes cast in the District; if rejected, no person will have the number necessary for a choice, and Jotham Donnell and Stephen P. Hewes will be the constitutional candidates.

Your Committee make this statement of facts without any specific conclusion, and most respectfully submit the same to the Senate for its action thereon.

In the Ninth District—

The whole number of ballots is	13,211
Necessary for a choice,	6,606
Jabez True has	8,090
William C. Hammatt “	8,082
John Benson “	8,075
Bradbury Robinson “	5,005
Edward H. Burr “	4,999
Alvin Haynes “	4,990
All others have	607

Messrs. True, Hammatt and Benson are elected.

From the towns of Dexter, Oldtown, Corrinna and Plymouth, no returns of the whole number of ballots are made. The number cast, corresponding to the towns in their order, was 479, 757, 306 and 218.

In the Tenth District—

The whole number of ballots is	2,966
Necessary for a choice,	1,484
Phineas Tolman has	1,810

Benjamin S. Cilley has	1,146
All others have	10

Mr. Tolman is elected.

From Orneville, the whole number of ballots are not returned; the number cast was 73.

#### In the Eleventh District—

The whole number of ballots is	8,363
Necessary for a choice,	4,182
Hiram C. Warren has	4,675
Nathan F. Blunt “	4,667
Richard Wells “	3,549
Asher Davis “	3,547
All others have	265

Messrs. Warren and Blunt are elected.

Concord made no return of the whole number of ballots; the number cast was 103. From Pittsfield, the whole number of ballots returned is 666; the number cast was 333.

#### In the Twelfth District—

The whole number of ballots is	4,603
Necessary for a choice,	2,302
Z. Morton Vaughan has	2,486
Albert Shaw “	2,089
All others have	28

Mr. Vaughan is elected.

From the town of New Vineyard, no return of the whole number of ballots is made; the number cast was 197.

#### In the Thirteenth District—

The whole number of ballots is	9,317
Necessary for a choice,	4,659
John P. Hubbard has	5,129
Elbridge G. Harlow “	4,946
Alvah Black “	4,241
William T. Taylor “	4,175
All others have	6

Messrs. Hubbard and Harlow are elected.

The whole number of ballots returned from Brownfield is 610. It should be 305. No return of whole number of ballots from Mexico; the number cast was 118. From Woodstock, the whole number of ballots returned is 547. It should have been 243.

Minor inaccuracies in the returns from the most of the Districts are not herein reported, as the election of no person is effected thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL G. MARSHALL, *Chairman.*

The report was read.

On motion of Mr. DONNELL, the report was recommitted, with instructions to inquire and report whether Israel Washburn is eligible to the office of Senator from the eighth district.

A communication was received from JOSEPH B. HALL, Esq., signifying his acceptance of the office of Secretary of State; which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

*Ordered,* That a message be sent to the Governor, by the Secretary of the Senate, informing him of the election and qualification of Jared Fuller, Joseph M. Dennis, Frederick Robie, Washington Wilcox, and George A. Frost, as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BROWN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

A communication was received from Hon. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, Attorney General elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust; which was read and sent down.

The President announced the Joint Standing Committees on the part of the Senate, which were sent down to the House. As joined by that branch, the Committees are as follows:

*On the Judiciary.*

Messrs. Granger of Washington, Vinton of Cumberland, Harlow of Oxford, of the Senate.

Messrs. McCrillis of Bangor, Fox of Portland, Kimball of Sanford, Gould of Thomaston, Cole of Machias, Frye of Lewiston, Webb of Winthrop, of the House.

*On Federal Relations.*

Messrs. Miller of Cumberland, Andrews of York, Bicknell of Kennebec, of the Senate.

Messrs. Dyer of Calais, Fox of Portland, McCrillis of Bangor, Buxton of Warren, Farwell of Rockland, Milliken of Cherryfield, Rowell of Hallowell, of the House.

*On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.*

Messrs. Miller of Cumberland, Lyford of Lincoln, Marshall of York, of the Senate.



Messrs. Pitcher of Belfast, Marble of Paris, Webber of St. Albans, Libbey of Scarboro', Stoyell of Farmington, True of Litchfield, Goodwin of Brewer, of the House.

*On Education.*

Messrs. Donnell of Aroostook, Benson of Penobscot, Gross of Cumberland, of the Senate.

Messrs. Milliken of Cherryfield, Case of Kenduskeag, Stockin of Monmouth, Clark of Limington, Pitcher of Belfast, Buzzell of Dayton, Walton of Mercer, of the House.

*On Banks and Banking.*

Messrs. Andrews of York, Kennedy of Lincoln, True of Penobscot, of the Senate.

Messrs. Spring of Portland, Jewett of Bangor, Fisher of Bath, Warren of Durham, Hamilton of Biddeford, Wyman of Augusta, Frazier of Ellsworth, of the House.

*On Incorporation of Towns.*

Messrs. Tolman of Piscataquis, Noyes of Hancock, Pierce of Waldo, of the Senate.

Messrs. Sanborn of Liberty, Treat of Enfield, Hoyt of Rumford, Payne of York, Winchenbach of Waldoboro', Mayberry of Casco, Goodwin of Brownfield, of the House.

*On Division of Counties.*

Messrs. Vaughan of Franklin, Warren of Somerset, Noyes of Hancock, of the Senate.

Messrs. Stetson of Damariscotta, Sweetser of Saco, Crowell of Frankfort, Clark of New Portland, Rose of Greene, Worthen of Palermo, Perkins of Windsor, of the House.

*On Division of Towns.*

Messrs. Marshall of York, Donnell of Aroostook, Blunt of Somerset, of the Senate.

Messrs. Kimball of Sanford, Torrey of Westbrook, Blake of Mt. Vernon, Wall of St. George, Walker of Dresden, McLellan of Pembroke, Crocker of Dixmont, of the House.

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*On State Lands and State Roads.*

Messrs. Hammatt of Penobscot, Hopkins of Kennebec, Bridges of Hancock, of the Senate.

Messrs. Woodbury of Houlton, Dyer of Calais, Randall of Lincoln, Mooers of Pittston, Phinney of Gorham, Page of Fort Kent, Dunnells of Parsonsfield, of the House.

*On Indian Affairs.*

Messrs. Redman of Washington, Tolman of Piscataquis, Sylvester of Lincoln, of the Senate.

Messrs. Smith of Oldtown, Tuttle of Perry, Parshley of Sangerville, Small of Deer Isle, Taylor of New Sharon, Frohock of Lincolnville, Bond of Jefferson, of the House.

*On Agriculture.*

Messrs. Warren of Somerset, Hammatt of Penobscot, Percival of Kennebec, of the Senate.

Messrs. Stetson of Stetson, Weston of Skowhegan, Perley of Bridgton, Kennedy of Strong, Goodwin of Wells, Percival of Waterville, Davis of Denmark, of the House.

*On Fisheries.*

Messrs. Bridges of Hancock, Kennedy of Lincoln, Kaler of Waldo, of the Senate.

Messrs. Hinds of Bristol, Nutter of Prospect, Bucknam of Eastport, Eaton of Harpswell, Harrington of Phippsburg, Randall of Freeport, Rodick of Eden, of the House.

*On Manufactures.*

Messrs. Lyford of Lincoln, Hubbard of Oxford, Percival of Kennebec, of the Senate.

Messrs. Hamilton of Biddeford, Nutter of Prospect, Patten of Topsham, Burns of Washington, Dexter of Auburn, Torrey of Westbrook, Gould of Dexter, of the House.

*On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.*

Messrs. Bicknell of Kennebec, True of Penobscot, Kennedy of Lincoln, of the Senate.

Messrs. Farwell of Rockland, Skolfield of Brunswick, Ramsdell of Atkinson, Webster of Moscow, Perkins of Gardiner, Libbey of Orono, Goding of Acton, of the House.

*On Interior Waters.*

Messrs. Noyes of Hancock, Tolman of Piscataquis, Pitcher of Waldo, of the Senate.

Messrs. Wood of Camden, Smith of Oldtown, Ricker of Milo, Clark of Limington, Kimball of Bethel, Grindle of Brooksville, Libbey of Orono, of the House.

*On Claims.*

Messrs. Pierce of Waldo, Hubbard of Oxford, Gross of Cumberland, of the Senate.

Messrs. Low of Hodgdon, Wood of Gouldsboro', Erskine of Montville, Hamilton of Waterboro', Gilkey of Islesboro', Merrill of Falmouth, Wilson of Bowdoin, of the House.

*On the Militia.*

Messrs. Kaler of Waldo, Bridges of Hancock, Hubbard of Oxford, of the Senate.

Messrs. Wentworth of Kittery, Whitney of Oxford, Johnson of Milford, Hall of Naples, Cousins of Leeds, Holton of Boothbay, Sturtevant of Albion, of the House.

*On Military Pensions.*

Messrs. Percival of Kennebec, Sylvester of Lincoln, Pitcher of Waldo, of the Senate.

Messrs. Silsby of Amherst, Wood of Camden, Conner of Unity, Lovewell of Gray, Holway of Palmyra, Curtis of Woodstock, Grant of Hermon, of the House.

*On the Insane Hospital.*

Messrs. Benson of Penobscot, Redman of Washington, Blunt of Somerset, of the Senate.

Messrs. Hunkins of Windham, Dame of Elliot, Mears of Belmont, Buxton of Warren, Clark of Springfield, Ramsdell of Lubec, Baker of Edgecomb, of the House.

*On the Reform School.*

Messrs. Pease of Cumberland, Andrews of York, Warren of Somerset, of the Senate.

Messrs. Foster of Portland, Sayward of Alfred, Nye of Fairfield, Emerson of E. Machias, Whitney of Thorndike, Smith of Surry, Lovejoy of Albany, of the House.

*On the State Prison.*

Messrs. Rider of Lincoln, Marshall of York, Kaler of Waldo, of the Senate.

Messrs. Teague of Turner, Woodbury of Houlton, Currier of Athens, Dorr of Jonesport, Pierce of Harrison, Lord of Berwick, Sherman of Bucksport, of the House.

*On Public Buildings.*

Messrs. Hopkins of Kennebec, Rider of Lincoln, Vaughan of Franklin, of the Senate.

Messrs. Monroe of Livermore, Rollins of Belgrade, Rideout of Garland, Wormwood of Crawford, Lamb of Clinton, Allen of Sedgwick, Hopkinson of Buxton, of the House.

*On the Library.*

Messrs. Blunt of Somerset, Bicknell of Kennebec, Gross of Cumberland, of the Senate.

Messrs. Clark of Springfield, Rowell of Hallowell, Eaton of Jay, Perkins of Kennebunkport, Hinds of Bristol, Cole of Machias, Brown of Hampden, of the House.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the Governor and Council, that Hon. JOSEPH B. HALL has been duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year; also that Hon. JOSIAH DRUMMOND has been duly elected Attorney General for the current political year, and have each signified their acceptance of said offices.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

A communication was received from BENJAMIN D. METCALF, Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust; which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. VINTON,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing a Joint Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of qualifying the Hon. BENJAMIN D. METCALF, Councillor elect, and also of electing an Adjutant General, and asking the concurrence of the House.

A message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently a message was received from the House of Representatives, through its Clerk, Mr. Miller, signifying the concurrence of that branch in the proposition of the Senate for a Joint Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, for the purposes indicated in the foregoing order.

Mr. ANDREWS presented the following:

*Ordered*, That so much of the Governor's address as relates to chapter 80, section 53, of the Revised Statutes, (commonly known as the personal liberty bill,) be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary; and that said Committee be requested to inquire and report, whether there is anything in said chapter 80, section 53, inconsistent with the Constitution of this State, or that of the United States, or of any law of Congress made in conformity therewith.

The order was read and laid on the table.

The hour assigned for the Convention having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. PEASE of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Hon. BENJAMIN D. METCALF, Councillor elect, that the two

Houses are now in Convention assembled, for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had waited upon the Councillor elect, and had delivered the message with which he had been charged, and that the Councillor elect was pleased to say he would forthwith attend the Convention for the purpose indicated in the message.

Thereupon, BENJAMIN D. METCALF, Councillor elect, came in, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

He then withdrew.

On motion of Mr. VINTON of the Senate,

Messrs. Vinton, Hopkins, and Hubbard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Woodbury of Houlton, Perkins of Gardiner, Case of Kenduskeag, and Pierce of Harrison, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

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

The whole number of ballots is	161
Necessary for a choice,	81
John L. Hodsdon has	139
Aaron Hayden      “	22

The report was accepted, and JOHN L. HODSDON was declared duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year.

The purposes of the Convention having been accomplished, it was dissolved.

### IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT, the vote of yesterday, recommitting the report of the Committee on Senatorial Votes, was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the report was accepted.

Mr. HAMMATT then presented the following :

“ *Resolved*, That JOTHAM DONNELL has been duly elected Senator from the eighth Senatorial district, and is hereby declared entitled to a seat at this Board.”

The resolve was adopted.

On motion of Mr. GROSS,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the Governor, by the Secretary of the Senate, informing him of the election and qualification of BENJAMIN D. METCALF as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify John L. Hodsdon that he has been duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the order presented by him relating to section 53, chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes, was taken from the table.

Mr. HARLOW moved to amend the order by inserting after the word "State," the words : "or any other statute of this State upon the subject of personal liberty;" which was adopted.

The order as amended was passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The hour of 12 o'clock noon having arrived, being the hour assigned by the Senate to ballot for a United States Senator,

On motion of Mr. HUBBARD,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for a United States Senator, in place of HANNIBAL HAMLIN, resigned.

And Messrs. Hubbard of Oxford, Hopkins of Kennebec, and Vinton of Cumberland, were appointed.

Having attended to the duty assigned them, the Committee reported as follows :

Whole number of ballots is	29
Necessary for a choice,	15
Lot M. Morrill has	29

The Committee also reported that they had sealed up the ballots and placed them in the hands of the Secretary of the Senate.

The report was accepted, and Hon. LOT M. MORRILL was declared duly elected on the part of the Senate, United States Senator, in place of Hon. HANNIBAL HAMLIN, resigned.

Of the result of the election, the Secretary informed the House of Representatives, by message.

Bill "An act to regulate the alteration of the limits of the wards in cities," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Miller, its Clerk, informing the Senate that the House has, on its part, this day made choice of Hon. LOT M. MORRILL as United States Senator, in place of Hannibal Hamlin, resigned.

On motion of Mr. MILLER,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the Governor and Council that the Senate has, on its part, made choice of Hon. LOT M. MORRILL as United States Senator, in place of Hannibal Hamlin, resigned.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

"An act to regulate the alteration of the limits of the wards in cities," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence, and having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That those parts of the Governor's Address relating to the Judiciary, to Agriculture, to the Militia, to Railroads Ways and Bridges, to Banks and Banking, to Education, to State Lands and State Roads, to the State Reform School, to the Insane Hospital, to the State Prison, and to Federal Relations, be referred to the respective Committees having those matters in charge ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of changing the law respecting mortgages of personal property, so as to protect more effectually the rights of mortgagors ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Order from the House :

That a Joint Select Committee be raised consisting of one from each county, on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, to take into consideration the enumeration of the inhabitants of this State, as a basis for apportionment of Senators and Representatives to the Legislature thereof ; with Messrs. Currier of Athens, Barrows of Blanchard, Eaton of Jay, Whitehouse of Vassalboro' Kimball of Bethel, Wilson of Bowdoin, Phinney of Gorham, Brown of Hampden, Low of Hodgdon, Dexter of Auburn, Lord of Berwick, Baker of Wiscasset, Wood of Camden, Sanborn of Liberty, Wood of Gouldsboro', and Emerson of East Machias, appointed on the part of the House.

The order was read, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. VINTON.

Petition of Samuel Buck for alteration in the boundary line of Kendall's Mills Village;

Petition of Samuel Buck and others, that said Buck may be set off from Kendall's Mills village corporation;

Petition of Thomas Hunter to be set off from Farmington village corporation;

Petition of inhabitants of Paris to have certain lands of Norway re-annexed to Paris;

Petition of town of Strong to have re-annexed that part of New Vineyard which was formerly part of Strong;

Petition of Matthew Daggett and others, to be set off from Hartland to Athens;

Petition of Mayor of Hallowell for alteration of line between Hallowell and Farmingdale;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Palmyra for an act of incorporation for a fire insurance company;

Petition of Augustus G. Lebroke and others, for the incorporation of the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of officers of Lee to have certain acts of said town made valid;

Petition of Daniel West for the establishment of a ferry from Brewer to Bangor;

Petition of Ira Wadleigh for an act to legalize the records of St. James parish, in Oldtown;

Petition of Alvah Black and others, for incorporation of Paris Hill Academy;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to prepare the usual Senate Register, and that four hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire as to the expediency of so amending the pauper laws of this State, chapter 24, that a residence by any person of three consecutive months in any town, shall constitute a settlement therein.

Sent down for concurrence..

Mr. GROSS requested to be excused, from serving on the Committee on the Library. His request was granted.

Mr. PEASE was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. HARLOW presented the petition of John Hersey and others of Canton, that said town may loan its credit in aid of the Oxford Central Railroad Company—which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. HOPKINS presented the petition of John Fowle and others, to be set off from Rome to Mt. Vernon—which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. WARREN presented the petition of the County Commissioners of Somerset County for special legislation—which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

And these several petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the better protection of blacksmiths, shoemakers and others, against unjust taxation, to the end that property, whether it be real or personal estate, may be taxed on a basis of equity regardless of the occupation or profession of the owner thereof, whether he be a shoemaker, blacksmith or minister of the gospel ; and that the Committee also inquire whether section 1 chapter 132 of the laws of 1860, is or is not in accordance with so desirable an object ;

That the same Committee inquire what further legislation is needed in relation to the incorporation and organization of plantations, so as to more effectually protect the rights of said plantation ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending the statutes, that sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and constables, may receive for travel, for the service of any writ, warrant, execution or other process returnable before a Judge of a Municipal or Police Court, Trial Justice, or Justice of the Peace, six cents per mile instead of the sum now allowed by law ;

That the same Committee examine section 8 of chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes, relating to mortgages of real estate and the conditional judgment thereon, and report such alteration as they may deem expedient ;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire if any part of the bridge belonging to the Great Falls and South Berwick Railroad, which was destroyed Sept. 29, 1860, was within the

limits of this State; if so, when last inspected and by whom; also to report whether further legislation is necessary to secure a thorough inspection of railroad bridges;

That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire what legislation, if any, is needed to secure the passage of logs and other lumber from Cold Stream Lake into the Penobscot River;

Severally read and passed in concurrence.

The order passed on the 9th inst., relating to the Committee on the Judiciary inquiring in relation to the constitutionality of the "Personal Liberty Law," so called, came back from the House, that branch non-concurring in the Senate reference, and referring the order to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The Senate insisted on its vote.

Sent down.

Petition of Thomas L. Smith and others of Windham, for authority to sell the old Congregational Meeting-House in said town;

Petition of Levi L. Lowell and others, for alteration of statute relating to the pilots for the port of Passamaquoddy;

Petition of Samuel Libbey and others of Scarboro', for an act legalizing the doings of said town;

Petition of Levi Richards for remuneration;

Bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Brunswick;"

Bill "An act to incorporate the Northern Pacific Railroad Company;"

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Jesse Thomas and others of Friendship, for leave to extend wharf into tide waters;

Petition of George W. Bickford and others of Parsonsfield, for the change of the course of a brook;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of George W. Dyer and others of Belfast, for an act to regulate the weight of oakum—was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Plate and others of Dresden, for an act to authorize school district No. 6, in said town, to raise money for educational purposes—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the inhabitants of New Vineyard against the petition of the town of Strong—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Mr. BRIDGES presented the petition of H. B. Wardwell and others, for the division of the town of Penobscot; which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. PEASE presented the petition of Moses Gould and others, for a thorough and complete scientific survey of the State; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. MILLER presented the petitions of the Merchants Bank and of the Casco Bank, for increase of their respective capitals; which were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Which several petitions were sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from JOHN L. HODSDON, signifying his acceptance of the office of Adjutant General; which was read and sent down.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Joint Select Committee to which was referred the files of unfinished business of the last Legislature, referred to the present Legislature, reported the following order:

*Ordered,* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to place in the hands of the appropriate Committees, all documents and papers referred by the last Legislature to the present Legislature.

The report was accepted, and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to the compensation of the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court, reported bill "An act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court."

The report was accepted, the bill once read, and Tuesday next assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, the order relating to the appointment of a Committee on State apportionment, was taken from the table; and on motion of the same Senator, the order was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BENSON,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the Governor and Council that JOHN L. HODSDON, who has been duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year, has signified his acceptance of the trust.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of five on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to take into consideration the constitutionality and expediency of making an apportionment of Senators and Representatives to the Legislature, at the present session.

And Messrs. Granger of Washington, True of Penobscot, Vinton of Cumberland, Hopkins of Kennebec, and Tolman of Piscataquis, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order came back passed in concurrence, and with the Committee joined on the part of the House, as follows:

Messrs. McCrillis of Bangor, Ramsdell of Atkinson, Smith of Starks, Stoyell of Farmington, Sayward of Alfred, Frye of Lewiston, Fox of Portland, Patten of Topsham, Marble of Paris, Baker of Edgecomb, Gould of Thomaston, Nutter of Prospect, Sherman of

Bucksport, Emerson of East Machias, Page of Fort Kent, and Webb of Winthrop.

On motion of Mr. KALER, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House,

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so altering section 1, chapter 132, of the Laws of 1860, that it may read: "and all real and personal estate belonging to any accredited minister of the gospel, of whatever denomination, not exceeding one thousand dollars in value thereof," instead of, "or as a parsonage;"

That the Committee on the State Prison be authorized to visit that institution on or before the tenth day of February next, for the purpose of examining into the affairs of said prison, and make a report thereon during the present session of the Legislature;

Severally read and passed in concurrence.

Order from the House:

That the Committee on State Printing and Binding be directed to report to the Legislature, the names of all persons who, prior to February 5, 1861, may present to them proposals for doing such printing and binding, together with the several prices charged therefor,

Was read.



Mr. HARLOW moved the indefinite postponement of the order, on which motion the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called, 16 Senators answered yea, and 9 nay, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Goodenow, Granger, Hammatt, Harlow, Kaler, Kennedy, Percival, Pierce, Pitcher, Sylvester, True, Warren.

NAYS.—Messrs. Donnell, Gross, Hubbard, Marshall, Noyes, Pease, Tolman, Vaughan, Vinton.

So the order was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of George S. Wiggin, Mayor of Rockland, for an act to abolish the Municipal Court of said city—was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of William A. Farnsworth, in behalf of Rockland Water Power Company, for authority to extend their works—was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of G. W. Smith and others of Van Buren, to have certain money refunded said town—was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Mr. PEASE presented the petition of Jabez C. Woodman, that the Legislature would cause an accurate census of the inhabitants of the State to be taken preparatory to the apportionment in 1862; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. GRANGER presented the petition of the inhabitants of Danforth to have boundaries established, by addition of residue of township No. 8; which was referred to the Committee on the Division of Towns.

Which petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of the town of Lee, reported bill “An act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the town of Lee, in the county of Penobscot.”

The report was accepted; the bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently this bill came back from the House, that branch having amended the same.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication was received from L. L. WADSWORTH, Jr., Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust; which was read and sent down.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the annual Report of the Directors of the Asylum at Hartford for the education of the deaf and dumb.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Miller, its Clerk, proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Representatives' Hall, this day at 11 $\frac{1}{4}$  o'clock, for the purpose of qualifying Hon. L. L. WADSWORTH, Jr., as Councillor, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

The Senate concurred, of which concurrence the Secretary informed the House by message.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the order relating to pay of sheriffs, &c., for service of writs, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

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

### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. RIDER of the Senate,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the Hon. L. L. WADSWORTH, Jr., Councillor elect, informing him that the two Houses are in Convention assembled, for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, who subsequently reported that he had waited upon the Councillor elect, and had delivered the message with which he had been charged, and the Councillor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend the Convention for the purpose indicated in the message.

Thereupon, LEWIS L. WADSWORTH, Jr., Councillor elect, came in, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

He then withdrew, and the Convention was dissolved.

#### IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the Governor, by the Secretary of the Senate, informing him of the election and qualification of Hon. LEWIS L. WADSWORTH, Jr., as one of the Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, the vote of yesterday, indefinitely postponing the order relating to the enumeration of the inhabitants of the State, as a basis for a State apportionment, was reconsidered.

The order was passed in concurrence; and Messrs. Pease of Cumberland, Sylvester of Lincoln, and Hubbard of Oxford, were joined to the Committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. KALER, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STROUT of Hallowell.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of changing the law relating to married woman, so as to render them responsible for their contracts ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so altering section 1, chapter 15, of the public laws of 1858, as to provide that any person furnishing labor or materials for a vessel building, shall have a lien upon such vessel therefor, which may be enforced by an attachment of the vessel within thirty days after she is launched, instead of four days as now provided ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 164 of the laws of 1860, entitled "an act for the appointment of trial justices ;"

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending the 21st and 32d sections of chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to insurance companies or their agents, as to enforce a compliance with the requirements of said sections ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so altering or amending section 5 of chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes, in regard to trespass upon gardens, orchards, &c., that it may compare with section 83 chapter 161 of the general laws of Massachusetts ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 158 of the laws of the 39th Legislature, so that the deputy appointed by the town clerk, may have power to perform all the duties that are by law required of the clerk ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of

providing by law, that there shall be no changes in the text books used in the public schools in this State oftener than once in five years;

Severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "An act to repeal chapter one hundred thirty-two of the Acts of 1860;"

Bill "An act for the appointment of a Bank and Insurance Commissioner;"

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Freeman Keene and others of Sumner, against the petition of George Hopkins;

Remonstrance of Edmund C. Bowker and others of Franklin plantation, against being set off to the town of Sumner;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of towns, in concurrence.

Petition of William Jones of Damariscotta, for allowance of claim for services rendered the State in 1814—was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of James Erskine and others of Bristol, for repeal of personal liberty law, so called—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of George P. Small and others, that the appropriation in aid of the blind may be paid to the school in this State, instead of the Massachusetts Asylum—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others of Salmon Brook plantation, to be incorporated into a town by the name of Washburn—was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Enfield and others, for conveyance to said town, of certain land—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Alpheus T. Palmer for remuneration for use of land by Penobscot Indians—was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in concurrence.

Petition of Noah Smith for compensation for services rendered Commissioners on State Valuation—was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

The order relating to inquiries concerning the constitutionality of the "Personal Liberty Law," so called, referred by the Senate to the Committee on the Judiciary, came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote referring the order to the Committee on Federal Relations, and proposing a Conference, with Messrs. McCrillis of Bangor, Buxton of Warren, and Fox of Portland, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the proposition for a Conference, and joined Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Bicknell of Kennebec, and Harlow of Oxford, as conferees on its part.

On motion of Mr. HUBBARD,

*Ordered*, The House concurring, that the Secretary of State be directed to furnish each member of the Legislature, not exceeding five dollars worth of postage stamps, for actual use during the session.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PEASE,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 191 of the laws of 1860, entitled "An act for the assessment and collection of taxes."

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend chapter eighty-six of the Revised Statutes." Also bill "An act to amend chapter sixty-five of the Revised Statutes;" which were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, by leave, introduced "Resolve relating to

existing national affairs," which was once read, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

A communication was received from the Treasurer of State, laying before the Legislature sundry bounty certificates and receipts, filed in his office; which papers were referred to the Governor and Council, in concurrence.

Mr. RIDER asked to be excused from serving on the Committee on Printing and Binding. His request was granted, and Mr. HAMMATT was appointed in his place.

On motion of Mr. PEASE, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

In the absence of the President, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

Messrs. True, Gross and Vaughan, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Having attended to the duty assigned them, the Committee reported as follows:

Whole number of ballots is	24
Necessary for a choice,	13
William C. Hammatt has	23
Warren H. Vinton     “	1

The report was accepted, and Hon. WILLIAM C. HAMMATT was declared duly elected President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Hammatt was conducted to the chair by Mr. True, and returned his thanks, in some brief remarks, for the expression of respect which Senators had manifested towards him.

Prayer by Rev. BROOKS of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. KALER,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that body that, in the absence of its President, the Senate have made choice of Hon. WILLIAM C. HAMMATT, as President *pro tempore*.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the Secretary was charged with a similar message to the Governor and Council; which he delivered.

Order from the House:

That the Reports of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison be referred to the Committee on the State Prison; that the Reports of the Trustees and Superintendent of the State Reform School be referred to the Committee on the State Reform School; that the Report of the Land Agent be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads; that the Report of the Attorney General be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Foster for conveyance of land;

Petition of Belmore Young for extension of lease;

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

The report of the Judiciary Committee, legislation inexpedient on an order relating to pay of sheriffs, &c., accepted by the Senate, came back from the House recommitted.

The Senate receded and concurred.

Memorial of Edmund Longley, asking for a repeal of the "Personal Liberty Law" — was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.



Mr. MILLER presented the petition of James Hall for compensation for extra services as Railroad Commissioner; which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. ANDREWS presented the petition of York County Temperance Convention, for amendments to the present liquor law; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Which petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MARSHALL presented the petition of Phillip Eastman and others, members of the York County Bar, in aid of bill for increase of salaries of Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court; which was ordered to be placed on file with papers relating to that subject.

Mr. VINTON presented the petition of a Convention of citizens of Oxford, York and Cumberland Counties, for amendment of the liquor law; which, on motion of the same Senator, was referred to a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

And Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Kaler of Waldo, and Kennedy of Lincoln, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the petition came back referred in concurrence, and with the Committee joined on the part of the House, as follows:

Messrs. Milliken of Cherryfield, Sherman of Bucksport, Lovewell of Otisfield, Rowell of Hallowell, Lovejoy of Albany, Hamilton of Biddeford, and Low of Hodgdon.

Mr. GROSS introduced "Resolve in favor of the town of New Gloucester;" which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, to which was referred the Report of the Treasurer of State, reported that the Committee, after a most careful and thorough examination of the accounts, vouchers, and evidence of funds stated, find the same, in every particular, to be correct.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve relating to existing national affairs," reported from the

Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Miller, its Clerk, proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, tomorrow at 11 o'clock, in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of choosing a Treasurer of State, and a Land Agent, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

The Senate concurred, of which concurrence the Secretary informed the House by message.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses in relation to the reference of the Order relating to inquiries concerning the "Personal Liberty Laws," so called; reported recommending that the Senate recede from its action, and concur with the House in referring the Order to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The report was accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. PEASE moved to amend by striking out "twenty-five hundred dollars," and insert "twenty-one hundred dollars."

Mr. KENNEDY moved to amend by striking out "twenty-five hundred dollars," and insert "twenty-two hundred dollars."

A division of the question was ordered.

On the question on "striking out," the yeas and nays being ordered, 16 Senators answered yea, and 12 nay, as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs Benson, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Gross, Kaler, Kennedy, Noyes, Pease, Pierce, Pitcher, Redman, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Warren.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andrews, Bicknell, Granger, Hammatt, Harlow, Hopkins, Hubbard, Marshall, Miller, Percival, True, Vinton.

So it was decided to strike out.

The question then being on inserting "twenty-two hundred dol-

lars," it was decided in the affirmative, the yeas and nays being ordered, by yeas 20, nays 8, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Granger, Gross, Hammatt, Harlow, Hubbard, Kennedy, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Pease, Percival, True, Vinton, Warren.

NAYS.—Messrs. Hopkins, Kaler, Pierce, Pitcher, Redman, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan.

Mr. KALER moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The question being taken, the yeas and nays being ordered, resulted 7 yeas, 21 nays, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bicknell, Hopkins, Kaler, Percival, Pierce, Pitcher, Sylvester.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Granger, Gross, Hammatt, Harlow, Hubbard, Kennedy, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Pease, Redman, Tolman, True, Vaughan, Vinton, Warren.

So the motion to indefinitely postpone, did not prevail.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. TRACEY of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law making it a criminal offence to send to the publisher of any newspaper, for the purpose of publication, a fraudulent notice of the birth of a child, or of the marriage of any parties, or of the death of any person ;

That the same Committee inquire what legislation is necessary for the better protection of the physical constitutional rights of minor operatives in factories ; also to inquire into the expediency of amending section 17 of chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, by substituting the words "age of eighteen years," for "age of sixteen years," and the words "eight hours" for "ten hours ;"

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes as to authorize the attachment of all property of foreign insurance companies found within this State ;

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of some legislation for the better protection of the owners of sheep against destruction and loss by attacks from dogs, by the enactment of a law authorizing towns to assess and collect a tax on persons keeping such animals ; also making the owners of vicious dogs liable for such loss as may accrue to the owners of sheep from the attack of said dogs ; also to inquire into the expediency of exempting a certain number of sheep from taxation and attachment ;

That the Committee on the Militia inquire into the condition, efficiency and available strength of the military forces of the State, and report what legislation, if any, is necessary to render that arm

of the government fully effective for any probable exigency that may arise in the troublesome times upon which the country has fallen.

Severally read, and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac M. Stanley and others, for the establishment of a school for the blind—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of Horace D. Low and others, for increase of salaries of County officers of Lincoln County—was referred to the delegation from Lincoln County, in concurrence.

Petition of John Gardiner and others, for the enactment of a law regulating the scale of logs on the Penobscot river and its branches—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of citizens of Bath, for repeal of section 53, chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend an act additional to an act incorporating the Arkwright Company," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was once read and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. PEASE moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday, whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an Act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Pending which, the hour assigned for the Convention having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where the Convention was formed.

## IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW of the Senate,

Messrs. Harlow and True of the Senate, and Messrs. Moore of Pittston, Clark of Springfield, and Cole of Machias of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Treasurer of State.

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

Whole number of ballots is	164
Necessary for a choice,	83
Nathan Dane has	143
Joseph Titcomb “	20
Ralph C. Johnson “	1

The report was accepted, and NATHAN DANE was declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY of the Senate,

Messrs. KENNEDY and Kaler of the Senate, and Messrs. Frohock of Lincolnville, Sweetser of Saco, Webber of St. Albans, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

Having attended to that duty, the Committee reported as follows

Whole number of ballots is	166
Necessary for a choice,	89
Benjamin W. Norris has	145
William Cutter “	21

The report was accepted, and BENJAMIN W. NORRIS, Esq., was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

The Convention then dissolved.

### IN SENATE.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the motion of Mr. PEASE, which was pending at the time of going into Convention.

The question was taken, and resulted, the yeas and nays being ordered, 13 yeas and 13 nays, as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Hopkins, Pease, Percival, Pierce, Pitcher, Redman, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Warren.

NAYS—Messrs. Andrews, Bridges, Donnell, Granger, Gross, Hammatt, Harlow, Hubbard, Kennedy, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, True.

So the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

The bill was sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WARREN,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify BENJAMIN W. NORRIS, Esq., of his election to the office of Land Agent for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify NATHAN DANE, Esq., of his election to the office of Treasurer of State for the current political year.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the order relating to change of the pauper laws of the State, reported legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

The petition of James Hall, referred by the Senate to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, came back from the House referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Senate receded and concurred.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Lee in the County of Penobscot," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence, and having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Aroostook Railroad, be referred to a Joint Select Committee, consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join ; with Messrs. McCrillis of Bangor, Low of Hodgdon, Buxton of Warren, Spring of Portland, Hamilton of Biddeford, Marble of Paris, and Bonney of Minot, appointed on the part of the House ;

Was read, and passed in concurrence. And Messrs. Pease of Cumberland, True of Penobscot, and Bicknell of Kennebec, were joined on the part of the Senate.

Petition of E. C. Andrews and others ;  
Petition of Charles K. Meserve and others ;  
Petition of Granville Chase and others ;  
Petition of Nathaniel Shaw and others ;  
Petition of Mary Gleason and others ; severally for amendments to the liquor law ;

Petition of Mayor of Bangor, for additional term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the trial of criminal cases in Penobscot County ;

Petition of O. B. Dwinel and others of Minot, for repeal of section 4 of chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes ;

Petition of City authorities of Portland, for law in regard to junk shops ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Ingalls and others ;

Petition of J. A. Levensaler and others ; severally for increase of salaries of Judge and Register of Probate for Lincoln County ;



Were severally referred to the Lincoln County delegation, in concurrence.

Petition of J. F. Noyes and others, of Waterville, for an appropriation for a scientific survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of Alden Sanborn of Brooks, to be set off to Waldo—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of Mayor of Bath, that said city may be authorized to make a further loan of its credit to the Androscoggin Railroad Company ;

Petition of Oliver Moses, in aid of petition of Mayor of Bath ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, that legislation is inexpedient on an order relating to deputy town clerks ;

Report of the same Committee that legislation is inexpedient on an order relating to liens on vessels ;

Report of the same Committee that legislation is inexpedient on an order relating to repealing the act for appointment of trial justices ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Levi Richards, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The order relating to members of the Legislature receiving from the Secretary of State, a certain amount of postage stamps, passed in the Senate, came back from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Reports of the Superintending School Committees of the towns of Lincoln, Oldtown, Perry, and Princeton, made agreeably to a Resolve in favor of the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indians for educational purposes.

The communication and the accompanying papers, were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Bank Commissioners.

A communication was received from S. L. Goodale, Esq., Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, transmitting his Annual Report.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred the petition of the Directors of Merchants' Bank, reported bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank in Portland."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of the town of Strong, and the remonstrance of the town of New Vineyard, reported recommending reference of the same to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The report was accepted, and the papers referred as recommended.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend an act additional to an act incorporating the Arkwright Company," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHURCH of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether that portion of the surplus revenue deposited with the State, which by law was to be paid over to the inhabitants of Madawaska, still remains in the Treasury, and what disposition may be made of the same ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of repealing so much of sections 49, 50, 51, and 52 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Superintending School Committees, directing, controlling or visiting schools unless called for by the districts ; and providing by law that each school district shall annually provide visiting Committees within their own district ;

That the Committee on the Militia inquire into the expediency of changing section 8 of chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, so as to make it obligatory on the State to furnish arms, equipments and musical instruments to independent companies, when such companies are organized ;

Severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Isaiah Stetson, President of Bangor Horticultural Society, for representation of said Society in the State Board of Agriculture ;

Petition of Levi Laigton, 2d, and others of Columbia, for a geological survey of the State ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of David Brown for relief ;

Petition of Arletta A. Brown for relief ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of the Mayor of Bath, for a bridge over New Meadows River ;

Petition of Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company, for amendment of charter ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of James C. Merrill, that the State convey to him certain land ;

Petition of Franklin F. Young and others, that the Land Agent may be authorized to convey to said Young certain land ;

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

Petition of E. K. Harding and others, for an act to improve the navigation of Kennebec river near the Kennebec Dam—was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Credentials of Peter Nicola Sepsis, Representative of Passamaquoddy Indians—was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in concurrence.

Bill “ An act to prevent the circulation of fraudulent bank bills ”—was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Matthew Daggett and others, recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence ; and the petition was thus referred, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “ An act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Somerset to reassess certain taxes,” that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to repealing chapter 191 of laws of 1860, submitting bill “ An act

to repeal chapter one hundred ninety-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, relating to the assessment and collection of taxes,"

Was accepted in concurrence; the bill was once read, and Wednesday next assigned for a second reading.

A communication was received from Benjamin W. Norris, Esq., Land Agent elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust; which was read and sent down.

Mr. MILLER presented the petition of a Convention of citizens of Cumberland County, for amendments to the liquor law; which was referred to the Special Committee on that subject.

Mr. MARSHALL presented the petition of Hiram H. Hobbs and others of South Berwick, for repeal of 53d section of chapter 80 of the Revised Statutes; which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

These several petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the Governor and Council that BENJAMIN W. NORRIS, Esq., has been duly elected Land Agent for the current political year, and has signified his acceptance of the trust.

Mr. PIERCE, from the Committee on Claims, to which was referred "Resolve in favor of the town of New Gloucester," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the Resolve was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. REDMAN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, to which was referred the credentials of Peter Nicola Sepsis, reported "Resolve in favor of Peter Nicola Sepsis."

The report was accepted; the Resolve was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. TRUE.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee to consider the constitutionality and expediency of making an apportionment of Senators

and Representatives at the present session of the Legislature, reported the following order :

*Ordered*, That the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be requested to communicate to the Senate their opinion, in writing, upon the following question, namely : Is it competent for the present Legislature to cause the State to be divided into districts for Senators ?

The report was accepted, and the order passed.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, "Resolve relating to existing National affairs," which was finally passed in concurrence ; and having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. DODGE of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Claims inquire what sum, if any, should be allowed Enoch W. Hoyt, for travel and attendance as claimant of a seat in the Board of Agriculture, from the North Aroostook Agricultural Society, for the year A. D. 1858 ; and that the papers relating to that subject be taken from the files of the Legislature of 1859, and placed in the hands of said Committee ;

Read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Presque Isle Academy, for aid—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of James B. Dascomb and others, for renewal of charter of Dead River Bridge Corporation—was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of John Dyer and others, that the several agricultural, horticultural and pomological societies, may be represented in the Board of Agriculture—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of Abigail Vanmeter, for amendment of a Resolve approved March 26, 1858—was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of William Randall and others, for an appropriation to complete the opening of a road from Rangely to the Canada line—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of John Treat and another, for right to construct sluiceways and collect toll on lumber passing through the same, near the outlet of Cold Stream Pond—was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of the Assessors of the town of Berwick, in relation to the valuation of that town—was referred to the delegation from York County, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Joint Rules and Orders, recommending the adoption of the Joint Rules of the last Legislature, with certain changes and additions, was accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Thomas Hunter, submitting bill "An act additional to an act incorporating Farmington Village Corporation," was accepted, in concurrence; the bill was once read, and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of

the Directors of Casco Bank, submitting bill "An act to increase the capital stock of the Casco Bank," was accepted in concurrence; the bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. NOYES presented the petition of Eaton Clark and others, in favor of a dam across tide waters in Tremont;

Also the petition of E. Babson and others, in favor of a dam across tide waters in Mt. Desert; which were each referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on Senate Rules and Orders, reported recommending the adoption of the Rules and Orders of the Senate of 1860, with certain changes in Rule 24, relating to the order of business.

The report was accepted.

Mr. NOYES, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was referred the petition of John Treat and another, reported order of notice thereon returnable to the present Legislature.

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

On motion of Mr. KALER,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 64 of chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, that any person who shall sell his right of suffrage, or who shall in any way attempt to influence the vote of another by the use of a bribe, shall be disfranchised.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. PERCIVAL presented the following:

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish to each member of the Senate, five dollars' worth of postage stamps for actual use during this session;

Which was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. REDMAN, the "Resolve in favor of Peter Nicola Sepsis," was taken from the table.



The Resolve was passed to be engrossed, and sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of the town of New Gloucester,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “An act authorizing the County Commissioners of the County of Somerset to re-assess certain taxes,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KALER,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to procure for the use of the Senate, the printing of two hundred and fifty copies of the Rules and Orders as adopted by the Senate, together with the usual statistical information accompanying the same.

Bill “An act to amend an act additional to an act incorporating the Arkwright Company,” reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and correctly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, in concurrence, and having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Monday next, at 11 o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SMITH of Gardiner.

The Secretary being absent, on motion of Mr. ANDREWS, Messrs. Andrews, Noyes, and Tolman, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary *pro tempore* of the Senate.

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

Whole number of ballots is	19
Necessary for a choice,	10
Ezra C. Brett has	19

The report was accepted, and EZRA C. BRETT was declared duly elected Secretary *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Brett signified his acceptance, and took and subscribed the oaths required to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, before Lewis D. Moore, Esq., authorized by *dedimus protestatem*.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW, that Senator was charged with a message to the House of Representatives, informing that body that the Senate, in the absence of the Secretary, has made choice of Ezra C. Brett, as Secretary *pro tempore*.

Mr. HARLOW subsequently reported that he had delivered the message.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, that Senator was charged with a similar message to the Governor and Council.

Subsequently, the Senator reported that he had delivered the message.

Order from the House :

That the Governor be requested to have a copy of the Resolves relative to a uniform decimal system of weights, measures and currencies, approved March 20, 1860, transmitted to the Governors of the several States, with a request that the same be laid before their respective Legislatures for consideration and action ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Asa Smith and others, for an appropriation for repair of Mattawamkeag Bridge ;

Petition of Cyrus Barker and others, for a lot of land for a burial ground ;

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

Petition of David Cargill and others, for a geological survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of O. B. Dwinal and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the powers of Superintending School Committees, that legislation is inexpedient thereon ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to change of text-books, that legislation is inexpedient thereon ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Mr. TOLMAN presented the petition of W. H. Stinchfield and others, for an appropriation to finish the gun-house in Milo ; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WARREN presented the petition of Samuel Taylor and others, for the repeal of section 53, chapter 80, of the Revised Statutes ; which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Which petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 37, chapter 24, of the Revised

Statutes, as to require organized plantations to raise money for the support of the poor.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to an act incorporating Farmington Village Corporation," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Senate  
Adjourned.

EZRA C. BRETT, *Secretary pro tem.*

A true transcript.

Attest:

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BAILEY of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House:

That so much of the Governor's address as relates to the European and North American Railroad, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join; with Messrs. Dyer of Calais, Farwell of Rockland, Fisher of Bath, Teague of Turner, Libby of Orono, Perkins of Kennebunkport, and Eaton of Jay, appointed on the part of the House;

Was read and passed in concurrence. And Messrs. Gross of Cumberland, Granger of Washington, and Hopkins of Kennebec, were joined on the part of the Senate.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Bucksport Gas Light Company ;"

Bill "An act authorizing the extension of a railway, and the building of piers and wharves for the accommodation thereof into the tide waters at Bucksport ;"

Were each referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of the Hancock Bar ;

Petition of Lincoln Bar and County officers—severally for increase of the salaries of the Supreme Court Judges ;

Were ordered to be placed on file with the papers relating to that subject, in concurrence.

Petition of the President of Mercantile Bank, Bangor, for increase of capital ;

Petition of the City Bank, Biddeford, for increase of capital ;

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

Petition of Thomas Lowell and others of Lee, for change in the law relating to the scale of logs on the Penobscot river and its branches—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of D. K. Chase and others of Calais, for a scientific survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Calais Agricultural Aid Society"—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Bill "An act repealing an act granting an appeal from the Court of County Commissioners to the Supreme Judicial Court," came from the House referred to a Select Committee consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join ; with Messrs. Stetson of Stetson, Eaton of Jay, Barrows of Blanchard,

Clark of Springfield, Dorr of Jonesport, Pierce of Harrison, and Whitehouse of Vassalboro', appointed on the part of the House.

The Senate concurred in the reference, and joined on its part, Messrs. Harlow of Oxford, Pease of Cumberland, and True of Penobscot.

"Resolve abating State Tax on the town of Albion," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Brunswick," that the same ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank in Portland," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House amended.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, concurred in the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. PEASE presented the petition of N. S. Littlefield and others, for a complete scientific survey of the State; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. MILLER presented the petition of the Directors of the International Bank, for increase of capital; which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Which petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. KALER, from the Committee on the Militia, to which was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Militia, reported "Resolve relating to the Militia."

The Report was accepted; the Resolve was once read, and tomorrow assigned for a second reading.

A communication was received from Nathan Dane, Esq., Treasurer of State elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust, and transmitting his official bond.

The communication was read; and on motion of Mr. GROSS the bond was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

"An act authorizing the County Commissioners of Somerset County to re-assess certain taxes;"

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Casco Bank;"

Which were passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

Also, "Resolve in favor of Peter Nicola Sepsis;"

Which was finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolve, having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, were by the Secretary *pro tempore*, presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN, the Senate  
Adjourned.

EZRA C. BRETT, *Secretary pro tem.*

A true transcript.

Attest:

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WORCESTER of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of altering section 17, chapter 90, of the Revised Statutes, so that the commencement of the suit, mentioned in said section, shall be limited to one year instead of the time now provided ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of restricting the criminal jurisdiction of justices of the peace to trial justices only ;

That the same Committee inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary, to make the duty of constables and selectmen more definite in regard to selecting jurors ;

Also, what remedial legislation is necessary to meet the immediate pressing exigency in regard to the Grand Jury in Oxford County, referred to in the Report of the Attorney General ;

That the Committee on the State Reform School, be directed to visit that Institution on or before the first day of February next, and inquire into its management and discipline, and thoroughly investigate the condition of its finances, and report to the Legislature ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Isaiah Chick and others, for aid in opening the road northerly from the Rangely settlement in Franklin county ;

Petition of R. N. Delaite and others, for the repeal of a Resolve passed in 1857 in favor of Isaac Wortman ;

Petition of Joseph Nadeau and others, for certain preemption lots to be conveyed to them ;

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



Petition of Allen Lambard, President of Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company, for leave to change the location of said road in Portland;

Petition of Elias M. Carter and others of Bethel, that said town may loan its credit in aid of the Bethel Bridge Company;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph D. Candee and others, to be incorporated into a manufacturing and mining company—was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Petition of W. H. Stinchfield and others, referred by the Senate to the Committee on the Judiciary, came back from the House referred to the Committee on the Militia.

The Senate receded and concurred.

Bill “An act relating to mortgages of personal property,” came from the House recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate concurred.

Bill “An act to incorporate the Manufacturers’ and Mechanics’ Library Association of Lewiston,” introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read once, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. PEASE presented the petition of John P. Davis and others, for a scientific survey of the State;

Mr. PERCIVAL presented the petition of J. F. Anderson and others, for the same object;

Which were each referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. RIDER presented the petition of William Young and others, to have certain territory now in Somerville re-annexed to Washington; which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Mr. MILLER presented the memorial of John A. Poor, in behalf of the European and North American Railway Company; which was referred to the Committee on the European and North American Railroad.

Which several petitions and memorial were sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to make valid the doings of the officers of the town of Brunswick;"

Also "Resolve abating State tax on the town of Albion;"

Reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to the Militia," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, and sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to repeal chapter 191 of the public laws of 1860, relating to the assessment and collection of taxes," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. KENNEDY.

A communication was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, informing the Legislature that a vacancy exists in the office of Major General in the first Division of the Militia of this State; which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. BENSON,

*Ordered*, That to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, be assigned for the Senate to ballot for a Major General of the first Division of the Militia of this State, to fill a vacancy there existing.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred the petition of the City Bank of Biddeford, reported bill "An act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, "Resolve in favor of the town of New Gloucester," which was finally passed, in concurrence, and having been

signed by the President, was by the Secretary *pro tempore*, presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW, the Senate  
Adjourned.

EZRA C. BRETT, *Secretary pro tem.*

A true transcript.

Attest:

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HAYNES of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the 51st chapter of the Revised Statutes, as to make the proceedings prescribed in the 18th section, relating to damages for land taken for highways, applicable also in case of damages for lands taken for railroads ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Trustees and Overseers of Bowdoin College ;

Petition of Maine Medical School ;

Petition of H. H. Hill and others,—severally for repeal of certain conditions in Resolve passed in 1859, granting land to the Maine Medical School ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Horace Flanders and others, for aid to complete Monson Academy;

Remonstrance of Edward Lawrence and others of Dresden, against the petition of David Burke and others;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of Seward Dill and others, for a scientific survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Selectmen of Windham against the proposed change in the location of the Portland and Kennebec Railroad—was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Alvah Black and others, submitting bill “An act to incorporate the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy,” was accepted in concurrence; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. BICKNELL presented the petition of R. A. Ballou and Giles Bailey, for the incorporation of the Maine Universalist Convention, &c.; which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HAMMATT presented the memorial of the Maine State Agricultural Society, for renewal of annual stipend; which was laid on the table, on motion of the same Senator, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. RIDER,

*Ordered,* That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 3, chapter 67, of the Revised Statutes, in reference to the appointment and duties of guardians.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of George W. Pickering and others, reported recommending reference of the same to the Select Committee on the Aroostook Railroad.

The report was accepted, and the petition accordingly referred.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, to which was referred the official Bond of Nathan Dane, Esq., Treasurer of State elect, reported that the Committee have examined the said Bond, and find it conformable to the requirements of law—that the sureties are responsible and sufficient, and therefore recommend its approval.

The report was accepted, and the Bond approved.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BICKNELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the papers in relation to the European and North American Railway, referred from the last Legislature, reported recommending reference of the same to the Select Committee on the European and North American Railway.

The report was accepted, and the papers accordingly referred.  
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.  
Sent down for concurrence.

The hour assigned for the election of Major General of the first Division of the Militia of Maine, having arrived,

On motion of Mr. BENSON,

Messrs. Benson, Gross and Pitcher, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Major General of the first Division of the Militia of Maine.

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

Whole number of ballots is	20
Necessary for a choice,	11
James H. Butler has	19
Scattering	1

The report was accepted, and James H. Butler was declared duly

elected, on the part of the Senate, Major General of the first Division of the Militia of Maine.

On motion of Mr. GROSS,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has, on its part, elected James H. Butler, Major General of the first Division of the Militia of Maine.

The Secretary delivered the message as instructed.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. Miller, its Clerk, requesting to have returned to the House, the Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on the petition of Matthew Daggett and others.

The vote accepting the report was reconsidered, the rules being suspended, and the report was returned to the House as requested.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, bill "An act to repeal chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, relating to the assessment and collection of taxes," was taken from the table.

The same Senator moved to amend, and the question being taken, the yeas and nays being ordered, resulted 6 yeas 13 nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Goodenow, Hopkins, Kennedy, Miller, Redman, Sylvester.

NAYS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Granger, Gross, Kaler, Noyes, Percival, Pitcher, Rider, True.

So the amendment was rejected.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of William N. Thompson and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Manufacturers' and Mechanics' Library Association of Lewiston," reported from the Committee on

Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed bills entitled :

“ An act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Brunswick ; ”

“ An act to amend an act incorporating the Farmington Village Corporation ; ”

“ An act additional to an act to incorporate the Merchants' Bank in Portland ; ”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence ; and having been signed by the President were by the Secretary *pro tempore*, presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the Senate  
Adjourned.

EZRA C. BRETT, *Secretary pro tem.*

A true transcript.

Attest :

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHURCH of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House,

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of increasing the jurisdiction of Trial Justices and Justices of Municipal and Police Courts; and also providing by law for trial by jury in all matters pending before said Justices, when the parties or either of them shall demand such jury;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending section 5, chapter 87, of the Revised Statutes, as to authorize a writ scire facias or an action of debt on a judgment recovered by a former administrator;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the more speedy decision of the law arising upon exceptions in criminal cases;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of repealing section 9 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, whereby towns are authorized to choose Supervisors of Schools instead of Superintending School Committees;

Severally read, and passed in concurrence.

Order from the House:

That so much of the Governor's address as relates to Railroad communication into the County of Piscataquis, to aid in the developments of its agricultural and mineral resources, be referred to a Select Committee consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join;

With Messrs. Ramsdell of Atkinson, Stetson of Damariscotta, Dyer of Calais, Gould of Dexter, Webber of St. Albans, Moores of



Pittston, and Wentworth of Kittery, appointed on the part of the House ;

Was read and passed, in concurrence ;

And Messrs. Tolman of Piscataquis, Redman of Washington, and Bicknell of Kennebec, were joined on the part of the Senate.

Petition of John A. Berry and others, for a scientific survey of the State ;

Petition of E. H. Banks and others, for the same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of John Patten and others, for the incorporation of the Bath and Boston Steam Navigation Company ;

Petition of Willard Lewis and others, for incorporation of a Fire Insurance Company ;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of Walter Brown, President of Traders Bank, for reduction of capital, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence.

Petition of T. S. Foster and others of Farmingdale, for repeal of charter of said town, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Bill " An act to punish the enticing away of unmarried females, under the age of eighteen years," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on the petition of the Selectmen of Palmyra, recommending that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, was accepted, in accordance. The petition was accordingly referred, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on the petition of Matthew Daggett and others, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, came back from the House recommitted.

The Senate concurred.

Bill "An act providing for an additional session of the County Commissioners of the County of Lincoln," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 95 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, so that the limitation of scire facias shall apply to trustees.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. GROSS moved to amend by adding a new section to the bill, which amendment was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HAMMATT presented the petition of William R. Miller and others, in relation to the scale of logs on the Penobscot River; which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred several petitions relating to the grant of land made to the Maine Medical School, reported "Resolve for the repeal of the conditions on which the grant of half a township of land was made to the Maine Medical School, in 1859."

The report was accepted; the Resolve was once read, and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "An act to repeal chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the public laws of 1860, relating to the assessment and collection of taxes," was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Miller, its Clerk, informing the Senate that the House has, on its part, elected James H. Butler Major General of the first Division of the Militia of Maine.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the Governor and Council that the Legislature has, by concurrent vote, elected JAMES H. BUTLER, Major General of the first Division of the Militia of Maine.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. BENSON,

*Ordered*, That there be printed for the use of the Senate, one hundred copies of the Census for 1850 and 1860.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 35 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, so as to provide for recording attachments of personal property in plantations and unorganized places, which by reason of its bulk or other special cause, cannot be immediately removed ;

That the same Committee inquire whether any change in the law respecting trials of petitions for partition is expedient ;

That the State Librarian deliver to the members of this Legislature, for distribution, six copies each of the Report of the State Agricultural Society for the year 1855 ;

That the State Librarian furnish the town of Amherst with one copy of the Revised Statutes, said town not having received a copy when the former distribution took place ;

Severally read and passed in concurrence.

Order from the House, directing the Secretary of State to furnish cities, towns and plantations, with certain documents, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of S. B. Swazey and others of Bucksport, for the repeal of the personal liberty bill ;

Petition of Edwin Flye and others of Damariscotta, for same ;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of Gideon Tucker and others of Saco, for scientific survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Oliver Pope and others, against the proposed change of the location of the Portland and Kennebec Railroad—was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of the Portland Gas Light Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw—was accepted, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to change the names of certain persons,” reported in the House from the Committee on Change of Names, was read once, and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Bill “An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government,” reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was once read, and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Report of the Committee on Interior waters on petition of John Treat and others, was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the order in the Report was amended by striking out “three times” and inserting “two times.”

The Report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON presented the petition of Francis O. J. Smith and others, for an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Water Power Company; which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures  
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VINTON,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if further legislation is necessary in relation to Hawkers and Pedlers.

On motion of the same Senator,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if further power should be conferred on cities in relation to truants.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of repealing so much of chapter 192 of the Laws of 1860, as relates to Normal Schools.

Which several orders were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to the time of commencing suits, reported bill "An act to amend chapter ninety of the Revised Statutes relating to mortgages of real estate."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve abating State tax on town of Albion," reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and correctly engrossed, was finally passed in concurrence; and having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr TRUE,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock A. M. on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House:

That the Governor be requested to communicate to the Legislature, the sums paid from the Treasury of the State in each year, for ten years last past, for the education of the deaf and dumb, and of the blind; to what institutions such payments have been made, with the names of the pupils, and the amount paid for each;

That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of the State purchasing a suitable number of copies of the "Maine Civil Officer," to supply each city, town and plantation with a copy;

Severally read, and passed in concurrence.

Petition of school district No. 7 in Falmouth, to make valid certain proceedings;

Petition of Robert H. Whitney and others, voters in school district No. 7 Falmouth, in favor of the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of G. E. Hodgdon and others, for an act of organization into an agricultural society in north part of Waldo county;

Petition of Charles Baker and others, for the same;

Petition of L. Kilbraith and others, for geological survey of the State;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of H. G. Cole and others of Manchester, for separate representation—was referred to the Committee on Apportionment, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of James Collins and others of Farmingdale, against repeal of town charter—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Claim of Dr. J. H. Fournier, for vaccinating persons in French plantations—was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Ira Wadleigh, with bill "An act to make valid the doings of the parish of St. James' Church in Oldtown, and for the continuance of the same," was accepted in concurrence. The bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of R. N. Delaite and others, with "Resolve defining the

time in which Isaac Wortman shall comply with the provisions of a Resolve approved March 31, 1857," was accepted in concurrence. The resolve was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act additional to an act incorporating the Arkwright Company, approved February 9, A. D. 1860," introduced in the House, was read twice under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. VINTON presented the petition of William G. Crosby and others of the Waldo Bar, in favor of an increase of the salary of the Judges of the S. J. Court; which was read and ordered to be placed on file with the papers relating to that subject.

Mr. BRIDGES presented the remonstrance of William Grindle, Jr., and others, against a division of the town of Penobscot; which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to change the names of certain persons," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend chapter ninety of the Revised Statutes, relating to mortgages of real estate," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bill "An act to incorporate the Manufacturers' and Mechanics' Library Association of Lewiston," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence, and having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. REDMAN, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*



TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BRADLEY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, respecting wills and administrators, and also chapter 67, as to the appointment of guardians ;

Was read, and passed in concurrence.

Petition of William N. Johnson and others of Brewer, for repeal of section 4, chapter 23, of the Revised Statutes ;

Petition of Thomas Smith and others of Brewer, for a scientific survey of the State ;

Petition of J. Mason and others, for the same ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of James Roberts and others of Vinalhaven, for repeal of personal liberty bill—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of John Pomroy and others, relating to scale of logs on Penobscot River—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of E. P. Snow and others, in aid of petition of Trustees of Bowdoin College—was ordered to be placed on file with papers relating to that subject.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending the 51st chapter of the Revised Statutes, with bill  
“ An act amending chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes respect-

ing railroads," was accepted in concurrence ; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Bill " An act additional to an act requiring notice of petitions for legislation," introduced in the House, was once read, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. ANDREWS, by leave, introduced bill " An act concerning insane criminals;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MILLER presented the petition of William Wood, President of the Portland Society of Natural History, for a scientific survey of the State; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Mr. TRUE presented the petition of Nathan Wyman and others, for an additional term of the criminal court in Penobscot county; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Which petitions were sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting Resolutions adopted by the General Assembly of Virginia, January 19th, 1861.

The resolutions were read and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

" Resolve for the repeal of the conditions on which the grant of a half township of land was made to the Maine Medical School in 1859," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, and assigned for to-day, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill " An act to make valid the doings of the parish of St James church in Oldtown, and for the continuance of the same;"

Also " Resolve defining the time in which Isaac Wortman shall comply with the provisions of a Resolve approved March 31, 1857;"

Severally reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills

"An act to incorporate the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy;"

"An act providing for an additional session of the County Commissioners of Lincoln county;"

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence; and having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BROWN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of amending so much of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, as relates to bounty on wolves and bears ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 81, section 30, of the Revised Statutes, as to have the attachment take effect from the time of filing the certificate in the Register's office, instead of having it take effect back of the record as it now does, by allowing five days in which to file a certificate and thereby affecting the rights of purchasers, who have no record for reference, as the law now stands ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of proposing such amendments to article 2, section 1, of the Constitution of this State, as shall make the payment of a poll tax one of the qualifications for an elector of Governor, Senators and Representatives ;

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of so amending the law of bounty on wolves and bears, as after the word "town" to insert "plantation ;"

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Harpswell Academy for aid ;

Petition of Ruel Williams and others, for aid to establish a school for the blind ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of John W. Caldwell and others of Golden Ridge plantation, for incorporation into a town ;

Petition of Ira Buzzell and others of Farmingdale, for repeal of town charter;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Selectmen of Westbrook;

Remonstrance of City Government of Portland;

Remonstrance of Toppan Robie and others—severally against the petition of Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of D. K. Chase and others, for an act for protection against dogs—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Morrill, for repeal of section 4 of act incorporating said town—was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of Augustus Golderman and others, members of Tyrian Lodge, for an act of incorporation—was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. H. Starbird and others, against petition of school district No. 7, in Falmouth;

Bill “An act additional to section 36 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, relating to attachment of property;”

Bill “An act to protect the property of the Kennebec Company and Augusta Water Power Company, in Augusta, against fire;”

Were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Arletta A. Brown,” was referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Claims, with instructions to report a statement of facts.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. Miller, its Clerk, informing the Senate that the House, in the absence of its Speaker, has made choice of JAMES A. MILLIKEN, Esq., of Cherryfield, as Speaker *pro-tempore*.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, that bill "An act for the punishment of those guilty of offences against chastity," ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence. The bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve in favor of Calvin S. Douty," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. PEASE presented the petition of James Webb and others, for alteration of school laws; which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. MARSHALL presented the petition of Samuel Smith and others, that the doings of the proprietors and pew owners of the Congregational Meeting-House in the second parish in York, be legalized; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BICKNELL presented the petition of proprietors of Upper Bridge on Eastern river, for a modification and extension of their charter; which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges;

Which several petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act amending chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, respecting Railroads," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to an act requiring notice of petitions for legislation," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

The bill was refused a passage.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT,

*Ordered*, That the petition of M. W. Burnham, and the papers relating thereto, on file, be taken from the files and placed before the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting to the Legislature, "Resolutions rela-

tive to the maintenance of the Constitution and the Union," adopted by the Legislature of Pennsylvania.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Resolutions were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. PERCIVAL, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. YOUNG of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of prohibiting by law the intermarriage of cousins in the first and second degree of consanguinity,

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Ai Waterhouse and others, for regulation of time of closing of Polls at Presidential elections ;

Remonstrance of Town of New Vineyard against petition of Selectmen of Strong ;

Bill " An act respecting the registry and return of births, marriages and deaths ;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel F. Hersey and others, for repeal of personal liberty bill—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of J. M. Wiswell and others, for authority to extend wharf into tide waters—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of the town of Blanchard, for aid in support of insane paupers—was referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to incorporate the Keyes Edge Tool Company,”—was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to incorporate the Dana Wharf Company”—was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Mayor of Bath, with bill “An act to authorize the City of Bath to lend further aid in the construction of the Androscoggin Railroad;”

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Franklin F. Young and others, with “Resolve in favor of Franklin F. Young;”

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition Abigail Vanmeter, with “Resolve in favor of Abigail Vanmeter;”

Were severally accepted in concurrence. The bills and resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the President and Directors of the International Bank, with bill “An act to increase the capital stock of the International Bank,” was accepted in concurrence. The bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “An act for the punishment of those guilty of offences against chastity;”

Also “Resolve in favor of Calvin S. Douty;”

Reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.



Mr. TRUE presented the petition of Mary E. Chadwick, for an act decreeing a divorce from her husband; which, with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred, from the last Legislature, the petition of the County Commissioners of Cumberland County, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, bill "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government," was taken from the table.

The bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the Public Laws of 1860;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred several petitions relating to amendments of the liquor law, reported reference of the same to the Special Committee on Amendments to the Liquor Law.

The report was accepted, and the petitions accordingly referred.  
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. TAPPAN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company, for extension of their road to Mattawamkeag;

Petition of G. W. Pickering and others of Bangor;

Petition of William Jameson and others of Stillwater;

Petition of J. F. Berry and others of Passadumkeag;

Petition of I. A. Hodgkins and others of Passadumkeag;

Petition of Alvin Haynes and others of Mattawamkeag;

Petition of F. H. Butterfield and others of Milford;

Petition of Timothy Fuller and others of Lincoln; —

Petition of James A. Purinton and others of Oldtown;

Petition of Newell Blake and others of Oldtown;

Petition of A. M. Roberts and others of Bangor,—severally in aid of petition of Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad Company;

Petition of Town of Hebron for authority to loan its credit in aid of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of William H. Hunt and others, that a part of Montville may be set off to Liberty;

Remonstrance of Benjamin Bean and others, against the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of West Gardiner Academy, for aid to said institution—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Alfred Cushman and others, against the incor-

poration of Golden Ridge Plantation—was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Charles E. Dole and others of Brewer and Bangor, against repeal of "Personal Liberty Bill"—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, granting leave to withdraw on petition of Cyrus Barker and others, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the President and Directors of Mercantile Bank, with bill "An act to increase the capital stock of the Mercantile Bank, Bangor," was accepted in concurrence. The bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of William Lewis and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of William A. Farnsworth, reported bill "An act additional to an act amendatory of 'an act to supply the people of Rockland with pure water,' passed August 22, 1850."

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Thomas L. Smith and others, reported bill "An act to authorize the sale of the old Congregational Meeting-House in Windham.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred bill "An act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Calais Agricultural Aid Society,'" reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported,

Bill "An act to authorize the City of Bath to lend further aid in the construction of the Androscoggin Railroad;"

"Resolve in favor of Abigail Vanmeter;"

"Resolve in favor of Franklin F. Young;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what legislation is necessary in order that the inhabitants of the town of Howland may have a hearing in the matters of laying out a road in said town.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TOLMAN presented the following petitions, viz :

Petition of Lyndon Oak and others of Garland ;

Petition of Joseph P. Hill and others of Brownville ;

• Petition of William Lamson and others of Sebec ;

Petition of James H. Macomber and others of Piscataquis County—severally in aid of the Piscataquis Railroad ; which were referred to the Special Committee on the Piscataquis Railroad.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, the vote passing to be engrossed bill “ An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government,” was reconsidered.

The same Senator moved to amend by striking out the appropriation for Normal Schools, which motion was adopted.

Mr. LYFORD moved to amend by striking out the appropriation for the Library, which motion was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed, and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the Resolutions of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, were taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the Resolutions were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

“ An act additional to an act to amend an act additional to act incorporating the Arkwright Company, approved February 9, 1860 ;”

“An act to make valid the doings of the parish of St. James church in Oldtown, and for the continuance of the same;”

“An act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank at Biddeford;”

“An act amending chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, respecting railroads;”

“An act to change the names of certain persons;”

“An act to increase the capital stock of the International Bank;”

“An act for the punishment of those guilty of offences against chastity;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence; and having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1861.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of Alfred E. Lithgow and others of Dresden, in aid of petition of Eastern River Upper Bridge;

Petition of Thomas Butler and others, to build a bridge over Dead river in Somerset County;

Were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of William H. Spear, for a lot of land—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of the City Council of Biddeford, for reduction of the valuation of said city—was referred to the York County delegation, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Grant, Warren & Co., against petition of F. O. J. Smith and others—was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on an order making provision for payment of State debt, with "Resolve authorizing a renewal of a portion of the State debt;"

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of John Patten and others, with bill "An act to incorporate the Bath and Boston Steam Navigation Company;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Samuel Libbey and others, with bill "An act to make valid certain acts of the town of Scarboro';"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the bills and resolve were each once read, and Monday next assigned for their second reading.

Bill "An act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court," came back from the House, with Senate amendment A rejected, and bill refused a passage.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate insisted on its vote, and proposed a conference.

Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Granger of Washington, and Andrews of York, were appointed conferees on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following:

"An act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fire Insurance Company;"

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Calais Agricultural Aid Society;"

“ An act to authorize the sale of the old Congregational Meeting-House in Windham ;”

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee reported bill “ An act to increase the capital stock of the Mercantile Bank, Bangor ;” which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “ An act additional to an act requiring notice of petitions for legislation,” refused a passage in the Senate, came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Currier of Athens, Pierce of Harrison, and Teague of Turner, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and joined as conferees on its part, Messrs. Blunt of Somerset, Gross of Cumberland, and Donnell of Aroostook.

On motion of Mr. DONNELL, the vote accepting in concurrence the report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, leave to withdraw on the petition of Cyrus Barker and others, was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the report was recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to truants, reported bill “ An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes.”

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and Monday next assigned for a second reading.

A communication from the Governor, transmitting Resolutions of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, tendering the aid of that Commonwealth to the President of the United States, in enforcing the laws and preserving the Union, was received from the House, and referred in concurrence, to the Committee on Federal Relations.

A communication was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting Resolutions of the State of Wisconsin, co-operating with the friends of the Union throughout the

United States, in enforcing the laws and upholding the authority of the Federal Government.

The Resolutions were read and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to prevent fraudulent or constructive pay," came up from the House referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Whitney of Thorndike, Perkins of Gardiner, Blake of Mt. Vernon, Eaton of Harpswell, Low of Hodgdon, Ramsdell of Atkinson, and Teague of Turner, on the part of the House, and such as the Senate may join.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. DONNELL, the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government," was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the vote passing amendment A, was reconsidered.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WARREN,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock on Monday next.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

"Resolve in favor of Calvin S. Douty;"

"Resolve defining the time in which Isaac Wortman shall comply with the provisions of a Resolve approved March 31, 1857;"

Which were each finally passed, in concurrence, and having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of altering the charter of the York and Cumberland Insurance Company, so that the first meeting of the Company shall be held either at Gorham or Westbrook, and the Company to be permanently located in either of those towns, as a majority vote of the company may decide, at the first meeting ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, relating to "the sale of real estate by license of Court," as to authorize the Judge of Probate in certain cases to order the sale of wood and timber to satisfy demands against the estate ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Seth Bailey and others of Prospect, for repeal of personal liberty bill—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

"Resolve to provide for the distribution of the seventh annual report of the Superintendent of Common Schools," introduced in the House, was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. MARSHALL presented the petition of John S. Parker and others of Lebanon, for alteration of law in relation to election of Selectmen of Towns ; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. NOYES presented the petition of Arno Wiswell and others of Ellsworth, for appointment of Commissioners to attend Convention at Washington ; which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. VINTON presented the petition of Neal Dow and others, for incorporation of the Maine Temperance Association, with bill accompanying; which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Liquor Law.

Which several petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GROSS, by leave, introduced bill "An act to make valid the doings of school district No. one in New Gloucester;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bills,

"An act to incorporate the Bath and Boston Steam Navigation Company;"

"An act to make valid certain acts of the town of Scarborough;"

Also "Resolve authorizing the renewal of a portion of the State debt;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported bills,

"An act additional to and amendatory of an act to supply the people of Rockland with pure water, passed August 22, 1850;"

"An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, laying before the Legislature such returns of the Cashiers of Banks and Clerks of Corporations, as have been made to that office.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the returns were ordered to be placed before the appropriate committees.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any legislation is needed with regard to section 30 of chapter 143 of the Revised Statutes, relative to State insane paupers ;

Was read.

The order was amended by striking out "Judiciary" and inserting "Insane Hospital;" and as amended, it was passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BROOKS of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of James Dunning and others;

Petition of C. G. Stearns and others, for a steam ferry between Bangor and Brewer;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of E. M. Carleton and others of Hope;

Petition of Benjamin Small and others of Pownal,—severally for repeal of personal liberty bill;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of Lyman Everett and others of Salmon Brook, for authority to expend road tax on a certain road—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Elizabeth Whitcomb, for pension or land—was referred to the Committee on Military Pensions, in concurrence.

Petition of Timothy Clapp and others, in aid of petition to set off a part of Montville to Liberty—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Knights and others of Portland;

Petition of A. Higgins and others of Camden;

Petition of A. J. Kenniston and others of Ellsworth,—severally for a change in the system of jurisprudence, so as to make justice more summary, cheap and sure, came from the House referred to a Special Committee.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the petitions were laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Education on the petition of Joseph P. Cate and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted, in concurrence.

Resolutions of the State of New York, tendering aid to the President of the United States in support of the Constitution and the Union, communicated to the Legislature by the Governor, were read and referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The order relating to section 20, chapter 143, of the Revised Statutes, relative to State paupers, came back from the House, that branch non-concurring in the Senate reference to the Committee on the Insane Hospital, and adhering to its vote referring the order to the Committee on the Judiciary. The Senate receded and concurred.

Mr. BRIDGES presented the petition of Simeon Allen and others, for reduction of valuation of Brooksville; which was referred to the delegation from Hancock county.

The same Senator presented the remonstrance of N. Varnum and others, against a division of the town of Penobscot; which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. GRANGER, by leave, introduced bill "An act to incorporate the Calais Gas Light Company," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. VAUGHAN, by leave, introduced bill "An act to exempt Jay Bridge from taxation;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Which several papers were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TOLMAN, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, to which was referred the petition of Aaron Ricker and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the town of Verona."

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to contracts of married women, reported bill "An act additional to chapter sixty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to rights of married women."

Mr. HUBBARD, from the Committee on the Militia, to which was referred the petition of W. H. Stinchfield and others, reported "Resolve providing for the completion of the gun-house in Milo."

These reports were severally accepted; the bills and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on bill "An act additional to 'an act requiring notice on petitions for legislation,'" reported that the Senate adhere to its vote refusing the bill a passage.

The report was accepted.

Mr. KALER, from the Committee on the Militia, to which was referred various orders relating to the militia, reported bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes relating to the militia."

The report was accepted; and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee on the European and North American Railway, to which was referred the memorial of John A. Poor, reported bill "An act additional in regard to the European and North American Railway Company."

The report was accepted; and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table, and with the memorial ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. BENSON, from the Committee on the Insane Hospital, to which was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Insane Hospital, made a report thereon, accompanied with "Resolve making an appropriation for the Insane Hospital."

The report was accepted; and on motion of Mr. GROSS, 500 copies of the same were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on the Library, to which was referred, from the last Legislature, bill "An act relating to the State Library," reported that the same in a new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted; and on motion of Mr. BICKNELL, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of the Selectmen and inhabitants of the town of Strong, reported bill "An act additional to 'an act to set off certain lands from the town of Strong and annex the same to New Vineyard,' passed March 28, 1856."

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the report was laid on the table.

"Resolve to provide for the distribution of the seventh annual report of the Superintendent of Common Schools," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. GROSS proposed an amendment which was adopted.

The Resolve as amended was then passed to be engrossed, and sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve authorising the renewal of a portion of the State debt," reported from the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and correctly engrossed, was finally passed in concurrence; and having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STROUT of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of Ralph Sinnett and others of Harpswell, for authority to build a bridge over tide waters in Harpswell;

Remonstrance of John L. Wallace and others of Phipsburg;

Remonstrance of Shubael Merryman and others of Harpswell,—severally against the petition of Ralph Sinnett and others;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of George Googing and others of Milbridge, for repeal of personal liberty bill;

Petition of John L. Hunter and others of Gardiner, that our Senators and Representatives in Congress may be instructed to vote for the Crittenden resolutions;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of Attean Orson, for compensation to Joseph Sockbasin;

Petition of James S. Nash and others, in aid of Auburn Artillery Company;

Were each referred to the Committee on the Militia, in concurrence.

Petition of E. S. Stevens and others, for an agricultural society in the north part of Waldo county;

Petition of Richard McMannus and others of Brunswick, for a scientific survey of the State;

Were each referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of David Potter, for grant of land;

Petition of Charles Megguire and others, for full scale of logs below the boom in Penobscot River ;

Remonstrance of D. R. Stockwell and others, against the above petition ;

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

Petition of Mary N. Jewett and others, to be incorporated as the Westport Wesleyan Aid Society ;

Petition of Monson Academy for aid ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Mary Ballard and others, against dismemberment of Farmingdale—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Bill “ An act additional to chapter twenty-three of the Revised Statutes ”—was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, recommending reference of the petition of John Caldwell and others, to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, was accepted in concurrence, and the petition so referred.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That the bill and papers relating to the consolidation of certain railroads, referred by the Senate last year to the present Legislature, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Mayor of Portland, extending an invitation to the Legislature to visit that city on Friday next.

Mr. MARSHALL moved that the invitation be accepted and a committee appointed consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to make the necessary arrangements ; which motion was adopted.



And Messrs. Marshall of York, Redman of Washington, and Pierce of Waldo, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

The communication was sent down to the House, and subsequently came back with the committee joined as follows: Messrs. Frye of Lewiston, Barrows of Blanchard, Libbey of Orono, Clarke of Limington, and Frazier of Ellsworth.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting an abstract of the semi-annual returns of the several Banks in this State, for January 1861.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of E. M. Carter and others, with bill "An act to authorize the town of Bethel in the County of Oxford, to subscribe for and take stock in the Androscoggin Bridge Company," was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules. House amendment was adopted.

The bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. KALER, from the Committee on the Militia, reported bill "An act authorizing the Governor and Commander-in-Chief, to accept the enlistment and command of one thousand volunteers for military purposes."

The report was accepted. The bill was read.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported,

"An act to incorporate the town of Verona;"

"An act additional to chapter sixty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of married women;"

"Resolve providing for the completion of the gun-house in Milo;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TOLMAN presented the petition of Jared Fuller and others, in aid of the Piscataquis Railroad; which was referred to the Special Committee on Piscataquis Railroad.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON presented the minority report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Selectmen of the town of Strong, recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; which report, on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN, bill "An act to prevent fraudulent or constructive pay," was taken from the table; and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to empower Richard T. Dunlap of Brunswick, to convey certain real estate;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MILLER, by leave, introduced bill "An act designating the place where the Legislature of 1862 shall meet and hold its session."

The bill was read; and on motion of the same Senator, 500 copies of the same were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. VINTON, from the Special Committee on Amendments to the Liquor Law, to which was referred the petition of Neal Dow and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Board of Trustees for Temperance."

The report was accepted. The bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills,

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Mercantile Bank, Bangor;"

"An act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company;"

"An act to make valid certain acts of the town of Scarborough;"

Which were passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

"Resolve in favor of Franklin F. Young;"

"Resolve in favor of Abigail Vanmeter;"

Which were finally passed in concurrence.

These bills and resolves having been signed by the President,

were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Bill "An act to unite the towns of Skowhegan and Bloomfield;"

Petition of Levi H. Folsom and others, of Bloomfield;

Petition of M. H. Pike and others of Skowhegan,—severally that Skowhegan and Bloomfield may be united;

Remonstrance of Jotham P. Bigelow and others of Bloomfield;

Remonstrance of William N. McFarland and others of Skowhegan,—severally against a union of Skowhegan and Bloomfield;

Were each referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of Washington Bray and others of Naples;

Petition of Ai Staples and others of Augusta,—severally for repeal of the personal liberty bill;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of J. D. Pulsifer and others;

Petition of R. Jordan and others,—severally for amendments to the Liquor Law;

Were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Liquor Law, in concurrence.

Petition of William H. Titcomb and others, for incorporation of Savings Bank at Rockland—was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Fuller and others, for an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Lovejoy Pond in Albion—was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Bancroft plantation to be transferred on the valuation lists, from Incorporated Towns to Wild Land—was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of William P. Drake and others of Brewer, for repeal of section 4, chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel F. Adams and others, for an appropriation to open a road from Lyndon through Township No. 14, Range 3—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Robert Hanley and others of Pittston and Whitefield, in aid of Bridge over Eastern River—was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to tax the stock of Banks and other Corporations in the State, owned by persons residing out of the State,” came from the House referred to a Special Committee, consisting on the part of the House, of Messrs. Kimball of Sanford, Whitney of Thorndike, Smith of Starks, Teague of Turner, Ricker of Milo, Sturtevant of Albion, and Houlton of Boothbay.

The Senate concurred in the reference, and joined to the Committee on its part, Messrs. Pease of Cumberland, Benson of Penobscot, and Blunt of Somerset.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Asa Smith and others, submitting “Resolve for the repair of Mattawamkeag Bridge, in the County of Penobscot;”

Report of the same Committee on the petition of the Selectmen

of Enfield, submitting "Resolve in favor of the town of Enfield;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to furnishing towns and plantations in the State with certain documents, submitting "Resolve requiring the Secretary of State to furnish cities, towns, and plantations with certain documents;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence. The Resolves were each once read, and Monday next assigned for their second reading.

"Resolves providing for the appointment of Commissioners to the Convention at Washington," reported in the House from the Committee on Federal Relations, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. MILLER moved to strike out the names of the Representatives in Congress. The motion was not adopted.

The Resolves were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on an order relating to compensation to Enoch W. Hoyt, submitting "Resolve in favor of Enoch W. Hoyt," was accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolve was once read, and on motion of Mr. GROSS, laid on the table.

Mr. WARREN presented the petition of Abial D. Dean and James Sterling, for amendment of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to town ways; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. ANDREWS, by leave, introduced bill "An act to exempt certain property from attachment and execution;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. GRANGER, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend an act additional to chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. TRUE, by leave, introduced bill "An act additional to chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Railroads;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

These several papers were sent down to the House for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to amending section 30, chapter 81, of the Revised Statutes, reported legislation inexpedient.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. PEASE, from the Committee on the Enumeration of Inhabitants, to which was referred an order relating to that subject, reported that in their opinion, a new enumeration of the inhabitants of the State is inexpedient, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill "An act to make valid the doings of school district No. one in New Gloucester," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Gas Light Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of Samuel Smith and others, reported bill "An act to legalize the doings of the proprietors and pew holders in the Congregational Meeting-House in the Second Congregational Parish in York."

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of the proprietors of Upper Bridge on Eastern River, reported bill "An act concerning the proprietors of Upper Bridge on Eastern River."

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was referred the petition of William Randall and others, reported "Resolve to complete the road in Township 3, Range 4, west of Bingham's Kennebec Purchase."

Mr. PERCIVAL, from the Committee on Military Pensions, to which was referred, from the last Legislature, the petition of Caroline Webber, reported "Resolve in favor of Samuel Webber."

These reports were severally accepted. The bills and resolves were each once read, and Monday next assigned for their second reading.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to Grand Jurors, reported bills,

"An act relating to Grand Jurors;"

“ An act to amend chapter one hundred and six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the selection and service of Jurors ;”

The report was accepted ; the bills each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “ An act to incorporate the Maine Board of Trustees for Temperance,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRIDGES, the vote whereby the Senate concurred with the House, in referring the petition of Attean Orson to the Committee on the Militia, was reconsidered.

The Senate non-concurred in the House reference, and referred the petition to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of John S. Parker and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Strong, were taken from the table.

Mr. VINTON moved to substitute the minority for the majority report, which motion was negatived.

The report of the majority was then accepted. The bill accompanying, entitled “ An act additional to ‘ an act to set off certain lands from the town of Strong and annex the same to New Vineyard,’ passed March 28, 1856,” was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GROSS,

*Ordered,* That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at 7½ o'clock.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

“An act to incorporate the Southport Mutual Fire Insurance Company;”

“An act to authorize the City of Bath to lend further aid in the construction of the Androscoggin Railroad;”

Which were passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported “Resolves providing for the appointment of Commissioners to the Convention at Washington,” which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BRIDGES, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

No quorum present.

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

No quorum present.

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. DODGE of Gardiner.

Journal of Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the petition of David Wing and others, to be set off from Farmingdale and annexed to Gardiner, together with all the papers relating to the same subject, be taken from the files and laid before the Committee on Division of Towns ;

Was read and passed, in concurrence.

Order from the House :

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings report to the Legislature the amount of money expended on the public buildings for alterations, furniture, and repairs for the year 1860 ; by what authority the alterations have been made ; from what appropriations the money to pay the bills was derived ; whether all the bills have been paid, and if not, how much remains unpaid ; to whom the money has been paid, and for what ;

Was read.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL, the order was laid on the table.

Petition of William C. Storer and others of Yarmouth ;

Petition of R. C. Jones and others of Alna ;

Petition of S. S. Marble and others of Waldoboro' ;

Petition of N. Winslow and others of Waldoboro',—severally for repeal of personal liberty law ;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of the town of Garland, for an act legalizing the doings of the town ;

Petition of the City of Portland, for alteration of chapter 6, section 143, of the Revised Statutes, so that non-residents may be required to pay interest on redemption of land sold for taxes ;

Memorial of the Bondsmen of B. D. Peck, for the year 1858 ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of H. N. West, for the purchase of part of Township 17, Range 6 ;

Petition of Otis Holden and others, for an appropriation to repair the Canada road ;

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

Petition of Elisha D. Moore and others, for incorporation of the "Biddeford Mutual Improvement Association"—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of William Purington and others of Bowdoinham, for authority to build a dam over tide waters of the western branch of Cathance river—was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of James B. Dascomb and others, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of J. W. Caldwell and others, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Thomas Butler and others, that the same be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, was accepted in concurrence. The petition was accordingly referred.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of G. W. Smith and others, with "Resolve in favor of Van Buren Plantation," was accepted in concurrence.

The Resolve was read.

Mr. DONNELL moved to substitute for the Resolve reported, a "Resolve in favor of Van Buren, Grand Isle, and Hamlin Plantations;" which motion was adopted.

The Resolve was ordered to a second reading to-morrow.

Mr. ANDREWS presented the petition of A. H. Pullen and others, for an appropriation for a road from Kingfield to Dead River; which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. GRANGER presented the petition of F. A. Pike and others, for the incorporation of a Savings Bank at Calais; which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The same Senator, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend section twenty-two of chapter thirty-six of the Revised Statutes;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HARLOW, by leave, introduced bill "An act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

These several papers were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred the petition of Walter Brown, reported bill "An act to reduce the capital stock of the Traders Bank."

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill "An act to amend chapter eighty-six of the Revised Statutes," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

“Resolve to complete the road in Township Number three, Range four, west of Bingham’s Kennebec Purchase, in Franklin county,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Resolve was laid on the table.

“Resolve in favor of Samuel Webber,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL, the Resolve was laid on the table.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bills,

“An act to make valid the doings of school district number one in New Gloucester;”

“An act concerning the proprietors of Upper Bridge on the Eastern River;”

“An act to legalize the doings of the proprietors and pew holders in the Second Congregational Parish in York;”

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Gas Light Company;”

Which bills were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported,

“Resolve for the repair of Mattawamkeag Bridge in Penobscot County;”

“Resolve requiring the Secretary of State to furnish cities, towns and plantations, with certain documents;”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Enfield;”

Which resolves were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KALER, bill “An act authorizing the Governor and Commander-in-Chief to accept the enlistment and command of one thousand volunteers for military service,” was taken from

the table. The bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed :

“ An act to amend an act to incorporate the Calais Agricultural Aid Society ; ”

“ An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes ; ”

“ An act to authorize the sale of the old Congregational Meeting-House in Windham ; ”

“ An act to authorize the town of Bethel in the County of Oxford, to subscribe and take stock in the Androscoggin Bridge Company ; ”

Which bills were passed to be enacted, in concurrence ; and having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SMITH of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so amending section 22 of chapter 47 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the amount of specie to be kept by the Banks, as to require every Bank to keep in its own vaults, at least ten per cent. of its capital stock in specie ;

Was read and passed, in concurrence.

Petition of William Fitch and others of Sebago, for change of laws and Constitution, reducing the number of Senators and Representatives, and for biennial elections and sessions of the Legislature ;

Petition of William Fitch and others, concerning election of Selectmen of towns ;

Were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Moses C. Dunnells and others of Newfield, for a scientific survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of W. Getchell and others of Waterville, for a law for the improvement of the navigation of Kennebec River—was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of J. F. Noyes and others for the establishment of an institution for the blind—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. Hersey and others, against the dismemberment of Farmingdale—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “An act to protect the property of the Kennebec Company and of the Augusta Water Power Company in Augusta, against fire,” that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Augustus Goldman and others, with bill “An act to incorporate the Tyrian Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons;”

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of the Mayor of Bath, with bill “An act to authorize the city of Bath to build a bridge over New Meadows River;”

Were severally accepted, in concurrence. The bills were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill “An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company,” introduced in the House and there passed to be engrossed, was once read and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. MARSHALL from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of H. B. Wardwell and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bills:

“An act to reduce the capital stock of the Traders Bank, Bangor;”

“An act to amend chapter eighty-six of the Revised Statutes;”

Also, “Resolve in favor of Van Buren, Grant Isle, and Hamlin Plantations;”

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WARREN from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred the petition of William N. Johnson and others, re-

ported bill "An act to repeal section four, chapter twenty-three, of the Revised Statutes."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr GROSS, "Resolve in favor of Enoch W. Hoyt," was taken from the table. The Resolve was read a second time, and on motion of the same Senator, was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. GRANGER, by leave, introduced "Resolve for the appointment of an agent to report upon the condition of the sea fisheries on the coast of this State;" which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. HARLOW, by leave, introduced bill "An act to incorporate the Agricultural Bank, Canton;" which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Which several papers were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, "Resolve making an appropriation for the Insane Hospital," was taken up. The Resolve was read twice, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. REDMAN moved to amend by striking out the words "Governor and Council," and insert instead, "Board of Trustees of the Insane Hospital;" which motion was adopted.

The Resolve as amended was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, bill "An act relating to the State Library," was taken from the table. The bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW, "Resolve in favor of Samuel Webber," was taken from the table.

The Resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KALER, bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia," was taken from the table.



The bill was once read, and Friday next assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, the vote accepting in concurrence the report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, referring to the next Legislature the petition of James B. Dascomb and others, was reconsidered. The report was recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to dispose of the public lands and abolish the Land Office;" which was read.

The bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

"An act to provide in part for the expenditure of Government;"

"An act to incorporate the Bath and Boston Steam Navigation Company;"

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported,

"Resolve providing for the completion of the gun-house in Milo;"

"Resolve for the repeal of the conditions on which the grant of a half township of land was made to the Maine Medical School, A. D. 1859;"

Which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BALLOU of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Federal Relations inquire and report upon the expediency of requesting the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, at the earliest practicable period, within the present session of the Legislature, to give an opinion upon the constitutionality of those sections of the Revised Statutes, commonly called the 'Personal Liberty Laws ;'

Was read.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the order was laid on the table.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, designate and report by resolve, such townships and parts of townships as may be required for settlement the ensuing season ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of A. S. Washburn and others, to have Maine Granite Quarry Company's property set off from Manchester to Hallowell ;

Remonstrance of Cemetery owners of Norway ;

Remonstrance of Abel Tuttle and others ;

Remonstrance of E. F. Beal and others ;

Remonstrance of Peter Frost and others ;

Remonstrance of Farnham Jewett and others ;

Remonstrance of R. Lombard and others,—severally against the petition of the town of Paris ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of B. W. Mallett and others, for an appropriation for repairing the road from Fort Kent to the upper settlement of St. Francis;

Petition of Nathaniel Winslow, for exchange of lot of land granted to Judith Brown;

Petition of J. W. Porter and others of Lowell;

Petition of Jeremiah Page and others of Burlington;

Petition of citizens of Lincoln, Winn and Mattawamkeag,—severally for law regulating the scale of logs on the Penobscot;

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

Petition of Daniel Lord and others, that authority may be given to the Bangor and Milford Railroad Company, to extend their road through Lincoln to Mattawamkeag;

Remonstrance of William P. Fessenden;

Remonstrance of Harriet Deering,—severally against proposed alteration of Kennebec and Portland Railroad in Portland;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of J. W. Porter and others of Lowell, for a scientific survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of Timothy Fuller and others, for a division of the County of Penobscot—was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Petition of Edmund P. Ingalls and others, to make valid the doings of the town officers of Denmark—was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of John Lynch and others, to be incorporated into the Parmachena Dam Company—was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of the town of Dayton, for reduction of valuation—was referred to the delegation from York County, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Lewiston Savings Institution"—was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence.

Bill "An act relating to the Board of Agriculture," came from the House referred to a special committee. The Senate non-concurred, and referred the bill to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to repeal section four, chapter twenty-three 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.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the bill was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill, "An act to incorporate the Tyrian Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons ;"

Bill "An act to protect the property of the Kennebec Company and of the Augusta Water Power Company, in Augusta, against fire ;"

Reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL, the order relating to making inquiries of the Superintendent of Public Buildings, was taken from the table and passed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, the vote whereby Friday next was assigned for the second reading of bill, "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia, was reconsidered, and to-morrow was assigned for the second reading of the bill.

Mr. DONNELL from the Committee on Education, to which was referred the petition of R. A. Ballou and Giles Bailey, reported bill an "Act to incorporate the Maine Universalist Convention."

Mr. GRANGER from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to amending section 95 of chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes, reported bill "An act to amend section ninety-five of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, limiting scire facias against trustees."

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred bill "An act to exempt certain property from attachment," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. DONNELL from the Committee on Education, to which was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject of education, reported bill "An act to amend an act providing for Normal Schools in the several counties, approved March 20, 1860."

The report was accepted. The bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill "An act relating to the State Library," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. PEASE moved to amend by making the salary of the Librarian "six hundred dollars," and by having the act take effect in April; which motion was adopted.

Mr. GROSS moved to amend section sixth by extending the privileges of the Library to others than those there mentioned; which motion was adopted.

Mr. KALER moved to reconsider the vote adopting the amendment as to salary.

Mr. VINTON proposed to further amend the bill.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the bill was recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WARREN, the vote of the Senate, indefinitely

postponing "Resolve in favor of Enoch W. Hoyt," was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the Resolve was laid on the table.

Mr. GRANGER from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to the intermarriage of cousins in the first and second degrees of consanguinity, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

"Resolve in favor of the town of Enfield ;"

"Resolve for the repair of Mattawamkeag Bridge in the County of Penobscot ;"

"Resolve requiring the Secretary of State to furnish cities, towns and plantations, with certain documents ;"

Which were severally finally passed, in concurrence ; and having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WORCESTER of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of Charles A. Page and others, for amendment of charter of Hallowell and Chelsea Bridge Company;

Petition of A. M. Roberts and others, for charter of a telegraph company from Calais to the western line of the State;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of James Strout and others of Durham;

Petition of Henry Clark and others of Wiscasset; severally for repeal of Personal Liberty Laws;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of Robie Whitney and others of Gorham, for an act authorizing the Farmers' Club to mutually insure against fire;

Petition of the Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company at Gorham, for an act additional to their charter;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of Agent of Penobscot Indians, for various appropriations for said tribe;

Petition of Joseph Attian and others, in aid of the same;

Credentials of Peol Sockis, delegate of Penobscot tribe;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in concurrence.

Petition of President and Directors of Mariners Bank, for further

time to close up its affairs—was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Gorham Female Academy, for amendment of act of incorporation—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, leave to withdraw on the petition of T. S. Foster and others ;

Report of the Committee on Education, legislation inexpedient on an order relating to repealing section 9 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes;

Were each accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, leave to withdraw on petition of Noah Smith, accepted in the House, was read, and on motion of Mr. GRANGER, was laid on the table.

Bill “An act to make valid the doings of school district No. 7 in Falmouth,” reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of school district No. 7 in Falmouth, was recommitted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, that “An act to incorporate the Keyes Edge Tool Company,” ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. GROSS, by leave, introduced bill “An act to make valid the doings of the Assessors of the town of Raymond ;” which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. TRUE, by leave, introduced bill “An act to amend chapter one hundred and ninety-three of the laws of 1860 ;” which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. NOYES presented the petition of Warren Brown and others of Ellsworth, for a rail or plank road in Ellsworth ; which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. BENSON presented the petition of Lyndon Oak and others,



for reimbursement of loan to the late State Treasurer; which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Which several papers were sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting such returns of Insurance Companies, as have been received in that office.

The returns were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting Resolutions of the State of Michigan on the state of the Union. The communication and accompanying papers were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bills;

“An act to amend section ninety-five of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, limiting *scire facias* against trustees:”

“An act to incorporate the Maine Universalist Convention;”

“An act to exempt certain property from attachment;”

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the bill was recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, by leave, introduced bill “An act to repeal section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes;” which was read twice, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the bill was laid on the table, and to-morrow at 11 o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. DONNELL, from the Committee on Education, reported

“Resolve in favor of High School at New Sharon, designated as the Normal School for Franklin County;” which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced “Resolve relating to the gradual emancipation of slaves in the Northern Slave States;” which was once read and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, investigate the claim of Alexander Murray of Maysville, and adjust the same,  
Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BALLOU of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of repealing "An act additional to 'an act to regulate the fisheries on the Kennebec river,' approved March 20, 1860 ;"

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Llewellyn F. Rittal and others of Dresden ;

Petition of Elijah C. Hatch and others of Perkins ;

Petition of Albion Cate and others of Dresden,—severally for a law regulating the fisheries on the Kennebec river ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of M. S. Hagar and others of Richmond ;

Petition of John Allen and others of St. George ;

Petition of Horatio Southgate and others of Scarboro' ;

Petition of Wm. S. Cochrane and others of Rockland,—severally for repeal of personal liberty law ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of S. Clark and others of Sidney ;

Petition of M. Lee and others of Vassalboro' ;

Petition of Charles J. Webber and others,—severally for improvement in the navigation of Kennebec River ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. H. Treat and others of Enfield;

Remonstrance of Shepard Bean and others of Lee;

Remonstrance of Galon Gates and others of Carroll;

Remonstrance of Asa Smith and others of Mattawamkeag;

Remonstrance of Andrew Woodman and others of Burlington;

Remonstrance of James Edgecomb and others of Howland;

Remonstrance of George H. Haynes and others of Winn;

Remonstrance of James Butterfield and others of Springfield;

Remonstrance of Mark G. Waymouth and others of Plantation 4, Range 1;

Remonstrance of Horace Haynes and others of Passadumkeag,—severally against a division of Penobscot County;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Medway Plantation, to be incorporated into a town—was referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Petition of M. S. Hagar and others, for incorporation of Richmond Academy—was referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Education.

Petition of Maine Charitable Mechanic Association—was referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Manufactures.

Bill “An act to extend the time for the sale of real estate for non-payment of taxes in Damariscotta”—was referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Charles K. Miller and others, from the last Legislature, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bill “An act relating to the Board of Agriculture,” came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote referring the bill

to a Special Committee, and proposing a conference; with Messrs. Currier of Athens, Brown of Hampden, and Ramsdell of Atkinson, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote referring the bill to the Committee on Agriculture, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed as conferees on its part, Messrs. Gross of Cumberland, Benson of Penobscot, and Bicknell of Kennebec.

Mr. BICKNELL presented the petition of Trustees of Vassalboro' Academy, for amendment of act of incorporation; which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. HAMMATT presented the petition of Gulliper and Gilman, for extension of time to take timber from State land; which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. BICKNELL presented the petition of Joseph Estes and others of Vassalboro', for amendment of liquor law; which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to Liquor Law.

Which several petitions were sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Governor, enclosing one from Hon. Lot M. Morrill, stating that the delegation in Congress, from this State, have caused their names to be enrolled in the Convention at Washington, to which they were designated as Commissioners, by a Resolve of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, bill "An act designating the place where the Legislature of eighteen hundred and sixty-two shall meet and hold its session," was taken from the table, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. KALER, from the Committee on the Militia, to which was recommitted bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Militia," reported that the same, in a new draft, ought to pass.

Mr. HARLOW, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Edmund P. Ingalls and others, reported bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Denmark."

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which

was referred an order relating to laying out a road in Howland, reported bill "An act to enable the inhabitants of the town of Howland to petition the Court of County Commissioners to discontinue a highway."

Mr. PIERCE, from the Committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of James Hall, reported "Resolve in favor of James Hall."

These reports were severally accepted; the bills and Resolve were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve relating to the gradual emancipation of slaves in the Northern Slave States," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Keyes Edge Tool Company," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second-Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of William Fitch and others, relating to the election of the Selectmen of towns, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of William Fitch and others, relating to changes in the Constitution, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, to which was referred bill "An act in relation to evidence," from the last Legislature, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to establish the salary of the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for Cumberland County."

The bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill "An act to repeal section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes," assigned for to-day.

The question being on the engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered.

After debate on the bill, Mr. HAMMATT moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed till Wednesday, March sixth.

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered.

The roll being called 12 Senators answered yea, and 12 Senators nay, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Donnell, Goodenow, Hammatt, Hopkins, Kaler, Pease, Pierce, Pitcher, Redman, Tolman.

NAYS—Messrs. Blunt, Granger, Gross, Harlow, Hubbard, Kennedy, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, True, Warren.

So the motion to postpone was not adopted.

Mr. HAMMATT then moved that Tuesday, March fifth, be assigned for the further consideration of the bill.

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered.

The roll being called 12 Senators answered yea, and 12 Senators nay, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Donnell, Goodenow, Hammatt, Hopkins, Kaler, Pease, Pierce, Pitcher, Redman, Tolman.

NAYS—Messrs. Andrews, Blunt, Granger, Gross, Hubbard, Kennedy, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, True, Warren.

So the motion was not adopted.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the bill was laid on the table, and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on petition of M. H. Pike and others, submitting bill "An act to unite the towns of Skowhegan and Bloomfield," was accepted in concurrence;

the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHURCH of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, inquire whether any additional legislation is requisite with regard to the erection, maintenance, and position of fences on the line of public highways ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary report such alterations in the poor debtor law, as they may deem expedient ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Printing report at an early day, the amount that has been paid by the State for all the printing done at the expense of the State for the years 1858, 1859, and 1860 ; each year separately. Also what amount would have been saved to the State, in each year, had the prices heretofore charged, been as low as the lowest proposals handed to the Committee this year.

The order was read, laid on the table, and Wednesday next assigned for its further consideration.



Petition of J. B. Palmer and others, for authority to make assessments on polls in Muscle Ridge Plantation ;

Petition of William Pitcher and others, for alteration of statutes of limitations in certain cases ;

Petition of Edward E. Houdlett and others of Dresden, for power to sell a meeting-house ;

Bill "An act to amend section 5 of chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes ;"

Bill "An act to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of the Revised Statutes ;"

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac R. Clark, for right to improve water power on the Mattawamkeag River ;

Petition of F. A. Pike and others, for the passage of an act defining a ballast ground in River St. Croix ;

Petition of C. S. Berry and others of Bangor and Brewer, for an act to regulate the speed of steamboats on Penobscot River ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Hancock and others of Gray ;

Petition of E. A. Mansfield and others,—severally for repeal of the personal liberty laws ;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal relations, in concurrence.

Petition of Simeon B. Folsom, for purchase of land ;

Petition of John Parrs for conveyance of certain land to him and Margaret Webb ;

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

Remonstrance of the Selectmen of Montville against annexing a part of said town to Liberty ;

Petition of E. M. Frost, to be set off from Ripley to St. Albans ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of G. Mayo, for extension of charter of Penobscot Railroad Company—was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of Ephraim Alley 2d, and others of Dresden, for incorporation of an Academy—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of Asa Hutchinson and others, for a law taxing dogs—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of Alatha Argraves, for remuneration from the State for property taken from her late husband—was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of William C. Burgess and others, to authorize County Commissioners to lay out a road across tide water at Thomaston—was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of Lyndon Oak and others, came back from the House referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Senate receded and concurred.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of William Purington and others, recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted, in concurrence. The petition was accordingly referred.

A communication from Henry Dexter of Massachusetts, in relation to procuring busts of Governors of the States—was read, and referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on the Library.

Bill “An act to prevent fraudulent or constructive pay,” came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote of reference to a Special Committee, and proposing a conference.

The Senate adhered to its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

Sent down.

Bill “An act concerning the proprietors of Upper Bridge on Eastern River,” passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House amended.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act incorporating the Maine Board of Trustees for Temperance," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House amended.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A message was received from the House, by Mr. LIBBEY of Orono, informing the Senate that the House, in the absence of its Clerk, had made choice of F. M. Drew, as Clerk *pro tempore*.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of F. I. Parker and others, reported that the petition be referred to the next Legislature, and that the petitioners give notice of their petition, to be returned to the next Legislature.

The report was accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company," reported the same to be referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

The report was accepted, and the bill accordingly referred.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee on Education, to which was referred the petition of James Webb and others, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

Mr. BENSON, from the same Committee, reported on the petition of the Trustees of the Female Medical College in Boston, referred from the last Legislature, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on reference of bill "An act relating to the Board of Agriculture," reported that the conferees could not agree, and recommending that the Senate adhere to its vote.

The report was accepted.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of T. C. Woodman and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Bucksport Gas Light Company."

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred bill "An act amendatory to 'an act incorporating the Lewiston Institution for Savings,' passed March 20, 1856," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were accepted, the bills each once read, and Monday next assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bills,

"An act to enable the inhabitants of the town of Howland to petition the Court of County Commissioners to discontinue a highway;"

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Denmark;"

Also "Resolve in favor of James Hall;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On the passage of the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the question being taken resulted 18 yeas, 1 nay, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Donnell, Gross, Ham-matt, Harlow, Hubbard, Kaler, Kennedy, Noyes, Pease, Pitcher, Redman, Tolman, True, Vaughan, Vinton.

NAY—Mr. Hopkins.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, bill "An act to amend 'an act providing for Normal Schools in the several counties,' approved March 20, 1860," was taken from the table.

The bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER presented the petition of James A. Lee and others of Calais, for repeal of the personal liberty law; which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend section six of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Which several papers were sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House:

That so much of the Governor's address as relates to apportioning the State into Congressional districts, under the census of 1860, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, said Committee to report such action thereon as they may deem expedient;

Was read and passed, in concurrence.

Messrs. Blunt of Somerset, Marshall of York, and Benson of Penobscot, were joined to the Committee on the part of the Senate.

The members of the Committee on the part of the House, are Messrs. McCrillis of Bangor, Dyer of Calais, Farewell of Rockland, Spring of Portland, Frye of Lewiston, Rowell of Hallowell, and Pitcher of Belfast.

Bill "An act to unite the towns of Skowhegan and Bloomfield," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. BLUNT proposed an amendment which was adopted. The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

"An act relating to Grand Jurors;"

“ An act additional to ‘ an act to set off certain territory from the town of Strong and annex the same to the town of New Vineyard,’ passed March twenty-eight, 1856 ; ”

“ An act to make valid the doings of school district number one in New Gloucester ; ”

“ An act to incorporate the Keyes Edge Tool Company ; ”

“ An act to protect the Kennebec Company and the Augusta Water Power in Augusta, against fire ; ”

“ An act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Gas Light Company ; ”

“ An act to authorize the City of Bath to erect a bridge over New Meadows River, and to raise money to build and maintain the same ; ”

“ An act to incorporate the town of Verona ; ”

“ An act to incorporate the Tyrian Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons ; ”

“ An act to legalize the doings of the proprietors of, and the pew-holders in, the Congregational Meeting-House, in the second Congregational parish in York ; ”

“ An act to amend chapter one hundred and six of the Revised Statutes, relating to the service and selection of Jurors ; ”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence ; and having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Monday next, at 11 o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, the Senate then  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Agriculture, consider the propriety of incorporating an additional Agricultural Society in the County of Aroostook ;

That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire into the expediency of providing some mode of communication between Mattanawcook Island and the main land, for the benefit of the Penobscot Indians ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Governor to appoint an agent or commissioner, to inquire into the number of deaf, dumb, and blind in the State, and what may be done for their amelioration, and report to the next Legislature ;

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire what legislation, if any, is needed in regard to taking fish by means of trawls in waters within the jurisdiction of the State ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of altering or amending section 2 of chapter 232 of the special laws of 1858, relating to the preservation of trout in certain waters ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Warren and others of Deer Isle ;

Petition of J. W. Wood and others ; severally for repeal of personal liberty laws ;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Petition of Alcott S. Pennell and others, in aid of Harpswell Academy—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Letter E, to make valid the doings of said plantation—was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Hiram Brackett and others of Maysville, that the Land Agent may be authorized to sell certain land to T. B. Spratt—was referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to repeal section four, chapter twenty-three, of the Revised Statutes, relating to pounds and impounding beasts,” passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House indefinitely postponed. On motion of Mr. Blunt, the bill was laid on the table and Friday next assigned for its consideration.

Report of the Committee on Education on various petitions for the establishment of a school for the blind, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of William H. Titcomb and others, with bill “An act to incorporate the People’s Savings Bank, Rockland,” was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. VINTON,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be raised to consider the expediency of the State Government on Friday, the 22d day of February instant, joining in some exercises appropriate to the day, and report thereon.

And Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Hammatt of Penobscott, and Redman of Washington, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, this order came back from the House, passed in



concurrence; with Messrs. Farwell of Rockland, Foster of Portland, Parshley of Sangerville, Wentworth of Kittery, Eaton of Harpswell, Webb of Winthrop, and Dexter of Auburn, joined to the Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to sell to T. B. Spratt, a portion of lot number 102, in Township 12, Range 3.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of passing a general bankrupt law, and report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was referred the petition of William H. Wilson and others, from the last Legislature, reported "Resolve in favor of the Megantic road in Oxford County."

The report was accepted; the Resolve once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Bucksport Gas Light Company," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HUBBARD, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Judiciary Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter six of the Revised Statutes, so as to exempt a lot of land of one hundred acres, under improvement, from town taxes until the town shall lay out a private or town way to accommodate such individuals as have improved lands, and are not accommodated by any town or private way ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of altering sections 18, 21, 22, and 23, of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, relating to laying out private ways ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so changing our mode of collecting debts of one hundred dollars or less, that justice may be more certain, cheap, and summary ;

Severally read and passed in concurrence.

Resolutions of the town of Montville, against setting off a part of said town to Liberty ;

Petition of Henry Cooper Jr., and others, to have certain quarries set off from Manchester to Hallowell ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of Chandler Libby and others, in aid of petition of David Potter—was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Luther Marshall and others, for repeal of the personal liberty law—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to punish the unlawful taking of horses and cattle"—was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Monson," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of J. A. Waterman, with bill "An act to amend 'an act to change Gorham Academy to a female Seminary,' approved August 20, 1850;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of M. S. Hagar and others, with bill "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Richmond Academy;"

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of E. D. Morse and others, with bill "An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Biddeford Mutual Improvement Society;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act to authorize Richard T. Dunlap to convey certain real estate to James H. McLellan," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of John Treat and another, with bill "An act to provide for the improvement of Cold Stream for the floating of logs and lumber;"

Report of the Committee on Piscataquis Railroad, submitting bill "An act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company;"

Report of the Committee on Finance, submitting bill "An act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1861, amounting to \$258,654.88;"

Were severally accepted, in concurrence; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Universalist Convention," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to incorporate the People's Savings Bank, Rockland," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Megantic Road," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW, the Resolve was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, inquire into the expediency of extending the time for owners of timber on Township 3 Range 5, to take off the same.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. NOYES, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was referred the petition of Eaton Clark and others, reported bill "An act authorizing the owners of Salt Marsh, at the head of Bass Harbor, in the town of Tremont, to erect a dam or dyke."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of Eben E. Babson and others, reported bill "An act authorizing the erection of a dam in the town of Mt. Desert, in the County of Hancock."

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee on Education, to which was referred the petition of the Trustees of Vassalboro' Academy, reported bill "An act to amend 'an act to incorporate the Vassalboro' Academy,' approved February 28, 1835."

These reports were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. VAUGHAN, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of Timothy Fuller and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to further legislation concerning hawkers and pedlers, reported legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The reports were each accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN, the "Resolve in favor of Enoch W. Hoyt," was taken from the table.

The Resolve was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, "the Resolve to complete the road in Township number 3, Range 4, west of Bingham's purchase in the County of Franklin," was taken from the table.

The Resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Subsequently, Mr. HARLOW moved to reconsider this vote.

On this motion, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called, resulted 9 yeas, 16 nays, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Gross, Marshall, Noyes, Pease, Pitcher, Redman, Rider, Sylvester, Vinton.

NAYS.—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Percival, Tolman, True, Vaughan, Warren.

So the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

The Resolve was sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER presented the petition of Nelson S. Allen and others, for the removal of the seat of government to Portland.

Mr. BLUNT presented the remonstrance of Samuel Woodman and others of Cornville, against the removal of the seat of government to Portland.

Which papers were ordered to be placed on file with papers relating to the subject.

Mr. BENSON presented the petitions of Jason L. Hersey and others; Harris J. Crummett and others; Daniel Whitman and others,—severally relating to the scale of logs in the Penobscot river; which were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed :

"An act to incorporate the Maine Board of Trustees of Temperance;"

"An act to unite the towns of Skowhegan and Bloomfield;"

Which bills were passed to be enacted, in concurrence; and

having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether legislation is necessary to prevent the allowance of constructive pay by courts, and report a statement of facts thereon ;

That the same Committee inquire what disposition may be made of the preemption lots, so called, which were set off by commissioners, in accordance with a Resolve of the Legislature of this State, approved February 29, 1844, and a concurrent Resolve of the Legislature of Massachusetts, approved March 16, 1844, and returned to the Land office ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending existing fence laws, as to give the builder of a division fence under the direction of fence viewers, a lien on the land adjoining the land of the builder ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by law that interest payable annually on promissory notes, can be collected any time after such interest becomes due ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of

so amending the school laws, as to allow school committees to prohibit children, under five years of age, from attending public schools, when, in their judgment, the best interests of all parties concerned would be thereby promoted;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of amending a Resolve passed April 12, 1859, in favor of the town of Littleton, designating certain lands for public uses;

That the delegation from Waldo County, inquire into the expediency of increasing the salary of the Judge of Probate for said County, so as to make the same equal to the salaries of the Judges of Probate in other countries;

That the Land Agent furnish the Legislature with a statement showing the quantity of State Lands sold during the past twenty years, the price paid per acre, the date of payment, the amount still due, and the nature of the security, if any thereon. Also, all demands for land, stumpage or grass, now in the Land Office, or in the hands of Attorneys for collection, with the name of the party against whom such demand stands;

These orders were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel C. Higgins and others of Gorham, for repeal of personal liberty bill;

Remonstrance of Joseph Barron and others of Topsham, against said repeal;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. B. Bowler and others, against annexing a part of Somerville to Washington—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to incorporate the Orono Educational Society”—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Bill “An act amendatory of the charter of the Augusta Mutual Fire Insurance Company”—was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to providing for ascertaining the number of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind in the State, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bills:

“An act authorizing the owners of Salt Marsh, at the head of Bass Harbor, in the town of Tremont, to erect a dam or dyke;”

“An act to amend ‘an act to incorporate the Vassalboro’ Academy,’ approved February 28, 1835;”

“An act authorizing the erection of a dam in the town of Mt. Desert, in the County of Hancock;”

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee reported the following:

“An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Biddeford Mutual Improvement Society;”

“An act to authorize Richard T. Dunlap to convey certain real estate to James H. McLellan;”

“An act to amend ‘an act to change Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary,’ approved August 20, 1850;”

“An act to provide for the improvement of Cold Stream for floating logs and lumber;”

“An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Richmond Academy;”

“An act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1861, amounting to \$258,654.88;”

“Resolve providing for a grant of land to inhabitants of Island Falls Plantation;”

Which bills and resolve were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. ANDREWS, by leave, introduced bill “An act to incorporate the Kennebunkport Camp-meeting Association;” which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BLUNT presented the remonstrance of Gilman Hall and



others of Athens, against a removal of the Capital to Portland; which was ordered to be filed with papers relating to that subject.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill "An act to amend section six of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to civil actions," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act designating the place where the Legislature of eighteen hundred and sixty-two shall meet and hold its session," assigned for to-day, and reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. MILLER moved to postpone further consideration of the bill to Thursday, the 28th inst.

On this motion the yeas and nays were ordered, and the question being put, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Donnell, Granger, Gross, Hammatt, Hubbard, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Pease, Pierce, True, Vaughan, Vinton.

NAYS—Messrs. Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Goodenow, Harlow, Hopkins, Kaler, Kennedy, Percival, Pitcher, Redman, Rider, Sylvester, Tolman, Warren.

15 yeas, 15 nays.

So the motion did not prevail.

Mr. BLUNT moved the indefinite postponement of the bill;

Pending which, Mr. MILLER proposed an amendment.

Pending which, Mr. VINTON moved to lay the bill on the table and that it be printed with the proposed amendment.

The motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. MILLER, the order relating to State printing for the last three years, was taken from the table.

The same Senator moved an amendment to extend the inquiries back to 1850; which was adopted.

The order was further amended, on motion of Mr. GROSS.

Mr. HAMMATT then moved to indefinitely postpone the order;

which motion was not adopted, by yeas 13, nays 14, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Granger, Hammatt, Hopkins, Kennedy, Percival, Pitcher, Rider, Sylvester, Vaughan, Warren.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Donnell, Goodenow, Gross, Harlow, Hubbard, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Pease, Redman, Vinton.

The order was then passed and sent down.

Mr. PERCIVAL, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred bill “An act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society,” reported that the same in a new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. VINTON, from the Special Committee, to which was referred an order relating to the State Government observing by appropriate public exercises, the 22d of February, instant, reported as follows :

That the two branches of the Legislature meet at the usual hour on that day; that at 11 o'clock the Senate repair to the Hall of the House of Representatives; that the Governor, Council, and Heads of Departments be requested to repair also to the Hall of the House, at the same time; that the Governor be requested to take the chair and to submit such remarks as he may deem suitable and proper; that Washington's Farewell Address be read; and that the Adjutant General be requested to fire a salute in front of the Capitol, at 12 o'clock noon.

The report was accepted and sent down.

Subsequently, it came back from the House accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

“An act concerning the proprietors of the Upper Bridge on Eastern River;”

“An act to exempt certain property from attachment and execution;”

“ An act to establish the salary of the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Cumberland County;”

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence.

“ Resolve in favor of the town of Monson,” also reported by the same Committee, was finally passed in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HAYNES of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of increasing the number of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of organizing County Courts, with one Judge each, in the Counties of York, Cumberland, Kennebec and Penobscot.

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of so providing by law, (leaving to the towns the selection of books, and one year from the passage of the law shall be allowed the towns to select what books they will adopt,) that there shall be no change made in the text books adopted in any town in this State, oftener than once in five years;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of furnishing school districts with standard works;

That the petition of James Dunning and Henry A. Wood in A. D. 1853, for an act of incorporation for a steam ferry company between Brewer and Bangor, together with the accompanying papers, be taken from the files in the office of the Secretary of State and laid before the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Severally read and passed, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Farnsworth and Fanning and others;

Remonstrance of the Directors of Bangor Bridge Company; severally against the establishment of a steam ferry between Brewer and Bangor;

Were referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Scarboro', for repeal of an act to make valid the doings of school district No. 12 in that town;

"Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Allen and Thomas O. Brien;"

Were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of J. W. Porter and others, in aid of petition of Samuel Veazie—was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of John B. Brown and others of Portland, concerning the disposition of the public lands—was ordered to be placed on file with papers relating to European and North American Railroad, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Isaac N. Wadsworth and others of Manchester, against annexing a portion of said town to Hallowell—was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Petition of E. S. Pray and others of East Livermore, for incorporation of Livermore Falls Paper Manufacturing Company—was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of David Brown, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Arletta A. Brown, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee on "Resolve in favor of Arletta A. Brown," submitting statement of facts thereon;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, communicating to the Legislature, "Resolutions of the Legislature of the State of Texas, relating to coercion."

The resolutions were read, and on motion of Mr. ANDREWS, they were laid on the table.

A communication was received from the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court, giving the opinion of the Court affirmatively upon the question submitted to it by the Senate: "Is it competent for the present Legislature to cause the State to be divided into districts for the choice of Senators?"

The communication was read, and on motion of Mr. VINTON, it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of Isaac Wilder and others, submitting bill "An act to incorporate the town of Washburn;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on petitions of Monmouth, Monson, Limington, and Corinna Union Academies, submitting "Resolve in favor of Monson, Monmouth, Limington, and Corinna Union Academies;"

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to claim of Alexander Murray, submitting "Resolve in favor of Alexander Murray;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the bill and resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to incorporate the Lincoln County Bank;" which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ANDREWS, by leave, introduced bill "An act to authorize the City of Biddeford to consolidate its debt;" which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was recommitted the petition of James B. Dascomb and others, reported bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Dead River Bridge."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of George W. Dyer and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Special Committee, to which was referred an order relating to the apportionment of Senatorial and Representative districts, reported that it is constitutional and expedient to make such apportionment at the present session of the Legislature.

Mr. PERCIVAL, from the Committee on Military Pensions, to which was referred the petition of Elizabeth Brooks, from the last Legislature, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of Elizabeth Whitcomb, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Which reports were severally accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bills:

"An act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society;"

"An act to amend section six of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to civil actions;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the special Committee consisting of the delegation of Lincoln County, on petition of Arnold Blaney and others, with bill

“An act to establish the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate for the County of Lincoln,” was accepted, in concurrence; the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, bill “An act to repeal chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, relating to the assessment and collection of taxes,” was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. DONNELL presented the following:

*Ordered*, The House concurring, that the Joint Order relating to the reception of petitions, be so far suspended as to permit the reception of the petitions of E. C. Gray and James Johnston of Maysville, for redress of grievances.

The order was refused a passage.

Mr. LYFORD presented the following:

*Ordered*, That the apportionment of the State for Senators and Representatives to the Legislature, be referred to a Joint Select Committee, consisting of seven on the part of the Senate, and one from each County on the part of the House.

Read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN, bill “An act designating the place where the Legislature of 1862 shall meet and hold its sessions,” was taken from the table and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW, “Resolve in favor of the Megantic Road,” was taken from the table.

On the passage of the Resolve to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the vote being taken, resulted 10 yeas, 14 nays, as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Bridges, Harlow, Hubbard, Miller, Percival, Tolman, True, Warren.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andrews, Goodenow, Granger, Gross, Kennedy, Lyford, Noyes, Pease, Pierce, Pitcher, Redman, Sylvester, Vaughan, Vinton.

So the Resolve was refused a passage.

Subsequently, Mr. ANDREWS gave notice of his intention to move a reconsideration of the above vote.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of the City of Portland, reported bill "An act to amend section one hundred and forty-three of chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

"An act to enable the inhabitants of the town of Howland to petition the Court of County Commissioners to discontinue a highway;"

"An act to reduce the capital stock of the Traders Bank, Bangor;"

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Denmark;"

"An act to incorporate the People's Savings Bank, Rockland;"

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence. —

"Resolve in favor of Enoch W. Hoyt," reported by the same Committee, was finally passed in concurrence.

And these bills and resolve having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire whether aid should be extended to Charles Bridges, and James Walker, of Township E, Range one, in Aroostook, for the building of a mill in said township;

Read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of William Young and others, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, and the petitioners give notice;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to altering the charter of the York and Cumberland Insurance Company, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of the town of Paris, with bill "An act to set off a part of Norway and re-annex the same to Paris," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of F. A. Pike and others, reported bill "An act authorizing the harbor master of Calais to set apart and define a ballast ground near the 'Devil's Head,' in the river St. Croix."

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred an order relating to alteration of chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, reported bill "An act altering chapter thirty of

the Revised Statutes relating to the bounty on wolves and bears."

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred bill "An act to incorporate the Lincoln County Bank," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred the petition of James Dunning and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to collection of annual interest upon notes, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator from the same Committee reported legislation inexpedient on an order referred to them, relating to the enactment of a general insolvent law.

The same Senator from the same Committee reported that legislation is inexpedient on an order relating to amending existing fence laws.

The same Senator from the same Committee reported that bill "An act to amend section five of chapter one hundred and twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes," ought not to pass.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred the petition of Isaiah Stetson and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. KENNEDY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of Samuel Veazie, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

These several reports were accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOPKINS, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was referred various petitions relating to the scale of logs on the Penobscot River, reported bill "An act to regulate the scale of logs, on the sale thereof, on the Penobscot River and its branches."

The report was accepted. The bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

The Committee on bills in the Second Reading, reported bills:

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Dead River Bridge;”

“An act to amend section one hundred and forty-three of chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes;”

Which were read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported:

“An act to incorporate the town of Washburn;”

“Resolve in favor of Alexander Murray;”

“Resolve in favor of Monson Academy, Monmouth Academy, Limington Academy, and Corinna Union Academy;”

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LYFORD, the order offered yesterday relating to the apportionment of Senators and Representatives was taken from the table.

The order was passed.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the vote refusing a passage to “Resolve in favor of the Megantic Road, in Oxford County,” was reconsidered.

The Resolve was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its consideration.

The hour having arrived which was assigned by joint order of the Legislature for exercises commemorative of the birthday of Washington, on motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. TAPPAN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that County officers shall be residents of the County where they hold their offices ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by statute, that insane paupers residing in towns having less than two hundred inhabitants, shall be State paupers ;

That Governor Washburn be requested to furnish to the Legislature a copy of his address of the 22d inst., for publication ;

Were read and passed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Insane Hospital, on the petition of the Selectmen of the town of Bloomfield, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to increasing the jurisdiction of Trial Justices and Municipal Judges, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were accepted, in concurrence.

The Committee on bills in the Second Reading, reported bills :

“ An act authorizing the Harbor Master of the city of Calais to set apart and define a ballast ground near the ‘ Devil’s Head,’ in the River St. Croix ; ”

“ An act to incorporate the Lincoln County Bank ; ”

“ An act altering chapter thirty of the Revised Statutes, relating to bounty on wolves and bears ; ”

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred various papers relating to taxation of dogs, reported bill "An act relating to dogs."

The report was accepted; the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills entitled:

"An act to establish the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate for the County of Lincoln;"

"An act to incorporate the Maine Universalist Convention;"

"An act to incorporate the Trustees of Richmond Academy;"

"An act to provide for the improvement of Cold Stream for floating logs and lumber;"

"An act amendatory to 'an act incorporating the Lewiston Institution for Savings,' passed March 20, 1856;"

"An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Biddeford Mutual Improvement Society;"

"An act to amend 'an act to change the Gorham Academy to a Female Seminary,' approved August 20, 1850;"

Which bills were passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee reported as truly and correctly engrossed:

"Resolve in favor of Van Buren, Grant Isle, and Hamlin plantations;"

"Resolve in favor of the High School at New Sharon, designated by the Governor as the Normal School for Franklin County;"

"Resolve in favor of Samuel Webber;"

"Resolve in favor of Monson Academy, Monmouth Academy, Limington Academy, and Corinna Union Academy;"

"Resolve authorizing a grant of land to the inhabitants of Island Falls plantation;"

Which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock on Monday next.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER, of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of James C. Jameson and others of Orono;

Petition of James Davis and others of Friendship;

Petition of Silas Skillen and others of North Yarmouth,—severally for repeal of the personal liberty law;

Remonstrance of W. W. Lowell and others, against repeal of personal liberty law;

“Resolve in favor of harmony and union;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of City of Hallowell, against setting off granite quarries from Manchester to Hallowell;

Remonstrance of Samuel Kingsbury and others of Waldo, against petition of Alden Sanborn;

Were each referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Warren Academy;”

“Resolve in favor of Lincoln Academy;”

Were each referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Resolutions of the States of New York, Indiana, New Jersey, Minnesota, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Ohio, relating to the present political state of the country, transmitted to the Legislature by the Governor, were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the inhabitants of Palmyra, that legislation is inexpedient on the subject matter of their petition, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending section 3 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, submitting bill "An act to amend chapter sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to guardians;"

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to trials of petitions for partitions, submitting bill "An act additional to chapter eighty-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to partition of real estate;"

Were each accepted in concurrence; the bills were once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "An act to amend section ninety-five of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, limiting scire facias against trustee," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came back from the House amended.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to the gradual emancipation of slaves in the Northern slave States," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came back from the House, indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the Resolve was laid on the table.

A message was received from the Governor, through the Secretary of State, transmitting "Resolutions of the Illinois State Legislature."

The resolutions were read, and on motion of Mr. BENSON, they were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. DONNELL,

*Ordered*, That the claim of the Treasurer of the town of Houlton for bounties paid on wild animals, be taken from the files, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

“An act authorizing the owners of Salt Marsh, at the head of Bass Harbor, in the town of Tremont, to erect a dam or dyke;”

“An act authorizing the erection of a dam in the town of Mt. Desert, in the County of Hancock;”

“An act to repeal chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the Public Laws of 1860, relating to the assessment and collection of taxes;”

“An act to incorporate the town of Washburn;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee reported “Resolve in favor of Alexander Murray;” which was finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FELCH of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire and report what modifications, if any, are requisite as to the law of mortgages ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 91, section 19, of the Revised Statutes, as to better secure to persons cutting or hauling lumber, payment for their labor ;

That the same Committee report a bill to authorize cities and towns to collect interest on all State, county, and town taxes, that shall remain unpaid after the first day of October, annually ;

Severally read and passed, in concurrence.

Petition of B. W. Tyler and others, for repeal of personal liberty law ;

Remonstrance of R. A. Rich and others of Winterport, against repeal of said law ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on petition of Samuel Buck, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ; was accepted, in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Rufus Mansur," introduced in the House and passed by that branch to be engrossed, was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to

amending chapter 164 of the Laws of 1860, with bill "An act to amend section twelve of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes, and section eight of chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of 1860, for the appointment of Trial Justices," was recommitted, in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to criminal jurisdiction of Trial Justices, with bill "An act to restrict the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace to Trial Justices," was recommitted, in concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to chapter sixty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of married women, passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House indefinitely postponed.

Mr. KALER moved to insist and propose a conference. Pending which, on motion of Mr. BICKNELL, the bill was laid on the table and Thursday next assigned for its consideration.

Subsequently, a message was received from the House, requesting to have returned to that branch, the above named bill. Whereupon, the vote laying the bill on the table was reconsidered; and on motion, the bill was returned to the House.

Report of the delegation from the County of Waldo, on an order relating to the salary of the Judge of Probate of that county, submitting bill "An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate in the County of Waldo;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Ai Washburn and others, submitting bill "An act regulating the time of closing the polls in elections in towns and plantations;"

Report of the Committee on Education on the petition of Mary N. Jewett and others, submitting bill "An act to incorporate the Westport Wesleyan Aid Society;"

Were severally accepted, in concurrence; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of Cyrus Hutchinson and others,

from the last Legislature, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted and sent down.

Mr. MILLER presented the petition of F. S. Deering and others of Scarboro, for repeal of "An act making valid the doings of school district No. 12 in Scarboro;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. VAUGHAN presented the petition of W. L. Daggett and others, that our Senators and Representatives be requested to use their influence for the passage of a law for distribution of the French spoliation funds to their legal claimants; which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Which several petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to chapter eighty-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to partition of real estate," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Lyford, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "An act to amend chapter sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to guardians," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to set off a part of Norway and reannex the same to Paris," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. PEASE proposed an amendment, pending which, on motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the bill was laid on the table.

Order from the House:

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what amendment, if any, is necessary to chapter 91, section 16, of the Revised Statutes, relating to liens on buildings;

Was read and passed, in concurrence.

The President announced as members of the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Lyford of Lincoln, True of Penobscot, Granger of Washing-

ton, Miller of Cumberland, Bicknell of Kennebec, Hubbard of Oxford, and Pierce of Waldo.

The order for the appointment of the Committee was then sent down to the House for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order came back, passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined on the part of the House, as follows: Messrs. Kimball of Sanford, Stevens of New Gloucester, Hoyt of Rumford, Monroe of Livermore, Kennedy of Strong, Webb of Winthrop, Fisher of Bath, Smith of Starks, Baker of Wiscasset, Wood of Camden, Sanborn of Liberty, Barrows of Blanchard, Norcross of Charleston, Silsby of Amherst, Dorr of Jonesport, Woodbury of Houlton.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed:

Bill "An act to authorize Richard T. Dunlap to convey certain real estate;" which was passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

Also, "Resolve to provide for the distribution of the seventh annual report of the Superintendent of Common Schools;" which was finally passed in concurrence.

This bill and resolve having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STROUT of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of William Singer and others of Thomaston;

Petition of N. B. Robbins and others;

Petition of Charles Danforth and others of Gardiner,—severally for repeal of the personal liberty law;

Were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of William Willis and others of Portland, in aid of the petition of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association;

Petition of Asa Hanson and others of Portland, for the same;

Were referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of E. Lawrence and others, against the petition of E. Alley and others of Dresden—was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Joseph C. Card and others, against setting off the town of Woolwich to Lincoln County—was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, in concurrence.

Claim of the town of Topsham, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of E. B. Dudley and others, from the last Legislature, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of John Parrs, submitting "Resolve in favor of John Parrs and Margaret Webb;"

Report of the same Committee on petition of William H. Spear, submitting "Resolve in favor of William H. Spear;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the Resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bills,

"An act to incorporate the Westport Wesleyan Aid Society;"

"An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate in the County of Waldo;"

"An act regulating the time for closing the polls in elections in towns and plantations;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Edward Houdlett and others, reported bill "An act to authorize the sale of the Congregational Meeting-House in Dresden, built in 1796."

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred bill "An act to incorporate the Kennebunk Camp Meeting Association," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted; the bills were each read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BRIDGES, from the delegation from Hancock County, to which was referred the petition of Simeon Allen and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred sundry papers and petitions relating to a scientific survey of the State, reported "Resolves in favor of a scientific survey of the State."

On motion of the same Senator, the report and resolves were laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. PEASE, from the Committee on the Reform School, who were instructed by an order of the Legislature to visit that institution, made a report relating to the same.

On motion of the same Senator, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act in relation to evidence on petition for review;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act designating the place where the Legislature of 1862 shall meet and hold its session," especially assigned for to-day, was taken up.

Mr. MILLER, by leave, made certain modifications in his proposed amendment.

Pending the consideration of the amendment,

On motion of Mr. LYFORD, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BROOKS of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if some law is not necessary restricting the number of County Agricultural Societies, and compelling more strict compliance with existing laws in relation to drawing and expending money drawn from the State ;

That the Committee on Claims examine the claim of Franklin Plantation in the County of Oxford, for fines and costs paid into the treasury, A. D. 1854, and which by law were appropriated for schools in said Plantation ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Order from the House :

That a Committee of three on the part of the House, be appointed with such as the Senate may join, to ascertain when the Committees can make their final reports, and when the Legislature can take a recess ; with Messrs. Teague of Turner, Spring of Portland, and Buxton of Warren, appointed on the part of the House ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Messrs. Tolman of Piscataquis, Redman of Washington, and Percival of Kennebec, were joined to the Committee on the part of the Senate.

Order from the House :

That one from each County be added to the Committee on Apportionment of Senators and Representatives ; with names of members of that branch appointed for that purpose ;

Was read.



On motion of Mr. LYFORD, the Order was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down.

Petition of Isaiah Stetson and others of Bangor, for a scientific survey of the State—was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of William Randall and others of Harpswell, for the repeal of the personal liberty bill—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of George Weeks and others of Jefferson, for a separate town representation ;

Petition of Selectmen of Woolwich, for the same ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Apportionment, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of John D. Candee and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, that bill “ An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company,” ought not to pass ;

Were each accepted in concurrence.

“ Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Freeman Holway ;”

Severally introduced in the House and there passed to be engrossed, were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on various petitions in favor of Penobscot Indians, with “ Resolve in favor of Penobscot Indians for various purposes ;”

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on subject matters relating thereto in the Land Agent's Report, with “ Resolve for the repair of State road on Indian Township ;”

Also “ Resolve in aid of the road through Township No. 2, Range 3, W. E. L. S. ;”

Were severally accepted in concurrence ; the resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Mayor of Portland, with bill "An act additional to 'an act to incorporate the City of Portland,'" was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules; the amendment of the House was adopted; and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend section six of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to civil actions," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate insisted on its vote, and proposed a conference, with Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Andrews of York, and Harlow of Oxford, appointed conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported,

"Resolve in favor of William H. Spear;

"Resolve in favor of John Parrs and Margaret C. Webb;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee on Education, to which was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to Education, reported bill "An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes."

The report was accepted. The bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of Warren Brown and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Ellsworth Horse Railroad Company."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. VAUGHAN, from the Committee on Division of Counties, to which was referred the petition of Nathaniel G. Gould and others, from the last Legislature, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator from the same Committee, reported that the Committee have disposed of all matters referred to them; and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. TOLMAN, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, to which was referred the petition of the inhabitants of Medway plantation, reported recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WARREN,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what alteration is necessary in the law relating to taxable property.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill "An act designating the place where the Legislature of 1862 shall meet and hold its session," which was before the Senate at the adjournment yesterday.

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. MILLER, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called 9 Senators answered yea, and 18 nay, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Gross, Harlow, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Pease, True, Vinton.

NAYS.—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Goodenow, Granger, Hammatt, Hopkins, Kennedy, Percival, Pitcher, Redman, Rider, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Warren.

So the amendment was rejected.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. BLUNT, to indefinitely postpone the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called, 17 Senators answered yea, and 10 nay, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Goodenow, Granger, Hopkins, Kennedy, Miller, Percival, Pitcher, Redman, Rider, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Warren.

NAYS.—Messrs. Benson, Gross, Hammatt, Harlow, Lyford, Marshall, Noyes, Pease, True, Vinton.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MILLER gave notice of his intention to move a reconsideration of the vote last taken.

Mr. BICKNELL moved to reconsider the last vote.

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called, 11 Senators answered yea, and 14 nay, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Benson, Gross, Hammatt, Harlow, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Pease, True, Vinton.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Goodenow, Granger, Hopkins, Kennedy, Percival, Pitcher, Rider, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Warren.

So the motion to reconsider did not prevail.

(On the above ballotings, Messrs. Andrews and Kaler having paired off, were excused from voting.)

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL, bill “An act to set off a part of Norway and re-annex the same to Paris, was taken from the table, and to-morrow at 12 o’clock assigned for taking the question thereon.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

“An act altering chapter thirty of the Revised Statutes relating to bounty on wolves and bears ;”

“An act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society ;”

“An act to amend an act providing for Normal Schools in the several counties, approved March 20, 1860 ;”

“An act to amend chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to mortgages of real estate ;”

“An act to amend section ninety-five of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, limiting scire facias against trustees ;”

“An act to authorize the City of Biddeford to consolidate its debt ;”

“An act to amend chapter sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to guardians ;”

“An act to incorporate the Bucksport Gas Light Company ;”

“An act to amend section one hundred and forty-three of chapter six of the Revised Statutes, relating to taxes ;”

Which bills were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence ; and

having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER, of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of C. S. Bragg and others, recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence. The petition was accordingly referred in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Jabez C. Woodman for a new census, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on County Estimates, on the estimates of the County Commissioners of the several counties, with "Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State," was accepted in concurrence; the Resolve was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the 'Maine Civil Officer,' with "Resolve authorizing the purchase of five hundred copies of the Maine Civil Officer," was accepted in concurrence; the Resolve was read, and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Select Committee, to which was referred so much of the Governor's address as relates to the Aroostook Railroad, submitting bill "An act to aid the Aroostook Railroad and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands," was accepted in concurrence. The bill was read.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, the bill and the amendment of the House, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Wednesday next was assigned for the second reading of the bill.

Bill "An act to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, and promote the settlement of the public lands," introduced in the House and there passed to be engrossed, was once read, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Dexter Academy," was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee on Claims, to which was referred the "Resolve in favor of Robert Mansur," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred bill "An act amendatory of the Augusta Mutual Fire Insurance Company," reported that the same in a new draft ought to pass.

These reports were accepted; the bills and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on bills in the Second Reading, reported "Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison;" which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The same Committee reported "Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians," which was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT, the Resolve was laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

The same Committee reported "Resolve for the repair of the State Road in Indian Township," which was read a second time.

Mr. VINTON moved the indefinite postponement of the Resolve.

Pending which, Mr. BICKNELL moved to lay the Resolve on the table.

Pending which, Mr. KENNEDY moved to amend the Resolve by reducing the appropriation.

The motion to lay on the table taking precedence, it was put and adopted.

The Resolve was accordingly laid on the table.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, to which was referred bill "An act to incorporate the Dana Wharf Company," reported that the same in a new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of John Lynch and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Megalloway River Dam Company."

The report was accepted; the bill was once read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HARLOW.

Bill "An act to set off a part of Norway and re-annex the same to Paris," was taken up.

Mr. PEASE withdrew, by general consent, his proposed amendment.

The question recurring on the passage of the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called, 16 Senators answered yea and 7 nay, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Donnell, Goodenow, Granger, Gross, Harlow, Kaler, Noyes, Redman, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Vinton, Warren.

NAYS.—Messrs. Andrews, Hopkins, Kennedy, Pease, Percival, Rider, True.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. VINTON moved to reconsider the vote last passed.

On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, and the vote being taken, the Senate refused to reconsider by 8 yeas, 15 nays, as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Andrews, Harlow, Hopkins, Kennedy, Pease, Rider, True, Vinton.

NAYS.—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Donnell, Goodenow, Granger, Gross, Hammatt, Kaler, Noyes, Redman, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Warren.

On motion of Mr. KALER, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

In the absence of the President, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for President *pro tempore*.

And Messrs. Kennedy of Lincoln, Donnell of Aroostook, and Vinton of Cumberland, were appointed.

Having attended to the duty assigned them, the Committee reported as follows :

Whole number of ballots is	16
Necessary for a choice,	9
Joseph Granger has	15
William C. Hammatt has	1

The report was accepted, and Hon. JOSEPH GRANGER was declared duly elected President *pro tempore* of the Senate.



Mr. Granger was conducted to the chair by Mr. Kennedy, and accepted the office to which he was elected, in some brief remarks.

Prayer was then offered by Rev. Dr. BURGESS of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. VINTON,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives, and also the Governor and Council, by message, that in the absence of its President, the Senate has made choice of Hon. JOSEPH GRANGER as President *pro tempore*.

The Secretary delivered the messages as directed.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary in relation to the law of evidence in civil cases, for the better security of rights of parties to suits; and also to inquire into the expediency of repealing section 83 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes;

That the Committee on Printing and Binding inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 24 of the Resolves, approved March 1, 1842, relating to the promulgation of the Laws of the State; also to repeal or amend chapter 190 of Resolves, approved April 20, 1854, in relation to the promulgation of the Laws of the State;

Were read and passed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act in relation to evidence;"

Bill "An act additional in relation to petitions for review;"

Were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways, and Bridges, on petition of Ralph Sinnett and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Lyman Everett and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to State aid to Charles Bridges and James Walker, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend section six of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to civil actions;" passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

The Senate adhered to its vote.

Bill sent down.

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of the town of Morrill, with bill "An act to repeal the fourth section of the four hundred and sixty-sixth chapter of the special laws of 1854, dividing the town of Belmont and incorporating the town of Morrill;"

Report of the same Committee on the petition of George Hopkins, with bill "An act to set off a part of Franklin Plantation in Oxford County, and annex the same to the town of Sumner;"

Were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and Monday next assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of the officers of Gorham Farmers' Club, with bill "An act to incorporate the Gorham Farmers' Club," was accepted in concurrence. The bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to school books," introduced in the House, and there passed to be engrossed, was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve making an appropriation for the Insane Hospital," came back from the House, that branch non-concurring with the action of the Senate in amending the Resolve, and passing it to be engrossed as reported.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the Resolve to be engrossed; also its vote adopting the amendment; and passed the Resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. PEASE, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes;" which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. REDMAN, and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

Mr. NOYES, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was referred the petition of George W. Bickford and others, reported recommending reference of the same to the next Legislature.

The same Senator from the same Committee, reported reference to the next Legislature, of the petition of M. C. Burgess and others, referred to them.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of John Fowle and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to minor operatives in factories, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator from the same Committee, reported on bill "An act to amend chapter sixty-five of the Revised Statutes," that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. TOLMAN, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported that the Committee have disposed of all business referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. REDMAN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, made a similar report.

These reports were severally accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was recommitted the bill relating to school district No. 7 in Falmouth, reported that the same in a new draft ought to pass.

The report was accepted. The bill entitled "An act to make valid the proceedings, acts and notices that now are invalid of school district No. 7, in Falmouth," was once read, and Wednesday next was assigned for its second reading.

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was referred the petition of Gulliper and Gilman,

reported "Resolve in favor of Eliphalet Gulliper and Orlando W. Gilman."

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred an order relating to extending the time of taking timber from Township No. 3, Range 5, reported "Resolve in favor of Amos M. Roberts assignee of Franklin Adams."

Mr. DONNELL, from the Committee on Education, to which was referred the petition of Trustees of Waterville College, from the last Legislature, reported "Resolve in favor of Waterville College."

The reports were accepted; the Resolves were each once read, and Tuesday next assigned for their second reading.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the memorial of Thomas A. Abbott and others, reported "Resolve relative to the claim of the State against B. D. Peck and his sureties on his official bond for the year 1858."

The report was accepted; the Resolve was once read, and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. REDMAN presented the petition of E. Vose for law securing personal liberty to all in the State; which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend the charter of the Augusta Mutual Fire Insurance Company," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Ellsworth Horse Railroad Company;"

Also "Resolve in favor of Rufus Mansur;"

Reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Freeman Holway;"

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State;"

Reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading,

were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred the petition of Mariners' Bank, reported bill "An act in addition to an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners' Bank at Wiscasset."

The report was accepted; the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, bill "An act to regulate the scale of logs on the Penobscot River and its branches," was taken from the table.

The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

"An act to incorporate the Lincoln County Bank;"

"An act to set off a part of Norway and re-annex the same to Paris;"

"An act to incorporate the Westport Wesleyan Aid Association"

"An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate in the County of Waldo;"

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

Also "Resolve in favor of William H. Spear;"

"Resolve in aid of the road through township number two, range three, West of the East Line of the State;"

Which were finally passed in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. WARREN,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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MONDAY, MARCH 4, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. RANDALL of Gardiner.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of N. B. Nutt and others of Eastport, for repeal of personal liberty law—was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of Sanford Stevens and others of Pittston, that that town may have a separate representation—was referred to the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Jonathan Spaulding and others of Forks Plantation, against making plantations liable for support of paupers;

Bill “An act for an additional term of the Supreme Judicial Court, in the County of Lincoln;”

Bill “An act relating to titles to real estate by levy on execution;”

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of Ephraim Alley 2d and others of Dresden, recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature, and that the petitioners cause notice of their petition to be published, was accepted, in concurrence. The petition was accordingly referred, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to school books, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the laying out of private ways, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee on “An act respecting service of writs against foreign Insurance Companies,” referred from the last Legislature, that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to organizing County Courts in certain counties, that legislation is inexpedient thereon;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to increasing the number of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the State Prison, on the condition of that Institution, made in accordance of an order of the Legislature for the Committee to visit the Prison, was accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to designating certain lands for settlement, with "Resolve designating and locating certain townships and part of townships for settlement;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Orono Educational Association," that the same ought to pass;

Were each accepted, in concurrence; the resolve and bill were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bills:

"An act to repeal the fourth section of the forty-sixth chapter of the special laws of 1855, dividing the town of Belmont and incorporating the town of Morrill;"

"An act to set off a part of Franklin plantation, in the County of Oxford, and annex the same to the town of Sumner;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The same Committee reported "Resolve relative to the claim of the State against B. D. Peck and his sureties on his official bond for the year 1858;" which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to

which was referred the petition of William B. Whitten, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of Matthew Daggett and others, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature, and notice to be published.

Which reports were accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, made a report relating to the public printing, and submitting contract with Messrs. Stevens and Sayward of Augusta, to do the public printing for the current political year.

The report was accepted.

Mr. BLUNT presented the petition of J. M. Dennis and others of New Gloucester, for a separate representation; which was referred to the Committee on Senatorial and Representative apportionment.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. REDMAN, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend section two of chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, concerning divorces;" which was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. KALER, by leave, introduced "Resolve relating to the State Prison;" which was once read, and Thursday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was referred the petition of William H. Hunt and others, reported bill "An act to set off a part of the town of Montville and annex the same to the town of Liberty."

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of William Pitcher and others, reported bill "An act relative to the time of commencing and maintaining an action on an award of referees."

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was re-



ferred an order relating to wills and administrations, reported bill  
“An act relating to wills.”

The reports were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills entitled:

“An act to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company;”

“An act to amend ‘an act to incorporate the Vassalboro’ Academy,’ approved February 25, 1835;”

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Dead River Bridge;”

“An act to incorporate the Kennebunkport Camp Meeting Association;”

“An act to authorize the sale of the Congregational Meeting-House in Dresden, built in 1796;”

“An act to authorize the Harbor Master of the city of Calais to set apart and define a ballast ground near the Devil’s Head in the River Saint Croix;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Senator also reported as truly and correctly engrossed:

“Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Prison;”

“Resolve in favor of John Parrs and Margaret C. Webb;”

Which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. DODGE of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 81, section 36, of the Revised Statutes, so as to exempt from attachment the tools, implements, machinery and other articles of the debtor, which may be necessary for his trade or occupation, not exceeding one thousand dollars ;

Was read and passed, in concurrence.

Bill " An act in relation to the liability of referees ;"

Bill " An act to protect shade and ornamental trees ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Oliver Eaton and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Alden Sanborn, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of David Ring, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of E. M. Frost, was read and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on matters in the Land Agent's Report, submitting " Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to partition the State's interest in Township 18, Range 5 ;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to bail, referred from the last Legislature, submitting bill "An act concerning bail;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the bill and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Dexter Academy," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Finance, on Roll of Accounts No. 2, submitting "Resolve for the payment of roll of accounts number two for eighteen hundred and sixty-one;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the bill and resolve were each read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DONNELL,

*Ordered*, That the papers on file relating to the claim of William Black, be taken from the files and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. NOYES, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was referred the petition of Jesse Thomas and others, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of E. K. Harding and others, reported that the petition be referred to the next Legislature, and that notice of the same be published.

The reports were accepted in concurrence, and the petitions accordingly referred, in concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bills,  
"An act relating to wills;"

"An act concerning the time of commencing an action on an award of referees;"

"An act to amend section two of chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, concerning divorces;"

Also "Resolve making a grant of land to Waterville College;" Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee reported bill "An act to incorporate the Orono Educational Association;"

Also "Resolve designating and locating certain townships and parts of townships for settlement;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to set off a part of the town of Montville and annex the same to the town of Liberty," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. PIERCE.

Mr. LYFORD, from the Committee on Manufactures, to which was referred the petition of C. S. Pray and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Paper Manufacturing Company."

The report was accepted; the bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MILLER moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate accepted the Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding, and that that motion be laid on the table and to-morrow be assigned for its consideration.

The yeas and nays were ordered, and the vote being taken, resulted 8 yeas 14 nays, as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Donnell, Lyford, Miller, Noyes, Pierce, Redman.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Granger, Hammatt, Harlow, Hopkins, Kaler, Kennedy, Percival, Sylvester, True, Vaughan, Warren.

So the Senate refused to reconsider.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, bill "An act amendatory of the charter of the Augusta Mutual Fire Insurance Company," was taken from the table.

The bill was passed to be engrossed, and sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

“ An act to incorporate the Dana Wharf Company ;”

“ An act additional to incorporate the City of Portland ;”

“ An act to incorporate the Gorham Farmers’ Club ;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence ; and having been signed by the President, they were presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. KALER, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHURCH of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday’s proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what changes are necessary in the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court for the counties of Lincoln and Knox ;

That the same Committee inquire if further legislation is necessary to ensure the enforcement of the provisions of the law in chapter 38 section 39 of the Revised Statutes in relation to weight of corn, grain, &c ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Whitefield, that that town may have a separate representation ;

Petition of the town of North Haven for the same ;

Resolution of the town of Hampden for the same ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, in concurrence.

Petition of J. M. Heath and others, for the repeal of the personal liberty law, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Anson," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Memorial of Ellen S. Morgridge, in behalf of petition of Arletta A. Brown, came from the House referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the memorial was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, that bill "An act to restrict the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace to Trial Justices," recommitted to them, ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee that bill "An act to amend section twelve of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes, and section eight of chapter 164 of the Public Laws of 1860, of an act for the appointment of Trial Justices," recommitted to them, ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee that bill "An act for the detention and destruction of counterfeiting and gambling implements," referred from the last Legislature, ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee that bill "An act to amend chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property," that the same in a new draft ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee that bill "An act punishing the unlawful taking of horses, cattle &c.," ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Library, that bill "An act relating to the State Library," recommitted to them, ought, in the new draft, to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence ; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the drawing of Jurors, submitting bill "An act additional to chapter one hundred and six of the Revised Statutes," was accepted in concurrence; the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VINTON,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary cause to be printed as an Appendix to the Rules and Orders of the Senate, a copy of the State Apportionment, as it shall be perfected by the present Legislature. Also that 300 copies of the Apportionment be printed and bound separately, for the use of the Senate.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act in relation to the competency of witnesses;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, by leave, introduced bills,

"An act relating to Pilots;"

"An act concerning insane criminals;"

Which were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred the petition of the Maine Pomological and Horticultural Society, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of H. W. Haines and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Which reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill "An act to extend the time for the sale of real estate for non-payment of certain taxes in the town of Damariscotta," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. PIERCE, from the Committee on Claims, to which was referred an order relating to the claim of the town of Houlton for bounties, reported "Resolve in favor of the town of Houlton."

These reports were accepted; the bill and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE, bill "An act to set off a part of the town of Montville and annex the same to the town of Liberty," was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, "Resolve in favor of Eliphalet Gulliper and Orlando W. Gilmore," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed an amendment, which was adopted. The Resolve was then read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend chapter eighty-six of the Revised Statutes," came up from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its vote, and proposed a conference.

Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Andrews of York, and Benson of Penobscot, were appointed conferees on the part of the Senate.

Sent down.

Bill "An act regulating the time of closing the polls in elections in towns and plantations," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came up from the House on its final passage, recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions. The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, the rules being suspended, and recommitted the bill, in concurrence.

Bill "An act authorizing the Land Agent to partition the State's interest in Township eighteen, Range five," reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate granted leave to withdraw on the petition of Ralph Sinnett and others, was reconsidered. On motion of the same Senator, the petition was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.



The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed :

Bill " An act additional to chapter one hundred and six of the Revised Statutes," which was passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

" Resolve relating to school books ;"

" Resolve laying a tax on the several Counties in the State ;"

" Resolve in favor of Freeman Holway ;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence ; and the bill and the resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Bill " An act to aid the Aroostook Railroad and promote the sale of the public lands," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. The several amendments of the House were adopted.

The bill was further amended on motions of Mr. MILLER and of Mr. BLUNT.

Mr. KENNEDY proposed an amendment, pending which, on motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BAILEY of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the tabular statement of the population of the State by Counties, furnished by the Superintendent of the Census, and communicated to the Legislature by the Governor, be referred to the Committee on Apportionment of the State, as the basis of their action ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Wayne ;

Petition of Otis Roundy and others of Benton ;

Petition of Selectmen of Harpswell,—severally for separate representation of their respective towns ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment.

Petition of Samuel S. Toothaker and others of Harpswell, for repeal of personal liberty law ;

“ Resolve to amend the Constitution of the United States ;”

Were severally referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “ An act in relation to the liability of referees,” that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill “ An act for the protection of shade and ornamental trees,” that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill “ An act in relation to reviews on report of referees,” that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to additional

criminal term of the S. J. Court in the County of Penobscot, that legislation thereon is inexpedient:

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to restricting the number of County Agricultural Societies, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to exemption of tools and machinery to the amount of \$1000, from attachment, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on an order relating to preservation of trout in certain waters, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Belmore and Young, with "Resolve in favor of Belmore and Young;"

Report of the same Committee on petition of Simeon B. Folsom, with "Resolve in favor of Simeon B. Folsom;"

Report of the same Committee, on petition of David Potter and others, with "Resolve for the encouragement of building a grist-mill in Limestone plantation in the County of Aroostook;"

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Alatha Argraves, with "Resolve in favor of Alatha Argraves;"

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, with "Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians for various purposes;"

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of the Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company, with bill "An act in addition to, and in amendment of, 'an act to incorporate the Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved February 2, 1828;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending the poor debtor law, with bill "An act additional to chapter one hundred and thirteen of the Revised Statutes, for the relief of poor debtors;"

Report of the Committee on an order relating to County officers, with bill "An act in relation to County officers;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the bills and resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. WARREN, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend chapter forty of the Public Laws of 1858;" which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on final adjournment, that the Legislature may adjourn without day at 9 o'clock A. M., on Thursday the 14th inst., was read.

On motion of Mr. TOLMAN, the report was laid on the table.

Mr. NOYES, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was referred the petition of J. M. Wiswell and others, reported recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee on European and North American Railway, reported recommending that the various papers referred to them in reference to forming a trunk line of railroad through the State, be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. KENNEDY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of A. M. Roberts and others, reported recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred bill "An act to establish an Agricultural Department in connection with the Maine State Seminary," referred from the last Legislature, reported recommending that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted, and the respective papers referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BICKNELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred bill "An act to incorporate the Northern Pacific Railroad Company," reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to constructive pay, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of James Shepard and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. BICKNELL, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported that the Committee have disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. MILLER, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, made a similar report.

Mr. PERCIVAL, from the Committee on Military Pensions, made a similar report.

Which reports were severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill "An act concerning insane criminals," reported that the same in a new draft, ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of inhabitants of Letter E plantation, reported bill "An act to make valid the doings of Letter E plantation in the County of Franklin."

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of Clark A. Page and others, reported bill "An act additional to incorporate the proprietors of the Hallowell and Chelsea Bridge Company."

The same Senator from the same Committee, reported bill "An act to amend an act approved March 19, 1860, additional to 'an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on Railroads, passed A. D. 1858.'"

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee on Education, to which was referred the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported "Resolve for obtaining information relative to Normal Schools."

These reports were severally accepted; the bills and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill "An act to aid the Aroostook Railroad and promote the sale of the public lands,"

which was before the Senate at the moment of adjournment yesterday.

Mr. KENNEDY withdrew his proposed amendment.

Mr. ANDREWS proposed a further amendment to the bill; and the vote thereon being taken, the yeas and nays being ordered, resulted 7 yeas 16 nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Gross, Kennedy, Pease, Redman, Rider, Sylvester.

NAYS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Granger, Hammatt, Hubbard, Kaler, Miller, Noyes, Pierce, Pitcher, Tolman, True, Warren.

So the amendment was rejected.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, the vote whereby the Senate adopted the amendment of Mr. Blunt, was reconsidered.

The same Senator then proposed an amendment in lieu thereof, which was adopted.

The same Senator proposed a further amendment, which was adopted.

The question then recurring on the passage of the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called 17 Senators answered yea and 10 nay, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Granger, Hammatt, Hopkins, Hubbard, Kaler, Miller, Percival, Pierce, Pitcher, Tolman, True, Warren.

NAYS—Messrs. Andrews, Goodenow, Gross, Kennedy, Pease, Redman, Rider, Sylvester, Vaughan, Vinton.

So the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BENSON,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate, make out and certify to the Treasurer of State, the amount of pay due to Hon. Tristram Redman, for his services during the present session; and that he be excused from further attendance at the present session of the Legislature.

“Resolve authorizing the purchase of five hundred copies of the

Maine Civil Officer," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

"Resolve in favor of Amos M. Roberts, assignee of Franklin Adams," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting an abstract from the annual returns of the several Railroad Corporations.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the abstract was ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

"An act to incorporate the Ellsworth Horse Railroad Company ;"

"An act to incorporate certain persons by the name of the Orono Educational Association ;"

"An act additional to an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners Bank, Wiscasset ;"

"An act to repeal the fourth section of the four hundred and sixty-sixth chapter of the special laws of the year 1855, dividing the town of Belmont, and incorporating the town of Montville ;"

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed :

"Resolve in favor of Rufus Mansur ;"

"Resolve for the payment of Roll of Accounts number two, for 1861 ;"

"Resolve designating and locating certain townships and parts of townships for settlement ;"

Which were severally finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Bill "An act to amend section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. In the course of the debate on the bill, Mr. GRANGER moved an adjournment; which motion was adopted.

Thereupon the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WORCESTER of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of the town of Falmouth, for separate representation, was referred to the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of the Mayor of Hallowell, referred from the last Legislature, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James Gibbs and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Thompson and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of D. M. Ayer and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw:



Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to fences on highways, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the inspection of Railroad Bridges, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act authorizing the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to extend their road into the County of Piscataquis," referred from the last Legislature, that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to mortgages of real estate, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act to dissolve the bonds of matrimony between Thomas G. Goodwin and Jane Goodwin," referred from the last Legislature, that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Isaac R. Clark, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to penalty for short weight in corn and grain, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act additional to an act for the relief of poor debtors," that the same ought not to pass

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of A. S. Washburn and others, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of John Hersey and others, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, and the petitions accordingly referred, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to stockholders in railroads, with bill "An act relating to stockholders in Railroad Corporations," was accepted in concurrence; the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act relating to actions against Insurance Companies," referred from the last Legislature, that the same in a new draft ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Change of Names, on various petitions, with bill "An act to change the names of certain persons;"

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to the town of Littleton, with "Resolve in aid of the School Fund in the town of Littleton;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the bills and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "An act to punish certain offences;"

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Reform School;"

"Resolve providing for the completion of the Gun-House in Auburn;"

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, inquire into the expediency of giving authority to the Land Agent to convey to J. H. Eveleth, Lot D, in Township 5, Range 13.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred "Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Allen and Thomas O'Brien," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, to which was referred an order relating to the promulgation of the public laws, reported recommending that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BRIDGES, from the Committee on Fisheries, to which was referred the petition of William Bryant and others, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on the Library, to which was referred the petition of Henry Dexter, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted, and the papers accompanying referred as recommended.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, reported that they have entered into a contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith of Augusta, to do the binding for the State, and submitting the contract.

The report was read and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. MILLER.

Mr. PIERCE, from the Committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of M. W. Burnham, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

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

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to qualifications for electors of State officers, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. PIERCE, from the Committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of Lyndon Oak and others, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator from the same Committee, reported that the Committee have disposed of all matters before them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Agriculture, made a similar report.

Mr. NOYES, from the Committee on Interior Waters, made a similar report.

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, made a similar report.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on the Library, made a similar report.

Which reports were severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of J. B. Palmer and others, reported bill "An act authorizing organized plantations to assess a poll tax of one dollar;"

Mr. BRIDGES, from the Committee on Fisheries, to which was referred "Resolve for the appointment of an agent to report upon the present condition of the sea fisheries on the coast of this State," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted; the bill and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. PIERCE, by leave, introduced bill "An act to abolish the office of Fish Warden in the County of Waldo;" which was once read, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

Mr. PEASE, by leave, introduced bill "An act relating to the State Reform School;" which was read.

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was ordered to be printed, and Tuesday next was assigned for its second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill "An act to amend section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes;" which was under consideration at the moment of adjournment yesterday.

After debate, the bill was laid on the table on motion of Mr. VINTON.

On motion of Mr. BICKNELL,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet at half-past two o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT, the "Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed several amendments, which were adopted.

The resolve was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, and promote the settlement of the public lands," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read second time.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. LYFORD, from the Special Committee on apportionment for Senators and Representatives, reported :

“Resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature;”

“Resolve for apportioning 151 Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes, in the State of Maine.”

The report was accepted. The resolves were each once read, and on motion of Mr. MILLER, they were laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, the Senate  
Adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, bill “An act to incorporate the Megalloway River Dam Company,” was taken from the table. The bill was read the second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TOLMAN, bill “An act to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, and promote the settlement of the public lands,” was taken from the table. The bill was read the second time.

Mr. ANDREWS moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Pending which, on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Bill “An act to incorporate the City of Lewiston,” introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was once read.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the bill was ordered to be printed, and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LYFORD, bill “An act to repeal section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes,” was taken from the table; and the question being on the passage of the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays having been ordered at a former session, the vote was 17 yeas, 10 nays, as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Blunt, Goodenow, Granger, Gross, Hubbard, Kaler, Kennedy, Lyford, Miller, Noyes, Pitcher, Rider, Sylvester, True, Warren.

NAYS—Messrs. Bicknell, Bridges, Donnell, Hammatt, Harlow, Pease, Pierce, Tolman, Vaughan, Vinton.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Claims, leave to withdraw on the petition of Lyndon Oak and others, was reconsidered; and on motion of the same Senator, the petition was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association, with "Resolve in favor of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association," was accepted in concurrence. The resolve was once read, and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

"An act to aid the Aroostook Railroad and promote the sale of the public lands;"

Which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

Also "Resolve relative to the claim of the State against B. D. Peck and his sureties on his official bond for the year 1858;"

"Resolve in favor of James Hall;"

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to partition the State's interest in Township 18, Range 5;"

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

The bill and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. PIERCE, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

In the absence of the President, the Senate was called to order by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. BENSON,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

And Messrs. Benson of Penobscot, Kaler of Waldo, and Hubbard of Oxford, were appointed.

Having attended to the duty assigned them, the Committee reported as follows :

Whole number of ballots is	17
Necessary for a choice,	9
Warren H. Vinton has	15
Joseph Granger has	2

The report was accepted, and Hon. WARREN H. VINTON was declared duly elected President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Benson conducted Mr. Vinton to the chair, who accepted the office with a few remarks.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BROOKS of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. GROSS,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary inform the Governor and Council, and the House of Representatives, that the Senate, in the absence of its President, has made choice of Hon. Warren H. Vinton as President *pro tempore*.

The messages were delivered by the Secretary.

Petition of Stephen Morey and others, for repeal of personal lib-

erty bill, was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of town officers of Isleboro' ;

Petition of town of Cumberland ;

Petition of town of Manchester,—severally for separate town representation ;

Were referred to the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Frederick S. Deering and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee that bill "An act concerning judicial proceedings," ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order referred from the last Legislature, relating to the surveying of land, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of B. Caswell and others, referred from the last Legislature, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending section 5, chapter 127, of the Revised Statutes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, that bill "An act to incorporate the Atlas Life Insurance Company," referred from the last Legislature, ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands, on the memorial of Washington Gilbert, referred from the last Legislature, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Nadeau and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Isaac Gage, referred from the last Legislature, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. H. Pullen and others, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Dr. J. H. Fournier, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;



Report of the same Committee, on claim of the town of Topsham, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, that they have disposed of all matters referred to them, and asking to be discharged from further duty ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Thomas Butler and others, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of William Jones, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, and the petitions referred, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of the town of Danforth, with bill "An act defining the limits of the town of Danforth, in the County of Washington," was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was once read, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to preemption of certain settlers, with "Resolve in relation to settlers on certain State lands ;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to amending the school laws, with bill "An act additional to chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes ;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence. The bill and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads investigate a "Resolve in favor of Isaac Grantham," approved February 11, 1860, and report what change should be made therein ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Mr. BRIDGES, from the Committee on Fisheries, to which was referred an order relating to taking fish by means of trawls, reported legislation is inexpedient.

Mr. KALER, from the Committee on the Militia, reported that the Committee have considered of all matters referred to them and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Which reports were accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

“Resolves relating to the State Prison,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were read a second time.

Mr. RIDER moved that the Resolves be taken up separately; which was agreed to.

The first resolve was passed to be engrossed. The second resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT, the vote whereby the Senate assigned Tuesday next for the second reading of “Resolve in favor of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association,” was reconsidered. The resolve was then read a second time. The amendment of the House was adopted.

Mr. HAMMATT proposed further to amend the resolve, which was agreed to.

The resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “An act to make valid the doings of school district number seven in Falmouth,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. GROSS proposed an amendment to the bill, which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. PEASE, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill “An act relating to the width of sleds on certain roads,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. DONNELL proposed an amendment, which was adopted.

The bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “An act relating to pilots in Piscataquis River and harbor;”  
Also “Resolve in favor of the town of Houlton;”

Reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act relating to the State Library," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. The several House amendments were adopted. The bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. The amendments made to the bill, in the House, were adopted. The bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of the school fund in the town of Littleton," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, bill "An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes," was taken from the table.

The bill, was once read and Monday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred an order relating to the taxation of property, reported bill "An act concerning taxes."

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the papers relating to the case of William Black, reported "Resolve in favor of William Black."

These reports were accepted; the bill and resolve were each once read, and Monday next assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That from and after to-day, the Senate hold two sessions a day; the forenoon session commencing at 9½ o'clock and closing at 12½ o'clock; the afternoon session session commencing at 2½ o'clock.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

“An act in relation to stockholders of Railroad Corporations;”

“An act to amend the charter of the Augusta Mutual Fire Insurance Company;”

“An act to incorporate the Livermore Falls Paper Manufacturing Company;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee reported “Resolve in favor of Waterville College;” which was finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolve having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Bill “An act to set off a part of Franklin plantation in the County of Oxford, and annex the same to the town of Sumner,” came up from the House on its final passage, referred to the next Legislature.

The Senate reconsidered the vote passing the bill to be engrossed, the rules being suspended, and referred the bill, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KALER, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BRADLEY of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Report of a minority of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "An act additional to section thirty-six of chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to attachment of property," that the same in a new draft ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read and referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

Report of the Select Committee to which was referred bill "An act to tax stock of banks and other corporations in the State," that the same ought not to pass, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to and amendatory of 'an act to supply the people of Rockland with pure water,' passed August 22, 1850," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House amended.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "An act authorizing the Governor and Commander-in-Chief to accept the enlistment and command of one thousand volunteers for military service," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded from its former vote and concurred with the House.

Bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House amended and refused a passage.

The Senate adopted the amendments of the House, and passed the bill as amended to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Daniel F. Adams, with "Resolve for locating and opening in part a road from the Eastern Aroostook to Fish River Road, and for building bridges upon the same;"

Report of the same Committee, on petition of B. W. Mallett and others, with "Resolve providing for the repair of the Fort Kent and Allegash road;"

Report of the same Committee, submitting "Resolve in favor of Minville dit Dechene;"

Report of the same Committee submitting "Resolve for the repair of certain State roads;"

Report of the same Committee, submitting "Resolve appropriating money to complete the bridge across the Aroostook River in the town of Maysville;"

Report of the same Committee, submitting "Resolve for the repair of Presque Isle and Violette Brook Road;"

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Presque Isle Academy, with "Resolve in favor of the Presque Isle Academy;"

Were severally accepted, in concurrence; the resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Charles Baker and others, with bill "An act to incorporate the North Waldo Agricultural Society;"

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Samuel Fuller and others, with bill "An act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Lovejoy's Pond, in the town of Albion;"

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act respecting pilots in the port of Passamaquoddy," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act respecting the registry and return of births, marriages and deaths," that the same in a new draft ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act additional to chapter sixty-four of the Revised Statutes," that the same in a new draft ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act additional to chapter seventy-six of the Revised Statutes, relating to titles to real estate by levy on execution," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence; the bills were each once read, and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

The following bills and resolves were received from the House, having been introduced in that branch and passed to be engrossed, namely :

“ An act to make valid the doings of the town of Garland ;”

“ An act to promote and protect the navigation of Penobscot River ;”

“ An act additional to chapter two hundred and thirty-two of the laws of 1858, entitled ‘ An act for the preservation of trout in certain waters ;’ ”

“ Resolve to simplify the Resolves of this State ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Henry P. Cotton ;”

These bills and resolves were each once read, and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company, with bill “ An act to amend an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company,” was accepted, in concurrence; the bill was read; the amendments of the House adopted, and this afternoon assigned for the second reading of the bill.

Mr. BLUNT, by leave, introduced “ Resolve in favor of Moses W. Burnham,” which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported legislation inexpedient’ on orders referred to them, viz :

Order relating to the law of evidence ;

Order relating to change of mode of collecting debts ;

Order relating to repeal of law establishing Normal Schools ;

Order relating to amending section 64 of chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes.

Which reports were severally accepted and sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator from the same Committee, reported 'ought not to pass,' on the following bills referred to them, viz:

"An act to exempt Jay Bridge from taxation;"

"An act to repeal chapter one hundred and thirty-two of Acts and Resolves of 1860;"

"An act regulating the sale of milk;"

"An act giving equitable protection to railroad investments;

"An act additional to chapter twenty-three of the Revised Statutes, respecting field drivers;"

"An act additional to chapter one hundred and ninety-three of the laws of 1860, relating to railroads."

Which reports were severally accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator from the same Committee, reported leave to withdraw on the petition of H. G. Cole; also same report on the petition of Abiel D. Dean and James Sterling.

Which reports were severally accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of Hollis Bowman, from the last Legislature, reported reference of the same to the next Legislature.

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, reported that the Committee have disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee composed of the York County delegation, to which was referred the petition of the City Council of Biddeford, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Which reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator then moved that the petition of the City Coun-



cil of Biddeford be referred to a joint select committee ; which motion was adopted.

And Messrs. Miller of Cumberland, Benson of Penobscot, and Granger of Washington, were appointed on the part of the Senate. Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the petition came back from the House, with the Committee joined on its part, as follows : Messrs. Milliken of Cherryfield, Farwell of Rockland, Frye of Lewiston, Jewett of Bangor, Pitcher of Belfast, Buxton of Warren, and Spring of Portland.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill "An act to amend chapter forty of the public laws of 1858," reported that the same in a new draft ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred the petition of George S. Wiggin, reported bill "An act to establish a Police Court in the City of Rockland."

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred an order relating to amending chapter six of the Revised Statutes, reported bill "An act relating to highway taxes."

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was referred an order relating to conveyance of land to J. H. Eveleth, reported "Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth."

These reports were severally accepted ; the bills and resolve were each once read, and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bills,

"An act additional to chapter one hundred and thirteen of the Revised Statutes, for relief of poor debtors ;"

"An act for the detention and destruction of counterfeiting and gambling implements ;"

"An act concerning bail ;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to amend section twelve of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes, and section eight of chapter sixty-four of the public laws of 1860, relating to trial justices," reported from the

Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time; the amendment of the House was adopted; the bill as amended was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act relating to the collection of taxes in Damariscotta," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred the petition of F. A. Pike and others, reported bill "An act to incorporate the Calais Savings Bank.

The report was accepted; the bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, by leave, introduced "Resolve in relation to binding the Acts and Resolves of the State;" which was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

"Resolve in favor of Eliphaz Gulliper and Orlando W. Gilman;" which was finally passed in concurrence.

And this resolve having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

Bills "An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes;"

"An act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of Letter E plantation, in Franklin County;"

Severally reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act in relation to Insurance Companies and actions on contracts of insurance," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. Amendments were proposed by Mr. GRANGER and Mr. BICKNELL, which were adopted. The bill as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HAMMATT.

"Resolve in favor of Alatha Argraves," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act relating to wills," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time; the amendment of the House was adopted; when the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The following bills reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, namely :

"An act in addition to, and in amendment of, an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved February 22, 1828 ;"

"An act in relation to County officers ;"

"An act to punish the unlawful taking of horses, cattle and other property ;"

"An act to restrict the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, to Trial Justices."

The following resolves, reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, namely :

"Resolve providing for the completion of the gun house in Auburn ;"

“Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Reform School;”

“Resolve in favor of Simon B. Folsom;”

“Resolve in favor of Belmore and Young;”

“Resolve for the encouragement of building a grist mill in Limestone Plantation in the County of Aroostook.”

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill “An act to amend chapter one hundred and ninety-three of the public laws of 1860,” reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee, also made a similar report on bill “An act to amend chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the public laws of 1860.”

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred an order from the last Legislature, relating to amending chapter eighty-two of the Revised Statutes, reported legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred an order relating to the more speedy decision of law arising on criminal cases, reported recommending reference of the same to the next Legislature.

Mr. RIDER, from the Committee on the State Prison, reported that the Committee have disposed of all business referred to them and ask to be discharged from further duty.

These reports were severally accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill “An act relating to amendment of chapter eighty-two of the Revised Statutes,” reported that the same ought to pass.

The Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred an order relating to attachment of personal property in unincorporated places, reported bill “An act additional to chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes.”

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred an order relating to interest on unpaid taxes, reported bill “An act concerning interest on taxes.”

These reports were severally accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for a second reading.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, bill "An act to make valid the doings of school district No. 7 in Falmouth," was taken from the table. The bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. TAPPAN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of the Selectmen of the town of Fairfield, for a separate representation, was referred, in concurrence, to the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment.

Reports of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the following bills referred to them, that the same ought not to pass, namely:

"An act in relation to evidence;"

"An act additional in relation to petitions for review;"

"An act additional to chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to railroads;"

Report of the same Committee, granting leave to withdraw on the petition of Mary E. Chadwick;

Report of the same Committee, on an order from the last Legislature, relating to giving State aid to the Plymouth Monument Association, that legislation thereon is inexpedient:

Reports of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, granting leave to withdraw on petitions referred to them, of Nathaniel Winslow, Henry N. West, and James C. Merrill;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, entitled :

“ An act additional to an act incorporating the Orono Educational Association, approved March 8, 1861 ;”

“ An act to incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company ;”

Were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “ An act to make valid the doings of the town of Anson,” that the same in a new draft ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence ; the bill was once read, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Select Committee on Congressional Apportionment, submitting bill “ An act to apportion the State for Representatives to Congress,” was accepted, in concurrence ; the bill was once read, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

The following bills and resolves, introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, namely :

“ An act to repeal ‘ an act authorizing the owners of Salt Marsh, at the Head of Bass Harbor, in the town of Tremont, to erect a dam or dyke ;”

“ An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Hallowell Social Library ;”

“ Resolve in favor of the town of Orono ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Alpheus T. Palmer ;”

“ Resolve in relation to Fisheries ;”

Were each read, and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

“ Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Allen and Thomas O’Brien,” came back from the House amended. The Senate nonconcurred with the House in its amendment, and recommitted the resolve to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ANDREWS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred bill “ An act to incorporate the Agricultural Bank, Canton,” reported that the same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill "An act to increase the salaries of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court," reported that the Committee were unable to agree, and that the Senate adhere to its vote.

The report was accepted.

Mr. MILLER, from the Select Committee, to which was referred the petition of the City Council of Biddeford, for reduction of the valuation of said city, reported that in their opinion, that valuation is at least four hundred thousand dollars too high.

The report was accepted, and sent down.

Mr. ANDREWS, by leave, introduced "Resolve in favor of the City of Biddeford;" which was once read, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following:

- "An act to establish the Police Court in the City of Rockland;"
- "Resolve in favor of a scientific survey of the State;"
- "Resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature;"
- "Resolve to apportion the State for Representatives to the Legislature;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills entitled,

- "An act relating to wills;"
- "An act relating to the State Library;"
- "An act concerning insane criminals;"
- "An act to amend chapter ninety-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property;"

Which were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

- "Resolve in aid of the school fund in the town of Littleton;"

“Resolve in aid of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association;”

“Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Indians;”

Which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President *pro tempore*, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. HOPKINS presented the following:

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate make out and certify to the Treasurer of State, the amount of pay due to Hon. Joseph Granger for his services during the present session; and that he be excused from further attendance at the present session of the Legislature.

Pending which, the Senate  
Adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

The order presented by Mr. HOPKINS, and which was before the Senate for consideration at the moment of adjournment this forenoon, was passed.

Mr. GRANGER, by leave, introduced “Resolve to procure a portrait of General Henry Knox;” which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Allen Lambard, with bill “An act additional to ‘an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company,’” was accepted, in concurrence; the bill was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, bill “An act additional to the European and North American Railway,” was taken from the table, and referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.



Mr. VAUGHAN, by leave, introduced "Resolve for promotion of Education in Franklin County;" which was once read and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Allen and Thomas O'Brien," came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, and proposing a conference; with Messrs. Jewett of Bangor, Spring of Portland, and Pierce of Harrison, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote recommitting the resolve, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed Messrs. Granger of Washington, Andrews of York, and True of Penobscot, conferees on its part.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following:

"An act to change the names of certain persons;"

"An act to apportion the State for Representatives to Congress;"

"Resolve in favor of Presque Isle Academy;"

"Resolve to simplify the resolves of this State;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported:

"An act authorizing organized plantations to assess a poll tax of one dollar;"

"An act concerning taxes;"

"An act to abolish the office of Fish Warden in the County of Waldo;"

"Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth;"

"Resolve for obtaining information relative to Normal Schools;"

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DONNELL offered the following:

*Ordered*, That Hon. Nathaniel Pease have leave of absence, on and after Wednesday next; and that the Secretary be directed to make up his pay roll accordingly.

The order was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. ANDREWS.

Bill "An act to incorporate the City of Lewiston," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. LYFORD proposed an amendment, which was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act respecting the registry and return of births, marriages and deaths," reported from the Committee on bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. RIDER proposed an amendment, which was adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to promote and protect the navigation of Penobscot River;"

Also "Resolve for the repair of the Presque Isle and Violette Brook road;"

Severally reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, were each read a second time, and laid on the table.

"Resolve for the appointment of an agent to report upon the sea fisheries on the coast of this State," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. MILLER, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Alatha Argraves," came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference; with Messrs. Low of Hodgdon, Woodbury of Houlton, and Sanborn of Liberty, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted on its vote, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and joined as conferees on its part, Messrs. Hammatt of Penobscott, Pease of Cumberland, and Kaler of Waldo.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Miller, its Clerk, requesting the Senate to return to that branch, bill "An act to promote and protect navigation in the Penobscot River."

The request was granted and the bill returned.

Bill "An act relating to the State Reform School," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. MILLER, Mr. ANDREWS, and Mr. PEASE, each proposed amendments, which were adopted.

The bill, as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the City of Biddeford," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. MILLER, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. KALER, bill "An act additional to, and amendatory of, an act to supply the people of Rockland with pure water," was taken from the table. The amendments of the House were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act in relation to Fire and Marine Insurance Companies and actions on contracts of insurance," came back from the House, that branch non-concurring in the adoption of the last clause of an amendment of the Senate, and with the bill further amended, and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, receded from its amendment, concurred in the amendment of the House, and passed the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred bill "An act to amend section ten of chapter three of the Revised Statutes," reported that the same in a new draft ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee, to which was referred an order concerning the Insane Hospital, reported bill "An act concerning the Insane Hospital."

Which reports were accepted; the bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. BICKNELL, by leave, introduced "Resolve in favor of John Bridges;"

Also "Resolve concerning the annual exhibition of the Maine State Agricultural Society;"

Mr. GROSS, by leave, introduced "Resolve in favor of the Harpswell Academy;"

These resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve apportioning one hundred and fifty-one Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine," came back from the House amended.

The Senate receded from its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, concurred in the amendment of the House, and passed the resolve as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PEASE, the report of the Committee on the State Reform School, was taken from the table and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BALLOU of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Report of the Committee on County Estimates, that they have disposed of all matters before them, and asking to be discharged from further duty;

Report of the Committee on Education, on petitions of sundry Academies, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act relating to evidence in civil cases," that the same ought not to pass;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes relating to the militia," came back from the House, that branch adhering to its vote refusing the bill a passage.

The Senate adhered to its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

Bill "An act relative to the time of commencing and maintaining an action on an award of referees," came back from the House amended and refused a passage.

The Senate receded from its vote, and concurred with the House in refusing the bill a passage.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on recommitted bill "An act regulating the time of closing the polls in elections in towns and plantations," that the same in a new draft ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act in relation to evidence on petitions for review," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to George Grantham, submitting "Resolve in favor of Osco A. Ellis;"

Report of the same Committee, on petition of T. B. Spratt, submitting "Resolve in favor of Theodore B. Spratt;"

Report of the same Committee, on matters in Land Agent's report, submitting "Resolve in relation to Township 14, Range 4, in Aroostook County ;"

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on an order relating to regulating the fisheries on the Kennebec River, submitting bill "An act to amend an act entitled an act additional to an act to regulate the fisheries on the Kennebec River, approved April 4, 1859 ;"

These several reports were accepted ; the bills and resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bills : "An act to incorporate St. Johns parish, Orono ;"

"An act to extend the time for completing the Penobscot Railroad ;"

Also "Resolve authorizing the State Treasurer to adjust accounts with the Atlantic, Ellsworth and Hancock Banks ;"

"Resolve in favor of Caleb B. Lord ;"

Severally received from the House, having been introduced in that branch and passed to be engrossed, were each once read, and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER, bill "An act defining the limits of the town of Danforth in the County of Washington," was taken up. The bill was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to promote and protect the navigation of Penobscot River for rafts and manufactured lumber," came back from the House amended.

The Senate adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on "Resolve in favor of Samuel H. Allen and Thomas O'Brien," reported that the Senate adhere to its vote. The report was accepted.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which

was referred bill "An act in relation to the competency of witnesses," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the bill was once read, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Mr. MILLER moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Pending which the Senate

Adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

The Senate resumed the consideration of bill "An act additional to an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company," the question being on the motion of Mr. MILLER to indefinitely postpone the bill. The motion was adopted.

Mr. MILLER then moved the reconsideration of the last vote. The Senate refused to reconsider.

Bill sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TOLMAN, bill "An act to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company," and promote the sale and settlement of the public lands," was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT, "Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians for various purposes," was taken from the table.

The same Senator then moved amendments, which were adopted.

The resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the vote refusing a passage to "Resolve in favor of the City of Biddeford," was reconsidered.

The resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following:

"An act to extend the time for completing the Penobscot Railroad;"

"An act to incorporate the St. John's parish in Orono;"

"An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Hallowell Social Library;"

"An act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Lovejoy's Pond in the town of Albion;"

"An act additional to chapter seventy-six of the Revised Statutes relating to titles to real estate by levy on execution;"

"An act in addition to chapter sixty-four of the Revised Statutes relating to executors and administrators;"

"An act additional to chapter two hundred and thirty-two of the laws of 1858, entitled an act for the preservation of trout in certain waters;"

"Resolve in relation to fisheries;"

"Resolve in favor of the town of Orono;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following:

"An act concerning the Insane Hospital;"

"An act to amend the eighty-third section of chapter eighty-two of the Revised Statutes;"

"An act to amend section ten of chapter three of the Revised Statutes;"

"An act relating to highways;"

"An act additional to chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes;"

"Resolve in favor of John Bridges;"

"Resolve concerning the annual exhibition of the Maine State Agricultural Society;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, and sent down for concurrence.



“Resolve in favor of Alpheus T. Palmer,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Henry P. Cotton,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. HAMMATT.

“Resolve for the repair of Fort Kent and Allegash Road,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. Mr. VINTON proposed an amendment, which was adopted. The resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve for promotion of Education in Franklin County,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Harpswell Academy,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and referred to the next Legislature.

“Resolve in favor of Francois Minville dit Dechene,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed, in concurrence.

Bill “An act additional to an act to regulate the fisheries on the Kennebec River,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the order relating to the final adjournment of the Legislature, was taken up; and on motion of the same Senator, the order was amended by striking out “Thursday the 14th, at 8 o’clock,” and inserting “Saturday the 16th inst., at 9 o’clock.” As amended, the order was passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve appropriating money for locating and building a road

from Eastern Aroostook to the Fish River Road," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. The resolve was amended and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BICKNELL, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend the charter of the People's Pacific Railroad Company."

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced "Resolve in favor of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Mr. TRUE, by leave, introduced bill "An act to authorize the City of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Aroostook Railroad."

Mr. BENSON, by leave, introduced "Resolve in favor of the temporary clerks employed in the office of Secretary of State."

Which bills and resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. HOPKINS offered the following:

*Ordered*, That Hon. Phineas Tolman be excused from further attendance at the present session of the Legislature; and that the Secretary make up his pay roll accordingly.

Laid on the table.

"Resolve for the repair of certain roads," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. Mr. VINTON proposed an amendment, which was adopted. The resolve as amended was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

"An act additional to chapter one hundred and thirteen of the Revised Statutes for the relief of poor debtors;"

"An act concerning bail;"

"An act in relation to county officers;"

"An act to amend section twelve of chapter eighty-three of the Revised Statutes, and section eight of chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the laws of 1860, of an act for the appointment of Trial Justices;"

“An act for the detention and destruction of counterfeiting and gambling implements;”

“An act relating to pilots in Piscataquis River and harbor;”

“An act punishing the unlawful taking of horses, cattle and other property;”

“An act additional to an act incorporating the Orono Educational Association, approved March 8, 1861;”

“An act to incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported,

“Resolve in favor of Belmore and Young;”

“Resolve to simplify the Resolves of this State;”

“Resolve in favor of the Committee on the State Reform School;”

“Resolve in favor of Presque Isle Academy;”

“Resolve in favor of Simeon B. Folsom;”

“Resolve providing for the completion of the gun-house in Auburn;”

“Resolve for the encouragement of building a grist-mill in Limestone Plantation, in the County of Aroostook;”

Which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHURCH of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the law so as to authorize executors and administrators to assign mortgages ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

“ Resolve for obtaining information relative to Normal Schools,” came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its vote, and indefinitely postponed the resolve in concurrence.

“ Resolve in favor of the Megantic Road, in Oxford County,” came back from the House amended and passed to be engrossed. The Senate non-concurred in the House amendment, and indefinitely postponed the resolve.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “ An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to common schools,” came back from the House amended, and passed to be engrossed. The Senate non-concurred in the House amendment, insisted on its former vote, and proposed a conference.

Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Donnell of Aroostook, and Bicknell of Kennebec, were appointed conferees on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “ An act in relation to the compensation of County Commissioners,” introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed, was once read, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Bill “ An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufactur-

ing Company," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read. On motion of Mr. VAUGHAN, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to extend the time for filing the location and building the Penobscot, Lincoln and Kennebec Railroad," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read. On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "An act to amend section two of chapter sixty of the Revised Statutes, concerning divorce from the bonds of matrimony," came back from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and concurred in the action of the House.

Bill "An act to make valid the proceedings, acts, and notices that now are invalid of school district No. 7, in Falmouth," came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its former vote, and indefinitely postponed the bill, in concurrence.

"Resolve to amend the State valuation," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was once read, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Otis Holden and others, with "Resolve in favor of the Canada Road;"

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Paul Peavey, with "Resolve in favor of Paul Peavey;"

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the sale of certain interests in real estate, with bill "An act to amend the first section of chapter seventy-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sales of interest in real estate," was accepted in concurrence. The bill was once read, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Special Committee on Amendments to the Liquor Law, to which various petitions on that subject were referred, submitting bill "An act explanatory of 'an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops,' approved March 24, 1858," was accepted, in concurrence; the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bill "An act to amend an act to authorize the City of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Aroostook Railroad," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee reported bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Garland," which was read a second time. On motion of Mr. GROSS, the bill was laid on the table.

The same Committee reported bill "An act additional to chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes," which was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SYLVESTER, bill "An act to amend an act entitled an act additional to an act to regulate the fisheries on the Kennebec River, approved April 4, 1859," was taken from the table; the amendments to the bill made in the House were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the report of the Committee on Claims, leave to withdraw on petition of Noah Smith, was taken from the table. The report was accepted, in concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following:

"An act to incorporate the Northern Waldo Agricultural Society;"

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act authorizing the owners of Salt Marsh at the head of Bass Harbor in the town of Tremont, to erect a dam or dyke;"

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company ;"

"An act in relation to certain offences ;"

"Resolve in favor of J. W. Eaton ;"

"Resolve in relation to settlers on certain State lands ;"

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Limerick Academy," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. GROSS, the resolve was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS,

*Ordered*, That Hon. Nathaniel G. Marshall have leave of absence after this day, and that the Secretary be directed to make up his pay roll accordingly.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

"An act to change the names of certain persons ;"

"An act to extend the time for the sale of real estate for the non-payment of certain taxes in the town of Damariscotta ;"

"An act in addition to, and in amendment of, an act entitled an act to incorporate the Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company, approved February 2, 1858 ;"

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee reported,

"Resolve relating to the State Prison ;"

"Resolve to Complete the road in Township No. three, Range four, West of Bingham's Kennebec Purchase in the County of Franklin ;"

"Resolve in favor of the town of Houlton ;"

"Resolve in favor of Amos M. Roberts, assignee of Franklin Adams ;"

"Resolve in favor of Moses W. Burnham ;"

"Resolves in relation to the binding of the Acts and Resolves of this State ;"

Which were severally finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval. Adjourned.

### AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the vote whereby bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company," was indefinitely postponed, was reconsidered. The bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth," came from the House indefinitely postponed on its final passage. The Senate non-concurred and insisted on its vote passing the Resolve to be engrossed.

Sent down.

Mr. BENSON moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "An act explanatory of an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops;" which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, to-morrow at ten o'clock was assigned for the consideration of the bill.

On motion of Mr. PEASE, bill "An act relating to dogs," was taken from the table. The bill was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following :

"An act concerning interest on taxes ;"

"An act to amend chapter forty of the public laws of 1858 ;"

"An act to amend the charter of the People's Pacific Railroad Company ;"

"An act in relation to the competency of witnesses ;"



“ Resolve in favor of the temporary clerks employed in the office of the Secretary of State ;”

“ Resolve in favor of William Black ;”

Which bills and resolves were severally read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following :

“ An act in relation to the compensation of County Commissioners ;”

“ An act regulating the time for closing the polls in elections in certain towns and plantations ;”

“ An act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on Railroads ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Osco A. Ellis ;”

“ Resolve relating to the Atlantic, Ellsworth and Hancock Banks ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Caleb B. Lord ;”

“ Resolve in relation to Township fourteen Range four, in Aroostook County ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Theodore B. Spratt ;”

Which bills and resolves were severally read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

“ Resolve appropriating money to complete the bridge across the Aroostook River in the town of Maysville,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. VINTON, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, the rules were suspended, and the vote assigning to-morrow for the second reading of the “ Resolve in favor of the Canada Road,” was reconsidered. The resolve was then read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “ An act to amend section ten of chapter three of the Revised Statutes,” passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back

from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its vote, and concurred in the action of the House.

Bill "An act respecting pilots for the port of Passamaquoddy," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. MILLER, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the City of Biddeford," came back from the House refused a passage. The Senate receded from its vote and concurred with the action of the House.

Bill "An act authorizing organized plantations to assess a poll tax of one dollar," came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement.

"Resolve in favor of Alpheus T. Palmer," came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed and proposing a conference; with Messrs. McCrillis of Bangor, Hamilton of Biddeford, and Sanborn of Liberty, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed Messrs. True of Penobscot, Kennedy of Lincoln, and Vaughan of Franklin, conferees on its part.

"Resolve for locating and opening a road from the Eastern Aroostook to Fish River Road," came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate concurred.

Order from the House:

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of furnishing to each of the High Schools and Grammar Schools in this State, a copy of the History and Description of New England, published by A. J. Coolidge;

Was read and passed, in concurrence.

“Resolve providing for the repair of the Fort Kent and Alleghash Road,” amended in the Senate and passed to be engrossed, came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference; with Messrs. Dyer of Calais, Page of Fort Kent and Randall of Lincoln, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and appointed Messrs. Pease of Cumberland, Hubbard of Oxford and Percival of Kennebec, conferees on its part.

“Resolve in favor of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of the Megantic Road in Oxford County,” came back from the House referred to the next Legislature. The Senate receded and concurred.

“Resolve for procurement of a portrait of General Knox,” passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House amended.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the Resolve, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the Resolve, as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “An act concerning the Insane Hospital,” came back from the House amended and passed to be engrossed. The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “An act additional to chapter sixty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to the rights of married women,” passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its former action, and concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Bill “An act relating to highway taxes,” came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its former

vote, adopted the amendment of the House, and indefinitely postponed the bill, in concurrence.

“Resolve concerning the annual exhibition of the Maine State Agricultural Society,” came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, and proposed a conference, with Messrs. Percival of Kennebec, Benson of Penobscot and Warren of Somerset, appointed conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY, bill “An act to extend the time for filing the location of, and building the Penobscot, Lincoln and Kennebec Railroad,” was taken from the table. The bill was read a secone time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to make valid the doings of the town of Anson,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time. On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the bill was laid on the table.

“Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians,” came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Dyer of Calais, Randall of Lincoln, and Teague of Turner, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted on its vote, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and joined as conferees on its part, Messrs. True of Penobscot, Gross of Cumberland, and Hopkins of Kennebec.

Bill “An act enlarging the jurisdiction of Judges of Municipal Courts and Trial Justices in civil cases;”

Also “Resolve in favor of Hezekiah Harrington;”

Were received from the House, having been introduced in that branch and passed to be engrossed; they were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The following were received from the House, having been introduced in that branch and passed to be engrossed, viz:

“ An act to authorize the inhabitants of Muscle Ridge Plantation, in the County of Knox, to assess a poll tax of one dollar ;”

“ An act for the change of names of certain persons ;”

“ Resolve to release Messrs. Allen and O'Brien from the award in their favor ;”

Which were each twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “ An act to prevent fraud at elections and promote the purity of the ballot,” introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended. On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the bill was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee, consisting of the York delegation, on the petition of the town of Berwick, with “ Resolve to reduce the State valuation of the town of Berwick,” was accepted, in concurrence. The resolve was read and indefinitely postponed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to surplus revenue in the treasury, for Madawaska, with bill “ An act in aid of schools in the Madawaska territory,” was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on bill “ An act to amend chapter eighty-six of the Revised Statutes,” that the bill in a new draft ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed, in concurrence.

Report of the Special Committee on Amendments to the Liquor Law, submitting bill “ An act to prevent imposition upon town agents appointed to sell intoxicating liquors for medicinal and mechanical purposes,” was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and on the passage of the same to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered. The vote being taken, resulted 3 yeas, 17 nays, as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Kennedy, and Vinton.

NAYS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Donnell, Gross, Hopkins, Hubbard, Miller, Noyes, Pierce, Pitcher, Sylvester, Tolman, True, Vaughan, Warren.

So the bill was refused a passage.

Sent down.

Mr. HAMMATT, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on "Resolve in favor of Alatha Argraves," reported a statement of facts. The report was accepted. On motion of Mr. VINTON, the Senate adhered to its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills,

"An act to establish a police court in the City of Rockland;"

"An act additional to an act amendatory of an act to supply the people of Rockland with pure water, passed August 22, 1850;"

Which were passed to be enacted, in concurrence

Also "Resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature;"

Which was finally passed in concurrence.

And these bills and resolve having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Senate

Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the memorial of George M. Weston, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Daniel West, with bill "An act to provide for a ferry landing in Brewer," was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read, and referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of F. O. J. Smith and others, with bill "An act to incorporate the Presumpscot Land and Water Power Company," was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended; the amendments of the House were adopted, and the bill as amended, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads," came back from the House amended. The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment of the House, and passed the bill as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act to repeal section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes," came back from the House amended. The question being on the Senate receding from its vote giving the bill a passage, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the vote being taken, resulted 9 yeas, 16 nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bicknell, Bridges, Donnell, Pease, Percival, Pierce, Tolman, Vaughan, Vinton.

NAYS—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Goodenow, Gross, Hopkins, Hubbard, Kaler, Kennedy, Miller, Noyes, Pitcher, Rider, Sylvester, True, Warren.

So the Senate refused to recede from its former vote.

The Senate then voted to insist on its former vote.

Sent down.

Bill "An act concerning interest on taxes," came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its vote passing the bill, and concurred with the House in indefinitely postponing the same.

"Resolves in favor of a scientific survey of the State," came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its vote passing the resolves and proposed a conference, with Messrs. Warren of Somerset, True of Penobscot, and Andrews of York, conferees on its part.

Sent down.

Bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Liberty," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read and indefinitely postponed.

Subsequently, Mr. PIERCE moved a reconsideration of this vote, which was adopted. The bill was then read a second time, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act limiting the time of attendance at Court on actions not answered to," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read.

Mr. VINTON moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, which motion was not agreed to.

The bill was then read a second time, the rules being suspended, and on the passage of the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the vote being taken, resulted 15 yeas, 6 nays, as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Hopkins, Kaler, Kennedy, Noyes, Percival, Pitcher, Sylvester, True, Vaughan, Warren.



NAYS—Messrs. Donnell, Goodenow, Gross, Miller, Pease, Vinton.  
So the bill passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “An act to incorporate the Penobscot Real Estate Fund and Water Power Company,” introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended. The bill was tabled.

The following were received from the House, having been introduced in that branch and passed to be engrossed, viz:

“An act in relation to attornies of the State in the Counties;”

“An act to amend chapter sixty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to rights of married women;”

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company;”

“Resolve in favor of Franklin Plantation, in Oxford County;”

Which were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, bill “An act explanatory of an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops,” was taken from the table. On the passage of the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, and resulted 8 yeas, 16 nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs Andrews, Bridges, Gross, Kennedy, Miller, Pease, Sylvester, Vinton.

NAYS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Donnell, Goodenow, Hubbard, Kaler, Noyes, Percival, Pierce, Pitcher, Rider, Tolman, True, Vaughan, Warren.

So the Senate refused the bill a passage to be engrossed.

Sent down.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, bill “An act making valid the doings of the town of Anson,” was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. PEASE, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two houses, on “Resolve for the repair of Fort Kent and Allegash Road,” reported that the Senate adhere to its vote.

The report was not adopted, but on motion, the Senate receded from its former vote and concurred with the House in passing the resolve to be engrossed.

“Resolve for the repair of certain State roads,” came back from the House, that branch refusing to adopt the Senate amendment and insisting on its vote passing the resolve in its original form. The Senate insisted on its vote and proposed a conference, with Messrs. Miller of Cumberland, Bicknell of Kennebec, and Pierce of Waldo, conferees on its part.

Sent down.

Mr. Bicknell, by leave, introduced “Resolve in relation to the People’s Pacific Railroad,” which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DONNELL, the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed “Resolve appropriating money to complete the bridge across the Aroostook River in the town of Maysville,” was reconsidered. The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

“Resolve amendatory of a resolve establishing a valuation of the State of Maine,” reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported,

“An act to amend the first section of chapter seventy-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to sale of interests in real estate;”

“Resolve in favor of Paul Peavy;”

“Resolve in favor of Hezekiah Harrington;”

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

“ An act additional to chapter seventy-six of the Revised Statutes, relating to titles to real estate by levy on execution ;”

“ An act to extend the time for completing the Penobscot Railroad ;”

“ An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Hallowell Social Library ;”

“ An act to incorporate the Calais Savings Bank ;”

“ An act to apportion the State for Representatives to Congress ;”

“ An act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Lovejoy's Pond in the town of Albion ;”

“ An act in addition to chapter sixty-four of the Revised Statutes ;”

“ An act to restrict the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace to Trial Justices ;”

“ An act to make valid the doings of Plantation Letter E in Franklin County ;”

“ An act to punish certain offences ;”

“ An act in relation to fire and marine insurance companies, and actions on contracts of insurance ;”

“ An act relating to the width of sleds on certain roads ;”

“ An act to promote and protect the navigation of Penobscot River for rafts and manufactured lumber ;”

“ An act to incorporate the Megalloway River Dam Company ;”

“ An act additional to chapter two hundred and thirty-two of the Laws of 1858, entitled ‘ an act for the preservation of trout in certain waters ;’ ”

“ An act to repeal an act entitled ‘ an act authorizing the owners of Salt Marsh at the head of Bass Harbor in the town of Tremont, to erect a dam or dyke ;’ ”

“ An act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1861, amounting to \$258,654.68 ;”

Which bills were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

“ Resolve in relation to fisheries ;”

“ Resolve for apportioning one hundred and fifty-one Representa-

tives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine ;”

“Resolve in favor of J. W. Eaton ;”

“Resolve in relation to settlers on certain State lands ;”

“Resolve in favor of the town of Orono ;”

Which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. HOPKINS moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed in concurrence, “Resolve for locating and opening in part a road from the Eastern Aroostook to Fish River Road, and for building bridges upon the same.” Pending which, the hour for adjournment having arrived, the Senate

Adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the motion offered by Mr. HOPKINS, which was before the Senate at the adjournment this forenoon. The motion to reconsider was adopted. The resolve was then passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill “An act respecting pilots for the port of Passamaquoddy,” came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference. The Senate adhered to its vote.

Sent down.

Bill “An act in relation to the competency of witnesses,” came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its vote, and proposed a conference, with Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Rider of Lincoln, and Pitcher of Waldo, conferees on its part.

Sent down. \*

Bill “An act to make valid the doings of the town of Anson,” came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and

proposing a conference. The Senate insisted on its vote, and joined as conferees on its part, Messrs. Blunt of Somerset, Rider of Lincoln, and Hubbard of Oxford.

Bill "An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company," came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Dyer of Calais, Currier of Athens, and Pitcher of Belfast, as conferees on its part.

The Senate adhered to its vote.

Sent down.

The following, introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, were received from that branch, viz :

"An act to regulate the scale of logs in the Penobscot River and its branches ;"

"An act to make valid the doings of McCrillis Plantation in the County of Aroostook ;"

"An act establishing an additional term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the County of Lincoln ;"

"An act to change the name of Lucy Ann Irick ;"

"Resolve authorizing the employment of temporary clerks in the Secretary of State's office ;"

"Resolve in favor of John Jackson ;"

Which were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act relating to new trials," was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and refused a passage, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to furnishing High Schools with the History of New England, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act to amend chapter sixty-four of the Revised Statutes," that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Were each accepted, in concurrence.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee of Conference on the disa-

greeing vote of the two Houses, on. " Resolves in favor of a scientific survey of the State," reported certain amendments which ought to be adopted by the Legislature, and that the Resolves, as amended, ought to pass.

The report was accepted ; the proposed amendments were adopted, and the resolves as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill " An act to amend chapter forty of the Public Laws of 1858," came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate insisted on its vote and proposed a conference, with Messrs. Miller of Cumberland, Bicknell of Kennebec, and Pierce of Waldo, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GROSS, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote on " Resolve in relation to the Passamaquoddy Indians," reported certain amendments which ought to be adopted, and that the resolve as thus amended ought to pass.

The report was accepted ; the amendments were adopted, and the resolve, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ANDREWS, by leave, introduced bill " An act in relation to elections in cities;" which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, bill " An act to prevent fraud at elections and to promote the purity of the ballot," was taken from the table. The bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on bill " An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to common schools," reported certain amendments to the same which ought to be adopted, and that the bill as thus amended, ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the amendments were adopted, and the bill as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on "Resolve in favor of Alpheus T. Palmer," reported that the Senate concur with the House in passing the resolve to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report was accepted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "An act concerning lien claims on buildings," referred from the last Legislature, that the same in a new draft ought to pass;

Report of the Special Committee, on bill "An act repealing an act granting an appeal from the Court of County Commissioners to the Supreme Judicial Court;" that the same in a new draft ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence; the bills were read, and indefinitely postponed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act respecting Pilots for the port of Passamaquoddy," came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference. The Senate receded from its vote indefinitely postponing the bill. The bill was then amended, on motion of Mr. MILLER, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Garland," was taken from the table. The bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An act to repeal section fifty-three of chapter eighty of the Revised Statutes," came back from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference. The Senate adhered to its vote.

Sent down.

Bill "An act respecting the registry of births, marriages and deaths," came from the House, on its final passage, indefinitely postponed.

The Senate indefinitely postponed the bill, in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth," came back from the House, on its final passage, that branch again insisting on its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

The Senate adhered to its vote.

Bill "An act to amend chapter eighty-two of the Revised Statutes," came back from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded from its former vote, and indefinitely postponed the bill, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MILLER, bill "An act enlarging the jurisdiction of Judges of Municipal and Police Courts, and of Trial Justices in civil cases," was taken from the table. The bill was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on bill "An act to make valid the doings of the town of Anson," reported recommending that the bill with certain amendments be passed. The report was accepted; the amendments were adopted, and the bill as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to promulgating the public laws, submitting "Resolve in relation to promulgation of the laws," was accepted, in concurrence; the resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended; the amendments of the House non-concurred in; the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House that the Land Agent be excused from furnishing information to the Legislature, as called for by an order passed February 19, 1861, was passed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, "Resolve for the repair of Presque Isle and Violette Brook Road," was taken from the table. The resolve was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.



On motion of Mr. VINTON, bill "An act additional to chapter eighty-eight of the Revised Statutes relating to partition of real estate," was taken from the table; the several House amendments were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, bill "An act to incorporate the Penobscot real estate fund and water power company," was taken from the table. The bill was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RIDER, "Resolve in favor of Henry P. Cotton," was taken from the table. The resolve was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, "Resolve for repair of the road over Indian Township," was taken from the table. The resolve was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Printing and Binding, with contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith to do the public binding, was taken from the table. The report was accepted and the contract approved.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, with "Resolve for the payment of additional Roll of Accounts number two for 1861," was accepted, in concurrence. The resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ANDREWS, by leave, introduced bill "An act to amend chapters eighty and one hundred thirty-two of the Revised Statutes," which was read. The bill was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BICKNELL.

On motion of Mr. BLUNT, the subject matter of the bill intro-

duced by Mr. ANDREWS, was referred to a special committee of five on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join. And Messrs. Blunt of Somerset, Pease of Oxford, Kaler of Waldo, Gross of Cumberland, and Kennedy of Lincoln, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 7 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Committee on Engrossed bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

“ An act in aid of schools in Madawaska Territory ;”

“ An act additional to incorporate the proprietors of Hallowell and Chelsea Bridge ;”

“ An act to extend the time of filing the location and building of the Penobscot, Lincoln and Kennebec Railroad ;”

“ An act to establish the office of Fish Warden for the County of Waldo ;”

“ An act in relation to evidence on petitions for review ;”

“ An act regulating the time for closing the polls in elections in certain towns and plantations ;”

“ An act concerning taxes ;”

“ An act to incorporate St. John's parish in Orono ;”

“ An act to amend an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company ;”

“ An act concerning the Insane Hospital ;”

“ An act to change the names of certain persons ;”

“ An act to incorporate the Northern Waldo Agricultural Society ;”

“ An act to authorize the inhabitants of Muscle Ridge Plantation in the County of Knox, to assess a poll tax of one dollar ;”

“ An act in relation to the compensation of County Commissioners ;”

“ An act additional to chapter eighty-one of the Revised Statutes ;”

“ An act to amend an act to authorize the City of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Aroostook Railroad ;”

“ An act to amend chapter sixteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to rights of married women ;”

“ An act to amend the first section of chapter seventy-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to sales of interest in real estate ;”

“ An act to amend an act approved March 19, 1860, entitled an act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on Railroads, passed A. D. 1858 ;”

“ An act to amend the charter of the People's Pacific Railroad Company ;”

“ An act to make valid the doings of McCrillis Plantation in the County of Penobscot ;”

“ An act to incorporate the City of Lewiston ;”

“ An act to change the name of Lucy Irick ,”

“ An act relating to attornies of the State in the several Counties ;”

“ An act to make valid the doings of the town officers of Liberty ;”

“ An act to incorporate the Presumpscot Land and Water Power Company ;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

“ Resolve in aid of the Canada road ;”

“ Resolve in favor of John Bridges ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Osco A. Ellis ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Caleb B. Lord ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Theodore B. Spratt ;”

“ Resolve to release Messrs. Allen and O'Brien from the award in their favor ;”

“ Resolve to authorize the State Treasurer to adjust accounts with the Atlantic, Ellsworth and Hancock Banks ;”

“ Resolve in relation to Township fourteen Range four in Aroostook County ;”

“ Resolve for the procurement of a portrait of Gen. Knox ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Hezekiah Harrington ;”

“ Resolve providing for the repair of the Fort Kent and Allegash Road ;”

“ Resolve in favor of William Black ;”

“Resolve in favor of the temporary clerks employed in the Secretary of State’s office;”

“Resolve in favor of Franklin Plantation, Oxford County;”

“Resolve in favor of the People’s Pacific Railroad Company;”

“Resolve in favor of Paul Peavy;”

“Resolve for the repair of certain roads;”

Which were finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Senate then  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BALLOU of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday’s proceedings read and approved.

Mr. BLUNT, from the Special Committee, to which was referred the subject matter of amendments to the Personal Liberty Law, so called, reported bill “An act to amend chapters eighty and one hundred and thirty-two of the Revised Statutes, so as to make the same conformable to the Constitution of the United States or any law made in pursuance thereof.”

The report was accepted, and the bill read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Govern-

ment," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Miller, its clerk, proposing an extension of the hour of final adjournment of the Legislature to 10 o'clock, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

The Senate concurred, of which concurrence the Secretary informed the House by message.

"Resolve amendatory of resolve apportioning one hundred and fifty-one Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary of the Senate cause to be printed under his supervision and direction, three hundred copies of the Journal of the Senate, for the present session; and that he cause three copies of the same to be distributed to each of the members of the Senate, one copy to each member of the present House of Representatives, one copy to each of the State Senators for 1862, and deposit the remaining copies in the State Library.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills :

"An act limiting the time of attendance at Court on actions not answered to;"

"An act to amend chapter forty of the Public Laws of the year 1858;"

"An act additional to chapter eighty-eight of the Revised Statutes relating to partition of real estate;"

"An act relating to the State Reform School;"

"An act to incorporate the Penobscot Real Estate Fund and Water Power Company;"

"An act in relation to the competency of witnesses;"

"An act to prevent fraud at elections, and to promote the purity of the ballot;"

“ An act establishing an additional term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Lincoln ;”

“ An act in relation to elections in cities ;”

“ An act to regulate the scale of logs on the Penobscot River ;”

“ An act to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company ;”

“ An act to provide in part for the expenditures of Government ;”

“ An act to amend chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to Common Schools ;”

“ An act to amend chapters eighty and one hundred and thirty-two of the Revised Statutes, so as to make the same conformable to the Constitution of the United States or any law made in pursuance thereof ;”

“ An act to amend an act entitled an act additional to an act to regulate the fisheries in the Kennebec River, approved April 4, 1859 ;”

“ An act respecting Pilots for the Port of Passamaquoddy ;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

“ Resolve for the repair of the Presque Isle and Violette Brook Road ;”

“ Resolve for the payment of additional Roll of Accounts No. 2, for 1861 ;”

“ Resolve for locating and opening in part a road from the Eastern Aroostook to Fish River Road, and for building bridges upon the same ;”

“ Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate ;”

“ Resolve on the pay roll of the House ;”

“ Resolve in favor of John Jackson ;”

“ Resolve appropriating money to complete the bridge across the Aroostook River in the town of Maysville ;”

“ Resolve for the repair of the State Road in the Indian Township ;”

“ Resolve authorizing the employment of temporary clerks in the Secretary of State's office ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Alpheus T. Palmer ;”

“ Resolve in favor of Henry P. Cotton ;”

“Resolve concerning the annual exhibition of the Maine State Agricultural Society;”

“Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians, for various purposes;”

“Resolve in favor of a scientific survey of the State;”

“Resolve amendatory of Resolve to apportion one hundred and fifty-one Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine;”

Which were severally finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. FARWELL of Rockland, informing the Senate that the House has disposed of all business before it.

On motion of Mr. GROSS,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the House, informing that body that the Senate has disposed of all business before it.

And that Senator was charged with the message.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait on the Governor, and inform him that both branches of the Legislature having acted on all matters before them, are now ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

And Messrs. True of Penobscot, Hubbard of Oxford, and Sylvester of Lincoln, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order was returned from the House passed in concurrence; Messrs. Farwell of Rockland, McCrillis of Bangor, Teague of Turner, Gould of Thomaston, Spring of Portland, Pitcher of Belfast, and Stoyell of Farmington, having been joined to the Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. TRUE, from the foregoing Committee, subsequently reported, that they had attended to the duty assigned them, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would communicate to the two Houses forthwith, through the Secretary of State.

The Secretary of State, JOSEPH B. HALL, Esq., soon after came in and presented the following message from the Governor :

*To the Senate :*

I herewith transmit a list of the Acts and Resolves passed by the Legislature at its present session, and which have received my approval, being 171 Acts and 93 Resolves. In making this last communication for the session, to your body, I beg to convey to its members the expression of my best wishes for their prosperity, and that they may have a safe return to their homes and friends.

Mr. VINTON of Cumberland, then rose in his place, and said :

MR. PRESIDENT :—Our Senatorial labors are about to close. The session now terminating has been one of unusual interest and labor. The measures we have considered and the acts we have passed, are, in many instances, of more than ordinary importance. The practical utility of these measures, like all acts of legislation, must be looked for in the future. It would be claiming too much to suppose that all our acts will be able to stand this important test, and be found so perfect as never to need amendment or repeal. Such has not been the history of those who have gone before us. But standing as we do at the close of our labors, in the light of a calm, cool and intelligent retrospection, I feel assured that it may be rightly claimed for each and every measure, that it has been put forth, considered and consummated with an *honest* purpose. So with those measures which have failed. They also have been considered and advocated with a purpose equally honest. So that we may, one and all, retire from this, the theatre of our labors, back to our several constituencies, with the reasonable assurance that they will accord to us, that we have acted with an eye single to their interests, and have put forth our constant endeavors to subserve those interests.

MR. PRESIDENT : There are periods in the history of us all, of unusual interest, and of unusual solemnity. Such is the period of separation. When with labors done, we go out to return not thither again—when our voices will salute each other no more, and our vision turning from each other away will come not back with its accustomed recognition. This is the hour for careful reviewal. If in the



excitement of debate any word has unfortunately gone forth to grate harshly on the ear, now is the time to recall that word. This is the hour to review our words—to review our deeds. And if in either, there be found just cause of offence, now is the time to remove that cause and make “just reparation.” Of course I do not mean to be understood that the labors of any of us, in this regard, will be at all onerous. For I feel assured that I but give utterance to the common sentiment, when I say that our session has been unusually harmonious. There has been a disposition at all times, and on all occasions, to extend to each other that Senatorial courtesy which, like charity, is twice blessed—blessing both him who gives and him who takes.

While each has contributed his share to swell the aggregate of the satisfaction with which we bring this session to a close, I feel again that I but give utterance to the common sentiment, when I say that a very large share is still reserved to be accorded to him who has presided over our deliberations.

MR. SECRETARY: I ask leave to lay upon your table the following resolution, which I am confident will find a response in the bosom of every Senator, and be unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby presented to Hon. JOHN H. GOODENOW, for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of the Senate, during the present session.

Mr. ANDREWS of York, rose and said:

It gives me great pleasure to second the motion just made by the honorable Senator from Cumberland; and I have no doubt that its sentiments will meet a hearty response from every member of this Board.

SENATORS:—We are about closing the labors of the session; and as has been well remarked, our doings here are soon to pass in review before an intelligent constituency. I trust that those doings will, for the most part, meet their approval, and secure for us the welcome of “well done good and faithful servants.”

When we assembled here a dark cloud shrouded our national horizon. Though we could do but little as a State to aid in dispelling that cloud, yet in the providence of God, it is, I trust, fast

disappearing, when the sun in the heavens will again shine upon a prosperous, happy and united people.

To you, Mr. President, allow me to say a single word. Coming to the legislative halls for the first time, I confess myself greatly indebted to the kindness, courtesy, and assistance extended to me by the presiding officer, throughout the session. And to my fellow Senators I also express myself under deep obligations for their consideration, respect and sympathy, in our intercourse at this Board. And if in the heat of debate, or at any time, any word or act of mine has been the means of inflicting a wound upon the sensibilities of any Senator, I regret it, and beg to assure Senators that nothing akin to malice was ever allowed to rankle in my heart.

And now Senators, as we are about to part, allow me to wish you, one and all, a safe return to your families and friends, and that happiness and prosperity may ever attend you and gild your declining years.

Mr. KENNEDY of Lincoln, rose and said :

MR. PRESIDENT:—I would respectfully tender to you, and all the members of the Senate, my grateful acknowledgments for the courtesy and kindness I have received from every member of this Board. It has been to myself a pleasant session, and one which I shall remember with pleasing reflections through after life—be that term to me longer or shorter. I hope the acts and doings of this Senate may be approved by our constituents, and those for whom we have legislated. And I would not, Mr. President, forget to recognize the hand of that kind and beneficent Being who has watched over us in all our deliberations—who has preserved us from sickness and death—whose kind and parental care has been over our loved ones at home, while we have been absent from them. And now in parting, Senators and friends, permit me to assure you that you carry with you to your respective homes, my best wishes for your future welfare through all life's weary way—praying, that if we shall never meet again on earth, we shall meet each other again in that better land—that land of rest—the Christian's home.

The resolution was then passed unanimously, each Senator rising on taking the question.

Mr. GOODENOW, the President of the Senate, reported as follows :

SENATORS:—I cannot adequately express my deep and lasting obligations to you. From the moment when, without solicitation on my part, you so generously assigned me this place, I have received naught but courtesy, kindness and respect at your hands. For whatever success may have attended me, in the discharge of the duties of the chair, I am largely indebted to your liberality and forbearance. Your cordial assistance and support have rendered easy and agreeable a service, which might otherwise have been made irksome and onerous. To each and every one of you I tender my sincere and heartfelt thanks.

The complimentary manner in which you have been pleased to express your approbation of my official conduct, is in the highest degree gratifying to me; and for this I beg you to accept my renewed acknowledgments.

To the officers of the Senate, who have been so assiduous in their kind offices and devotion to my comfort, I also return my hearty thanks.

I cannot allow this occasion to pass without bearing testimony to the promptitude, energy and fidelity which you have brought to the public service. For the comparatively short time we have been together, we have disposed of many important measures, and in a manner I *trust*, to meet the approval of our constituents. This at least I may say, that no legislative body ever served the State with a more sincere *desire* to advance the public weal.

I cannot forbear congratulating you upon the unusual harmony and good feeling which have prevailed in this Chamber during our session. Coming as we do, from all parts of our widely extended State, representing various and sometimes conflicting interests, entire unanimity upon subjects of legislation was not to be expected, or desired. But I have yet to learn that any member of this Board cherishes enmity or ill-will toward his fellow-member on account of the natural and irrepressible conflicts of opinion which have found expression here.

I cannot forbear congratulating you upon the improved condition of our country since the period of our assembling. I congratulate

you that we have once more a *government*, and at the helm, one who, while true to principle and to duty, to freedom and to man, will faithfully uphold the Constitution, and execute the laws. In this noble endeavor, and in the effort to prevent this land from being drenched in fraternal blood, I rejoice to know that our newly elected Chief Magistrate will not look in vain for support to any one of you. I trust and believe that we are all ready to defend with our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor, this great experiment of free government, which must not, by its failure, be our sin and shame.

Once more thanking you for your kindness, which I shall remember with gratitude through life—wishing you a safe return to your families and friends, with the hope that it may be my good fortune to meet you often hereafter, I bid you all farewell.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Senate adjourned without day.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.



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**SPECIAL SESSION**

**OF THE**

**LEGISLATURE OF MAINE,**

**FOR**

**1861.**

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## SPECIAL SESSION.

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MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1861.

In obedience to a call from the Governor of the State, convening a special session of the Legislature, at the Capitol this day, Senators met in the Senate Chamber, at the hour designated in the Proclamation, being twelve o'clock noon, and were called to order by the President.

By his direction the Proclamation convening the Legislature, was read by the Secretary, as follows :

### STATE OF MAINE.

BY THE GOVERNOR.—A PROCLAMATION.

The facts that the laws of the United States have been, and now are, opposed, and their execution obstructed in the States of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, by a combination too powerful to be suppressed by the ordinary course of judicial proceedings, or by the power vested in the Marshals, by the law ; that a requisition has been made upon me by the President of the United States for a portion of the Militia of this State, to aid in suppressing such combination, and in causing the laws to be duly executed ; and that I find myself without sufficient authority of law to enable me to respond thereto as the exigency of the case requires, present, in my judgment, one of those extraordinary occasions contemplated in the Constitution for convening the Legislature.

In consideration whereof, I, ISRAEL WASHBURN, Jr., Governor of the State of Maine, in virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution, convene the Legislature of this State, hereby requiring the Senators and Representatives to assemble in their respective



Chambers, at the Capitol, in Augusta, on Monday, the twenty-second day of April, instant, at twelve o'clock, noon; then and there to consider and determine on such measures, as the condition of the country, and the obligations of the State may seem to demand.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at Augusta, this sixteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred sixty-one, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-fifth.

ISRAEL WASHBURN, JR.

By the Governor.

JOSEPH B. HALL, *Secretary of State*.

Prayer was then offered by Rev. Mr. INGRAHAM, of Augusta.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT, the roll of Senators was called, and the following responded:

*First Senatorial District*.....JOHN H. GOODENOW,  
LEONARD ANDREWS.  
*Second Senatorial District*.....NATHANIEL J. MILLER,  
SEWALL N. GROSS.  
*Third Senatorial District*.....RUFUS SYLVESTER,  
ROBERT E. RIDER.  
*Fourth Senatorial District*....CALVIN HOPKINS,  
JAMES A. BICKNELL,  
WARREN PERCIVAL.  
*Fifth Senatorial District*.....OTIS KALER,  
AMOS PITCHER.  
*Sixth Senatorial District*.....JOHN BRIDGES,  
JOHN M. NOYES.  
*Seventh Senatorial District*....JOSEPH GRANGER.  
*Eighth Senatorial District*....JOTHAM DONNELL.  
*Ninth Senatorial District*.....JOHN BENSON,  
WILLIAM C. HAMMATT,  
JABEZ TRUE.  
*Tenth Senatorial District*.....PHINEAS TOLMAN.

*Eleventh Senatorial District*..HIRAM C. WARREN,  
NATHAN F. BLUNT.

*Thirteenth Senatorial District*.ELBRIDGE G. HARLOW.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, that Senator was charged with a message to the Governor, informing him that in obedience to his Proclamation, a quorum of Senators is present in the Senate Chamber, and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Mr. ANDREWS subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he had been charged, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would meet the members of the Legislature, in Convention, at such time as they may appoint.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary inform the House, by message, that a quorum of Senators is present and ready to proceed to business.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message as by order.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Miller, its Clerk, informing the Senate that a quorum of the Representatives is present, and ready to proceed to business.

A message was received from the House of Representatives through its Clerk, proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at half-past 12 o'clock, for the purpose of receiving such communication as the Governor may be pleased to make; and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

The Senate concurred, of which concurrence the Secretary informed the House by message.

The time for the Convention having arrived, the Senate repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives, where the Convention was formed.

### IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. McCRILLIS of Bangor, of the House, that gentleman was charged with a message to the Governor, informing

him that the two branches of the Legislature are now in Convention in the Representatives' Hall, ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Subsequently, Mr. McCRILLIS reported to the Convention that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and the Governor was pleased to say he would forthwith wait upon the Convention.

Thereupon the Governor came in, attended by the Executive Council and Heads of Departments, and addressed the Convention as follows :

*Gentlemen of the Senate  
and House of Representatives :*

Our faithful and patriotic Commonwealth, in the month of January last, speaking by the unanimous voice of her representatives in both branches of the Legislature, authorized and requested me "to assure the President of the United States of the loyalty of the people of Maine to the Union and the government thereof, and that the entire resources of the State in men and money were pledged to the administration in defence and support of the Constitution and the Union."

The time has come when she is called upon to make good these protestations of loyalty to the government, and to furnish for its maintenance some portion of that material aid which she thus voluntarily and nobly proffered.

Combinations against the laws of the United States, have been formed in several of the Southern States, and are likely to be formed in others, constituting in the whole a majority of the slaveholding States, too powerful to be suppressed by the ordinary course of judicial proceeding, and which, we are not permitted to doubt, have, for their real object and ultimate purpose, the destruction of the government as it exists under the federal Constitution.

Whether the actual convictions and desires of a majority of the people of these misguided and unhappy States are in harmony with such criminal designs, is not material for us now to inquire, inasmuch as it is certain that the policy and organizations of these States, are controlled and directed by men of whose purpose there can be no question whatever.

Shall the government of the United States interpose, and effectually, to defeat these treasonable combinations? Shall the govern-

ment be maintained or destroyed? Shall it be respected and obeyed, or scoffed at and trampled in the dust?

Those to whom its administration has been committed by the people under the forms of the Constitution, and with all the solemnities of the simple but august investiture which that instrument has prescribed, would be guilty of an unpardonable crime against the country and against the civilization of the age, should they fail to employ all the means and exert all the power which the law has placed in their hands to prevent the threatened catastrophe.

That they apprehend the true character and extent of their obligations, is manifest from the prompt and vigorous measures which they have adopted for the preservation of the government in this hour of extremest peril.

The President of the United States in virtue of the authority with which he is clothed by the Constitution and laws of Congress has called upon all the States that were not in flagrant rebellion, for a portion of the militia thereof to aid him in suppressing the existing combinations and in enforcing the laws of the United States.

A requisition for a regiment to serve as infantry or riflemen has been made upon me as commander-in-chief of the militia of this State, and it can scarcely be doubted that other requisitions will be made hereafter. An early demonstration of the loyalty, determination and power of the country, may be among the most efficient, economical and humane methods of suppressing the rebellion which flagitious men have instigated, and restoring the government to the peaceful exercise of its legitimate functions.

Upon a careful examination of the laws of the State, and after consulting with eminent legal and military gentlemen, I became satisfied that I had not sufficient authority of law to enable me to respond to the call of the President as the exigency of the case required. Finding myself, therefore, under the necessity of convening the Legislature, I appointed the earliest day for its meeting upon which a full attendance of the members could be had. I thank you for your prompt response to the summons which it thus became my duty to issue.

I cannot doubt that it will be the part of wisdom and duty, or that it will be your pleasure, to make liberal provision, both as to men and money, for the emergency, and such as will enable our loyal and gallant State to contribute her full proportion of what

may be necessary of either to vindicate the supremacy of the laws and the integrity of the Union.

So great is the urgency of the occasion and so deep and pervading is the patriotism of our people, that there will be, I presume, little difficulty in raising by voluntary enlistment all the soldiers that will be required from this State. I would therefore suggest that, not omitting to amend the existing laws, so as to make them more efficient and readily available in such contingency as may possibly arise, you should regard as of primary importance the enactment of such additional provisions as will render the organization and mustering of volunteers into the service of the United States as easy, speedy and efficient as may be.

Whether any legislation is required for the defence and protection of our extended coast is a question which may be worthy of your serious consideration.

To make an appropriation of money sufficient to defray the expenses of raising and mustering into the service of the United States such quotas of the militia of the State as you believe will be called for by the President, in any event likley to occur, and so much as may be necessary for the defence of the State, is a duty which I need not urge upon your attention.

How the money which you may appropriate should be raised, is a question which will be for you to determine ; but in view of the fact that a portion of it will be required immediately, and considering that such is the financial strength and credit of the State that it will be easy to obtain on its credit, at favorable rates of interest, all the funds that may be needed for the purposes to which I have adverted, I would advise that a loan or loans upon such time as you may think expedient, be authorized by the Legislature. And I would recommend that the amount provided for should be such as will comport with the magnitude of the emergency, with the honor of the State and the patriotic devotion of her citizens.

*Gentlemen of the Senate and of the House of Representatives:*—All of us—even the wisest and most far-seeing—have failed to perceive clearly the intentions, or to understand fully the movements of the malign spirits who have dominated the policy of a large number of the Southern States for many years. For years, as recent developments have shown, they have been laboring with one object and plotting to one end—the subversion of the government. To accomplish this cherished purpose they have made the election of a

President of the United States in opposition to the candidate of their choice, the occasion for plunging those States into a rebellion the most inexcusable and wicked of which the annals of the race afford any example,—because it is an uprising against a government from which they have received nothing but benefits and favors—a government the most wise, just, beneficent, and the best adapted to promote the prosperity and happiness of the people, that the world has ever seen. For eighty-three years it had been the defence, the protection, the pride and the glory of a people the most prosperous, contented, the best governed, the most secure in all the relations of life, the freest and happiest beneath the sun. Its success and power were accomplished and conspicuous facts—its name, its flag, its prestige as the advanced column of civilization and freedom, were known, respected and honored by all the nations, and to be an American citizen was a distinction and an honor in every court and among every civilized people upon the globe.

The idea of secession being a remedy for real or fancied evils under the government,—the great heresy that underlies the Southern rebellion,—must be rebuked, exploded, exterminated—for if acknowledged and submitted to there is an end of this government, and the Great Republic will live only in history. The safeguards, the protection, the encouragements afforded by a wise and powerful government will be withdrawn or removed, for the work of disintegration once begun under a construction of the Constitution which permits it, there is no union of the States remaining of any permanent or practical value. If one State may withdraw from the Union at its pleasure, another may do the same thing, and another; and so from being a great Commonwealth of States, with one Constitution, one government, one destiny, the American people will be divided, it is possible, into many jealous and conflicting parts, into “States dissevered, discordant, belligerent,” to be “rent with civil feuds, and drenched, it may be, with fraternal blood.” Rather than a calamity so dire and dreadful should befall our country, in which would be imperilled so much that we have and enjoy, and so much that we hope for for our children, let the loyal States exhaust every resource they possess, and every just expedient upon which they can lay hold, *and let us all resolve,*

*with the calm deliberation that befits the occasion, that in no event, so long as we live, shall it be consummated.*

Perhaps there are no actions or events permitted by the Almighty, that are wholly and altogether evil, and this strange and unnatural rebellion demonstrates and develops the devoted and undying patriotism of our people. The loyal States of this Union, but yesterday broken by parties and factions, to-day stand as one man on the hallowed ground of the Constitution, and present an exhibition of grandeur and moral sublimity, that will illumine the pathway of mankind through endless generations.

In my inaugural address delivered but a few months ago, I remarked without fear that I could err in what I said, that in such a contingency as has now arrived,

“We know that our State, whose attachment to the Union has been avouched not only by words but by works—by sacrifices such as she alone of all the States has been called to make, even by the dismemberment of her territory that the nation might have peace—will renew her claim upon the gratitude of the country by the alacrity with which she will furnish material and efficient proofs of her fidelity and virtue. Then the divisions of party will disappear from amongst us, and the names by which we have been recognized will be forgotten, and all will be known as patriots and defenders of the Union.”

And so it is, and so it shall be, and this Union is to be defended and the Constitution preserved, not by Democrats, not by Republicans, but by men who love their country—and all men of whatever party, who are for the government and will stand by it and fight for it, are brethren. For one I know no difference, and I will know no difference, and I will hold that man as wanting in the highest quality of patriotism, who will know any distinction between men, founded upon their former party relations.

GENTLEMEN:—This is no time for words—the hour for action has arrived—prompt, vigorous, decisive, patriotic action. I trust I may venture to express the hope that you will not permit yourselves to be turned aside to the consideration of questions of ordinary legislation, but that you will confine yourselves to those which grow out of the emergency that has called you together. And to your prudence and wisdom, to your love of the State and the country, and your regard for the interests and honor of both,

I commit them without misgiving and without fear; and may that good Providence who has heretofore watched over and protected our beloved country, guard and protect it now and forever!

The Governor having concluded his address, he, with his attendants withdrew.

Mr. GOULD of Thomaston, of the House, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

*Resolved*, That it is the duty of every citizen of Maine to give his earnest and undivided support to the General Government of the American Union as the representative and only hope of *Constitutional Liberty*, now imperilled by an alarming rebellion pervading a large section of the country—that all former differences ought to be forgotten in the presence of the imminent peril of that country, to preserve which we are resolved to strive with one another in generous emulation,—that in imitation of our Fathers “we pledge our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor” to the preservation of that Government which they committed to us that we may transmit it unbroken to our children.

The resolution was read and passed unanimously, the members of the Convention manifesting their assent by rising.

The purposes of the Convention having been accomplished, it was dissolved, and the Senators withdrew to their Chamber.

#### IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER,

*Ordered*, That so much of the Governor's address as relates to National Affairs and calling the Militia into actual service, be referred to a joint select committee, consisting of seven on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

And Messrs. Granger of Washington, Miller of Cumberland, True of Penobscot, Andrews of York, Kaler of Waldo, Blunt of Somerset, and Donnell of Aroostook, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the order came back passed in concurrence, with



Messrs. Fox of Portland, Hamilton of Biddeford, Frye of Lewiston, Hoyt of Rumford, Eaton of Jay, Patten of Topsham, Gould of Thomaston, Perkins of Gardiner, Stetson of Damariscotta, Webster of Moscow, Barrows of Blanchard, Pitcher of Belfast, McCrillis of Bangor, Small of Deer Isle, Milliken of Cherryfield, Woodbury of Houlton, joined to the Committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. HAMMATT,

*Ordered*, That two thousand copies of the Governor's address be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

*Ordered*, That when the Senate adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

On motion of the same Senator, the Secretary was charged with a message to the House of Representatives, informing that body of the vote of the Senate as to adjournment.

The Secretary delivered the message as directed.

On motion of Mr. KALER, the Senate  
Adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHURCH of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

The following Senators appeared and took their seats at the Senate board, namely :

NATHANIEL G. MARSHALL, of the First Senatorial District.

NATHANIEL PEASE and WARREN H. VINTON, of the Second Senatorial District.

HENRY KENNEDY and JESSE S. LYFORD, of the Third Senatorial District.

NATHAN PIERCE, of the Fifth Senatorial District.

Z. MORTON VAUGHAN, of the Twelfth Senatorial District.

JOHN P. HUBBARD, of the Thirteenth Senatorial District.

Papers from the House ;

Petition of the Mayor of Biddeford and others, for increase of the pay of the soldiers of this State ;

Petition of John W. Fairfield and others of Saco, that the State build a steam sloop of war ;

Petition of Gideon Tucker and others of Saco, relating to the pay of soldiers ;

Bill " An act to authorize the raising of ten regiments to aid the President of the United States in enforcing the laws and maintaining the government thereof, and to protect the same against its enemies, and in defense of the State ;"

Bill " An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia ;"

Bill " An act to provide for the defense of the coast and commerce of Maine ;"

Bill "An act to suppress opposition to the Government and Laws of this State and of the United States;"

Bill "An act to authorize cities, towns and plantations, to raise money for the benefit of persons serving in the army of the United States;"

Were severally referred, in concurrence, to the Select Committee on the Governor's address.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS,

*Ordered*, That the usual number of copies of the Thrice Weekly Age and Thrice Weekly Journal, be procured for the use of the Senate for the present session.

Mr. VINTON, by leave, introduced bill "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act in relation to County officers,' approved March 13, 1861;" which was read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Select Committee on the Governor's address, that bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia," referred to them, ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was twice read, under a suspension of the rules, when on motion of Mr. VINTON, it was ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "An act to provide for the defense of the coast and commerce of Maine," referred to them, that the same ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence. The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LYFORD, the Senate adjourned to two and a half o'clock this afternoon.

#### AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

"Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State," reported in

the House by the Committee on Finance, and passed by that branch to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended. On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the resolve was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Governor's address, that bill "An act to authorize the raising of ten regiments to aid the President of the United States in enforcing the laws and maintaining the government thereof, and to protect the same against its enemies, and in defence of the State," which was referred to them, ought to pass, was accepted, in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the several sections of the bill were taken up separately.

Section one was adopted.

Section two was adopted, the yeas and nays being ordered, by yeas 27, nays 1, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Benson, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Goodenow, Granger, Gross, Hammatt, Harlow, Hopkins, Hubbard, Kaler, Kennedy, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Pease, Percival, Pitcher, Sylvester, Tolman, True, Vaughan, Warren.

NAYS—Mr. VINTON.

Sections three, four, five and six were severally adopted.

The question being on the adoption of section seven, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the vote being taken resulted 11 yeas, 17 nays, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Blunt, Bridges, Hammatt, Kaler, Lyford, Miller, Noyes, Pease, Pitcher, True.

NAYS—Messrs. Benson, Bicknell, Donnell, Goodenow, Granger, Gross, Harlow, Hopkins, Hubbard, Kennedy, Marshall, Percival, Sylvester, Tolman, Vaughan, Vinton, Warren.

So section seven was not adopted.

On motion of Mr. DONNELL, the vote last passed was reconsidered.

The same Senator then proposed an amendment to section seven, which was adopted.

The section as amended, was then adopted.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Governor's address, that bill "An act to suppress opposition to the government and laws of this State and of the United States," which was referred to them, ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, that bill "An act to authorize cities, towns and plantations to raise money for the benefit of persons serving in the army of the State of Maine," which was referred to them, ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, that legislation is inexpedient on the subject matter of the petition of John W. Fairfield and others;  
Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, that legislation is inexpedient on the subject matter of the petition of Gideon Tucker and others;

Also same report of the same Committee on the petition of the Mayor of Biddeford and others;

Were read. On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, the reports were laid on the table.

Bill an act relating to the raising of ten regiments, came back from the House, that branch non-concurring in the amendment of the Senate, and insisting on its vote, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. McCrillis of Bangor, Dyer of Calais, and Low of Hodgdon, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and joined as conferees on its part, Messrs. Vinton of Cumberland, Granger of Washington, and Marshall of York.

"Resolve to furnish certain books to the County of Knox," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bill,

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'an act in relation to County officers,' approved March 13, 1861;" which bill was passed to be enacted, in concurrence; and having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. GRANGER of Washington, announced the death of his colleague, Hon. TRISTRAM REDMAN, Senator from Washington, and pronounced an eulogy as follows :

MR. PRESIDENT: I rise to bring to the notice of the Senate a mournful event, which has transpired since the close of the late session of the Legislature. In compliance with the call of the Executive, the Senate has assembled in this chamber, under extraordinary circumstances, to provide for the public welfare. But we are not all here. One seat is vacant. That seat was occupied by my colleague, the Hon. Tristram Redman, Senator from Washington county. His form will be seen there no more. His voice will never again be heard. His lips are sealed in death. He has gone to that bourne whence no traveller returns. We shall go to him, but he will return to us no more forever. His death took place at his home in Cherryfield, surrounded by his family and friends, last Thursday morning. He was informed of the Proclamation of the Governor, summoning the members of the Legislature to meet here at this time. The evening prior to his decease, lying on his death-bed, he expressed to a friend, the member of the House from Cherryfield, his extreme regret at his inability to respond to this call by his presence, but embraced that opportunity to transmit his counsel, which was breathed from his dying lips, to us, to stand firm and battle manfully and unshrinkingly in defence of our beloved country, whose vital interests had been so traitorously assailed; and his earnest counsel comes to us deepened with the impressive sanction of the mournful event that so soon followed its expression.

Dr. Redman was born in Saco, in the county of York, Jan. 15, 1807. Before he was two years old, his father, Capt. Tristram Redman, changed his residence from Saco to Parsonsfield. Dr. R., after receiving an academical education, studied medicine and graduated at the Medical School of Dartmouth College in 1830. Soon after this, he commenced the practice of his profession in Cherryfield, where he ever afterwards resided. He was married to Miss Frances Freeman, the eldest daughter of Wm. Freeman, Esq., June 6, 1834, who, together with six children, daughters, survives him.

Amiable and thoughtful for the welfare and happiness of others; his death will be an irreparable loss to his family. Nor can it fail

to be severely felt in the community where he lived and was known. For his many virtues, his freedom from all guile, his nice sense of honor, his remarkable conscientiousness in all his dealings with his fellow men, his scrupulous fidelity to every trust committed to his charge, his zealous advocacy, and more, his consistent example touching all the great moral reforms of the age, gave him a marked influence in the society in which he moved.

He was a successful practitioner in his profession, and his withdrawal from their midst in the very prime of his matured skill, must be a loss to those families who enjoyed the benefit of his experience, and whose confidence he had won, which will not be easily supplied.

I had a personal acquaintance with the deceased of more than twenty years standing, and I did not meet him often, as we resided seventy miles apart. But in all my intercourse with him, I found his conduct more uniformly influenced by his reason and judgment and conscience than most men of my acquaintance, suggesting the celebrated line of the poet :

“ An honest man’s the noblest work of God.”

He never made what is popularly called a *profession of religion*, and yet he was a religious man, for he was guided in his conduct by the soundest religious principles; and those who knew him intimately knew that he had no undue fears of death, for though humble and deeply sensible of his imperfections, he was sustained by an unwavering faith and firm trust in the mercy and goodness of the Eternal Father. The public, as well as the family, friends and neighbors of Dr. Redman, have experienced a great loss in his sudden removal.

As a public man, he enjoyed the confidence of his constituents, and attached himself to all with whom he was associated in public business, by his good sense and sound judgment, the frank avowal of his sentiments, and the unshaken integrity and manliness of his conduct.

Although not ambitious for office, his election to this body last fall was not the only expression of the confidence of the people he had received. He was a member of the Senate from Washington county in 1837. He ranked himself with the Democratic party

until the present Republican party was formed, when he identified himself with the latter.

He has gone to render an account of his stewardship; and happy will it be for each one of us, if, when our summons shall come, our spirits shall be as well prepared for our departure as that of our deceased friend; and that our record shall be as consistent and unblemished as his.

The same Senator then offered the following :

*Resolved*, That the Senate has received, with profound sensibility, the annunciation of the death of the late Hon. Tristram Redman, Senator from Washington County.

*Resolved*, That the members of the Senate, at the same time that they bear cheerful testimony to the valuable services of the deceased as a Senator, express their appreciation of the spirit of urbanity and kindness which distinguished him in his social, as well as in his official relations; and that they tender their unfeigned sympathy to his widow and other members of his family, in their sorrowful bereavement.

*Resolved*, That these proceedings be entered in the Journal of the Senate, and a copy, signed by the President and the Secretary, be transmitted to the widow of the deceased.

Mr. BENSON of Penobscot, rose and said :

MR. PRESIDENT: I cannot allow the occasion to pass without bearing my testimony to the virtues of my honored friend who is no more on earth.

Although my acquaintance with him was brief, it was an agreeable and happy acquaintance. I feel that I knew him *well—thoroughly*.

Dr. Redman was emphatically an honest man. As a legislator, he was zealous, watchful and faithful. When duty called him to act, he rarely failed to make an abiding impression. *Expediency* was not, in his judgment, a virtue; but he was ever actuated by conscientious motives, and this principle governed him in all the relations of life. He was unobtrusive, yet always ready to respond to duty, and then he never failed to express his views with *earnestness, clearness and force*.



As a physician, Dr. Redman was much above mediocrity; and by his death, the profession has lost one of its valuable members. He was competent, *judicious* and faithful, always ready to respond to the calls of the suffering. It can truly be said of him that he was "the poor man's friend."

But he has gone. His mission has ended—his battle of life is over. He had an abiding faith in the Christian Religion, which supported him in his last hours, and enabled him to look forward with confidence and composure to a blessed immortality beyond the grave.

His seat at this board is vacant. We shall behold his face no more; and the places which have known him shall know him no more forever.

May we all be prepared, as he was, to meet the final summons when it shall come.

Mr. PEASE of Cumberland offered a brief tribute to the memory of Dr. Redman.

The resolutions were then unanimously adopted, all the Senators present rising.

Mr. VINTON of Cumberland, moved as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, that the Senate do now adjourn to to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

And the Senate accordingly adjourned.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WHITCHER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. Miller, its Clerk, asking a return to the House of the bill relating to the raising of ten regiments.

Mr. VINTON, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill relating to the raising of ten regiments, reported that the Committee are unable to agree.

The report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. VINTON, the bill was returned to the House as requested.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, bill "An act in addition to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia," was taken up. The question being on the passage of the bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll being called, 22 Senators answered yea and 5 Senators nay, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Andrews, Bicknell, Blunt, Bridges, Donnell, Granger, Hammatt, Harlow, Hopkins, Hubbard, Kaler, Lyford, Marshall, Miller, Noyes, Percival, Pierce, Pitcher, Sylvester, True, Vaughan, Warren.

NAYS—Messrs. Goodenow, Gross, Kennedy, Tolman, Vinton.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Order from the House:

That the Senate concurring, the Legislature will adjourn without day, Thursday, the 25th inst., at 9 o'clock A. M.;

Was read.

On motion of Mr. KALER, the order was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER,

*Ordered*, That the returns of the votes for Senators from the

Seventh Senatorial District be referred to a Committee of three Senators, for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting who are the Constitutional candidates to fill the vacancy existing at this board, occasioned by the death of Hon. Tristram Redman, late a Senator from said district.

And Messrs. Granger of Washington, Marshall of York, and Tolman of Piscataquis, were appointed said Committee.

Subsequently, Mr. GRANGER, from said Committee, reported as follows :

The Select Committee appointed to ascertain and report the names of the Constitutional candidates to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. Tristram Redman, of the Seventh Senatorial District, have attended to that duty and report, that they find upon inspection of the returns of the votes of that district, that Charles R. Whidden and John B. Coffin, are the Constitutional candidates.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that branch that a vacancy exists in the Seventh Senatorial District, occasioned by the death of Hon. Tristram Redman, late one of the Senators from that District; and that Charles R. Whidden and John B. Coffin are the Constitutional candidates to fill the same; and proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at twelve o'clock, for the purpose of filling said vacancy.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently, a message was received from the House, through Mr. Miller, its Clerk, informing the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the proposition for a Convention for the purpose indicated in its message.

Bill " An act to authorize the Governor to accept the service of females as nurses in the army," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The hour having arrived, assigned for holding the Convention, the Senators repaired to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

## IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. HARLOW of the Senate,

*Ordered,* That a Committee of seven be appointed to receive, assort and count the votes for Senator in the Seventh Senatorial District, occasioned by the death of Hon. Tristram Redman.

And Messrs. Harlow of Oxford, Bridges of Hancock, and Pierce of Waldo, of the Senate; Messrs. Buxton of Warren, Page of Fort Kent, Perkins of Kennebunkport, and Hinds of Bristol, of the House, were appointed said Committee.

Having attended to the duty assigned them, the Committee reported as follows:

Whole number of ballots is	152
Necessary for a choice,	77
Charles R. Whidden has	151
John B. Coffin       “	1

The report was accepted, and CHARLES R. WHIDDEN was declared duly elected Senator from the Seventh Senatorial District.

The Convention then dissolved.

## IN SENATE.

Bill “An act to authorize the raising of ten regiments to aid the President of the United States in enforcing the laws,” &c., came back from the House, that branch having reconsidered its former action, and having further amended the bill.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, concurred in the amendments of the House, and passed the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. ANDREWS, “Resolve authorizing a loan in behalf of the State,” was taken from the table. The resolve was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GRANGER,

*Ordered,* That the Secretary of the Senate notify Hon. Charles R. Whidden, that he has this day been elected Senator to fill the vacancy existing in the Senate, from the Seventh Senatorial District, occasioned by the death of Hon. Tristram Redman.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the Senate adjourned to half-past two o'clock this afternoon.

### AFTERNOON.

Met according to adjournment.

A message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. Case of Kenduskeag, informing the Senate that in the absence of its Speaker, the House has made choice of BENJAMIN F. BUXTON of Warren, as Speaker *pro tempore*.

Bill "An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes relating to the militia," came up from the House on its passage to be enacted, amended. The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, concurred in the amendment of the House, and passed the bill, as amended, to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Bill "An act amendatory of chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GROSS, the order relating to the final adjournment of the Legislature, was taken from the table.

The order was passed in concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

"An act to authorize the Governor to accept the services of females as nurses in the army;"

"An act to provide for the defence of the coast and commerce of Maine;"

Which were passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed, "Resolve to furnish certain books to the County of Knox;"

Which was finally passed in concurrence.

And these bills and resolve having been signed by the President,

were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BENSON, the Senate adjourned to eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1861.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HAYNES of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Bill "An act concerning insane paupers," introduced in the House, was referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House," was read twice, the rules being suspended.

On motion of Mr. MILLER, the resolve was amended by striking out an item relating to compensation to the Superintendent of Buildings.

The resolve as amended, was then passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the widow of Isaac T. Cole," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Mr. GRANGER, by leave, introduced "Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Tristram Redman," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. Farwell of Rockland, informing the Senate that the House had extended the time of final adjournment to half past ten o'clock, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

The Senate concurred, of which concurrence the Secretary informed the House by message.

Order from the House.

That the Legislature will respond to the call of the Governor for another session, if the exigencies of the country shall require it, without compensation;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and correctly engrossed, bills:

“An act additional to chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia;”

“An act amendatory of chapter ten of the Revised Statutes, relating to the militia;”

“An act to authorize the raising of ten regiments to aid the President of the United States in enforcing the laws and maintaining the government thereof, and to protect the same against its enemies, and in defence of the State;”

Which were severally passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported as truly and correctly engrossed,

“Resolve to authorize a loan in behalf of the State;”

“Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate;”

“Resolve on the pay roll of the House;”

“Resolve in favor of the widow of Tristram Redman;”

“Resolve in favor of the widow of Isaac T. Cole;”

Which were severally finally passed, in concurrence.

And these bills and resolves, having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through Mr. Miller, its Clerk, informing the Senate that there is nothing on the desk of the Speaker of the House, requiring legislative action.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the Secretary was directed to inform the House that the Senate has disposed of all business before it.

The Secretary delivered the message as directed.

On motion of Mr. KENNEDY,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of three be appointed on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the Legislature has attended to all matters before it, and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

And Messrs. Kennedy of Lincoln, Noyes of Hancock, and Vaughan of Franklin, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, this order came back passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined on the part of the House, as follows: Messrs. Foster of Portland, Winchenbach of Waldoboro', Wood of Camden, Dyer of Calais, Low of Hodgdon, Currier of Athens, and Perkins of Gardiner.

Mr. KENNEDY, from said Committee, subsequently reported, that the Committee had waited upon the Governor, and in accordance with the order for that purpose, and the Governor was pleased to say that he would communicate to the two branches of the Legislature, forthwith, through the Secretary of State.

The Secretary of State then came in, and laid before the Senate a list of the Acts and Resolves passed by the Legislature at its present session, which have received the official signature of the Governor, and tendering the thanks of the Executive "in behalf of every honest man and loyal woman in the State, to the members, for their prompt attendance at this special session, and their efficient and patriotic action, which he doubts not will meet the cordial approval of their constituents."

Mr. VINTON then rose, and after some brief remarks relating to the session and the action of the Legislature, moved that the Senate do now adjourn without day.

The motion was adopted, and the Senate accordingly adjourned without day.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary*.



# TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1861.

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## PUBLIC LAWS.

- An act to regulate the alteration of the limits of the wards in cities.  
providing for an additional session of the county commissioners of the county of Lincoln.
- amending chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes respecting railroads.
- for the punishment of those guilty of offences against chastity.
- to amend chapter eleven of the revised statutes.  
relating to grand juries.
- to amend chapter one hundred and six of the revised statutes relating to the selection and services of jurors.
- to establish the salary of the chairman of the board of county commissioners of Cumberland county.
- to exempt certain property from attachment and execution.
- to establish the salaries of the judge and register of probate for the county of Lincoln.
- to repeal chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty relating to the assessment and collection of taxes.
- to amend "an act providing for normal schools in the several counties," approved March twentieth, eighteen hundred and sixty.
- to amend chapter ninety of the revised statutes relating to mortgages of real estate.
- to amend section one hundred and forty-three of chapter six of the revised statutes relating to taxes.
- to amend section ninety-five of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes limiting scire facias against trustees.
- to amend chapter sixty-seven of the revised statutes relating to guardians.

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An act altering chapter thirty of the revised statutes relating to bounty on wolves and bears.

to increase the salary of the judge of probate in the county of Waldo.

additional to chapter one hundred and six of the revised statutes.

to aid the Aroostook Railroad and promote the sale of the public lands.

in relation to stockholders of railroad corporations.

relating to wills.

to amend chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property.

concerning insane criminals.

relating to the state library.

to amend section twelve of chapter eighty-three of the revised statutes, and section eight of chapter one hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, of an act for the appointment of trial justices.

concerning bail.

for the detention and destruction of counterfeiting and gambling implements.

additional to chapter one hundred and thirteen of the revised statutes for the relief of poor debtors.

punishing the unlawful taking of horses, cattle and other property.

in relation to county officers.

to restrict the jurisdiction of justices of the peace to trial justices.

relating to the width of sleds used on certain roads.

in relation to fire and marine insurance companies and actions on contracts of insurance.

additional to chapter seventy-six of the revised statutes relating to titles to real estate by levy on execution.

in addition to chapter sixty-four of the revised statutes.

to punish certain offences.

concerning taxes.

additional to chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes.

regulating the time for closing the polls in certain towns and plantations.

in relation to the compensation of county commissioners.

An act in relation to evidence on petitions for review.

concerning the insane hospital.

to amend an act approved March nineteen, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, entitled an act additional to an act to secure the safety and convenience of travellers on railroads passed in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

to amend the first section of chapter seventy-one of the revised statutes relating to the sales of interests in real estate.

to amend chapter sixty-one of the revised statutes relating to rights of married women.

in relation to attorneys of the state in the counties.

limiting the time of attendance at court on actions not answered to.

to amend an act entitled "an act additional to an act to regulate the fisheries on the Kennebec river," approved April fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-nine.

to prevent fraud at elections and to promote the purity of the ballot.

additional to chapter eighty-eight of the revised statutes relating to partition of real estate.

establishing an additional term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Lincoln.

in relation to the competency of witnesses.

in relation to elections in cities.

to amend chapter eleven of the revised statutes relating to common schools.

to amend chapter forty of the public laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

relating to the state reform school.

to amend chapter eighty and one hundred thirty-two of the revised statutes, so as to make the same conformable to the constitution of the United States or any law made in pursuance thereof.

#### EXTRA SESSION.

An act to repeal an act entitled "an act in relation to county officers," approved March thirteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty one.

An act to provide for the defence of the coast and commerce of Maine.

to authorize the governor to accept the services of females as nurses in the army.

amendatory of chapter ten of the revised statutes relating to the militia.

to authorize the raising of ten regiments, to aid the president of the United States in enforcing the laws and maintaining the government thereof, and to protect the same against its enemies, and in defence of the state.

additional to chapter ten of the revised statutes relating to the militia.

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#### PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the town of Lee, in the county of Penobscot.

to amend "an act additional to an act incorporating the Arkwright Company," approved February ninth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

to increase the capital stock of the Casco Bank.

authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Somerset to reassess certain taxes.

to amend an act incorporating the Farmington Village Corporation.

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to increase the capital stock of the International Bank.

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- An act to incorporate the Westport Wesleyan Aid Association.
- to incorporate the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Kennebunkport Camp Meeting Association.
- to authorize the sale of the Congregational meeting-house in Dresden, built in seventeen hundred ninety-six.
- to amend "an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Academy." approved February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred thirty-five.
- additional to "an act to incorporate the city of Portland."
- to incorporate the Gorham Farmers' Club.
- to incorporate the Dana Wharf Company.
- additional to an act accepting the surrender of the charter of the Mariners' Bank at Wiscasset.
- to incorporate certain persons by the name of The Orono Educational Association.
- to incorporate the Ellsworth Horse Railroad Company.
- to amend the charter of the Augusta Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
- to repeal the fourth section of the four hundred and sixty-sixth chapter of the special laws of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five, dividing the town of Belmont and incorporating the town of Morrill.
- to incorporate the Livermore Falls Paper Manufacturing Company.
- relating to pilots in Piscataqua river and harbor.
- additional to an act incorporating the Orono Educational Association, approved March eighth, eighteen hundred sixty-one.
- to incorporate the Augusta Hotel Company.
- in addition and in amendment of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company," approved February second, eighteen hundred and twenty-eight.
- to extend the time for the sale of real estate for non-payment of certain taxes in the town of Damariscotta.
- to change the names of certain persons.
- to establish a police court in the city of Rockland.

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to incorporate the Magalloway River Dam Company.

to apportion the state for representatives to congress.

to promote and protect the navigation of the Penobscot river for rafts of manufactured lumber.

to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of plantation letter E in Franklin county.

to incorporate the Calais Savings Bank.

to incorporate Saint John's Parish and for other purposes.

to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Lovejoy's pond in the town of Albion.

to incorporate the proprietors of the Hallowell Social Library.

to extend the time for completing the Penobscot Railroad.  
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to incorporate the Northern Waldo Agricultural Society.

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to amend an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Aroostook Railroad.

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to authorize the inhabitants of Muscle Ridge plantation in the county of Knox, to assess a poll tax of one dollar.

to change the names of certain persons.

to extend the time for filing the location and building of the Penobscot, Lincoln and Kennebec Railroad.

in aid of schools in the Madawaska territory.



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An act to amend the charter of the People's Pacific Railroad Company.

additional to an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Portland Railroad Company.

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to change the name of Lucy Ann Irick.

to incorporate the city of Lewiston.

to incorporate the Presumpscot Land and Water Power Company.

to make valid the doings of the town officers of the town of Liberty.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to regulate the scale of logs on the Penobscot river and its branches.

to incorporate the Maine Mining and Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Penobscot Real Estate Fund and Water Power Company.

respecting pilots for the port of Passamaquoddy.

respecting the town of Anson.

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relating to existing national affairs.

in favor of Peter Nacola Sepsis.

in favor of the town of New Gloucester.

abating state tax on town of Albion.

defining the time in which Isaac Wortman shall comply with the provisions of a resolve approved March thirty-first, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven.

in favor of Calvin S. Douty.

authorizing the renewal of a portion of the state debt.

in favor of Franklin F. Young.

in favor of Abigail Vanmeter.

providing for the appointment of commissioners to convention at Washington.

for the repeal of the conditions on which the grant of a half township of land was made to the Maine Medical School in eighteen hundred and fifty-nine.

providing for the completion of the gun house in Milo.

requiring the secretary of state to furnish cities, towns and plantations with certain documents.

in favor of the town of Enfield.

for the repair of Mattawamkeag Bridge in the county of Penobscot.

in favor of the town of Monson.

in favor of Enoch W. Hoyt.

in favor of Van Buren, Grand Isle and Hamlin plantations.

in favor of Samuel Webber.

Resolve authorizing a grant of land to inhabitants of Island Falls plantation.

in favor of Monson Academy, Monmouth Academy, Limington Academy, and Corinna Union Academy.

in favor of high school at New Sharon, designated by the governor as the normal school for Franklin county.

in favor of Alexander Murray.

to provide for the distribution of the seventh annual report of the superintendent of common schools.

in favor of William H. Spear.

in favor of John Parrs and Margaret C. Webb.

in favor of the committee on the state prison.

in aid of the road through township number two, range three, west east line state.

relating to school books.

in favor of Freeman Holway.

making an appropriation for the insane hospital.

laying a tax on the several counties in this state.

in favor of Rufus Mansur.

designating and locating certain townships and parts of townships for settlement.

for the payment of roll of accounts number two, for eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

authorizing the land agent to partition the state's interest in township eighteen, range five.

in favor of James Hall.

relative to the claim of the state against B. D. Peck and his sureties on his official bond for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

making a grant of land to Waterville College.

in favor of Eliphaz Gullifer and Orlando W. Gilman.

in favor of the Maine Charitable Mechanic Association.

in aid of the school fund in the town of Littleton.

in favor of the Penobscot Indians.

in favor of Simeon B. Folsom.

in favor of the committee on state reform school.

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in favor of Belmore and Young.

to simplify the resolves of this state.

in favor of Presque Isle Academy.

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to apportion the state for senators to the legislature.

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in favor of Moses W. Burnham.

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in relation to fisheries.

in relation to settlers on certain state lands.

in favor of J. W. Eaton.

in favor of John Bridges.

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in favor of Osco A. Ellis.

in aid of the Canada road.

in relation to township fourteen range four, in Aroostook county.

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in favor of Caleb B. Lord.

in favor of Theodore B. Spratt.

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