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IN SENATE, February 24, 1865.

ORDERED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and cause to be published under his supervision and direction, two hundred copies of the Journal of the Senate for the present session; and cause three copies of the same to be distributed to each of the members of this Senate, and one copy to each of the Senators for 1866, the Governor and Council, Heads of Departments and Collegiate Institutions, and deposit the remaining copies in the State Library.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*

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AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1865. }

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

<i>First District,</i>	YORK,	LUTHER SANBORN, ESREFF H. BANKS.
<i>Second District,</i>	CUMBERLAND,	GEORGE W. WOODMAN, SAMUEL A. HOLBROOK, GEORGE PIERCE, DANIEL T. RICHARDSON.
<i>Third District,</i>	OXFORD,	WILLIAM W. VIRGIN, THOMAS CHASE.
<i>Fourth District,</i>	ANDROSCOGGIN,	JEREMIAH DINGLEY, JR.
<i>Fifth District,</i>	FRANKLIN,	CORNELIUS STONE.
<i>Sixth District,</i>	SAGADAHOC,	THOMAS J. SOUTHARD.
<i>Seventh District,</i>	KENNEBEC,	JOSEPH A. SANBORN, JOSIAH TRUE, CROSBY HINDS.
<i>Eighth District,</i>	SOMERSET,	DAVID D. STEWART, JOHN S. TENNEY.
<i>Ninth District,</i>	PISCATAQUIS,	ELIAS J. HALE.
<i>Tenth District,</i>	PENOBSCOT,	AUGUSTUS D. MANSON, OSGOOD N. BRADBURY, LEWIS BARKER.

<i>Eleventh District</i> , LINCOLN,	EVERETT W. STETSON.
<i>Twelfth District</i> , KNOX,	JOHN B. WALKER,
	MOSES R. LUDWIG.
<i>Thirteenth Dist.</i> , WALDO,	ELIAS MILLIKEN.
<i>Fourteenth Dist.</i> , HANCOCK,	EBEN M. HAMOR.
<i>Fifteenth Dist.</i> , WASHINGTON,	SAMUEL H. TALBOT,
	LEWIS L. WADSWORTH, JR.
<i>Sixteenth Dist.</i> , AROOSTOOK,	PARKER P. BURLEIGH.

The Senators elect were called to order by EZRA C. BRETT, Esq., Secretary of the Senate of 1864.

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

On motion of Mr. TENNEY,

That Senator was charged with a message to the Governor and Council, informing them 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. Tenney subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and the Governor was pleased to say in reply, that he would attend forthwith upon the Senators elect for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution.

Thereupon, the Governor, attended by the Executive Council and 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. TALBOT,

Messrs. Talbot of Washington, Sanborn of Kennebec, and Chase of Oxford, 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	26
Necessary for a choice,	14
David D. Stewart has	26

The report was accepted, and Hon. DAVID D. STEWART was de-

clared duly elected President of the Senate for the current political year.

Mr. Stewart was conducted to the Chair by Messrs. Manson of Penobscot, and Woodman of Cumberland, and thereupon addressed the Senate as follows :

SENATORS:—I thank you for this kindly expression. I accept the position which you have done me the honor to confer upon me, but I do so with hesitation and distrust. I know that in attempting to discharge its duties I may rely upon your aid and your forbearance, and I fear I shall greatly need both.

We are summoned here, Senators, to aid, as well as we may, in the usual and ordinary legislation, and also in those unusual measures which may become necessary, which are, perhaps, unavoidably necessary to enable our gallant and noble State to perform her part in the great crisis through which we are passing. The history of man, so far as known to us, presents no parallel to that crisis. That it is a momentous struggle, few will deny. Begun in the interest of a slave-holding aristocracy, and carried on for the undisguised and avowed purpose of establishing an empire, whose chief corner stone should be eternal human bondage, it has become, under the overruling guidance of a wise and just Providence, "the stone cut from the mountain without hands, that smote the image and brake it in pieces." Empire and builders are alike being overwhelmed in one common destruction. And he who fails to see the hand of Providence in the great events which have convulsed our country during the last four years, will probably fail to perceive it anywhere in the history of the human race.

But war is not always an unmixed evil. It is often a purifier—a terrible purifier, it is true—but not therefore less thorough and complete. The wars of Oliver Cromwell, and those of the American and French Revolutions are striking examples ; and a hundred years of peace in our own beloved country would have failed to produce the great change in the public mind which is now everywhere evident as the result of these four years of war. That our country is to emerge from the present terrific struggle, purified, and free from the dark curse of human slavery, the only stain upon our otherwise fair national record, I have never for one moment doubted. It is the decree of Providence ; and Abraham Lincoln and Gen. Grant—and even Jefferson Davis and Robert Lee, how-

ever unwillingly—are but the instruments under him by which that decree is to be enforced.

Senators, I trust our legislation the present session will be such as shall sustain and strengthen the arm of the general government in this great conflict, and such as shall be satisfactory to those who have committed their interests to our care. I thank you again for the honor you have done me, and I am ready to proceed with the business of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Messrs. Banks of York, Stetson of Lincoln, and Southard of Sagadahoc, 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	27
Necessary for a choice,	14
Thomas P. Cleaves has	27

The report was accepted, and THOMAS P. CLEAVES, Esq., was declared duly elected Secretary of the Senate for the current political year.

Mr. Cleaves signified his acceptance of the office, and took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, before Ezra C. Brett, Esq., authorized by *dedimus potestatem*, and entered upon the duties of the office.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,

Messrs. Dingley of Androscoggin, Bradbury of Penobscot, and Wadsworth of Washington, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

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

Whole number of ballots is	27
Necessary for a choice,	14
Frank E. Hitchcock has	27

The report was accepted, and FRANK E. HITCHCOCK was declared duly elected Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec,

Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec, Woodman of Cumberland, and

Burleigh of Aroostook, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Messenger of the Senate.

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

Whole number of ballots is	27
Necessary for a choice,	14
Increase Blake has	27

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

On motion of Mr. PIERCE,

Messrs. Pierce of Cumberland, Milliken of Waldo, and Chase of Oxford, 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	25
Necessary for a choice,	13
Edgar M. Robbins has	25

The report was accepted, and EDGAR M. ROBBINS was declared duly elected Assistant Messenger of the Senate

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to procure and distribute to each member of the Senate, to the Secretary and Assistant Secretary, to the Messenger and Assistant Messenger, one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,

Ordered, That the Rules and Orders of 1864 be and continue to be the Rules and Orders of this Senate until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. WADSWORTH, 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. David D. Stewart as President, and Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., as Secretary.

Mr. Wadsworth subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State trans-

mitting the returns of votes for Senators for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. BARKER,

Ordered, That a Committee of seven be appointed by the Chair, to whom the votes for Senators for the current political year shall be referred for examination and report.

And Messrs. Barker of Penobscot, Hinds of Kennebec, Banks of York, Ludwig of Knox, Holbrook of Cumberland, Warren of Hancock, and Stetson of Lincoln, were appointed said Committee.

On motion of Mr. TRUE,

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 one copy of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary and one copy of Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,

Ordered, That the Senate hold one session a day commencing at 11 o'clock, A. M., until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. BURLEIGH,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate procure the printing of seventy-five diagrams of the Senate Chamber for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN,

Ordered, That the Joint Rules and Orders of 1864, be adopted as the Rules and Orders of this Legislature, until otherwise ordered. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner, to officiate as Chaplains in the Senate, alternately, during the session.

On motion of Mr. BANKS, 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. David D. Stewart as President, and Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., as Secretary.

Mr. Banks subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the returns of votes for Governor for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec,

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

And Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec, Walker of Knox, Virgin of Oxford, Hale of Piscataquis, Stone of Franklin, Hamor of Hancock, and Southard of Sagadahoc, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

Messrs. Webb of Portland, Jones of Lewiston, Bradford of Houlton, Fairbanks of Farmington, Wasgatt of Mt. Desert, Webb of Winthrop, Wilson of Rockland, Stetson of Newcastle, Ellis of Canton, Porter of Burlington, Chase of Dover, Patten of Topsham, Heath of Detroit, Munroe of Belfast, Davis of Sebec, and Shaw of Biddeford.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Hill of Sullivan, informing the Senate that the House is duly organized by the choice of Hon. W. A. P. Dillingham as Speaker, and Horace Stilson, Esq., as Clerk.

Order from the House :

That on Wednesday, the 11th day of January instant, at twelve o'clock noon, both branches of the Legislature will proceed to ballot for a Senator to serve in the United States Senate from this State for six years from the fourth day of March next, 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 such House until the adjournment thereof on that day and afterwards from day to

day from twelve 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 hereinbefore provided and until the same person shall be elected in both, or until otherwise provided ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WADSWORTH,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ROWE of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Mr. MILLIKEN announced the attendance of Hon. William McGilvery, Senator elect from the Thirteenth Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

Mr. Milliken was directed by the President to conduct Mr. McGilvery, Senator elect, to the Governor and Council, to take and subscribe the oaths necessary to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Milliken subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Mr. McGilvery had, before the Governor and Council, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. McGilvery thereupon appeared and took his seat at the Senate Board.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, from the Joint Select Committee to which were 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	111,999
Necessary to a choice,	56,000
Samuel Cony has	65,583
Joseph Howard,	46,403
William P. Haines,	3
Ezra C. Andrews,	3
Bion Bradbury,	2
John Ware,	1
Richard D. Rice,	1
N. G. Hichborn,	1
Jeremiah Hacker,	1
Samuel Fessenden,	1

And there was one blank vote returned. And SAMUEL CONY having a majority of all the votes returned, is elected Governor for the current political year.

The report was accepted, and Hon. Samuel Cony was declared duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TENNEY,

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

And Messrs. Tenney of Somerset, McGilvery of Waldo, and Sanborn of Kennebec, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the order came back passed in concurrence, with Messrs Hersey of Bangor, Lang of Vassalborough, Hobbs of Norway, Follansbee of Camden, Weston of Gorham, Denison of Poland, and Holden of Casco, joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Tenney subsequently reported that the Committee had waited upon the Governor elect, and informed him of his election, and that he was pleased to say in reply, that he accepted the office and would attend upon the Legislature at such time as they may assign, for the purpose of taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to make

up the pay of Ezra C. Brett, Esq., for three days for services as Secretary of the Senate.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Stilson, its Clerk, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at 10 minutes before 12 o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Samuel Cony, Governor elect, the oaths of office, and receiving such communication as he may be pleased to make, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

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

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. MANSON, that Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Samuel Cony, Governor elect, informing him that a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature is assembled in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution, to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Subsequently Mr. Manson reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that the Governor elect requested him to announce to the Convention that he would attend thereupon forthwith, for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon, the Governor elect, attended by the Council and Heads of Departments, came in, and in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties.

Hon. EPHRAIM FLINT, Jr., Secretary of State, then made the following

PROCLAMATION.

The votes for Governor, which have been returned to the office of Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the Legislature, who have declared that a majority thereof were given to SAMUEL CONY, 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 SAMUEL CONY 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 announced to the Governor that they were prepared to listen to any communication which he desired to make.

The Governor addressed the Convention as follows :

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives :

I congratulate you upon the auspicious circumstances under which you have assembled to inaugurate anew the government of the State. True, indeed, peace long hoped for, has not yet returned to rejoice the hearts of all our countrymen, and the carnage of battle still fills the land with anguish; yet the year which has closed upon us, has been marked by signal success and memorable achievement, and the opening year dawns radiant with hopeful promise.

To God, in His infinite mercy, let us render the homage of our thanks for his goodness to this nation.

FINANCES.

The financial condition of the State, and the provision to be made for meeting future calls upon the treasury, will demand, beyond any other subject, your most serious consideration.

The expenditures of the last year have been for all

ordinary civil purposes including payment of public debt and interest thereon,	\$515,010 46
For refunding cities and towns money advanced in 1863 for relief of soldier's families,	532,168 14
For bounties,	2,988,183 78
For other war purposes,	73,179 63

The receipts in the same period have been—

From State taxes assessed prior to 1864,	445,197 59
State tax of 1864,	384,221 15
From loans permanent and temporary,	2,965,000 00
From all other sources,	309,513 48

It appears that a debt of \$2,965,000 has been created during the past year which added to that existing January 1864, makes the whole debt of the State as represented by loans \$5,337,000. In addition to this is the amount to be refunded to cities, towns, &c., for aid furnished families of soldiers in 1864, not payable till 1865, but constituting actually a debt against the State. The amount of this last item, in consequence of the returns not having been made, I am unable to state, but it is supposed that it will reach a higher figure than was required for the same object last year.

The Legislature of 1864 in levying the State tax for that year, assessed the sum of six hundred thousand dollars beyond all requirements for the established ordinary civil expenses of the State including the interest on the whole public debt.

The revenue derived from this tax, is that on which the treasury relies to defray these charges the present year, and whatever may remain, after meeting them, will be applied to reduce the debt to the cities and towns for advances to soldiers' families. A portion of this tax has already been paid into the treasury and disbursed, postponing for the time the necessity to that extent of making a loan, but which the exigencies of the treasury the coming year, will require to be made. The loans effected by the Treasurer the past year have been made under the authority of Resolves approved March 19, 1864, providing for the borrowing of three millions of dollars, by the issue of bonds on a term of twenty-five years, to refund advances to soldiers' families and for the payment of bounties. These resolves also authorized a temporary loan of any portion of this amount, which the convenience of the treasury might require, to be refunded from the sales of the bonds. Under this authority, bonds have been disposed of to the amount of \$2,765,000, and there are outstanding notes on short time for \$200,000. The success of the Treasurer in negotiating so large an amount of the permanent loan of the State, under the limitation of not selling below par, at a time when there existed so much competition in the market of public securities seeking the money of capitalists, many of them at a rate of interest very much above the rate paid by this

State, is a substantial compliment to the financial standing of Maine. The difficulties of negotiation for those under the necessity of borrowing are not likely to be diminished in the future.

The constitutional restraint imposed upon the power of the Legislature to increase the debt of the State, was a most wise provision, and though not affecting it upon the occurrence of war-like necessities, still the spirit by which it was dictated demands its chary use.

The magnitude of our present debt enforces this consideration, and when it is considered that the municipal corporations of the State have incurred an amount of liability, equal, if not larger than that of the State, I feel sure that you will not consent to an increase beyond what may be required, if anything, to meet past engagements, or the most unyielding necessity in the future. The progress of events during your present session will doubtless develop these.

The people of this State have most unmistakably announced their purpose to sustain the general government in its efforts to save the life of the nation, and they will expect of you the adoption of such measures as shall enable Maine to fulfill all her duties.

While compelled by circumstances to resort to loans to supply present necessities, a wise administration of affairs points to the propriety of beginning at an early day to provide for their liquidation. It is with States as with individuals in matters of finance. Those who are careful of incurring debt and provident in the arrangement of their affairs, so as to anticipate their obligations, do, and ever will, command the readiest credit and the highest prices for their securities.

The State has thus far reaped the benefit of its high character for scrupulous punctuality in meeting its engagements. I respectfully suggest that the best interests of the State require at an early day the establishment of a sinking fund by setting apart a fixed sum annually to be applied to the purchase of the debt. True it is that the only source of revenue possessed by the State is direct taxation, but unless the State debt should be largely increased beyond its present amount, the time is not distant when the State tax may be considerably reduced and still leave it large enough to provide such a fund as would in a few years sensibly reduce the debt. The inauguration of this policy would greatly

strengthen the credit of the State, and facilitate the negotiation of its bonds if the condition of the treasury shall require.

The imposition of a tax of a single mill upon the valuation of 1860 would be entirely adequate to the purpose. The policy of the last Legislature in levying a State tax sufficient to pay all the ordinary charges upon the treasury, including interest on the State debt, and a large surplus to be applied to the liquidation of the claims of cities and towns for money advanced in aid of the soldiers' families will commend itself to your favorable consideration in making provision to supply the treasury for the year 1866.

ASSUMPTION OF STATE DEBTS.

The necessities of the nation have compelled Congress to resort to the imposition of taxes hitherto unknown to our people, and that to an extent which nothing but the most unshrinking loyalty makes tolerable, but which, while the necessity continues, will not be called in question.

- Added to this, and in order to give the national government almost exclusive possession of the market for the sale of its securities, and induce the purchase thereof by the people, they have been specially exempted from municipal and State taxation. The power to do this has been judicially affirmed by the highest tribunal known to our laws.

The wisdom of this policy I do not propose to discuss. The consequence is to increase the burdens of State taxation upon the visible, fixed property in the States, by inviting very large investments in government securities. Coupled with these considerations, arises another, growing out of the exercise of the power by Congress, granting charters to the National banks, and the imposition of such taxes upon existing State institutions as must compel them to throw aside their State charters and transform themselves into National banks, or to surrender them and quit the field. One or the other of these alternatives awaits the banks of Maine.

The surrender of each State charter involves a loss to the treasury of a tax which from time immemorial has been paid by every bank created by the laws of the State. In the outset, as soon as the system of National banks was inaugurated, the Legislature of this State, in the spirit of fairness and justice, remitted

one-half of the bank tax, and authorized the surrender of the charter of any bank by a vote of a majority of its stockholders. The loss to this State of revenue derived from this source by the action of Congress on the basis of the banking capital existing two years since, will not be less than \$80,000 per annum.

The case stands thus: while the States, counties, cities and towns, in their efforts to respond to the demands of the nation, have incurred heavy debts, to meet which increased taxation is demanded, Congress devising means to the same end, has impaired their ability to provide for even their current, usual expenditures, by withdrawal, on the one hand, of a large portion of capital from liability to contribute to it, and on the other, by the absolute annihilation of long-established sources of revenue.

At the late session of Congress, a resolution was presented to the House of Representatives by a gentleman representing this State in part upon the floor of that body, asking for the assumption, by the United States, of the debts of States, counties, cities and towns, incurred in aid of the general government in the prosecution of the war. This was enforced by a speech of eminent ability and research, presenting precedents for the measure in the uniform past action of the government, at the same time demonstrating its justice by a great variety of argument.

These debts have been incurred for the national defence, upon which ground alone justice demands their assumption by the United States, and still more loudly it is called for by the fact that sources of revenue in the States have been dried up by Congressional action. Should you concur in this view of the subject, some appropriate legislative expression is recommended.

BANKS.

The condition of affairs, arising from the surrender of the charters of so many of our banks, either retiring altogether from business or changing to national institutions, is anomalous.

That some additional legislation may be needed for further security to the public is probable. It is extremely desirable that this financial transition shall be made without producing a shock disturbing the course of commercial transactions. The subject of banking, so intimately interwoven with all the business of our people, is one requiring to be treated with the most careful con-

sideration. The people of the State, and the public in general, have the strongest guarantee in the character of the managers of these institutions, that all their obligations will be faithfully and promptly discharged.

ENLISTMENTS, ETC.

During the year 1864 there have been sent from this State 13,623 men, of whom 3,380 were enlisted under the call of October, 1863. Besides these, 3,525 veteran soldiers, whose term of enlistment in the organizations which entered the service in the beginning of the war, was about expiring, have re-enlisted. Enlistments in the navy for the same period number 1,846. The aggregate of these is 18,994 men whom Maine has, in the year 1864, contributed to the service of the country—equal to twenty regiments. All these have received the bounty of the State. The same proportional contribution of soldiers from all the loyal States would constitute a force of nearly three-fourths of a million. Allowances of credits for naval enlistments anterior to the past year have been made to the number of 3,675.

During the same period the 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 12th, 13th and 14th regiments have been mustered out of service, the term of their original enlistments having expired, and the organizations disbanded. The number of men actually retiring from service by these musters-out, is about 2,000. The residue of these organizations who had re-enlisted, or whose original terms of enlistment had not expired, have been transferred to other regiments.

At the present time there is probably a small deficiency in the quota of this State upon the call of July 18th, 1864, for 500,000 men: but enlistments are constantly progressing, and I doubt not in sufficient numbers very soon to furnish the complement of the State. The President of the United States has made another demand for 300,000 men, to be enforced by a draft after the fifteenth of February next. The military position of the country is such as to afford encouragement that this requisition will be met with alacrity. The staggering blows recently dealt upon the military power of the rebels in the west and south, furnish a cheerful augury that the end is approaching, and the country will not willingly lose the advantages gained, by withholding any needful support.

Until the last calls, Maine has met every demand upon her for troops, not by constructive credits, but by the bone and sinew of

her people. She will continue to do so to the end. I am confident that her citizens will have no cause to blush at a comparison of her efforts with those of her sisters to sustain the government of our fathers. Authentic returns establish the fact that more than 61,000 of her sons have been in the military and naval service of the nation since the commencement of the war—a number very nearly equal to one-tenth of the whole population of the State, embracing both sexes and all ages.

The report of the Adjutant General, furnishing the history of our soldiers the past year in full detail, will make an honorable record for our State. It would be invidious for your chief magistrate, in a communication to the Legislature, to designate any single instances of heroic sacrifices where there have been so many. The disastrous campaign upon the Red river, the murderous march from the Rapidan to Petersburg—almost a continuous battle—and the brilliant campaign in the Shenandoah, all attest the bravery and heroism of our soldiers. Maine mourns the loss of thousands of her sons on these various fields of conflict, all of whom have laid down their lives for their country. The families and friends of the fallen receive the sympathy of every patriotic heart. The noblest tribute that can be paid to their memories, is the steadfast maintenance of the cause, in support of which they have perished.

BOUNTIES.

Intimately connected with and affecting the financial condition of the State, the subject of paying bounties is deserving attention. This system, inaugurated at the outset of the war, providing at first for the payment of two months' wages to privates and non-commissioned officers as an inducement to volunteering, has overleaped the prudent limits then established, and caused the creation of a very large State and municipal debt. The magnitude of the present bounty has been reached in consequence of the competition of the various cities and towns, which in their anxiety to fill their quotas and escape a draft, stimulated overbidding upon each other. In addition to the evil of an accumulating municipal debt, there arose another, growing out of the permission at one time to enlist men without regard to their residence, and crediting them to the quota of the place paying the bounty.

The direct effect of this, was entirely to deprive the poorer towns and plantations, particularly in the northern border counties, of

the benefit of the enlistment of their own citizens, from their utter inability to enter the lists against larger and more wealthy towns in the offer of pecuniary inducements.

To prevent these mischievous results, and hoping to check the tendency to a ruinous expenditure, the Legislature, at its last session, enacted a law for the payment of a uniform bounty by the State. The liberality of this provision was such as to command the belief that the men needed could be obtained by it, and that all portions of the State would be enabled, the poor as well as the wealthy, to fill their quotas. Until the last call for five hundred thousand men, the law operated as intended. When this call was made for men to serve a single year, the bounty of one hundred dollars paid by the State was thought to be insufficient, and the old mode of paying bounties by cities, towns or associations of individuals was again resorted to.

The system originated at a time when there was no military organization, State or National, by which service could be made compulsory, to invite volunteers to meet the pressing necessities of the hour. The United States have since established a system for enrolling and calling out the national forces, which is adequate to the object for which it was created. Every able-bodied citizen, between the ages of twenty and forty-five, is held subject to its provisions without distinction. The necessity originally existing for the payment of bounties has ceased, for the government can reach the men it needs. The large bounties paid the past year in other States, as well as this, have given rise to great abuses. Men have been found base enough, and in large numbers too, to enlist, get their bounty and desert, go to another place, re-enlist, receive another bounty and desert again. There is reason to believe that this has been practised to a great extent. Others, unfit by reason of years or some covert disability, have been mustered into service, paid their bounty and gone directly to the hospital, and ere long discharged, pocketing the fruits of their fraud. The consequence is that quotas are filled but soldiers not obtained, and it is soon found that another call must be made to supply the lack of numbers created by these delinquent proceedings, and the same system of fraud repeated. Another evil has likewise arisen, and that is the creation of a class of *chevaliers d'industrie*, called substitute brokers, who are believed to have been largely instrumental in the perpetration of these frauds, and by whom many a soldier has been

swindled out of the greater part of the bounty to which he is entitled. I recommend in regard to this employment that a heavy duty for a license should be imposed upon those practising it, and that their qualifications be defined by law. Among other abuses is that of enticing boys under age to enlist, destitute of mental or bodily stamina to fit them for soldiers, without the consent of their parents. Severe penalties should be prescribed for such practices, as well as for all the various fraudulent artifices by which soldiers are defrauded of the bounty of the government. It is within the province of the Legislature to protect our citizens against these frauds.

If the government of the United States would adopt a regulation that every broker who put into the service a recruit that subsequently deserted, should be summarily seized and put into the army to make good the place of the deserter, a considerable portion of the evils inflicted by this class upon the community and government would be cured.

I respectfully submit, whether from economic considerations and the good of the cause, it is not time that this whole matter should be revised. Embarrassment of the finances of our State will inevitably ensue from the continuance of the system as at present existing. That a liberal, even generous provision should be made for those who may be obliged to enter the army, I unhesitatingly admit and cheerfully concur in, but it should be in some mode better adapted to keeping up the numbers of the army than that now practised. In lieu of the bounty now paid, let the State establish an addition to the monthly wages of the soldier, to be paid while he remains in the service. This will most effectually put a stop to the swindling operations which have absorbed thousands of dollars.

If it is objected that unless the present policy is persevered in, men from this State will be tempted to go to other States which pay large bounties, and that Maine will thus lose her own citizens, by whom her quotas ought to be filled, the answer is at hand. The number of men called for from a State is based upon the enrolments of persons of military age, resident therein. A State, in equity, is entitled to the credit of every person so enrolled who may enlist in the service of the United States, while his name is borne on the rolls of such State, without regard to the place of his enlistment. Congress can, by amending the law regulating

enrolments, provide that each person duly enrolled shall be held to military service in the State in which he is so enrolled for the period of one year from the date thereof. These lists are public records, easy of access, and there would be no difficulty in tracing any case that might arise of an individual improperly attempting to transfer his services. This would effectually cut off competition between States, and leave to each all its own citizens of military age to meet the calls upon it for soldiers. The extension of this rule to sub-districts in the same State would save a vast amount of trouble and expense to them, as well as vexation to all concerned in an official capacity, in settling questions of quotas and allowances. This proposition, so fair in itself and so just to the States, must commend itself to the favorable consideration of Congress.

With these brief suggestions, I commend this whole matter to your serious consideration, trusting you may be able to devise some measure by which the treasury may be protected from plunder, and, it is hardly necessary to add, the only treasury we have is the pockets of the people.

HOSPITALS, ETC.

In compliance with a resolve of the Legislature, early in April last, I made personal application to the authorities at Washington for the establishment in this State, of a General Hospital for the accommodation of our sick and wounded soldiers. While met by a very friendly disposition, the pressure of business growing out of the preparations for the then ensuing campaign, was such as to preclude that consideration which the subject required. Subsequently, in the month of May, I renewed the application with success. An order was issued turning over Camp Fry and Camp Keyes, at this place, to the medical department, for hospital purposes. The accommodations furnished by these buildings, not having been originally designed for the purpose, were not very convenient, but such as they were, they gladdened the heart of many a soldier who pined to breathe the air of his native State.

Dr. Brickett was placed in charge of the hospital, and immediately engaged in improving and enlarging the arrangements for the comfortable accommodation of the patients. Upon his application, approved by the Medical Inspector of this department, orders were issued for the construction of additional wards, build-

ings for laundry, mess room and officers' quarters, and the introduction of an adequate supply of water, all of which has been accomplished, so that it is now a convenient and well appointed hospital, with beds for the accommodation of eight hundred patients. During the summer the buildings at Camp Keyes have furnished quarters for quite a large number, but being rough structures, intended only for the temporary occupation of recruits, they are unfit for habitation in the severer months, with the exception of two or three, which have been repaired and made comfortable for convalescents.

Since the establishment of this hospital, twenty-five hundred soldiers have been admitted for treatment. Five hundred have passed through it. Eight hundred and seventy-one have returned to duty with their regiments. Fifty-five have been discharged for permanent disability, one hundred and twenty-three transferred to other hospitals, twenty-five have died, and thirteen deserted.

The sanitary results here presented are of a most satisfactory character; and I do not doubt that very many lives have thus been saved, which must have been lost, had the patients remained in hospitals no farther south than New York.

It affords me pleasure to state that in all my intercourse with General Barnes, Surgeon General of the United States Army, and with Medical Director McDougall and Medical Inspector Lyman, of the Department of the East, touching the matter of the hospital, and the welfare of our soldiers generally, my wishes have been met with the greatest cheerfulness and courtesy, and the State is under great obligation to these gentlemen. The efforts which have been made by the authorities of the nation to provide adequately for its sick and wounded soldiers, have been upon the largest and most liberal scale ever attempted by any people, and, as a general remark, the hospitals are worthy of the government. The gratitude manifested by our unfortunate soldiers, who have been transferred home, is ample demonstration of the value, not to say the necessity, of the establishment of a hospital here. Many applications for transfer have been unavoidably postponed, in consequence of the hospital being filled to its utmost capacity. I hope to be able to obtain an enlargement of its accommodations, and, if successful in this effort, the wishes of many more to be removed near their homes will be gratified. As it is at present,

new transfers cannot be obtained until room is made by the discharge of present occupants.

At the city of Portland the needs of soldiers, sick and wounded, in transitu to their homes and hospital, have been most generously attended to, by the kind and ever-ready liberality of its citizens, aided by the treasury of the State. This being the first prominent point of arrival in the State, the demands upon the charities of her people have been very great, and have been met in a manner highly honorable to the citizens of our commercial metropolis.

The great number of soldiers, returning enfeebled by sickness and casualties, residing in the eastern and north-eastern portion of the State, passing through Bangor, the terminus of railroad transportation in that direction, rendered necessary the adoption of measures to take care of those arriving at that point of distribution. The Mayor and citizens of that city, with the energy and liberality so peculiarly and honorably its characteristic, immediately, by private contribution, undertook to supply the need. After a time it became evident that it was too heavy a tax upon their charities; and by order of the Executive Council, the same was assumed by the State. I at once entered into correspondence with the Medical Department of the United States upon the subject of this Soldiers' Rest, to procure its adoption by the general government, in which I was successful, except that the rent of the necessary buildings is paid by the State.

Immediately after the inauguration of active hostilities, gentlemen resident in the city of Washington, formerly citizens of Maine, and the members of Congress from this State, established the Maine Soldiers' Relief Association, supporting it by their own contributions. My immediate predecessor arranged with this Association to provide for the necessities of our soldiers in that quarter, paying a monthly stipend of two hundred dollars, and discontinued other existing agencies. This was found to be economical and effective. The advance in the cost of every article of consumption, together with the largely increased number of soldiers requiring its care and attention, rendered it both just and necessary to enlarge the compensation allowed, and it has been raised to three hundred dollars per month.

The rooms occupied as the headquarters of this society are immediately sought out by our soldiers arriving at Washington, needing aid of whatever kind, and they are at once attended to.

Its employees also are in active personal communication with the army, forwarding packages to soldiers, and furnishing from its own sources such aid as it may be able to afford.

I do not hesitate to commend this association to the charities of our people, with the assurance that whatever may be given to it, will be distributed with fidelity, and whatever is sent to its care for any particular organization or individual, will be forwarded with punctuality and despatch. From its constant contact with our soldiers, their particular necessities are better understood at this agency than elsewhere. The support heretofore extended to it from the treasury should, in my judgment, be continued, and I trust it may be fostered by the contributions of the people, as one of the most direct channels through which they will reach their objects.

The agencies which have existed since the first year of the war, at the cities of New York and Philadelphia, rendered necessary by the large number of sick and disabled soldiers passing through those great thoroughfares and arriving at the extensive hospitals in the vicinity of those cities, have been continued at a moderate expense. I take pleasure in bearing witness to the fidelity with which Col. F. E. Howe, at the former, and Col. Robert R. Corson, at the latter place, have executed their responsible trusts.

In this connection, it would be improper to pass in silence the Sanitary and Christian Commissions. The former has been the recipient of the most stupendous charities the world ever witnessed, and right nobly has it executed its trust, as is known to every soldier in the army, and I cheerfully bear my own testimony to its readiness to meet any demand made upon it. The Christian Commission has performed the labor its name implies, dispensing bodily comforts and spiritual ministrations. Its uncompensated agents have faithfully discharged their self-imposed duties, many of them at the expense of ruined constitutions, and the grave folds in its embrace others who have sacrificed their lives in its service. I trust that the people will not shorten their charities or withhold their support to these most meritorious instrumentalities.

And, in conclusion, it is with pride and pleasure that I acknowledge the whole-souled and christian generosity with which the people of Maine, in every locality, have responded to the numerous and urgent appeals in behalf of the soldier.

FUGITIVES FROM THE DRAFT.

To fill the armies of the Union as rapidly as the exigences demanded, it became necessary for the government to enforce the law providing for a draft. To the credit of our people as a body, it is but just to say that a ready obedience was rendered, and in most localities every effort was made by municipal authorities and citizens to comply with the requisitions of the government, and the quotas were largely filled by volunteers. Exceptions, however, I am mortified to say, in some quarters arose. In one instance, a person in the employ of the Provost Marshal of the Fifth District, in the discharge of a public duty, was brutally murdered.

In numerous instances, individuals drafted have expatriated themselves to avoid rendering service to their country. It is an oft-repeated truism that every able-bodied citizen of the legal age owes military service to his country. Inasmuch as no general military organization exists in the country from which the men needed to reinforce armies in the field can be detailed, it is impossible to provide any system which shall levy its burdens more fairly than that created by the laws of the United States, "for enrolling and calling out the national forces." These laws were enacted to provide for the contingency of the failure of volunteers to supply the required recruits, upon whom the country, in the commencement of the war, relied. Under them, who shall be called upon to fill the ranks is determined by lot.

Every able-bodied citizen owing service, upon whom the lot falls, is bound by every principle of patriotism, every incentive of honor, every obligation of the law, to come forward and go into the ranks or furnish a substitute. Disregarding all these considerations, men have been found so unpatriotic, base and cowardly, as to seek in flight to a foreign country, an escape from the performance of the duty they owed their own, the benefit and blessings of whose institutions they have enjoyed, worthless poltroons and traitors as they have proved themselves to be. If the exhibition of personal unworthiness was the end of such conduct, I would pass it over in silence for the credit of the State, which is disgraced by such citizens. But it rests not here. The quota of each town must be filled, and the desertion of any of the number drawn compels the renewal of the draft until it is. The consequence is that the burden is cast upon the loyal and Union-loving

men, and they are required to stand not only in their own, but in the lot of these base fugitives.

It is true that they are liable under the laws of the United States for desertion ; it is true that they bring upon themselves the scorn and detestation of every patriotic citizen, which would be punishment enough for any soul sensitive to the promptings of an honorable emotion, but men who are guilty of such gross dereliction of duty as is implied in the failure to respond to the call of their country, purposely expatriating themselves at a time when their services were urgently needed, compelling their manly and loyal neighbors to meet their obligations, morally forfeit the right to American citizenship.

A man who thus wantonly repudiates the claims of his government at such a crisis, deserves the withdrawal of its blessings and protection forever ; and I submit whether it is not a duty devolving upon you in behalf of the loyal citizens of Maine, to devise some mode by which this class of persons shall be perpetually disfranchised and cease to be citizens of this State.

COAST AND HARBOR DEFENCES.

At an early day after my accession to the Chief Magistracy, my attention was attracted to the condition of the coast defences of the State. The government of the United States, the previous year, had constructed earthworks for batteries, and mounted cannon at various points, but there were neither soldiers in charge nor barracks for their accommodation.

In this condition of affairs, the batteries were worse than useless, as a small force could have captured them and turned the guns upon the towns they were designed to defend. In view of this state of facts, I addressed the War Department upon the subject. Authority was granted for raising several companies of coast guards to be mustered into the service of the United States and subject to be ordered wherever the exigencies of the country might require. Three companies were accordingly recruited, two of which, soon after entering the service, were ordered on duty in the defences near Washington, the third being distributed to the several batteries constituting the nucleus of a garrison which could readily be reinforced in time of need. Barracks, convenient and of adequate capacity, have also been erected, rendering these defences all that could be desired. What mischief may have been

averted by these preparations, it is impossible to say, but without them almost our entire coast was an inviting field for plunder and destruction, which a single cruiser could have visited, laid under contribution and escaped before capture was possible.

Incidents which have occurred indicate very clearly what might have happened but for timely precaution. As early as July, intimations were received that an attempt was to be made by confederates coming from the Province of New Brunswick, to commit depredations upon the city of Calais. Having timely notice, due preparation was made for their reception and capture. Three only of the miscreants made their appearance, at mid-day, for the purpose of robbing the bank at that place. There is evidence that the original party was much larger. Those who made the demonstration were disappointed in not being joined by their comrades, and were instantly arrested by the authorities, have been tried, convicted and sentenced, and are now suffering the penalty awarded their crime, with the exception of one, who escaped from the State Prison. The leader of this band avowed himself an officer in the confederate service, and that his associates were also confederates. There was nothing in their conduct incompatible with the character which they claimed.

An attempt was subsequently made to surprise the battery at Castine, the facts in relation to which are well known. It has been suggested that this was simply a feint, designed to alarm the garrison and create a momentary sensation. That it was such can hardly be credited. The love of mischief, simply, would be an insufficient motive to lead men into actual danger, and it must have been known that the garrison would employ deadly weapons against any body attempting a surprise; at least, the probability of its doing so was so great that it is not rational to believe it could have been approached as it was except for a serious purpose.

These incidents, apparently insignificant, read by the light of what has occurred elsewhere on the border, afford color to the presumption that they were a portion of a series of attempts plotted and organized upon the soil of our neutral neighbors. I did not feel at liberty to neglect these monitions, and took such steps as appeared necessary to guard against the occurrence of actual mischief, receiving the coöperation of the War Department. Overcaution is better than neglect.

While the defenceless condition of our shores excited apprehen-

sion, similar fears were entertained for the safety of our coasting commerce. In the month of May last, having been placed in possession of evidence tending strongly to show that the rebels designed to visit the coast with destructive purpose, I forwarded it to the authorities at Washington, coupled with a request that a patrol of gunboats should be established and maintained for the protection of our property by sea and land. That there was good reason for asking the adoption of this precautionary measure, the early subsequent destruction of numbers of vessels just outside Penobscot Bay, and in sight of land, clearly demonstrated. The routes of our coasters upon the ocean are as well defined as highways or railroads upon the land. These traversed by gunboats, with suitable coaling stations in our harbors, so as to avoid the necessity of temporary withdrawal, would effectually protect that interest and secure the exposed and otherwise defenceless towns situate in close proximity to the sea, from hostile attack. The extensive demands upon the Navy Department for blockading purposes have hitherto perhaps prevented due attention to this matter, but it is certainly to be desired that in future something more than an occasional visit by a gunboat may be ordered along the coast.

SOLDIERS' VOTE.

The "Resolves providing for an amendment of the Constitution to allow soldiers absent from the State to vote for Governor, Senators, Representatives and County officers," passed by the last Legislature, having been submitted to the people for approval, were sanctioned by a larger vote and more emphatic majority than ever attended any other proposition changing the organic law of the State.

On the sixth day of October I issued a proclamation as required, announcing their adoption. That so simple an act of justice should be accorded to our fellow citizens, who have, in the spirit of the loftiest patriotism, encountered voluntarily the deadliest perils in behalf of our common country, was to have been expected, and it is only matter of surprise that it should not have been done by an entirely unanimous popular expression. The amendment could hardly be said to confer any new right, but simply afforded the soldier, unable by reason of his duty and position to return to his home, an opportunity to exercise the most precious privilege attaching to the American freeman. The spirit which would deny

this opportunity is not far removed from that which would disfranchise a people. The law in regard to voting for the Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, and for Members of Congress and various State officers created by law, were modified to meet the new condition of affairs, and allow the absent soldier to participate with the citizen at home in the selection of those who should be called to hold the helm of State in these troublous times.

To carry out these new provisions, I appointed Commissioners to repair to the various military Departments in which Maine soldiers were serving, taking with them all necessary blanks and ballots for the candidates for Presidential electors and State officers nominated by each political party, with instructions to them to furnish the same to every military organization, detachment or squad belonging to the State, that the soldiers might have entire freedom in the selection of such as they might choose to cast. I have every reason to believe that these instructions were faithfully observed.

The whole number of votes thrown by the soldiers was four thousand nine hundred and fifteen, of which due return was made, accompanied by certified poll lists showing the name of each person voting.

To meet the allegation that fraud might be practised, by the same persons voting at home in September and at camp in November, as well as to detect any false return, I caused a circular to be addressed to the various cities, towns and plantations, requesting them to forward to the Secretary of State a certified copy of the check-list used in the two elections, noting thereon every person who voted at either. From the comparison of these with the poll-lists of the soldiers, it is very clear that the returns of the soldiers' votes were free from any suspicion of wrong.

THE NATIONAL CEMETERY.

The Legislature of 1864 appropriated the sum of \$2,500 as the supposed proportion of this State for improving the grounds and erecting a monument in the National Cemetery, dedicated as the last resting-place of the soldiers who were slain at the battle of Gettysburg.

Circumstances well understood, have caused the cost to be very much increased beyond the estimates, chiefly growing out of the

large advance in prices, or more properly speaking, the depreciation of our currency. The Association having this patriotic labor in charge, have voted to apply to Congress for an appropriation to complete it. Should this prove successful, no further call will be made upon the States; failing this, quite a number of the States have already indicated a willingness to contribute their proportion to finish it. I submit that you take such action as the dignity and honor of this State require in the premises. The report of the Commissioner will be submitted to you.

I venture to renew the recommendation, submitted last year, that some provision be made, by which the names and memories of our fallen soldiers shall be preserved. Monuments have, in some few instances, been erected by private contribution. If a law should be enacted, authorizing all our municipalities to erect these monuments to their own soldiers, to be paid for from their respective treasuries, the object would be effectually accomplished, as it would not then be left to the accident of individual liberality.

• MILITIA.

In the address I had the honor to submit to the Legislature of 1864, at the commencement of the session, the necessity of an organized Militia, and the adoption of a system to secure it, was presented at length. The conviction of the justice of those views has derived strength from the occurrences of the past year. A State which does not possess a military force within the reach of the Chief Magistrate, for the enforcement of the laws, the preservation of order, resistance to attack and to guard against violence, is deficient in one of the vital elements constituting a State.

Without physical power to enforce them, the laws are but empty threats, furnishing no safety against the violence of the lawless, who, in small numbers, may combine to resist them.

It is unnecessary for me to reiterate what was said on the former occasion. The Constitution of the State requires it, internal security demands it, and without it we are helpless against external attack.

The incidents of the past year have demonstrated the necessity of this proposition; and I trust you will not separate without making adequate and ample provision in this regard.

EDUCATION.

The Normal School, at Farmington, commenced operations the past season, although the sale of land designed for its support had not been made. The arrangements for opening having all been entered into, it was deemed advisable to advance the requisite funds for the payment of teachers from the contingent fund of the Governor and Council, to be reimbursed from the proceeds of the lands to be sold for its maintenance. The school is but an experiment in this State, and was established upon the earnest and persistent solicitation of those who believed great advantages would result to the cause of education in Maine therefrom. The Council visited the school at the close of the fall term ; but I was prevented from doing so by causes beyond my control. A single term is by no means sufficient to settle the question of the value of this school, or the propriety of inaugurating another. The friends of the Normal School profess to be satisfied with the beginning. That it may be a perfect success is certainly to be desired.

A disposition for some years past has been manifested to abolish the office of Superintendent of Common Schools, and it is believed that an unwillingness to displace a most worthy and competent official, alone has prevented it. At the present time there is no such embarrassment, the late Superintendent having resigned his position to participate with you as a lawgiver.

Whether the salary of this office, and the other expenses arising therefrom, can be saved to the treasury without injury to the educational interests of the State is for you to determine. The suspension of this office for a time will prove or disprove its value. If on trial it is found expedient, it will be easy to restore it.

Commending the whole subject to your consideration, I shall defer most cheerfully to your decision, whatever it may be.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES.

Under the "Resolve relating to the establishment of a College for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," approved March 24, 1864, Honorable Messrs. Wm. G. Crosby, Joseph Eaton and Samuel F. Perley, were appointed by the Governor and Council Commissioners to perform the duties thereby created and defined.

These gentlemen have proceeded to the discharge of the trust confided to them with that intelligence and fidelity demanded by

the public expectation, and of which their character was so adequate a guarantee. A full report of all the propositions submitted to them for consideration, accompanied by their own reasonings and conclusions upon the subject, will be submitted to the Legislature at an early day. This report will, I doubt not, receive at your hands the consideration to which it will be entitled and, I trust, may aid you materially in the settlement of the subject to which it relates.

In other States the subject of the most appropriate disposition of the endowment granted by the United States for Agricultural Colleges, has not been unattended with difficulties, arising in part from the lack of that experience which practically and wisely settles such questions. That diversities of opinion will arise with you, is to be expected, but the people will look with confidence to the Legislature for the adoption of a policy which shall secure the greatest possible amount of benefit attainable with the means at your control.

My own opinions upon this subject have undergone no change within the year, and I again take the liberty to reiterate the sentiments heretofore expressed, that the objects of the grant and the interests of the State will be best promoted by a connection of the proposed college with some one of the established literary institutions of the State, unless the national grant is largely increased by private contributions. The funds to be derived from the sale of the scrip will be utterly inadequate to the maintenance of an independent institution, and the financial condition of the State forbids that one shall be established upon the foundation of taxing the people for its support. I invoke for the settlement of this question your most impartial and dispassionate consideration.

The resolve contingently authorizing the Governor to dispose of the scrip issued to the State, has not been executed. It will be proper that some new provision upon this subject should be made by you during the session. I would respectfully ask that the responsibility of disposing of this scrip may not be devolved solely upon the Executive, but that others, to be designated by the Legislature, shall be associated with him in the discharge of this delicate duty.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

The public institutions for the relief of the unfortunate or the punishment and reform of the criminal, patronized or maintained by the State, have been visited the past season by the Governor and Council.

The Perkins Institute for the Blind at South Boston and the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb at Hartford are too well known to require any special notice. The benefits rendered by each to the class of unfortunates coming under their special care would be utterly astonishing if they had not become so familiar.

The past year the number of beneficiaries supported by the State has been seven at the Institute for the Blind and thirty-three at the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, and I unhesitatingly say, that in my judgment, no public expenditure has been made for more worthy objects, or attended with any better results. I cheerfully commend to the Legislature a continuance of its patronage to these institutions.

The Asylum for the Insane has been filled to its utmost capacity with patients and unable to receive all the applicants for its treatment. The report of the Superintendent will acquaint you with the details of its operations, and being under your own eye during the session of the Legislature, you will have ample opportunity to judge of its management, its usefulness, and its ability to meet the necessities of the State. The expense of supporting the inmates chargeable to the State has increased with the advance in prices; this is unavoidable and without a remedy. In looking at the vast usefulness of this institution, the wonder is how the State ever got on without it.

The visit to the Reform School was both instructive and gratifying, and served to disabuse a portion of the visiting board of erroneous opinions. It is to be looked upon rather as a refuge for misfortune than a receptacle for criminals. Judging from the appearance and size of the children there it would seem that a majority quite large are hardly to be regarded as either legally or morally accountable. They are indeed the children of misfortune, orphans by the loss of parents, or made worse than orphans by parental criminality, cast upon society with none to care for or be interested in them, to live in the purlieus of our cities, coming in contact with vice in every form and exposed to its pernicious ex-

ample until for some petty offence they find themselves perhaps for the first time in their lives brought within the sphere of virtuous and christian influence.

The appearance of the children was creditable and their proficiency in the rudiments of education most satisfactory.

The sentence to the Reform School of a young child during its minority at first sight seems harsh, but is it not rather a deed of kindness to children without parents or with parents unfit to take charge of them, that society gathers them up as waifs upon its bosom, and undertakes to provide for their wants during their tender years and fit them for usefulness in life?

They are not committed to this institution for punishment, but for reform and education under the guardianship of the State. As they arrive at a suitable age, many are apprenticed by the trustees to employments adapted to their capacities. I think it desirable so far as possible to dissociate from this institution the idea that it is penal in its character, and rather connect with it the sentiment that it is a refuge for misfortune. The expense of sustaining this school will be no exception to the general laws of economy to which we are subject. I commend it to the favorable consideration of the Legislature, and trust that it may be visited by a committee which shall take time sufficient to examine all its workings and enable it to make suggestion of any improvement in the regulations by which it is governed, if any is required. The report of the officers of this institution, which will be laid before you at an early day, will be read with interest.

In June last, a thorough examination was made into the condition of the State Prison. The edifices constituting it, with the exception of the Warden's house and cells recently erected, are by no means creditable to the architectural skill which constructed them, and the whole arrangement is unsightly and by no means convenient. It is very evident that the structures have not been erected upon any well matured plan, but have been built by piecemeal from time to time under the pressure of some necessity which could not longer be evaded. The defects of the original construction can hardly be cured except by razing to the ground; this, however, must be postponed to more auspicious days. I am happy to be able to state that for the year past, under the management of Warden Rice, a most marked improvement has taken place in the financial condition of the Prison. The reports of the Warden and

Inspectors exhibit the anomalous fact that it has been for 1864 a self-sustaining institution, a most gratifying surprise to those conversant with its past history.

LAND OFFICE.

The operations of the Land Office have been circumscribed the past year in consequence of the contingent grants to the European and North American Railway Company, to literary institutions, and for educational purposes.

Bates College and Maine Wesleyan Seminary, have complied with the conditions of the grants to these institutions, and the lands have been selected.

Until it is settled whether the European and North American Railway Company shall so far comply with the conditions of the resolves in favor of that corporation, sales of land or timber will be necessarily held in abeyance.

In compliance with certain resolves invoking the aid of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in behalf of this important enterprise, Honorable Messrs. Kent, Hubbard and Washburn were appointed Commissioners to present the subject to the government of our parent Commonwealth. They will make a report of their doings which will be laid before you in due season.

The application was not successful, and one very strong ground of objection was the alleged unfriendly action of the Legislature of this State some years since and still unrepealed in regard to connections with railroads west of Portland having their termini at Boston. I would respectfully call your attention to this subject for the purpose of ascertaining whether the supposed exigency which called for this legislation exists at this time. In the early history of railroads in this State, certain policies were regarded as indispensable, the wisdom of which has hardly been justified by experience. That the legislation referred to belongs to that class is more than probable.

A neighboring State can hardly be expected to contribute in aid of an enterprise in the benefits of which it is not to be allowed a participation. It is only upon the ground of a common interest to be promoted by the freest inter-communication that any such claim for coöperation can be asked with prospect of success. In addition to a common interest believed to exist, there are some considerations connected with the past history of the public lands of Maine,

formerly the joint property of Massachusetts and our own State, which may be fairly urged as a reason for seeking assistance from that Commonwealth in aid of the European and North American Railway Company.

Many years since arrangements were entered into between the two States for the management of their common domain, and among other stipulations was one for the expenditure of the proceeds of the sales of the land and timber to the extent of not more than ten per cent., in making improvements through these lands by the construction of roads and rendering the watercourses navigable. But a very small part of this sum was expended, as is well known to every person at all conversant with the history of our public lands.

Again, the State of Maine extinguished the title of Massachusetts in these lands by purchase in 1853. A bargain fairly made is binding upon both parties and not to be complained of, but if the State of Maine ever receives from the land thus purchased a sum equal to the interest of the principal paid for them, it is as much as those well informed upon the subject ever expected. These considerations may be fairly addressed to Massachusetts in seeking her aid for this enterprise, and it is for her authorities to determine their weight.

But little progress has been made the past year in the construction of this railroad. The European and North American depends in a considerable degree for its immediate success upon the connection it may be enabled to make with the lines of railway in the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The discussions which have recently arisen, having for their object the confederation of the British North American Colonies, have revived the slumbering project of an inter-colonial railroad connecting these provinces, which if constructed would postpone the early completion of the European and North American. The great cost of labor and material for railroad construction, as measured by the currency of the United States, has been such as to discourage the immediate commencement of this enterprise.

A committee of Congress informally visited this State the last summer, for the purpose of acquainting themselves with the condition of our frontier and coast defences, and it is believed by gentlemen having the interests of this proposed road in charge that the visit will be productive of beneficial results.

The very lively interest felt in the valley of the Penobscot in the early completion of this line of traffic and travel, has led the city of Bangor to vote a loan of its credit in its aid, and an individual subscription is being solicited with promising results.

Large expectations are entertained by its projectors and the public, resulting from the developments of the northern portion of our State now so largely a wilderness, as well as for the increase of trade and business, which its connection with the neighboring provinces will bring to our cities.

Last year I took occasion to commend to the favorable consideration of the Legislature the propriety of extending aid to an enterprise designed to secure a more direct and shorter communication between the Penobscot and St. Croix rivers. I have seen no reason to change my opinion as to the desirableness of the measure. In all matters relating to public expenditures you are the guardians of the interests of the people, you will be held responsible for them, and you must be the judges.

THE RECIPROCITY TREATY.

The President of the United States, in his recent annual message to Congress, recommended that notice of the abrogation of the Reciprocity Treaty with Great Britain be authorized upon the ground of the financial necessities of the nation. The popular branch has already acted affirmatively upon the suggestion, and the subject is now before the Senate, with the prospect of a speedy concurrence.

My own views upon this subject have been publicly expressed heretofore. However favorable the operations of this treaty may have been upon certain minor interests, I cannot refrain from the expression that it has been detrimental to two of the leading interests of the State—her lumber and her agriculture—in which so large a portion of our population is engaged.

UNITED STATES SENATOR.

A vacancy of a Senator in Congress from this State occurred during the recess of the Legislature, occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. William P. Fessenden, for the purpose of accepting a position in the cabinet of the President of the United States.

Under the provisions of the Constitution, I appointed Hon. Nathan A. Farwell, Senator *ad interim*.

Upon you devolves the duty of permanently filling the office.

NEW HAMPSHIRE RESOLVES.

A copy of certain resolves passed by the Legislature of New Hampshire in regard to the construction of fish ways over the dams across the Connecticut, Merrimac and Saco rivers, has been transmitted to me with a request that the same be laid before the Legislature of Maine. With this request I most cheerfully comply, and invoke that consideration of the subject which the comity between States demands.

This is no new topic with the people of this State, legislation having often been sought for this same object, upon rivers lying wholly within the limits of Maine. The experiments have not been satisfactory. Our rivers, the haunts of fish in former times, ere yet the wheel of the steamboat disturbed their waters, or they had been turned to the uses or necessities of the white man, are so no longer. Civilization, which has banished the red man from its presence, has also destroyed the means on which he subsisted, and the effort to preserve his fish and game have been as futile as would be the attempt to recall these perished tribes. The buffalo of the west has been as constantly receding from the presence of the white population, abandoning prairies now within the borders of thickly settled States, until it is being crowded to the very verge of the Rocky Mountains, preliminary to its final disappearance.

For the uses of commerce, of subsistence or of sport, it would be but a poor exchange to withdraw the teeming and industrious millions who have taken possession of the ancient home of these dumb herds, that they might be invited to return. The mills and manufactories upon our rivers and streams, though they have banished the former denizens of their waters, furnish a compensation immeasurable as compared with all the fish that ever have floated in their bosom. Partial attempts to invite them again to these waters have had no beneficial results. Anything more, which should compromise the security of the vast improvements upon which the prosperity of our State so much depends, will hardly be demanded by the comity of States.

CONCLUSION.

After three years of war, with varied fortune, the mighty armies of the Republic, which at no time have lacked aught to secure success but competent leaders, have at length found themselves

marshalled to victory by commanders whom the progress of the conflict has slowly developed, of consummate skill, courage and energy, inspired by no other ambition than that of serving and saving their country by crushing the military power of the rebellion, and willing to abide with patience that recognition of distinguished merit which a grateful people have never yet failed to accord to their benefactors. Grant, Sherman, Sheridan and Thomas have inscribed their names in ineffaceable characters on the scroll of fame and on the tablet of every loyal heart. Coupled with these, and animated by the same inspirations, are the officers and soldiers of the armies of the East and of the West, companions of their toils, instruments of their success, they will ever be inseparably associated with their glory.

But the land has not alone been the theatre of heroic achievement. Old ocean has reverberated with the echoes of hostile cannon, pealing the triumphs of the American Navy. Stern Farragut, before the forts of Mobile, did not say, "that this day," America, "expects every" American "to do his duty," but lashing himself to the mast-head, directed the assault amid the iron tempest, and showed his men how to perform it. Brave old man! no nation on earth can drag from its history a naval hero to whom he is second.

Winslow, almost in sight of English shores, almost in English waters, accepted the combat to which he was defiantly challenged, with a British built ship, armed with British cannon, manned by English seamen, but commanded by an American traitor. The Alabama was sunk to the bottom of the ocean, leaving not a spar or plank afloat. A fitting end to her piratical career. Her commander, after striking his flag, sought ignominious safety on board the neutral yacht so conveniently at hand for his rescue. Winslow, the countryman of Decatur and Hull, has earned for himself a fame as enduring as the mountain from which his noble ship was named.

The youthful Cushing, glowing with the same chivalrous spirit which animated Somers, Wadsworth and Israel, to immolate themselves in the harbor of Tripoli, but more fortunate than they, by the destruction of the Albemarle, at such imminent peril, well deserves association with those honorable names.

Along with these, come Foote—sweet be his sleep and hallowed his memory; Porter, a name of glory in our naval annals; Worden,

the hero of the first combat of iron-clads, and scores of others worthy the naval genius of our country. •

The action of other nations has inaugurated a system of piracy (for it is not warfare) inviting the destruction of our commercial marine, which to some extent has been effected. If any expectation has arisen in unfriendly bosoms, that the naval power of this country was to be crippled by this procedure, they may learn at once that it is not wood, iron and cordage which constitute the essence of that power, but it is the maritime genius of our people and the determined valor of our seamen. The vast increase of our navy, and the record of its exploits the past year, demonstrate that the United States are rapidly preparing for any conflict which may be forced upon them.

It is not, however, in the conflict of armies upon the land, or the combats of ships upon the ocean, that the record of the year that has just expired finds its most brilliant page. After nearly four years of deadly strife, attended by gigantic efforts, enormous sacrifices and heart-sickening sufferings, in the regular order of our Constitutional history, the people of the United States were called upon to elect for another term a Chief Magistrate of the nation.

The earnest and exciting discussions incident to a Presidential canvass, even when accompanied by none but its ordinary surroundings, have, from the beginning of the war, caused this point in our history to be looked forward to by all reflecting minds, as the hour of our extreme peril and the very crisis of our national life. The policy and measures of the government in the conduct of the war and during its whole progress had been assailed with severe and able criticism by a portion of the press and public speakers of the country, with a freedom unrestrained, beyond the example of any other land, unsurpassed even in this, irrefutably disposing of the charge that the liberty of either speech or press was in danger, and renewing the assurance that the long enjoyed American privilege of arraigning parties in power or candidates for office at the bar of public opinion for all short-comings, is not likely to fall into desuetude.

The renomination of the present incumbent, implying in itself, and accompanied by a distinct approval of the general principles by which he had been governed in his administration, with an expressed determination to prosecute the war to a triumphant vindi-

cation of the national authority, occurring long before the name of his competitor for Presidential honors was authoritatively announced, was but the signal for more impetuous assault.

The friends of the government were compelled more earnestly than ever to defend its measures while yet ignorant of what was to be the avowed policy of its opponents. At length the Convention assembled which nominated the rival candidate, and it did not adjourn leaving the country in doubt as to its purposes, however otherwise it might have been, judging simply from the antecedents and character of its candidate.

That Convention proclaimed "as the sense of the American people, that, after four years of failure to restore the Union by the experiment of war, during which, under the pretence of a military necessity or war power higher than the Constitution, the Constitution itself has been disregarded in every part, and public liberty and private rights alike trodden down, and the material prosperity of the country essentially impaired; justice, humanity, liberty and the public welfare demand that immediate efforts be made for a cessation of hostilities, with a view to an ultimate Convention of all the States, or other peaceable means to the end that at the earliest practicable moment peace may be restored on the basis of the Federal Union of the States."

The issue was thus squarely submitted to the people.

The canvass, though short, was animated and bitter. The prestige of a name long honored and honorable as the designation of a party which, almost from the birth of the nation, had shaped its measures, and, as it were, claimed the traditional right to the possession of the administration of its government; whose proud boasts were the vast expansion of the borders of the republic, its unswerving fidelity to the country, its promptness to resent any outrage of its authority or insult to its flag, which ever visited its fiercest wrath upon every utterance calling in question the justice of any national quarrel with foreign powers as moral treason, and which had never been twice successively defeated, in an appeal to popular favor, allured thousands to the support of the candidate of the opposition, in spite of the pregnant implications of disunion contained in its platform. But it was of no avail. The people of the country, rallying in the spirit of the declaration that "the Federal Union must and shall be preserved," endorsed the administration of President Lincoln by overwhelming majorities, paying him

the tribute of a re-election, which was last accorded to the patriot Jackson, and being the second which has occurred in forty years. This was, however, in no sense a personal or party triumph, it was the result of a national necessity. That a nation governed by an absolute despot or by a monarch of limited authority, surrounded by aristocratic orders upon whom the sacrifices and burdens of war bear lightly, should protract a bloody strife for years, is no new thing in history. But that a nation, where each man is a sovereign, and every voter an integral part of the government, in which every ballot cast, as in the late election, is a verdict upon the past, and, combining in a majority, a decree for the future; binding the whole nation, majorities as well as minorities, individuals and masses, to meet the sacrifices and bear the burdens of continued war, is a marvellous testimony to the steadiness of popular government and the capacity of mankind to sustain it. A war waged for the life of a nation, freighted with the hopes of freedom and mankind, could alone have evoked so sublime a consecration.

Since the day which heralded the advent of our Savior, none more glorious has dawned on our race than the eighth of November, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

Having delivered the foregoing message, the Governor and his attendants withdrew, and the Convention was dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. STETSON,

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the Governor's address be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STONE of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

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 day, at 15 minutes past 11 o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General, Land Agent, and seven Executive Councillors, and asking the concurrence of the House.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently, a message was received from the House, through Mr. Stilson, its Clerk, informing the Senate that the House concurred in the proposition of the Senate for a Joint Convention of both Houses of the Legislature for the purposes named in the above proposition of the Senate.

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. BANKS of York,

Messrs. Banks of York, Burleigh of Aroostook, of the Senate, and Messrs. Bradford of Houlton, Hammond of Paris, Haines of East Livermore, Harriman of Orland, and Chase of Dover, 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 votes,	147
Necessary for a choice,	74
Ephraim Flint, Jr., has	125
Silas S. Drew,	21
John A. Peters,	1

The report was accepted, and EPHRAIM FLINT, Jr., was declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN of Cumberland,

Messrs. Woodman of Cumberland, Manson of Penobscot, of the Senate, and Messrs. Fairbanks of Farmington, Abbott of China, Montgomery of Boothbay, Bartlett of Elliot, and Holden of Casco, 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 votes,	153
Necessary for a choice,	77
John A. Peters has	126
A. P. Gould,	25
John L. Hodsdon,	1
S. J. Anderson,	1

The report was accepted, and JOHN A. PETERS was declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec,

Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec, Chase of Oxford, of the Senate, and Messrs. Weston of Gorham, Bridgman of Amherst, Chase of Sidney, Beale of Hudson, and Bacheller of Solon, 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:

Whole number of votes,	149
Necessary for a choice,	75
John L. Hodsdon has	124
Samuel J. Anderson,	25

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

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY of Androscoggin,

Messrs. Dingley of Androscoggin, Hale of Piscataquis, of the Senate, and Messrs. Philbrick of Thorndike, Eaton of Plymouth, Parks of Phippsburg, Prescott of Canaan, and Lord of Shapleigh, 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 votes,	152
Necessary for a choice,	77
Isaac R. Clark has	126
George C. Getchell,	24
Samuel J. Anderson,	1
J. L. Hodsdon,	1

The report was accepted, and ISAAC R. CLARK was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. STONE of Franklin,

Messrs. Stone of Franklin, Talbot of Washington, of the Senate, and Messrs. Simpson of Dixmont, Bowman of Buckfield, Norton of Palermo, Reed of Springfield, and Bangs of Salem, 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 votes,	148
Necessary for a choice,	75
Marshall Pierce has	124
Charles Holden,	124
Rufus Prince,	125
Alanson Starks,	124
Joseph Farwell,	124
Hiram Ruggles,	124
James W. Lyman,	124
Sewall Lord,	24
Washington Bray,	24
Calvin Record,	23
Artemas Libby,	24
Ebenezer Otis,	24
Gorham L. Boynton,	24
James Nichols,	24

The report was accepted, and Messrs. Marshall Pierce, Charles Holden, Rufus Prince, Alanson Starks, Joseph Farwell, Hiram Ruggles and James W. Lyman, were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to make up the pay of Charles B. Morton for four days as Page of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. HAMOR,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to make up the pay and mileage of John S. Noyes for six days as Assistant Messenger of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish one copy of the Acts and Resolves of 1864 to each of the members of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to procure from the State Librarian a map of the State of Maine, for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,

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. Manson of Penobscot, Virgin of Oxford, and Stetson of Lincoln, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the order came back passed in concurrence, with Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston, Granger of Calais, Hall of Rockland, Hill of Sullivan, Sayward of Alfred, Roberts of Stockton, and Prescott of Canaan, joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. STONE,

Ordered, the House concurring, That all petitions for private legislation which shall be presented to this Legislature after the first day of February next, be referred to the next Legislature, and that this order be published in the Kennebec Journal until that date.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARKER,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify Ephraim Flint, Jr., of his election as Secretary of State, John L. Hodsdon of his election as Adjutant General, Isaac R. Clark of his election as Land Agent, John A. Peters of his election as Attorney General, and Marshall Pierce, Charles Holden, Rufus Prince, Alanson Starks, Joseph Farwell, Hiram Ruggles and James W. Lyman of their election as Executive Councillors for the current political year, and request their immediate attendance.

Mr. STONE introduced bill "an act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the laws of 1862, concerning the suspension of specie payments," which was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STONE of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That on Wednesday, the eleventh day of January instant, at a quarter past 12 o'clock, 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. William P. Fessenden, 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 such 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 hereinbefore provided, and until the same person shall be elected in both or until otherwise provided;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Communications were received from Charles Holden, Alanson Starks, Joseph Farwell, Hiram Ruggles, and James W. Lyman, Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance of their several trusts, which were read and sent down.

A communication was received from John L. Hodsdon, Adjutant General elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. STETSON,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Hall of the House of Representatives, this day, at a quarter to 12 o'clock, for the purpose of administering to the Councillors elect, who have signified their acceptance of the several trusts, the necessary oaths to enable them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently, a message was received from the House through Mr. Stilson, its Clerk, informing the Senate that the House concurred with the proposition of the Senate for a Joint Convention of both branches of the Legislature for the purposes named in the above proposition of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON,

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

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That the Senate hold one session a day, commencing on Saturday at 9 o'clock A. M.; and on Monday at 11 o'clock A. M.; and on other days at 10 o'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

The PRESIDENT announced the following Standing Committees of the Senate :

On Bills in Second Reading.

Messrs. Banks of York,
Sanborn of Kennebec,
Bradbury of Penobscot,
Hale of Piscataquis,
Walker of Knox,
Stetson of Lincoln,
Woodman of Cumberland,
Stone of Franklin,
Hamor of Hancock,
Chase of Oxford,
Richardson of Cumberland,
Southard of Sagadahoc.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Manson of Penobscot,
Burleigh of Aroostook,
Dingley of Androscoggin,
Sanborn of York,
True of Kennebec,
Warren of Hancock,
Wadsworth of Washington,
Jewett of York,
Hinds of Kennebec,
Holbrook of Cumberland,
Ludwig of Knox,
Peirce of Cumberland.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bill "an act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the laws of 1862, concerning the suspension of specie payments."

The report was accepted and bill read a second time.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, proposed an amendment, pending the consideration of which, on motion of Mr. STONE the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on Senatorial Votes, reported as follows :

The Committee to whom were referred the returns of votes for Senators for the current political year, ask leave to report :

That in the First District—

Whole number of ballots was	12,566
Necessary to a choice,	6,284
Esreff H. Banks has	6,651
Elisha H. Jewett,	6,656
Luther Sanborn,	6,658
Ephraim C. Spinney,	5,915
Enoch Cousins,	5,911
Mark Wood,	5,906

And Luther Sanborn, Esreff H. Banks and Elisha H. Jewett, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Second District—

Whole number of ballots was	15,076
Necessary to a choice,	7,539
George W. Woodman,	8,414
Samuel A. Holbrook,	8,418
George Peirce,	8,413
Daniel T. Richardson,	8,413
Gardner Ludwig,	6,669
Rufus King,	6,669
Horatio J. Swasey,	6,657
Sylvanus C. Blanchard,	6,640
Ether Shepley,	2
S. F. Perley,	2
Frederick Fox,	1
Augustine P. Haines,	1
Alexander Bailey,	1
Augustus E. Stevens,	1
George Fickett,	1
Charles Knights,	1
Joseph Barbor,	1

And George W. Woodman, Samuel A. Holbrook, George Peirce and Daniel T. Richardson are elected.

In the Third District—

Whole number of ballots was	7,656
Necessary to a choice,	3,829

William W. Virgin has	4,370
Thomas Chase,	4,356
John M. Deshon,	3,286
Samuel F. Gibson,	3,258
J. T. Kimball,	1
Samuel Holmes,	5
Samuel Freeman,	1
O'Neil W. Robinson,	1
Oliver H. Mason,	1

And William W. Virgin and Thomas Chase are elected.

In the Fourth District—

Whole number of ballots was	5,746
Necessary to a choice,	2,874
Jeremiah Dingley, Jr., has	3,674
Isaac D. Cushman,	2,071
Alexander B. Dwinel,	1

And Jeremiah Dingley, Jr., is elected.

In the Fifth District—

Whole number of ballots was	4,132
Necessary to a choice,	2,067
Cornelius Stone has	2,392
Samuel Belcher,	1,740

And Cornelius Stone is elected.

In the Sixth District—

Whole number of ballots was	3,475
Necessary to a choice,	1,738
Thomas J. Southard has	2,000
John Harwood,	1,102
James Drummond,	368
John Hayden,	4
J. D. Drummond,	1

And Thomas J. Southard is elected.

In the Seventh District—

Whole number of ballots was	9,950
Necessary to a choice,	4,976

Joseph A. Sanborn has	6,489
Josiah True,	6,506
Crosby Hinds,	6,495
Philip C. Bradford,	3,242
Elbridge L. Getchell,	3,244
Stephen Young,	3,243
E. S. Case,	2
Thomas S. Lang,	1
Homer Percival,	1

And Joseph A. Sanborn, Josiah True and Crosby Hinds are elected.

In the Eighth District—

Whole number of ballots was	6,830
Necessary to a choice,	3,416
John S. Tenney has	3,905
David D. Stewart,	3,873
Thomas Patterson,	2,922
Henry S. Tobey,	2,925

And John S. Tenney and David D. Stewart are elected.

In the Ninth District—

Whole number of ballots was	2,888
Necessary to a choice,	1,445
Elias J. Hale has	1,726
Henry Hudson,	1,162
John H. Gilman,	3
T. S. Pullen,	1

And Elias J. Hale is elected.

In the Tenth District—

Whole number of ballots was	12,025
Necessary to a choice,	6,013
Osgood N. Bradbury has	7,822
Augustus D. Manson,	7,730
Lewis Barker,	7,815
Gilman M. Burleigh,	3,927
William R. Miller,	4,210
Frank Hamblin,	4,203

Augustus D. Nason,	95
Gilman N. Bradbury.	88
Gilman H. Burleigh,	79
Gilman Burleigh,	118

And Osgood N. Bradbury, Augustus D. Manson and Lewis Barker are elected.

In the Eleventh District—

Whole number of ballots was	4,926
Necessary to a choice,	2,464
Everett W. Stetson has	2,541
Joseph E. Smith,	2,385

And Everett W. Stetson is elected.

In the Twelfth District—

Whole number of ballots was	5,012
Necessary to a choice,	2,507
John B. Walker has	2,777
Moses R. Ludwig,	2,771
Edward O'Brien,	2,235
Elbridge G. Knights,	2,228

And John B. Walker and Moses R. Ludwig are elected.

In the Thirteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was	6,725
Necessary to a choice,	3,363
William McGilvery has	4,005
Elias Milliken,	3,997
Thomas M. Morrow,	2,720
Horace McKenney,	2,716

And William McGilvery and Elias Milliken are elected.

In the Fourteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was	5,754
Necessary to a choice,	2,878
Thomas Warren has	3,467
Eben M. Hamor,	3,466
William P. Preble,	2,287
John Hopkins,	2,285

And Thomas Warren and Eben M. Hamor are elected.

In the Fifteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was	6,451
Necessary to a choice,	3,226
Samuel H. Talbot has	3,572
Lewis L. Wadsworth, Jr.,	3,267
John C. Talbot,	2,873
George Walker,	2,879
Lewis L. Wadsworth,	313
S. H. Talbot,	1

And Samuel H. Talbot and Lewis L. Wadsworth, Jr., are elected.

In the Sixteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was	2,872
Necessary to a choice,	1,437
Parker P. Burleigh has	1,449
Samuel W. Collins,	1,359

And Parker P. Burleigh is elected.

The report was accepted.

The hour assigned for the Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, for the purpose of qualifying the Councillors elect, having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. BANKS of York,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify the Councillors elect, who have signified their acceptance of the trust, that the two branches of the Legislature are now assembled in Joint Convention for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon their official duties.

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

Thereupon, Honorables Charles Holden, Alanson Starks, Joseph Farwell, Hiram Ruggles and James W. Lyman, Councillors elect, came in, and in the presence of both Houses of the Legislature, 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 Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor by the Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of Honorables Charles Holden, Alanson Starks, Joseph Farwell, Hiram Ruggles and James W. Lyman, as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. BURLEIGH,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council, informing them that John L. Hodsdon has been duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year, and has signified his acceptance of the office.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of York,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee be appointed on the Governor's Message, who shall report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees.

And Messrs. Sanborn of York, Hale of Piscataquis, and Stone of Franklin, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order came back passed in concurrence, with Messrs. Williams of Augusta, Porter of Burlington, Crosby of Dexter, Oak of Garland, Bacheller of Solon, Hunt of Bath, and Larabee of Portland, joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. PEIRCE,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. QUINBY of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That a Joint Select Committee be appointed, consisting of seven on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join, to take into consideration the subject of legalizing the action of cities, towns and plantations in raising bounties to be paid to volunteers, drafted men or their substitutes since Feb. 21, 1864 ; and that said Committee be instructed to report by bill or otherwise at as early a day as practicable, with Messrs. Perley of Bridgton, Norton of Palermo, Gower of Mercer, Stetson of Newcastle, French of Cornville, Hamilton of Waterborough, and McIntire of Peru, appointed on the part of the House ;

Was read, and on motion of Mr. BANKS, was laid on the table.

Order from the House :

That the several subjects specially recommended to the Legislature in the Governor's Message be referred to the appropriate Committees when appointed ;

Was read, and on motion of Mr. STETSON, was laid on the table.

A communication was received from Hon. Nathan Dane, Treasurer of State, transmitting an annual statement and account of the receipts and disbursements of the Treasury Department for the year ending December 31, 1864.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

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. Banks of York, Talbot of Washington, and McGilvery of Waldo, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order came back from the House passed in concurrence, with Messrs. Williams of Augusta, Cram of Portland, Hersey of Bangor, Kilby of Eastport, Roberts of Stockton, Fairbanks of Farmington, and Wilson of Thomaston, joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish the Daily Kennebec Journal to the Chaplains of the Senate during the session.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Chaplains of this Legislature be allowed the use and privilege of the State Library on the same terms as the members of the Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Ephraim Flint, Jr., Secretary of State elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council, by the Secretary, informing them that Hon. Ephraim Flint, Jr., has been duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year, and has signified his acceptance of the office.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. EATON of the House.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of George H. Knowlton, Register of Probate for York county, for increase of salary, was referred to the York Delegation, in concurrence.

A communication was received from Rufus Prince, Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance of the trust, which was read and sent down.

A message was received from the House through Mr. Stilson, its Clerk, proposing a Joint Convention of both Houses of the Legislature in the Hall of the House of Representatives, this day, at half past 10 o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Rufus Prince, Councillor elect, the necessary oaths of office.

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, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT of Washington,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Hon. Rufus Prince, Councillor elect, that a Convention of both branches of the Legislature is assembled in the Representatives' Hall for the purpose of administering to him the official oaths required by the Constitution.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had waited upon Hon. Rufus Prince and delivered the message with which he was charged, and he was pleased to say in reply, that he would attend

forthwith upon the Convention for the purpose indicated in the message.

Thereupon, Hon. Rufus Prince, Councillor elect, came in and in the presence of both branches of the Legislature, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to enable him to enter upon his official duties.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, by the Secretary of the Senate, informing him of the election and qualification of Hon. Rufus Prince as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

A message was received from the Governor through Hon. Ephraim Flint, Jr., Secretary of State, transmitting Resolves of the Legislature of New Hampshire, the Report of B. W. Norris, Commissioner on Gettysburg Cemetery, and the Report of the State Liquor Commissioner for the year 1864.

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. Tenney of Somerset,
Barker of Penobscot,
Virgin of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Granger of Calais,
Webb of Portland,
Crosby of Dexter,
Dingley of Lewiston,
Tapley of Saco,
Webb of Winthrop,
Cram of Brunswick, *of the House*.

On Federal Relations.

Messrs. Barker of Penobscot,
Walker of Knox,
Woodman of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston,
Abbott of China,
Hunt of Bath,
Phillips of Weld,
Tapley of Saco,
Bacheller of Solon,
Lyford of Atkinson, *of the House*.

On Military Affairs.

Messrs. Milliken of Waldo,
Stetson of Lincoln,
Virgin of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Miller of Portland,
Garnsey of Bangor,
Chase of Sidney,
Jones of Lewiston,
Stetson of Newcastle,
Norton of Palermo,
Gould of Lyman, *of the House*.

On Coast and Frontier Defences.

Messrs. McGilvery of Waldo,
Wadsworth of Washington,
Southard of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Mayo of Orono,
Day of Damariscotta,
Robinson of Sherman,
Davis of Lubec,
Valley of Alva,
Wasgatt of Mt. Desert,
Shaw of Biddeford, *of the House*.

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

- Messrs. Manson of Penobscot,
Woodman of Cumberland, ·
Chase of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Patten of Bath,
Little of Auburn,
Williams of Augusta,
Wilson of Rockland,
Cram of Portland,
Ellis of Canton,
Holyoke of Brewer, *of the House*.

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

- Messrs. Talbot of Washington,
Stetson of Lincoln.
Dingley of Androscoggin, *of the Senate*.
- Messrs. Roberts of Stockton,
Foster of Bangor,
Follansbee of Camden,
Dunlap of Lisbon,
Chase of Dover,
Fairbanks of Farmington,
Sanborn of Kittery, *of the House*.

On Education.

- Messrs. Bradbury of Penobscot,
Stone of Franklin,
Richardson of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Weston of Gorham,
Eaton of Readfield,
Oak of Garland,
Hathaway of Wilton,
Hobbs of Norway,
McLain of New Sharon,
Bickford of Warren, *of the House*.

On Banks and Banking.

- Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec,
McGilvery of Waldo,
Banks of York, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Little of Auburn, .
Patten of Bath,
Larrabee of Portland,
Hersey of Bangor,
Hill of Bucksport,
Haskell of Waldoborough,
Hall of Rockland, *of the House*.

On Agriculture.

- Messrs. Sanborn of York,
Chase of Oxford,
Southard of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Lang of Vassalborough,
Bryant of Montville,
Bartlett of Elliot,
Pool of Whitefield,
Kilbreth of Livermore,
Fogg of Monmouth,
Baker of Windham, *of the House*.

On Manufactures.

- Messrs. Wadsworth of Washington,
Hale of Piscataquis,
Hamor of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Denison of Poland,
Lang of Vassalborough,
Eaton of Plymouth,
Church of Bradford,
Weld of Buxton,
Gushee of Appleton,
Holden of Casco, *of the House*.

On Interior Waters.

- Messrs. Dingley of Androscoggin,
Sanborn of York,
Burleigh of Aroostook, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Porter of Burlington,
Atwood of Monroe,
Prescott of Canaan,
Curtis of Pownal,
Pullen of Monson,
Patten of Topsham,
Hedge of Winslow, *of the House*.

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Burleigh of Aroostook,
Wadsworth of Washington,
Peirce of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hopkins of Ellsworth,
Johnson of Carmel,
Bean of Denmark,
Bliss of Freeport,
Nickerson of Linneus,
Lawler of Baileyville,
Wilson of Thomaston, *of the House*.

On Division of Towns.

- Messrs. True of Kennebec,
Warren of Hancock,
Holbrook of Cumberland, *of the Senate*.
- Messrs. Barker of Bethel,
Gower of Mercer,
Haley of Frankfort,
Burbank of Cooper,
Boynton of Cornish,
Carver of Vinalhaven,
Richards of Belmont, *of the House*.

On Division of Counties.

- Messrs. Holbrook of Cumberland,
Ludwig of Knox,
Hamor of Hancock, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Ham of Cambridge,
Nelson of New Gloucester,
Brigham of Amherst,
Ferguson of Deer Isle,
Cleaves of Steuben,
Lord of Shapleigh,
Geyer of Friendship, *of the House*.

On Incorporation of Towns.

- Messrs. Hinds of Kennebec,
Stone of Franklin,
Burleigh of Aroostook, *of the Senate*.
Messrs. Philbrick of Thorndike,
Chesley of Lincoln,
Montgomery of Boothbay,
French of Lincolnville,
Sirois of Dion plantation,
Smith of Northfield,
Doyle of Eaton Grant, *of the House*.

On Fisheries.

- Messrs. Warren of Penobscot,
Ludwig of Knox,
Southard of Sagadahoc, *of the Senate*;
Messrs. Davis of Lubec,
Harriman of Orland,
Parks of Phippsburg,
Bragdon of York,
Merry of Edgecomb,
Higgins of Cape Elizabeth,
Whitney of Jonesborough, *of the House*.

On Indian Affairs.

- Messrs. Manson of Penobscot,
Walker of Knox,
Richardson of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Estabrook of Oldtown,
Robinson of Sherman,
Rogers of Holden,
Whitney of Jonesborough,
Atwood of Monroe,
Stover of Bluehill,
Hobart of Edmunds, *of the House*.

On Claims.

- Messrs. Woodman of Cumberland,
Milliken of Waldo,
Talbot of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Abbott of China,
Sweetzer of North Yarmouth,
Brigham of Amherst,
Simpson of Dixmont,
Foster of Bowdoin,
French of Cornville,
Carney of Moscow, *of the House*.

On Pensions.

- Messrs. Stetson of Lincoln,
Hinds of Kennebec,
Holbrook of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Moore of Gardiner,
McIntire of Peru,
Fisher of Charlotte,
Heath of Detroit,
French of Lincolnville,
Witham of Raymond,
Hamilton of Waterborough *of the House*.

On Insane Hospital.

Messrs. Walker of Knox,
Bradbury of Penobscot,
Ludwig of Knox, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Monroe of Belfast,
Perley of Bridgton,
Carlton of Sedgwick,
Stevens of Augusta,
Prescott of Canaan,
Haines of East Livermore,
Bradbury of Limington, *of the House.*

On Reform School.

Messrs. Banks of York,
Talbot of Washington,
Manson of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Kilby of Eastport,
Hopkins of Ellsworth,
Hammond of Paris,
Moore of Minot,
Hutchinson of West Gardiner,
Sayward of Alfred,
Beale of Hudson, *of the House.*

On State Prison.

Messrs. Hale of Piscataquis,
Sanborn of York,
True of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Walker of Hampden,
Bradford of Houlton,
Bowman of Buckfield,
Payson of Westbrook,
Frost of Sanford,
Reed of Springfield,
Prescott of Canaan, *of the House.*

On Public Buildings.

Messrs. Jewett of York,
McGilvery of Waldo,
Peirce of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Hill of Sullivan,
Churchill of Anson,
Richards of Belmont,
Young of Sebago,
Monroe of Waterford,
Burbank of Cooper,
Bangs of Salem, *of the House*.

On Library.

Messrs. Virgin of Oxford,
Tenney of Somerset,
Stone of Franklin, *of the Senate*.
Messrs. Webb of Portland,
Dummer of Hallowell,
Little of Bremen,
Hill of Biddeford,
Howe of Fryeburg,
Milliken of Baldwin,
Jordan of Berwick, *of the House*.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of making valid the doings of cities, towns and plantations in this State since the adjournment of the Legislature of 1864 to raise money to be applied to pay bounties to volunteers, drafted men or their substitutes, under the calls of the President of the United States for additional troops from this State, with instructions to report by bill or otherwise, at their earliest convenience.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That all papers and documents referred by the last

Legislature to the present Legislature, be taken from file and placed in the hands of the appropriate Committees.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS, the order relating to the appointment of a Joint Select Committee to take into consideration the subject of legalizing the action of towns in paying bounties to volunteers, was taken from the table. The Senate non-concurred with the House in the passage of the order, and referred the same to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STETSON presented petition of Samuel Oliver and others, asking to be set off from the town of Nobleborough and annexed to the town of Damariscotta, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY presented the petition of Isaiah Cook and others, for increase of compensation for board of prisoners, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN presented bill "an act to amend the acts establishing Westbrook Seminary," which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MANSON presented bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the surrender of the charters of existing banks in this State and to remit a portion of the bank tax, approved March 26, 1863," which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McKENZIE of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the delegation from Piscataquis county be instructed to inquire into the expediency of increasing the fees of the Register of Deeds for that county ;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of prohibiting under suitable penalties the exaction of tolls from travellers for crossing any bridge, ferry or turnpike after the time for which, under the charter, the right to collect such tolls has expired ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

That a Joint Select Committee of five on the part of the House with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to report Joint Rules for the government of both Houses of the Legislature, with Messrs. Dingley of Lewiston, Bacheller of Solon, Garnsey of Bangor, Webb of Portland, and Stevens of Augusta, appointed on the part of the House ;

Was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Tenney of Somerset, Banks of York, and Dingley of Androscoggin, joined to said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Petition of Samuel Staples and others of Lubec, for an exclusive grant to J. W. Congden and E. N. Myers to maintain a fish weir in "Boot Cove" at Lubec, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin P. Gilman of Orono, for right to build dams, sluices and booms on "Upper Lord Brook" in the North Division of Bingham's Penobscot Purchase, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of N. T. Palmer and others of Brunswick, for the repeal

of an act incorporating the Brunswick Mutual Marine Insurance Company ;

Petition of John C. Proctor and others of Portland, for an act of incorporation as the Portland Tenement House Company ;

Petition of James Allen and others, surveyors, for increase of fees for surveying lumber ;

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

Petition of European and North American Railway Company for right to build a line of telegraph on the line of their railroad ;

Petition of E. Clark and others of Portland, for amendment of the charter of the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company, with bill accompanying ;

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

Petition of Silas Danforth of Madison, for additional legislation in relation to partition fences ;

Bill "an act establishing the name and legalizing the action of the First Universalist Society in Portland " ;

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

Mr. McGILVERY presented the petition of Joseph Doane and others, Trustees of the East Maine Conference Seminary, for aid, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DINGLEY presented the petition of Joseph Weeks and others of Durham, to have the doings of said town made valid, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY presented the petition of Josiah W. Smith, for an alteration of the town line of Norridgewock ; also,

Petition of Herod Robbins and others for an alteration in the town lines of Mercer and Starks ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of*Selectmen of East Machias for authority to County Commissioners of Washington county to lay out a road over tide waters in East Machias, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOLBROOK presented the petition of Jotham Johnson of Freeport, for protection of our coast fisheries, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of State Superintendent of Public Schools.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STONE, bill "an act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the laws of 1862, concerning the suspension of specie payments," was taken from the table. Pending the consideration of the amendment proposed by Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, on motion of Mr. WOODMAN, the bill was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Ephraim Flint, Jr., Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Reports of the Trustees and Superintendent of the State Reform School, Insane Hospital, Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison, and Bank Commissioners, for the year 1864.

Also, communication transmitting the Forty-Eighth Annual Report of the Directors of the American Asylum at Hartford, for the education of the deaf and dumb.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, being assigned by the Senate to ballot for a United States Senator, a call of the Senate was ordered, and twenty-seven Senators found to be present.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for United States Senator for six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

And Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec, Burleigh of Aroostook, and Woodman of Cumberland, were appointed said Committee.

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

Whole number of ballots,	27
Necessary for a choice,	14
William Pitt Fessenden has	27

And the Committee have sealed up the ballots and placed them in the hands of the Secretary of the Senate.

The report was accepted, and William Pitt Fessenden was declared duly elected, on the part of the Senate, United States Senator from this State for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,

Ordered, That a message be conveyed to the House of Representatives by the Secretary, informing them of the election, on the part of the Senate, of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden as Senator to serve in the United States Senate from this State for a term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

A message was received from the House through Mr. Stilson, its Clerk, informing the Senate that the House has, on its part, this day made choice of Hon. Wm. Pitt Fessenden as United States Senator for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the Governor and Council that the Senate has on its part made choice of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden as United States Senator for the period of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The hour of 12 o'clock and 15 minutes P. M. having arrived, being the hour assigned by the Senate to ballot for a United States Senator to fill the unexpired term occasioned by the resignation of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden, a call of the Senate was ordered, and twenty-seven Senators found to be present.

On motion of Mr. LUDWIG,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed to receive,

sort and count the votes for U. S. Senator, to fill the unexpired term, occasioned by the resignation of William Pitt Fessenden.

Messrs. Ludwig of Knox, Hinds of Kennebec, and Hamor of Hancock, were appointed said Committee.

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

Whole number of ballots,	27
Necessary to a choice,	14
Nathan A. Farwell has	27

And the Committee have sealed up the ballots and placed them in the hands of the Secretary of the Senate.

The report was accepted, and Nathan A. Farwell was declared duly elected, on the part of the Senate, United States Senator for this State to fill the unexpired term occasioned by the resignation of William Pitt Fessenden.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That a message be conveyed to the House of Representatives by the Secretary, informing them of the election, on the part of the Senate, of Hon. Nathan A. Farwell as U. S. Senator from this State to fill the unexpired term occasioned by the resignation of William Pitt Fessenden.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

A message was received from the House through Mr. Stilson, its clerk, informing the Senate of the election on the part of the House, of Hon. Nathan A. Farwell as U. S. senator from this State, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of William Pitt Fessenden.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the Governor and Council that the Senate has, on its part, made choice of Hon. Nathan A. Farwell as U. S. Senator from this State, to fill the unexpired term occasioned by the resignation of William Pitt Fessenden.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. STETSON,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HUTCHINSON of the House.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 152 of the public laws of 1860 entitled, an act to secure the safety of travellers on railroads ;

The Senate concurring, That all petitions, orders, bills or resolves contemplating private legislation submitted after February 1st, and all petitions, orders, bills or resolves intended to initiate legislation of a public nature submitted after February 10th be referred to the next Legislature without debate ; and that the several Committees except the Committee on Finance, report finally on or before February 17th ;

That the Committee on Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the law in relation to the fees of Trial Justices of the Peace ;

That the Committee on Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making some modification in the law relating to auctions and auctioneers ;

That the Committee on Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that all agreements, in writing, containing a conditional sale of personal property, and held as collateral security on the same, shall be recorded in the same manner as required for mortgages of personal property ; or otherwise provide for the better security of subsequent purchases of such property ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the taxation of shares in National Banks in the several cities and towns where the same are respectively located within the State ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to consider what further legislation may be necessary to secure a more prompt

publication of the reports of the decisions of the Supreme Judicial Court ;

That the delegations from the several counties be directed to inquire what changes in the fees and salaries of Registers of Deeds, and Judges and Registers of Probate in their respective counties are required ;

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of providing by law that Telegraph Companies shall be liable for any damage that may be occasioned by parties by incorrect transmission of messages or neglect to deliver the same ;

That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing the Board of Agriculture and all offices connected therewith, and report thereon at an early day ;

That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of State Superintendent of Common Schools and establishing a Board of Education similar to that under the law of 1846 ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Union Mills Bridge Corporation of Calais, for authority to increase their toll ;

Petition of B. Young and others in aid of the petition of Union Mills Bridge Corporation ;

Petition of Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company, for authority to change the location of its track near Portland ;

Petition of Oliver Moses, President of Androscoggin Railroad Company, for authority to lay a branch track to the Little River Manufacturing Company ;

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

Petition of Timothy Chapman and others of Bethel, for a change of tolls at Barker's Ferry in Bethel ;

Petition of James Dunning and others of Bangor, for an act of incorporation for supplying the city of Bangor with water ;

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

Petition of Francis Hall of the town of Monmouth for a State bounty ;

Petition of David Dame and others, jurors of York county, for an increase of the fees of jurors ;

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

Petition of the Judge and Register of Probate of Kennebec county, for increase of salaries, was referred to the Kennebec County Delegation, in concurrence.

Petition of Oliver Moses to have the name of Little River Manufacturing Company changed to Lisbon Manufacturing Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the jurisdiction of trial justices," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Mr. LUDWIG presented the remonstrance of Halsey H. Monroe and others of Thomaston, against the division of the town of Thomaston, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN presented the petition of the Portland Dry Dock Company, for an amendment to its charter, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of Machiasport and East Machias Toll Bridge for an increase of their rate of tolls, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER presented the petition of the town of Plymouth for repeal of chapter 227 of the laws of 1864, and to have the doings of said town made valid, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed to report rules and orders for the government of the Senate ; and Messrs. Banks of York, Sanborn of Kennebec, and Manson of Penobscot, were appointed said Committee.

Mr. SANBORN of York, from the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Address, reported as follows :

That so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the finances of the State, be referred to the Committee on Finance ;

That so much of it as relates to the assumption of State debts by the general government, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations ;

That so much as relates to banks, be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking ;

That so much as relates to enlistments, and the system of paying bounties to soldiers, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs ;

That so much as relates to the hospital for sick and wounded soldiers, be referred to a Joint Select Committee ;

That so much as relates to fugitives from the draft, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary ;

That so much as relates to coast and frontier defences, be referred to the Committee on Frontier and Coast Defences ;

That so much as relates to the national cemetery and monuments to the memory of our fallen soldiers, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations ;

That so much as relates to the organization of the militia, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs ;

That so much as relates to education, be referred to the Committee on Education ;

That so much as relates to an Agricultural College, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture ;

That so much as relates to the Perkins Institution for the blind at South Boston, and the American Asylum for the deaf and dumb at Hartford, be referred to the Committee on Education ;

That so much as relates to the Insane Hospital, be referred to the Committee on the Insane Hospital ;

That so much as relates to the Reform School, be referred to the Committee on the Reform School ;

That so much as relates to the State Prison, be referred to the Committee on the State Prison ;

That so much as relates to the public lands, be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads ;

That so much as relates to the European and North American

Railway, and to former legislation in respect to railroads west of Portland having their termination in Boston, be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges;

That so much as relates to the Reciprocity Treaty, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations;

That so much as relates to the New Hampshire Resolves, be referred to the Committee on Interior Waters;

That so much as relates to the progress of the war and the Presidential canvass, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The report was read and accepted, and Messrs. Bradbury of Penobscot, Ludwig of Knox, and Walker of Knox, were appointed on the part of the Senate a Joint Select Committee to consider so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the hospital for sick and wounded soldiers.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the above Committee was joined on the part of the House as follows:

Messrs. Sanborn of Kittery, Holden of Casco, Hunt of Bath, Jones of Lewiston, Chesley of Lincoln, Moore of Gardiner, and Howe of Fryeburg.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN,

Ordered, That the report of State Liquor Commissioner be referred to a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join.

And Messrs. Milliken of Waldo, Holbrook of Cumberland, and Stone of Franklin, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order came back passed in concurrence, with Messrs. Larrabee of Portland, French of Cornville, Moore of Minot, Robinson of Sherman, Bowman of Buckfield, Bradbury of Limington, and Bean of Denmark, joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of taxing the stock of corporations in this State by a law similar to that passed in Massachusetts, and approved May 11, 1864.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that persons claiming the right to vote shall be required to show that they have paid the tax assessed on them within one year of the day of the election at which they claimed the right to vote.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of Fish Warden ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of altering or amending section 5, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, so as to require towns to raise a larger sum of money for the maintenance of schools therein ;

That, the Senate concurring, the final adjournment of the present session of the Legislature be on Tuesday the twenty-first day of February next, at twelve o'clock, noon, provided however, that if the despatch of business justify, the final adjournment be at an earlier date ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac I. York and others of Grafton, for aid in building a road in the town of Grafton ;

Petition of L. W. Howes and others, for a change of the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Knox, with bill accompanying ;

Petition of L. Leighton and others of Columbia, for an act to make valid the doings of said town in issuing scrip to volunteers, &c.;

Petition of Calvin Hale and others, to authorize the present Clerk of Courts for Knox county to complete all records not completed by his predecessor;

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of William Percival as a Justice of the Peace";

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

Petition of A. C. Denison and others, for authority to erect dams upon the outlet of "Range Ponds," so called, in the town of Poland;

Petition of Henry E. Prentiss of Bangor, President of the Bas-kahegan Dam Company, for an increase of tolls;

Petition of Isaac M. Bragg of Bangor, President of the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company, for right to improve the navigation of the East Branch of the Mattawamkeag river;

Petition of Henry E. Prentiss and another, for an act of incorporation as the Birch Stream Dam Company;

Petition of Moses Giddings and others, for an act of incorporation as the Sunkhaze Dam Company;

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

Petition of John Relihan, for compensation for grass cut by Indian Agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of James Walker of Township E, Aroostook county, for a deed of a lot of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Alden Morse and others of Phippsburg, for a law to protect bass and alewives in the waters of the Winnegance, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of Asa Burnham and others, for a law for the destruction of the Canada Thistle, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

A communication was received from Isaac R. Clark, Land Agent elect, signifying his acceptance of the office, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council informing them of the election and acceptance of Isaac R. Clark as Land Agent, for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred petition of Isaiah Cook and others, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 160 of the laws of 1863 entitled an act to fix the compensation of jailers for the board of prisoners."

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

Mr. WOODMAN introduced bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Packet Company of Portland," which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to amend the acts establishing Westbrook Seminary," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Thomas Spear and others, for authority to extend piers into tide waters and to construct a floating dock in Cape Elizabeth, referred from the last Legislature to the present, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HINDS presented the petition of the Directors of Winslow Bridge for an extension of its charter, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways, and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec presented the petition of James L. Cheeseman and others of Farmingdale, for an act to incorporate

the Kennebec Ice Company, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act establishing the name and legalizing the doings of the First Universalist Society in Portland," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

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

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, to which was referred bill "an act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the laws of 1862 concerning the suspension of specie payments," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from the same Committee to which was referred bill "an act to amend an act to authorize the surrender of bank charters, and to remit a portion of the bank tax," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That the Adjutant General be requested to supply each member of the Senate with a copy of his report for the year 1863.

Mr. STONE presented the petition of Louisa S. F. Mower for a deed of a lot of land in Eaton Grant plantation, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from John A. Peters, Attorney General elect, signifying his acceptance of the office, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. BARKER,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the Governor and Council that Hon. John A. Peters has been duly

elected Attorney General for the current political year, and has signified his acceptance of said office.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 1865.

Senate 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 Agriculture inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 135 of the public laws of 1862, as to authorize cities, towns and plantations to impose such a tax on dogs as they may vote at their annual meetings ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary examine chapter 6, sections 143, 144, 152 and 154 of the revised statutes, and chapter 144 of the laws of 1862, to see if any further legislation is necessary ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 251 of the public laws of 1864, so as to increase the amount to be assessed on polls in this State ;

That the same Committee inquire what further laws are necessary to cause the burden of supporting the Police Court in Bangor to be borne by the city of Bangor, and not by the county of Penobscot ;

That the Committee on the Library inquire into the condition of the surplus copies of the Adjutant General's Report for the years 1861, 1862 and 1863, and report what disposition shall be made of the same ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing section 61 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes ;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to sell all lots

remaining unsold in township number 4, range 4, as originally surveyed;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Communication from John L. Hodsdon, Adjutant General, relating to the Adjutant General's Reports of 1861, 1862 and 1863, was referred to the Committee on the Library, in concurrence.

Petition of Josiah H. Drummond, City Solicitor of Portland, for authority to said city to exercise jurisdiction over any cemetery owned by it, and outside of its territorial limits, with bill accompanying;

Bill "an act relating to the publication of intentions of marriage";

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

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Mills Company," approved January 7, 1863, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Petition of Solomon Parsons and others of Bangor, in aid of the petition of James Dunning and others, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of Joel Valley, that aid may be granted to the inhabitants of the town of Alva to rebuild a bridge across Presque Isle stream, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on the petition of Nelson Herrin for a deed of a certain lot of land, referred from the last Legislature to the present, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Joint Rules and Orders, with the Joint Rules and Orders of 1864 amended, was accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills:

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the surrender of the charters of existing banks in this State and to remit a portion of the bank tax," approved March 26, 1863;

"An act to amend the acts establishing Westbrook Seminary";

"An act to amend chapter 160 of the public laws of 1863 entitled an act to fix the compensation of jailers for the board of prisoners";

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 strictly engrossed, bill "an act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter 71 of the laws of 1862 entitled an act concerning the suspension of specie payments," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

And this bill having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. EATON of the House.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire what further legislation is needed to prevent cattle and horses from running at large ;

That the Committee on Education inquire what changes are required in the school laws, to secure a more accurate enumeration of scholars and a more equitable distribution of school moneys among the several districts in towns and plantations ;

That the Committee on the Reform School be authorized to visit that institution and make report thereon at any time during the present session of the Legislature ;

That the Committee on State Prison be authorized to visit that institution some time during the session of the Legislature, and make a report thereon ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Augusta Hotel Association for an amendment of its charter, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enable banks of this State to become Banking Associations under the laws of the United States," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking, in concurrence.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec presented the petition of Harrison G. Priest for a change of the law relating to recognizances in criminal proceedings, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Senate Rules and Orders, reported the rules and orders of 1864 with certain amendments.

The report was accepted.

A communication was received from Hon. Ephraim Flint, Jr., Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Board of Commissioners appointed by the Governor under the provisions of a Resolve approved March 25, A. D. 1864, entitled "Resolve relating to the establishment of a College for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," which was read and sent down.

Order from the House :

That a Committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to draft Resolutions relating to the sad intelligence of the sudden decease of the Hon. Edward Everett, with Messrs. Granger of Calais, Cram of Brunswick, Hersey of Bangor, Wilson of Rockland, and Hopkins of Ellsworth appointed said Committee on the part of the House, was read and passed in concurrence ;

And Messrs. Tenney of Somerset, Barker of Penobscot, and Virgin of Oxford joined to said Committee on the part of the Senate.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, bill "an act to establish the name and confirm the doings of the First Universalist Society in Portland," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

And this bill, having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of York,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McKENZIE of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that all persons entering the State or United States' service, either by enlistment or substitute or by draft, shall be credited to the city, town or plantation in which said soldier is enrolled or has his residence ;

That to the proposed amendment to the statute of the State, increasing the minimum sum to be raised by the several cities, towns and plantations of the State for the support of public schools, the Committee on Education be instructed to consider the utility of subjoining some penalty that will be effectual in securing compliance with this provision ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of James A. Milliken and others of Washington county, for increase of compensation to the County Commissioners of said county ;

Petition of E. S. Case and others of Readfield, to have the doings of cities, towns and plantations in this State in raising money to pay volunteers, legalized ;

Remonstrance of Michael Heal and others of Lincolnville, against legalizing the doings of cities, towns and plantations in raising said money ;

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

Petition of E. A. Barnard and others of Calais ;

Petition of John French and others of Eastport, severally for an appropriation in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike ;

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

Petition of William Flowers and others of Bangor, for an act of incorporation as the Maine Express Company ;

Petition of Rufus Small and others of Biddeford ;

Petition of N. C. Sumner and others of Rockland ;

Petition of Nelson Herrin and others of Houlton ;

Petition of William Deming and others of Calais ;

Petition of C. R. Pike and others of Calais ;

Petition of George C. Pickering and others of Bangor ;

Petition of S. A. Howes and others of Belfast ;

Petition of George H. Knight and others of Portland, severally in aid of the same ;

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

Mr. WOODMAN presented bill "an act relating to Portland Bridge" ; also,

Petition of Reuben Higgins and others of Cape Elizabeth, for an act to incorporate the Spurwink Marsh Company ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WADSWORTH presented bill "an act to incorporate Crescent Lodge," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator presented the petition of Charles H. Hayden and others of Pembroke, for an appropriation in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of compelling grantees to cause their deeds of real estate to be recorded.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of causing last wills and testaments, devising real estate, and partitions of real estate, to be recorded in the registry of deeds.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WADSWORTH presented the petition of Lewis L. Wadsworth and others of Pembroke, for an act of incorporation as the Pembroke Axe and Scythe Company, which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of William Grindle, Jr., and others, also on various orders, with bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns, and plantations, in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men and their substitutes, and for other purposes," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was read and re-committed to the Committee, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. JOHNSON 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 so amending section 1, chapter 91 of the revised statutes, as to make it in conformity with the law to record in plantations for election purposes all documents proper to be entered on the records of incorporated towns ;

That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire and report whether any further legislation is necessary to enable those persons claiming bounty money under an act entitled "an act providing bounties for soldiers," approved February 20, 1864, to receive said money ;

That the Committee on Education inquire what legislation is needed to perfect the system of schools in the Madawaska township ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

That the Committee who have in charge the matter of an Agricultural College for the State of Maine, be requested to memorialize Congress forthwith, praying for an extension of the time during which the State may establish said College, was read and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of John Kilby and others of Dennysville ;

Petition of Putnam Rolf and others of Princeton ;

Petition of Samuel H. Talbot and others of East Machias, severally for an appropriation in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike ;

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

Remonstrance of the town of Hope against making valid certain doings of said town, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Eaton and others, County Commissioners of York county, for additional compensation, was referred to the York County Delegation in concurrence.

Order from the House :

That a Joint Special Committee be appointed to take into consideration the subject of taxation, and see if some way or means cannot be devised to compel those who have invested money in United States Government Bonds, and who have stock in National Banks, to pay their just proportion of local taxes, with Messrs. Bacheller of Solon, Chase of Dover, Roberts of Stockton, Foster of Bangor, Payson of Westbrook, Hill of Biddeford, and Lord of Shapleigh, appointed on the part of the House, was read, and, on motion of Mr. BARKER, was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN presented bill "an act to incorporate the Atwood Lead Company"; also,

Petition of William Atwood and others, for an act to incorporate the Atwood Lead Company;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WADSWORTH presented the petition of Joseph H. Cotton and others, for an increase of the capital stock of the Pembroke Iron Company, which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BANKS, from the Joint Select Committee on report of the State Treasurer, reported as follows :

That they have examined the books and accounts in the Treasurer's office and find them to be correctly cast and properly vouched, and that they agree with the balance sheet exhibited to the Legislature, and that the balance of cash on hand December 31, 1864, was \$95,191.24, of which \$86,962.97 was deposited in the different banks of this State and in the Suffolk, Boston, as per schedule annexed, and the balance amounting to \$8,228.27 we found in cash in hand. They further report, that acting by authority of a resolve of January 24, 1863, they have destroyed by burning, all the bonds

and coupons paid by the Treasurer during the year 1864, amounting in bonds to \$50,000 and in coupons to \$206,014.50, a record of which has been duly entered on the books of the Treasurer. That they find on hand December 31, 1864, duly executed but not yet negotiated, bonds of this State authorized by a resolve of March 19, 1864, to the amount of \$235,000. They further report that they find in the Treasurer's office sundry securities deposited with the Treasurer, in trust, under certain acts and resolves of this State, as follows, viz :—for school district number 2, Madison, \$1,000 ; for Trustees of Bates College, \$10,000 ; for Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, \$100,000 ; the said securities being bonds issued by this State.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Harrison G. Priest for a change of the laws of the State so that the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court may have power to allow compensation to the injured party where a recognizance is forfeited, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the payment of taxes by persons claiming the right to vote at elections, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VIRGIN presented the petition of Alden Chase, Register of Deeds of Oxford county, for an increase of fees in said office, which was referred to the Oxford County Delegation.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN,

Ordered, That the Committee to which was referred the report of the State Liquor Commissioner, be directed to order the usual number of copies of so much of said report as they may think proper, to be printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STONE,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of requiring all contracts made by school agents in

employing school teachers to be ratified by the superintending school committee, before the same shall be valid.

Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House through Mr. Stilson, its Clerk, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at half-past eleven o'clock, for the purpose of electing a Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

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

On motion of Mr. BURLEIGH,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads be directed to inquire into the expediency of appropriating a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Land Agent, in repairing State roads and bridges in the county of Aroostook.

Sent down for concurrence.

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. DINGLEY of Androscoggin,

Messrs. Dingley of Androscoggin, Richardson of Cumberland, of the Senate, and Messrs. Foster of Bangor, French of Cornville, McIntire of Peru, Carney of Moscow, and Atwood of Monroe, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Treasurer of State.

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

Whole number of ballots,	137
Necessary to a choice,	69
Nathan G. Hichborn has	113
Charles A. Shaw,	22
Marshall Cram,	1
J. F. Miller,	1

The report was accepted, and NATHAN G. HICHBORN was declared duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

The Convention was then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify Nathan G. Hichborn of his election as Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year.

Mr. BARKER presented bill "an act to incorporate the officers and members of the Somerset Royal Arch Chapter," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BAILEY 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 amending section 6 of the revised statutes in regard to pound keepers;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of making some provision to supply the deficiency in the record of births and marriages in Grand Isle, Madawaska, Dion, and Van Buren plantations in the county of Aroostook, the records having heretofore been kept and remained within the limits of the Province of New Brunswick;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 152 of the public laws of 1862, so as to enlarge the amount of capital stock therein provided for, and for carrying on the business of mining out of the State;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending the law approved March 21, 1864, in relation to the registration

of births, marriages, and deaths, so that the provisions of law regulating such registrations may be of such a nature as will be likely to secure the end desired ;

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the propriety of repealing section 3 of chapter 470 of the laws of 1860 ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

“ Resolve in regard to the credits on the quotas of cities, towns, and plantations,” was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, in concurrence.

Petition of B. A. Neal and others of Gardiner ;

Petition of J. Wheeler and others of Augusta ;

Petition of Chas. F. Potter and others of Augusta, severally in aid of the petition of Wm. Flowers for an act of incorporation as the Maine Express Company, were each referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of township letter L, range 2, county of Aroostook, for a grant of land to Joseph Cariveau of said township ;

Petition of Jethro Brown and others of Perry ;

Petition of Jeremiah Fowler and others of Lubec ; severally for an appropriation in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike ;

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

Petition of R. D. Rice and others for an act of incorporation as the Maine Beater Press Company ;

Petition of Charles D. Brown and others for an act of incorporation as the Yarmouth Paper Company ;

Bill “ an act to incorporate the Denison Paper Manufacturing Company ” ;

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

Petition of Henry Meservey and others of Appleton, to have the doings of said town made valid ;

Petition of Xavier Vallet and others of Van Buren plantation, to have the doings of said plantation made valid ;

Petition of Jane H. Childs for relief for loss of coupon No. 6 of certificate No. 186, of the war loan of 1861 ;

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

Remonstrance of William T. Pearson and others of Penobscot county, against the petition of James Allen and others, for an increase of surveyors' fees, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

"Resolve in relation to the Reciprocity Treaty," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to enlistments and the system of bounties to soldiers, that the subject be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of Isaac I. York and others of Grafton, that the same be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges ;

Report of the same Committee on petition of James L. Cheesmen and others of Farmingdale, that the same be referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act relating to the publication of intentions of marriage," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Mr. HAMOR announced the attendance of Hon. Thomas Warren, Senator elect from the Fourteenth Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

On motion of the same Senator, Mr. Hamor was directed by the President to conduct Mr. Warren, Senator elect, to the Governor and Council to take and subscribe the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Hamor subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Mr. Warren had, before the Governor and Council, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Warren thereupon appeared and took his seat at the Senate Board.

A communication was received from Hon. Marshall Pierce, Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance of the office, which was read and sent down.

Mr. STONE presented the petition of Philip M. Stubbs, Judge of Probate of Franklin county, for an increase of salary, and also in aid thereof;

Same Senator presented the petition of citizens of Franklin county for an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate;

Which were severally referred to the Franklin County Delegation.
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Ai Staples and others, for a charter as the Augusta and Hallowell Horse Railroad Company, referred from the last Legislature to the present, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to liability of Telegraph Companies for the transmission of messages, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to registration of last wills and testaments devising real estate, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to amend the charter of the Augusta Hotel Association," reported that the same ought to pass;

Mr. WADSWORTH, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Mills Company," approved February 7, 1863, reported that the same ought to pass;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of L. L. Wadsworth and others, for an act of incorporation as the Pembroke Axe and Scythe Company, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Pembroke Axe and Scythe Company";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Jos. H. Cotton and others, reported bill "an act to amend an act enti-

tled an act to incorporate the Pembroke Iron Company," approved August 20, 1850 ;

Mr. HAMOR, from the same Committee, on petition of Oliver Moses, President of the Little River Manufacturing Company, reported bill "an act to change the name of the Little River Manufacturing Company and to increase its capital stock" ;

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Portland and Kennebec Railway Company, reported bill "an act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company" ;

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. MANSON presented petition of Benj. B. Farnsworth and others, for an act of incorporation as the Lisbon Manufacturing Company ; also bill "an act to incorporate the Lisbon Manufacturing Company," which were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House, through Mr. Stilson, its Clerk, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day at ten minutes past eleven o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Marshall Pierce, Councillor elect, the official oaths required by the Constitution.

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

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. WALKER of Knox,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Convention be directed to notify Hon. Marshall Pierce, Councillor elect, that a Joint Convention of both Houses of the Legislature is assembled in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of administering to him the official oaths required by the Constitution.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had waited upon

Hon. Marshall Pierce, and delivered the message with which he was charged; and he was pleased to say in reply, that he would attend upon the Convention forthwith for the purpose indicated in the message.

Thereupon, Hon. Marshall Pierce, Councillor elect, came in, and in the presence of both branches of the Legislature, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor by the Secretary of the Senate, informing him of the election and qualification of Hon Marshall Pierce as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be directed to place the flag on the Capitol at half-mast this day at twelve o'clock, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Hon. Edward Everett, whose obsequies are this day being attended in Boston.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McKENZIE of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if further legislation is needed to protect the scenery of the State and the property of its citizens from defacement by the advertisers of patent nostrums and other wares ;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire whether it is expedient to grant additional powers to railroad corporations to take lands for depot purposes ;

That the Delegation from the county of Piscataquis inquire into the expediency of raising the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate of said county ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Beale and others of Hudson, for an act of incorporation as the Hudson Manufacturing Company, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of Stillwater Bridge Corporation for renewal of their charter, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of David N. Ross and others of Fort Fairfield, for aid to Francis Bolier, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of the County Commissioners and others of Knox county, for an increase of the salary of the County Attorney of said county, was referred to the Knox County Delegation, in concurrence.

Petition of J. T. McKellar and others of St. George, to be set off from the town of St. George and annexed to the town of South Thomaston ;

Petition of John Hanrahan and others, to be set off from the town of Thomaston and annexed to the city of Rockland ;

Petition of Francis Cobb and others, in aid of the petition of John Hanrahan and others ;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of James A. Milliken and others, for an increase of pay of the County Commissioners of Washington county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to amendment of chapter 6, sections 143, 144, 152, and 154 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Calvin Hall and others, with bill "an act to authorize the Clerk of the Courts for the county of Knox to complete the records of the courts of said county ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to make valid the doings of William Percival as a Justice of the Peace," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the York County Delegation on the petition of George H. Knowlton, with bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of York" ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

"An act to change the name of the Little River Manufacturing Company, and to increase its capital stock" ;

"An act to incorporate the Pembroke Axe and Scythe Company" ;

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Pembroke Iron Company," approved August 20, 1850.

"An act to amend the charter of the Augusta Hotel Association" ;

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Mills Company," approved February 7, 1863;

"An act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported "resolve in relation to the Reciprocity Treaty," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of James Dunning and others, reported bill "an act to supply the inhabitants of the city of Bangor with pure water";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Red Beach Plaster Company, referred from the last Legislature to the present, reported bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Red Beach Plaster Company";

Mr. WADSWORTH, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Denison Paper Manufacturing Company" reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the registration of deeds of real estate, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 73 of the revised statutes concerning conveyances by deed," &c.

The report was accepted.

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of O. P. Kimball and others of Harrington, to make valid the doings of said town, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STETSON presented the petition of I. H. Coffin, Agent of Wiscasset Bridge Company, for an increase of tolls, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BRADBURY presented the petition of Edward P. Weston,

one of the trustees of Gorham Seminary, for aid to said institution, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Daniel Dane and others, for additional compensation to jurors, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Josiah W. Smith, for an alteration of the town line of Norridgewock, reported that petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. Wadsworth, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of A. Webb and others, for an appropriation to build a road through township number 1, north division, Penobscot county, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMOR,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries be instructed to inquire what further legislation is necessary to prevent the seining of menhaden or poggies in the waters of this State.

Sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the Governor through Hon. Ephraim Flint, Jr, Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners for the year 1864.

The report, on motion of Mr. MANSON, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Education examine into and report what additional legislation is required to facilitate the sale of timber and lumber granted in aid of Westbrook Seminary, Maine Wesleyan

Seminary and Female College, and for educational purposes, under resolves approved March 22 and 23, A. D. 1864, was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what legislation is necessary to give to inhabitants of plantations, organized under chapter 113 of the laws of 1862, the right to vote in State and Presidential elections, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Cherryfield, to have the doings of said town in raising bounties for volunteers, made valid ;

Bill "an act giving further remedies against executors and administrators";

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

Petition of Eli Hume and others for a grant of a lot of land in township number 12, range 4, to Mrs. R. Mitchell ;

Petition of H. C. Currier for authority to the Land Agent to make a discount on his note ;

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

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Bath, for an amendment to the act incorporating the proprietors of Merrymeeting Bridge, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims on petition of Francis Hall, praying for a State bounty, that petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Judiciary, on an order relating to amending section 6 of the law concerning pound keepers, that the same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture ;

Report of the same Committee, on petition of Jane H. Childs, for relief for loss of coupon number 6 of certificate number 186 of war loan of 1861, that the same be referred to the Committee on Claims ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Selectmen of East Machias, for authority to County Commissioners of Washington county to lay out a road over tide waters in said town, that the same be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Atwood Lead Company," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Packet Company of Portland," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on petition of N. T. Palmer and others, with bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Mutual Marine Insurance Company, approved March 31, A. D. 1856, and to continue its corporate existence for certain purposes" ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

"An act to make valid the doings of William Percival as a Justice of the Peace" ;

"An act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of York" ;

"An act authorizing the Clerk of Courts for the county of Knox to complete the records of the courts in said county" ;

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported bills :

“ An act additional to an act to incorporate the Red Beach Plaster Company ”;

“ An act to incorporate the Denison Paper Manufacturing Company ”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “ an act to supply the inhabitants of the city of Bangor with pure water,” reported by the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. MANSON, was laid on the table, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. PEIRCE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on “ resolve for the relief of Nathan Weston,” referred from the last Legislature to the present, reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass ;

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of I. H. Coffin, Agent of Wiscasset Bridge, reported bill “ an act to amend an act to incorporate the proprietors of Wiscasset Bridge.”

These reports were severally accepted, the resolve and bill were each read, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Jotham Johnson, for legislative protection to our coast fisheries, reported that petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HALE presented the petition of C. A. Everett and others for an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate for Piscataquis county, which was referred to the Delegation from said county.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Ephraim Flint, Jr., Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Attorney General of the State of Maine for the year 1864.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

“An act to amend chapter 160 of the public laws of 1863, entitled an act to fix the compensation of jailers for the board of prisoners”;

“An act to amend the acts establishing Westbrook Seminary”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the surrender of the charters of existing banks in this State and to remit a portion of the bank tax,” approved March 26, 1863 ;

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence.

And these several bills having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ROWE of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Education be authorized to visit the State Normal School at Farmington before making their report to the Legislature on the subject of Normal Schools, as required under a previous order ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Eastport Hotel Company,” was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others, for an increase of the salary of the Judge of Probate of Aroostook county ;

Petition of Llewellyn Powers and others, for an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate of Aroostook county ;

Were severally referred to the Aroostook County Delegation, in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Stevens and others of Steuben, for the education of idiots ;

Petition of Josiah Pierce, President of the Board of Trustees of Gorham Seminary, in aid of the petition of E. P. Weston ;

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

Petition of the Selectmen of Newburg to have the doings of said town in raising bounties to volunteers, made valid ;

Bill "an act giving further security against frauds in the sale of personal property";

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

Petition of William McLoon and others of Rockland, in aid of the petition of John Hanrahan and others ;

Petition of the Inhabitants of Waterborough and Limington, for the establishment of town lines between said towns and the town of Hollis ;

Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of Hollis against the foregoing petition ;

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

Petition of Joseph Neal and others of Waite plantation ;

Petition of Benjamin Talmadge and others of Talmadge plantation ;

Petition of O. F. Lothrop and others of Topsfield, severally for an appropriation in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike ;

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

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on an order relating to taxation of stock of corporations, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on petition of L. W. Howes and others, with bill "an act to abolish the February term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Knox and to change the time of holding the April term of said court for said county";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on the petition of

Isaac M. Bragg, with bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company";

Report of the same Committee on the petition of B. P. Gilman and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Lord Brook Dam Company";

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Charles D. Brown and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Yarmouth Paper Company";

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 taxation of shares in National Banks, with bill "an act providing for the taxation of shares in National Banking Associations," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read and recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

"Resolves relating to an amendment of the Constitution of the United States prohibiting slavery," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Treasurer's Accounts, to which was referred the official bond of Nathan G. Hichborn, Treasurer of State elect, reported that, having examined said bond, they find it correctly drawn, that the sureties are responsible and sufficient, and recommend its approval.

The report was accepted and the bond approved.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the report came up from the House accepted, and the bond approved in concurrence, and the same was by the Secretary, lodged in the office of the Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That a message be conveyed by the Secretary to the Governor and Council, informing them that Nathan G. Hichborn has been duly elected Treasurer of State for the current fiscal year; that he has signified his acceptance of the office and filed his official

bond, which has been duly examined and approved by the Legislature and lodged in the office of the Secretary of State.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

“An act to incorporate the Atwood Lead Company”;

“An act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Mutual Marine Insurance Company, approved March 31, A. D. 1856, and to continue its corporate existence for certain purposes”;

“An act to incorporate the Eastern Packet Company of Portland”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the proprietors of Wiscasset Bridge”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock Company”;

“Resolve for the relief of Nathan Weston”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “an act to incorporate Crescent Lodge,” reported that the same ought to pass ;

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of W. W. Edwards and others, reported bill “an act to change the limits of Ticonic Village Corporation.”

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. HINDS,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of enlarging the powers of County Commissioners in reference to auditing bills of costs in criminal cases.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HALE presented the petition of Charles Loring and others of Guilford, for an act of incorporation as the Guilford Manufacturing Company, which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WARREN presented the petition of Sylvanus G. Haskell and others of Deer Isle, to have the doings of said town in raising bounties for volunteers made valid, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of Samuel Small and others, in aid of the petition of the President and Directors of Machiasport and East Machias Toll Bridge, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed "resolve relating to the Reciprocity Treaty," which was finally passed in concurrence.

And this resolve having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending section 26 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the authority of graded schools to raise money, so as to repeal the provision limiting the power of districts to raising not exceeding three-fifths in addition to that received from the town ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of making some modification of the law relating to the appointment, powers and duties of executors and administrators :

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Miller and others of Lincolnville, that the doings of said town in raising bounties for volunteers may be made valid ;

Petition of Richard Welt and others of Lincoln county, for an increase of the fees of jurors ;

“Resolve in relation to furnishing blanks to plantations ;

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

Petition of Aaron Hobart and others of Dennyville and Edmunds, for an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of William McLelland and others of Baring, for an appropriation in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

“Resolve directing the printing of certain documents,” came from the House referred to the Committee on the Library.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the Senate non-concurred with the

House, and referred the same to the Committee on State Printing and Binding.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on the petition of Samuel Staples and others, with bill "an act authorizing James W. Congdon and Edward N. Myers, to construct and maintain a fish weir in Boot Cove, Lubec";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to poll taxes, with bill "an act to amend chapter 251, section 1, of the public laws of 1864, relating to poll taxes";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to create and establish a sinking fund" reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. TALBOT proposed amendment "A," which was adopted. As amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House re-committed to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The Senate recessed, and concurred with the House.

The Committee on bills in the second reading reported the following bills:

"An act to incorporate the Lord Brook Dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the Yarmouth Paper Company";

"An act to abolish the February term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Knox, and to change the time of holding the April term of said Court for said county";

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company";

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported bills:

"An act to change the limits of Ticonic Village Corporation";

“An act to incorporate Crescent Lodge”;

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN presented the petition of John E. Donnell and others, for an act of incorporation as the State of Maine Oil Company; also,

Bill “an act to incorporate the State of Maine Oil Company”;
Which were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures.
Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STETSON presented bill “an act to increase the fees of the Register of Deeds for the county of Lincoln,” which was referred to the Delegation from Lincoln county.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Silas Danforth of Madison, for an additional act in relation to partition fences, reported that petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Timothy Chapman and others, for a change in the rate of tolls at Barker’s Ferry in Bethel, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Winslow Morse and others, for an act of incorporation as the Winnegance Mill Company, referred from the last Legislature to the present, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Alden Morse and others, reported bill “an act for the protection and preservation of bass and alewives in the waters of Winnegance creek above the mill-dam.”

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

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to assessing damages for the discontinuance of town roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARKER,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law, that a plaintiff in an action against two or more defendants, may summon in the executor or administrator of either of such defendants, dying during the pendency of such action, and prosecute his suit to final judgment against them all jointly.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on Claims be directed to inquire into and report what sum or sums should be allowed and paid to Elisha W Shaw and the other parties named in a resolve passed by the last Legislature, and approved March 23, 1864, being chapter 331 of the special laws of said year.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 118 of the revised statutes, concerning offences against the lives and persons of individuals.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 122 of the revised statutes, concerning offences against public justice.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of York,

The Senate adjourned. •

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire if any amendments to the law giving aid to soldiers' families are necessary, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Fen. G. Barker and others of the band of the Third Regiment of Maine Volunteers, for the bounty of two months pay, provided by the act of April 24, 1861 ;

Petition of Franklin Closson and others of Deer Isle, that the doings of said town in raising bounties to volunteers may be made valid ;

Petition of the Selectmen of Hebron, that the doings of said town in raising bounties to volunteers may be made valid ;

Petition of Charles McCarty, Jr., and others of Portland, for an act of incorporation as the Irish American Relief Association, with accompanying bill ;

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

Petition of the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company of Lisbon, for an increase of its capital stock ;

Bill "an act incorporating the Lewiston Machine Company";

Bill "an act incorporating the Lincoln Mills at Lewiston";

Bill "an act incorporating the Continental Mills at Lewiston";

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

Petition of A. D. Lockwood and others, for an act of incorporation as the Lewiston Fire Insurance Company ;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Tenement House Company";

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

Petition of P. D. Andrews and others of Hebron, for compensation for oxen slaughtered by the Selectmen of said town agreeably to an act of 1862, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of D. A. Abbott and others of Bucksport, against the repeal of an act appointing fish wardens in Penobscot and Hancock counties, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of Hazen Keech of Forestville plantation, for a deed of a lot of land in said plantation, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Nahum W. Bennett and others of township number 5, range 1, that bounties paid by them to substitutes, may be reimbursed, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of D. W. Fessenden and others of Portland, for an increase of the salary of the Clerk of Courts of Cumberland county, was referred to the Cumberland County Delegation, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on an order relating to amending the special laws of 1860, with bill "an act to amend chapter 470 of the special laws of 1860, relating to the destruction of fish in Chandler's river";

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of R. D. Rice and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Beater Press Company";

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 73 of the revised statutes, concerning conveyances by deed, &c," was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the reports of the Superintending School Committees of the towns of Princeton and Perry, exhibiting their doings under

“resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians for educational purposes,” approved March 23, 1864, which was read, and on motion of Mr. BANKS, the message and documents were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN presented the petition of E. H. Starbird, in behalf of the town of Falmouth, for an act explanatory of chapter 106 of the laws of 1861, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bill “an act authorizing James W. Congdon and Edward N. Myers to construct and maintain a fish weir in Boot Cove, Lubec,” which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “an act for the protection and preservation of bass and alewives in the waters of Winnegance creek, above the mill-dam,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. PEIRCE, was laid on the table.

Bill “an act to amend chapter 251, section 1, of the public laws of the year 1864, relating to poll taxes,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

Mr. VIRGIN proposed amendment marked “A,” which was adopted.

The bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. TENNEY presented the petition of Joseph Barrett and others of Somerset county, for an increase of the fees of Sheriffs and their deputies, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STETSON, from the Committee consisting of the Lincoln County Delegation, on bill “an act to increase the fees of the Register of Deeds for the county of Lincoln,” reported that the same ought to pass.

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

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec,

Ordered, That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of providing by law for a tax upon foreign Insurance Companies having agencies established in this State, based on the amount of premiums collected, which tax shall be appropriated to the support of schools.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act to amend chapter 251, section 1 of the public laws of 1864, relating to poll taxes," was reconsidered, and the bill laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. PEIRCE,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1865.

Senate met, according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY 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 repealing chapter 164 of the public laws of 1860, authorizing the appointment of Trial Justices, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Dexter Merrill and others, for an extension of State aid to destitute minor children of deceased soldiers, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of Amos Nourse, Judge of Probate of Sagadahoc county for an increase of salary, was referred to the Delegation from said county, in concurrence.

Petition of Prentiss Loring and others of Yarmouth, to have the action of towns in raising money to fill their quotas under the last

call of the President for troops, legalized, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Petition of Nahum M. Dow and others, for an act of incorporation as the Bath Iron Manufacturing Company ;

Petition of the Buxton Manufacturing Company, for an increase of its capital stock ;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mesalonskee Manufacturing Company " ;

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

Report of the Board of Commissioners on the establishment of a college for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of East Maine Conference Seminary, located at Bucksport ; also, on petition of Gorham Seminary, severally for aid, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on petition of Asa Burnham and others, for a law for the destruction of the Canada thistle, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to audit and settle the claim of Edward Sands," 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.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on petition of Winslow Morse and others, granting leave to withdraw, accepted in the Senate, came from the House, that branch non-concurring in the acceptance of the report, and recommitting the same to the Committee. The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Education on an order relating to schools in Madawaska township, with bill "an act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in the Madawaska townships," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read and recommitting to the Committee in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864, in relation to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read and recommitted to the Committee in concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

"An act to amend chapter 470 of the special laws of 1860, relating to the destruction of fish in Chandler's river";

"An act to incorporate the Maine Beater Press Company";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to increase the fees of the Register of Deeds for the county of Lincoln," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. TENNEY, was laid on the table.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 73 of the revised statutes concerning conveyances by deed," &c., reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, was laid on the table.

Mr. HAMOR, from the Committee on Manufactures, on petition of B. B. Farnsworth and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lisbon Manufacturing Company";

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of A. D. Lockwood and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Fire Insurance Company";

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Norridgewock Bridge Company, referred from the last legislature to the present, reported bill "an act to extend the charter of the Norridgewock Bridge proprietors and amend the rate of tolls granted therein";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass ;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the same Committee, on the petition of

E. Clark and others, reported bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company," approved March 19, 1860 ;

Mr. CHASE, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Bath, reported bill "an act to increase the rate of tolls on the Merrymeeting Bridge."

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to make up the pay of Ezra C. Brett, for travel in his attendance at the commencement of the present session, and that the Treasurer of State be directed to pay the same.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Library be requested to inquire how many copies of the report of the Adjutant General for the year 1864 shall be printed, and to whom distributed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WARREN, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Benjamin Capen and others of Eastport, for authority to build a fish weir below low water, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Selectmen of East Machias, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary ;

Mr. MANSON, from the same Committee, on the petition of Isaac I. York and others of Grafton, for aid in repairing a road in said town, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the same Committee, on the report of the Railroad Commissioners for the year 1864, reported that the same be printed and the number of copies be fixed at 350 ;

Which were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, bill "an act to amend chapter 251, section 1, of the public laws of 1864, relating to poll taxes," was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed an amendment, pending the consideration of which, on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. WALKER presented the petition of the inhabitants of the town of Union, that the doings of cities and towns in raising bounties to volunteers may be made valid, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

“An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Wiscasset Bridge”;

“An act to abolish the February term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Knox, and to change the time of holding the April term of said Court for said county”;

“An act to make valid the doings of Wm. Percival, as a Justice of the Peace”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Mills Company”;

“An act to change the name of the Little River Manufacturing Company, and to increase its capital stock”;

“An act to amend the charter of the Augusta Hotel Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Yarmouth Paper Company”;

“An act authorizing the Clerk of the Courts for the county of Knox to complete the records of the Courts in said county”;

“An act to incorporate the Atwood Lead Company”;

“An act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick Mutual Marine Insurance Company, approved March 31, 1856, and to continue its corporate existence for certain purposes”;

“An act to incorporate the Lord Brook Dam Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Denison Paper Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Pembroke Axe and Scythe Company”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Pembroke Iron Company,” approved August 20, 1850;

“An act authorizing James W. Congdon and Edward N. Myers to construct and maintain a fish weir in Boot Cove, Lubec”;

Which were passed to be enacted, in concurrence.

And these several bills having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary, presented to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Bradbury of Penobscot, at his own request, was excused from serving on the Joint Select Committee on Hospital for sick and wounded soldiers, and Mr. Stetson of Lincoln, was appointed on said Committee by the President.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER 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 revising the laws relating to hawkers and pedlers ;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads examine into the situation of lots numbered 2, 13 and 25 in township B, range 1, and determine whether any part of the requirements contained in the act for the sale and settlement of the public lands, shall be remitted to the purchasers of said lots ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Rockland to have the doings of Knott C. Perry, as a Justice of the Peace, made valid ;

Petition of the County Commissioners of Kennebec county, for a change in the time of holding the April and August terms of their Courts ;

Petition of Charles Foss and others of Abbot, to have the doings of school district number 1 in said town made valid ;

Petition of the inhabitants of Prentiss, to have the doings of said town in raising bounties for volunteers made valid ;

Remonstrance of Nathan Parsons and others of Glenburn, against legalizing the doings of said town in raising bounties to volunteers ;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Shaw and Clark Sewing Machine Company at Biddeford, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Petition of L. O. Putnam, Register of Probate of Aroostook county, for an increase of salary, was referred to the Delegation from said county, in concurrence.

Petition of Elijah Upton, Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county, for an increase of salary, was referred to the Delegation from said county, in concurrence.

Petition of J. S. Hobbs and others of Oxford county, for an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate of said county, was referred to the Delegation from said county, in concurrence.

Petitions of Joseph Attean and others of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, for an appropriation to aid them in farming for the coming year, and for schools ;

Credentials of Joseph Nicolar, as a delegate from the Penobscot tribe of Indians ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in concurrence.

Petition of John A. Poor for the extension of a line of railway on the broad guage between Portland and Boston ;

Petition of W. Hunton and others, in behalf of the Livermore Falls Bridge Corporation, to have the doings of said corporation made valid, and for an increase of tolls ;

Petition of Joseph Treat and others of Orono, in aid of the petition of the Directors of Stillwater Bridge Corporation ;

Petition of J. Dinsmore and others, citizens of Cape Elizabeth and Portland, for a charter for a Horse Railroad ;

Remonstrance of Simon Hersey and others, against a change of the location of the Portland and Kennebec Railroad ;

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

Petition of Lewis Wyman and others of Somerset county, for aid

in the construction of a bridge across Dead river in Flagstaff plantation ;

Petition of J. M. Bragg and others, proprietors of township number 1, range 3, Aroostook county, for aid in building a bridge in said township ;

Petition of Thomas Brewer and others of Robbinston, for an appropriation in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike ;

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

Petition of Elizabeth A. Jenkins, for compensation for injuries suffered in attempts to arrest J. M. Grant and Charles Knowles, criminals, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

“Resolve donating certain books to Bates College,” was referred to the Committee on the Library, in concurrence.

Petition of William W. Rowe and others of Auburn ;

Petition of Nathaniel Jordan and others of Lewiston, severally in aid of the petition of William Flowers and others, for an act of incorporation as the Maine Express Company ;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to the repeal of section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

Bill “an act to change the name of Nancy J. Huey,” reported in the House from the Committee on Change of Names, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

“Resolve in reference to raising salaries,” introduced in the House, was read once, and on motion of Mr. BANKS, was laid on the table.

Remonstrance of James G. Waugh and others ;

Remonstrance of Oliver Waugh and others ;

Remonstrance of Silas Woods and others of Starks, severally against the petition of Herod Williams, for a division of the town of Starks ;

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

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

“An act to extend the charter of the Norridgewock Bridge proprietors, and to amend the rate of tolls granted therein”;

“An act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Lewiston Fire Insurance Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Lisbon Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to increase the rates of toll on the Merrymeeting Bridge”;

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “an act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

Mr. RICHARDSON proposed an amendment marked “A,” which was adopted.

As amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PEIRCE, bill “an act for the protection and preservation of bass and alewives in the waters of Winnegance creek above the mill-dam,” was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed an amendment marked “A,” which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. WOODMAN presented the petition of George Warren and others of Portland, for an act of incorporation as the Warren Manufacturing Company ;

Mr. BANKS presented bill “an act to incorporate the English Spinning Roller Company”;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “an act to incorporate the officers and members of the Somerset Royal Arch Chapter,” reported that the same ought to pass ;

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Military Affairs and In-

surance, on bill "an act to incorporate the Eastport Hotel Company, reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass :

Mr. HAMOR, from the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of John E. Donnell and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the State of Maine Oil Company";

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of A. C. Denison and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Range Pond Dam Company";

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 152 of the laws of 1862, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on "resolve in relation to furnishing blanks to plantations," reported that the same ought not to pass ;

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of John A. Poor, for an act to authorize the European and North American Railway Company to construct a telegraph line, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Samuel Oliver and others, to be set off from Nobleborough and annexed to Damariscotta, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on an order relating to the credit of cities and towns for soldiers enlisting and residing therein, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary to establish lines between towns and unincorporated plantations.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of same Senator,

Ordered, That the same Committee be requested to inquire into

the expediency of amending section 44 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to actions against collectors and constables.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Packet Company of Portland," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported "resolves relating to an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, prohibiting slavery," which were finally passed in concurrence.

And this bill and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ALBEE of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of Joseph Attean and others, to have the Penobscot Indians pass over railroads in this State at half fare; also for an appropriation out of the funds of said tribe as a salary for their governor; also for the establishment of a new school district, to be called the Olamon district; also that there shall be no election of governor for said tribe until asked for by two-thirds of the voters thereof;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in concurrence.

Petition of E. T. Luce and others, for an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate of Androscoggin county, was referred to the Joint Delegation from said county, in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen and others of Warren, to have the doings of said town in raising bounties made valid;

Petition of Selectmen of Woolwich, to have the doings of said town in raising bounties made valid ;

Petition of John W. Dana and others, for authority to the County Commissioners of Cumberland county to lay out a highway over tide waters at Martin's Point ;

Petition of G. P. Sewall and others of Oldtown, to have the doings of said town in raising bounties made valid ;

Bill "an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices";

Bill "an act to change the terms of the court in Kennebec county";

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

Petition of Edmund L. Young and others of Gouldsborough, for authority to build a dyke across the tide waters of Marsh bay in said town, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of Rebecca L. Donham of Island Falls plantation for a grant of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of Anna D. Alexander of Lincoln, for indemnity for loss of allotment money, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas J. Southard and others, for a charter for a Steamship Company ;

Petition of William F. Pearson and others for an increase of the fees of surveyors of lumber in Penobscot county ;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Fen. G. Barker and others for bounty, that the same be referred to the Committee on Claims ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to assessing damages for the discontinuance of town roads, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations on " resolve in regard to the credit on the quota of towns, cities," &c., that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act authorizing the Herring Gut Marine Railway to sell and dispose of their corporate property," that the same ought not to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Mills," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Machine Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on petition of Charles Beale and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Hudson Manufacturing Company";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company, with bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve in favor of Albert H. Sawyer," 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.

Bill "an act to incorporate the proprietors of the St. Croix Hall of Calais," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill, "an act to change the name of Nancy J. Huey," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act to incorporate the Range Pond Dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the State of Maine Oil Company";

"An act to incorporate the Eastport Hotel Company";

"An act to incorporate the officers and members of the Somerset Royal Arch Chapter";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Library, on an order relating to the printing and distribution of the Adjutant General's Report of 1864, reported, "resolve relating to printing and distributing the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864."

The report was accepted, the resolve once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Mr. HALE presented the remonstrance of Edward Jewett and others of Sangerville, against legalizing the doings of said town in raising bounties for drafted men who paid commutation, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, bill "an act for the protection and preservation of bass and alewives in the waters of Winnegance creek above the mill-dam," was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act to amend chapter 251, section 1 of the public laws of 1864, relating to poll taxes," was taken from the table.

Mr. SANBORN withdrew his amendment.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby amendment "A" was adopted, was reconsidered.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec proposed an amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARKER,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law regulating attachment on mesne process, that any debtor whose real estate is attached, may, at any time before judgment, have the estate relieved from such attachment by giving such security to the plaintiff in amount and sufficiency as the Court, or some member thereof, after hearing the parties, shall direct.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills :

“ An act additional to an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company ”;

“ An act additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad ”;

“ An act to create and establish a sinking fund ”;

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence.

And these several bills having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

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

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHASE of Hallowell.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Messrs. Talbot of Washington, Peirce of Cumberland, and Hale of Piscataquis, 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	14
Necessary to a choice,	8
Augustus D. Manson has	14

The report was accepted, and Hon. AUGUSTUS D. MANSON, by unanimous consent, was declared duly elected President *pro tem.* of the Senate.

Mr. Manson was conducted to the Chair by Messrs. Stetson and Dingley, and accepted the office with a few remarks.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

The Senate concurring, that, of the number of copies printed of

bills reported by the Committees of the Legislature, not more than fifty be reserved for the uses of the departments and for binding, was read, and on motion of Mr. BARKER, was laid on the table.

Petition of J. J. Kennedy and others, for an increase of the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate of Lincoln county, was referred to the Lincoln County Delegation, in concurrence.

Petition of J. W. North and others, for an act incorporating a Horticultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. Lavensaler and others, Selectmen of Thomaston, against the petition of John Hanrahan and others, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Silver Spring Company," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Petition of S. M. Smith and others of Baring, for an act of incorporation as the Baring Woollen Manufactory," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Petition of David Fuller and others of Ellsworth, for authority to improve the Reeds Brook Stream, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of E. E. Shead of Eastport, for relief for the loss of a State Bond;

Petition of the Selectmen of Springfield, for reimbursement of expenses in transporting enlisted men from said town to Portland and back again;

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

Petition of J. D. Teague and others of Aroostook county, for an appropriation to build a road in said county;

Petition of J. T. Pike, for a deed of a lot of land, numbered 75, in Lyndon;

Petition of Otis Holden and others of Moose river, for the repair of the road leading from the north line of Bingham's Purchase to Canada line, and the bridge across Moose river;

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

Petition of the First Parish Meetinghouse of Perry, for authority to sell their parsonage ;

Petition of Arno Wiswell and others of Ellsworth, for a Municipal Court in said town ;

Bill "an act to prevent substitute brokerage";

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on an order relating to the expediency of the Land Agent's selling all State lands in township 4, range 4, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to defacement of public and private property by advertisements, with bill "an act to prevent the defacing of private property and natural objects by advertisements";

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to Trial Justices, with bill "an act to amend chapter 32 of the public laws of 1862, entitled an act to restrict the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace to Trial Justices";

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to amending section 1, chapter 91 of the revised statutes, with bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property";

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act giving additional powers to the city of Portland in relation to cemeteries," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act relating to Portland Bridge," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on petition of Charles McCarthy, Jr., and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Irish American Relief Association of Portland";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Henry E. Prentiss, with bill "an act to increase the tolls of the Baskahegan Dam Company";

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Mesalonskee Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on petition of the Buxton Manufacturing Company, with bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Buxton Manufacturing Company";

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to incorporate the Continental Mills at Lewiston," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to establish the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Penobscot, for two years," was referred to the Joint Delegation from Penobscot county, in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Bangor";

Bill "an act to repeal an act regulating the storage, safekeeping and transportation of gunpowder in the city of Bangor";

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

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council, and to the House of Representatives, informing said branches that in the absence of the President, the Senate had made choice of Hon. Augustus D. Manson as President *pro tempore*, and that the Secretary be requested to bear the messages.

The messages were conveyed by the Secretary.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Moses Giddings and others for an act to incorporate the Sunkhaze Dam Company, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CHASE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Machiasport and East Machias Toll Bridge Company, reported bill "an act to amend an act entitled an

act to incorporate the Machiasport and East Machias Toll Bridge Company."

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

Mr. BURLEIGH presented the petition of Hugh Read and others, for an appropriation to repair the bridges across the Wytupidlock stream in Aroostook county, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HAMOR presented bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Hancock," which was referred to the Joint Delegation from said county.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 8 of chapter 33 of the laws of Maine, entitled "an act for the suppression of drinking houses and tippling shops, that in case of conviction, the defendant shall pay a fine of one hundred dollars and stand committed until the payment thereof;

Also of incorporating into said act, section 6 of chapter 205 of the public acts of 1846, entitled "an act to restrict the sale of intoxicating drinks."

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following resolve, "resolve relating to printing and distributing the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act to incorporate the proprietors of the St. Croix Hall of Calais";

"An act to incorporate the Hudson Manufacturing Company";

"An act to incorporate the Lincoln Mills";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company";

"An act to incorporate the Lewiston Machine Company";

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STETSON,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRANE 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 amending the present law of this State, as to hold married women liable for all contracts by them made after coverture;

That the Report of the Attorney General be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary to report such legislation, if any, upon its recommendation, as may be deemed expedient;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of the town of Centerville for an abatement of taxes, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel McLaughlin and others, citizens of Meddybemps, Charlotte and Cooper, for a law to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of Charles H. Mulliken and others of Augusta, for an act of incorporation as the Williams Fraternity, with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on the Library, in concurrence.

Petition of A. J. Stimson and others, for an act authorizing the construction of a wharf in the town of Kittery, with bill accom-

panying, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of I. H. Thomas and others of Ellsworth, in aid of the petition of William Flowers for an act of incorporation as the Maine Express Company ;

Petition of S. S. Collier and others, for an act of incorporation as the Star in the West Lodge, No. 85 ;

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

Petition of Joseph B. Robbins and others, for an act of incorporation as the Eastern Frontier Lodge ;

Remonstrance of Cyrus Balkham and others of Robbinston, against legalizing the doings of said town in raising bounties for soldiers ;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of Richard Welt and others, for an increase in the compensation of jurors, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to giving inhabitants of plantations organized under chapter 113 of the laws of 1862, the right to vote in State and Presidential elections, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ; .

Were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Mr. WOODMAN presented the petition of S. L. Goodale and others, for an act of incorporation as the Cumberland Bone Manufacturing Company, which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TENNEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether section 27 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes in relation to the adoption of children, should not be amended, so that the written consent to the adoption of the living parent, who has not the legal custody of the child, may be dispensed with, when a divorce of one parent from the other has been decreed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of increasing the fees of the Registers of Deeds.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY presented "resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State," which was referred to the Committee on the Library.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SOUTHARD presented bill "an act to increase the fees of the Register of Deeds for the county of Sagadahoc," which was referred to the Joint Delegation from said county.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY presented the petition of John Dennis for aid in the publication of a work on martial music;

Same Senator presented the petition of S. E. Judkins and others, in aid of the above petition;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BURLEIGH presented the petition of Martha J. Field for a deed of a certain lot of land in Mapleton plantation, Aroostook county, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VIRGIN presented bill "an act to incorporate Rumford Bridge Company," which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BURLEIGH presented bill "an act authorizing the town of Presque Isle to exempt certain property from taxation," which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY presented bill "an act relating to the duties of Assistant Clerk of the Courts in the county of Penobscot," which

was twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STONE, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the employment of school teachers and the ratification thereof by Superintending School Committees, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Library be directed to inquire into the expediency of raising the salary of the State Librarian.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the continuance of State aid to the children of soldiers who die in the service of the United States, whose mothers are also dead, until they arrive to the age of eight years.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

"An act to incorporate the Irish American Relief Association of Portland";

"An act to incorporate the Continental Mills";

"An act to amend section 1 of chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property";

"An act to amend chapter 32 of the public laws of 1861, entitled an act to restrict the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace to Trial Justices";

"An act giving additional powers to the city of Portland in relation to cemeteries";

"An act to incorporate the Mesalonskee Manufacturing Company";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Buxton Manufacturing Company";

"An act to prevent the defacing of private property and natural objects by advertisements";

“An act relating to Portland Bridge”;

“An act to increase the tolls of the Baskahegan Dam Company”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill, “an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Machiasport and East Machias Toll Bridge Company,” which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

“An act to amend chapter 470 of the special laws of 1860, relating to the destruction of fish in Chandler’s river”;

“An act to increase the capital stock of the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to change the name of Nancy J. Huey”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Maine Beater Press Company”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Red Beach Plaster Company”;

“An act to change the limits of the Ticonic Village Corporation”;

“An act to incorporate Crescent Lodge”;

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to audit and settle the claims of Edward Sands”;

“Resolve in favor of Albert H. Sawyer”;

“Resolve for the relief of Nathan Weston”;

Which were finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. SOUTHARD,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. YOUNG of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to report a bill amending section 1 of chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, so as to include the Clerks of the United States Courts in this State ;

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of altering the legal rate of interest, so that any rate up to nine per cent. may be legal, upon both parties agreeing thereto ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Tripp, Register of Deeds of York county, for an increase of fees, was referred to the Joint Delegation from said county, in concurrence.

Petition of F. P. Billings and others, to be set off from the town of Brooksville and annexed to the town of Sedgwick, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the Dexter High School," was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Petition of L. D. Jordan and others, for a renewal of the charter of the Union River Plank Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the City Manufacturing Company";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Manufacturing Company";

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

Petition of Robert Goodenow and others, for an act additional to

an act incorporating Farmington Village Corporation, with bill accompanying;

Petition of Samuel Huston and others of Dayton plantation, for relief from furnishing State aid to inhabitants of number 6, range 5, Aroostook county;

Petition of Richard S. Waterhouse and others, for authority to convey the meetinghouse of the Second Parish of Scarborough to the Methodist society of said town;

Petition of Jonas Green and others of Peru, for an increase of the fees of jurors;

Remonstrance of William Sweat and others of Knox, against legalizing the doings of said town in raising bounties to volunteers;

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

Petition of G. D. McCrillis and others, for the preservation of certain fish known as porgies or menhaden, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on petition of John C. Proctor and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Tenement House Company," was accepted in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to prepare a Legislative Manual for 1865, containing a diagram of the Senate Chamber and usual statistical matter, and that 300 copies be printed for the use of the Senate;

Mr. CHASE presented "Specimen Pages of Amendments of the Revised Statutes, from 1857 to 1865 inclusive, by Joseph B. Hall," which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BURLEIGH presented the petition of Julius Chandler of Mapleton plantation, that the Land Agent may be authorized to convey to him a certain lot of land, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER presented the petition of David Spratt to be set off from the town of Etna and annexed to the town of Carmel, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator presented the petition of Solomon Parsons in behalf of the town of Howland to further extend the operation of chapter 253, special laws of 1863, and chapter 358, special laws of 1864, with bill accompanying;

Mr. VIRGIN presented bill "an act to amend chapter 82, section 12 of the revised statutes";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That the Committee on Claims be instructed to investigate the claim of William Sally for a bounty for his son Scott Sally.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of John Hanrahan and others, to be set off from the town of Thomaston and annexed to the city of Rockland, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Mr. SOUTHARD, from the Joint Delegation from Sagadahoc county, on the petition of Elijah Upton, Register of Probate for said county, for an increase of salary, reported that petitioner has leave to withdraw;

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the inhabitants of Centreville, for abatement of their State tax for the year 1864, reported leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, resolves of the Legislature of New Hampshire relating to fish in Saco and other rivers, were taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMOR,

The Senate adjourned.

• THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of passing some law relieving the towns and plantations in Aroostook county, in the matter of State aid ;

That the same Committee inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary to secure to towns their equal rights under the first limitation of the first section of chapter 227 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the payment of State bounty, after the filling of the October quota of 1863 ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of A. C. Cotton, for remuneration for damages done to his crops, fences and buildings by the 22d and 23d regiments Maine volunteers while at Camp Pope, Bangor, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Petition of Isaiah Stetson and others of Bangor, for aid to the Milford and Princeton Turnpike, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Petition of John Kelley and others, that Fremont plantation, in Aroostook county, may be incorporated as the town of Easton, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to examination of candidates for West Point Military Academy," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, in concurrence.

Petition of S. S. Lewis and others, for an act to protect the porgy fisheries of the State, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of John Mathews and others, for the repeal of an act

incorporating the city of Hallowell, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Hargraves Woollen Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures, in concurrence.

Petition of Lyman O. Putnam and others, for an act of incorporation as the Aroostook Agricultural Society, with accompanying bill, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, in concurrence.

Petition of Osborn Charles of Fryeburg, for authority to impose a toll on logs and lumber passing through his sluices on Ballard's Brook in said town ;

Remonstrance of Eben Webster and others of Orono, against taking water from Pushaw Pond ;

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

Petition of William McGilvery and others, for an act of incorporation as a Marine Insurance Company ;

Petition of B. C. Sewall and others of Bath, in aid of the petition of William Flowers, for an act of incorporation as the Maine Express Company ;

Bill "an act to authorize the building and maintaining a sluice for the passage of lumber in Perry";

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

Petition of the Directors of Traders' Bank of Bangor, for an increase of capital stock ;

Petition of Eusebius Weston of Skowhegan, for a charter for a savings bank at Skowhegan ;

Petition of R. W. Chapman and others of Biddeford, for an act of incorporation as the Biddeford Savings Bank ;

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

Petition of Charles B. Abbot and others of Glenburn, for the repeal of "an act to repeal an act in addition to an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Bangor," approved July 13, 1847 ;

Petition of Edward Wilder and others of Hudson, for the same ;

Petition of C. B. Lord of Alfred, to change the mode of compensation of the Clerk of Courts of York county, from fees to a salary ;

Memorial of Joseph B. Hall of Portland, in relation to a compendium of amendments to the revised statutes ;

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston ;

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

Report of the Committee on Claims on petition of Selectmen of Springfield, for reimbursement of expenses for transporting soldiers from said town to Portland and back, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Fen. G. Barker and others, for the bounty provided by an act approved April 24, 1861, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending section 8, chapter 33 of the laws of 1858, concerning drinking houses and tippling shops, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Reuben Higgins and others of Cape Elizabeth, for an act to incorporate the Spurwink Marsh Company, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act regulating the storage, safe-keeping and transportation of gunpowder in the city of Bangor," passed March 23, 1835, that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Bangor," that the same ought to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve relating to printing and distributing the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864," passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came from the House referred to the Committee on State Printing and Binding.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 251, section 1 of the public laws

of the year 1864, relating to poll taxes," amended in the Senate as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed, came from the House, that branch nonconcurring in the Senate amendment and insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. CHASE, the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Mr. BARKER presented bill "an act to simplify indictments in capital cases," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SOUTHARD, from the Sagadahoc County Delegation, on bill "an act to increase the fees of the Register of Deeds for Sagadahoc county," reported that the same ought not to pass;

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the powers of County Commissioners in auditing bills of costs in criminal proceedings, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Thomas J. Southard and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Steamship Company."

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the adoption of children, reported bill "an act to amend section 27 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, in relation to the adoption of children."

The report was accepted.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Tenement House Company," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LUDWIG,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. QUINBY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the practical operation of the law authorizing the foreclosure of mortgages given by Railroad Corporations to secure their bonds, and report such recommendations as they shall see fit ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation is necessary in relation to neat cattle running at large and the fencing of highways ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the last clause of section 26 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, so as to authorize any school district, in which a graded school is, or may be established, to raise a larger amount of money for the support of schools in addition to what it receives from the town than is now authorized by law to be raised, at any meeting legally called for that purpose ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

That a Joint Committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be raised to investigate the facts in relation to credits of men already in the naval or marine service of the United States, unassigned to any town, (which credits are now being sold to fill the quotas of cities, towns, and plantations in the State,) and to ascertain and report by what authority any person claims to have direction and control of the disposition of credits of such men ; together with measures for the prevention of further proceedings of like nature, with Messrs. Webb of Portland, Chesley of Lincoln, Roberts of Stockton, Lang of Vassalborough, and Hopkins of Ellsworth appointed on the part of the House ;

Was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Sanborn of Kennebec, Manson of Penobscot, and Talbot of Washington joined on the part of the Senate.

Petition of H. M. Howes and others of Franklin county, for an increase of the fees of the Register of Deeds of said county, was referred to the Joint Delegation from Franklin county, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to change the shire town of Somerset county, was referred to the Joint Delegation from said county, in concurrence.

Petition of Alexander Black and others of Stockton, for "an act of incorporation as the Stockton Steamboat Wharf Company," with bill accompanying, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Petition of B. Cummings, for authority to the Land Agent to deed to Mrs. Abby Day a certain lot of land in Eaton Grant, Aroostook county, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, in concurrence.

Copy of circular from Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, in concurrence.

Communication from the Governor transmitting a joint resolution of the Legislature of Vermont upon the subject of sea fish, was read and referred, together with said resolution, to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Petition of James Merrill and others of Pittsfield, for an amendment of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, so as to allow religious meetings to be held in school houses, was referred to the Committee on Education, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Lewiston and town of Auburn to purchase the Toll Bridge connecting the two places," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Report of the Oxford County Delegation on the petition of Alden Chase for an increase of fees as Register of Deeds, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Joseph Madore and others, with "resolve in favor of Joseph Carriveau";

Report of the same Committee on petition of James Walker, with "resolve in favor of James Walker";

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Hazen Keech, with "resolve in favor of Hazen Keech";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The resolves were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting "all the county estimates and accompanying schedules" received at his office prior to February 3, 1865.

The communication was read, and with the accompanying documents, sent down.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Jane H. Childs reported "resolve in favor of Jane H. Childs";

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on petition of Herod Williams and others, reported bill "an act to set off part of the town of Starks and annex the same to the town of Mercer";

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of William Flowers and others and various other petitions in aid of the same, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Express Company";

Mr. HAMOR, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Shaw and Clark Sewing Machine Company," reported that the same ought to pass;

Mr. HALE, from the same Committee, on the petition of S. M. Smith and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Baring Woollen Manufactory";

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Joseph B. Robbins and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the officers and members of Eastern Frontier Lodge."

These reports were severally accepted, the resolve and bills were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of David N. Ross and others, for aid to Francis Bolier, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads;

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of Joseph Barrett and others, for an increase of the fees of sheriffs and their deputies, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the police court of Bangor, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee on the petition of Jonas Green and others, for an increase of the fees of jurors, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to an increase of the fees of Registers of Deeds, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Mr. VIRGIN, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the establishment of lines between towns and unincorporated plantations, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Mr. TENNEY, from the same Committee, on petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Rockland, to have the doings of Knott C. Perry as a Justice of the Peace made valid, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the amendment of an act approved March 21, 1864, concerning the registration of births, marriages and deaths, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "an act to enable banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

A communication was received from Ephraim Flint, Jr., Secretary of State, transmitting an abstract of the semi-annual returns of the several banks in this State for January, 1865.

A communication was received from the same, transmitting the returns of cashiers of banks and clerks of corporations made to the office of the Secretary of State agreeably to the provisions of section 22, chapter 46 of the revised statutes, which was read, and on

motion of Mr. MANSON, the communication and papers accompanying were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the same, transmitting the returns of insurance companies made to the office of the Secretary of State agreeably to chapter 67 of the laws of 1859, which was read, and with the papers accompanying was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second reading reported bills:

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act regulating the storage, safe-keeping and transportation of gunpowder in the city of Bangor," passed March 23, 1835;

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Bangor;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BURLEIGH presented the petition of Louis Cormier and others of Madawaska plantation, for a change of the law relating to statistics of marriages, births and deaths, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation may be necessary to require the inhabitants of plantations who vote at the State elections, to pay State and County taxes in cases where they refuse to do so.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, the House concurring, That the 11th of the Joint Rules of the Legislature be amended in the sixth line, by striking out the words "the usual number of," and inserting instead thereof, "seventy-five."

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MANSON, "bill an act to supply the inhabitants of the city of Bangor with pure water," was taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LUDWIG,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 112 of the laws of 1862, relating to the use of office copies of deeds ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency and practicability of having the engrossing done by types ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Credentials of Newell Neptune, representative from the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. B. Sutton and others, citizens of Oldtown and Orono ;

Remonstrance of George W. Coombs and others of the same towns ;

Severally against the petition of James Dunning and others, for authority to furnish the city of Bangor with water from Pushaw stream ;

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

Petition of James A. Thurrill and others, in aid of the petition of J. Dinsmore and others, for a charter for a Horse Railroad in Cape Elizabeth, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims on the petition of John Relihan, for compensation for grass cut by the Indian Agent of the

Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Dexter Merrill and others, for the extension of State aid to destitute minor children of deceased soldiers, that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary ;

Report of the same Committee on petition of Jeannette S. Worth for remuneration for injuries received from a patient of the Maine Insane Hospital, that petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on petition of H. C. Currier and others, for authority to the Land Agent to make a discount on his notes, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of E. H. Starbird, in behalf of the town of Falmouth, for an act explanatory of an act incorporating the Presumpscot Land and Water Power Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the liability of married women on their contracts, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to State aid to orphan children of soldiers ; also on an order relating to relief of certain towns in Aroostook county, in the matter of State aid ; also on an order relating to recommendations of Attorney General in regard to the State aid law ; that the several orders be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the Directors of Traders' Bank of Bangor, with bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Traders' Bank in Bangor," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Nahum M. Dow and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Iron Mining and Manufacturing Company," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

“Resolve in favor of Josiah H. Drummond,” introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Bill “an act for the protection and preservation of bass and alewives in the waters of Winnegance creek above the mill-dam,” amended in the Senate and indefinitely postponed, came from the House with the Senate amendment adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed.

Report of the Committee on Education on an order relating to the sale of timber granted to Westbrook Seminary, and Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, with “resolve to facilitate the sale of timber and lumber granted in aid of Westbrook Seminary, Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, and for educational purposes,” was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was twice read, the rules being suspended, and re-committed to the Committee in concurrence.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Library, on petition of Charles H. Mulliken and others, reported bill “an act to incorporate the Williams Fraternity.”

The report was accepted, the bill once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on State Printing and Binding, reported that they had entered into a contract with Messrs. Stevens and Sayward to do the printing for the State for the present year, and submitting the contract.

The report was accepted, and the contract read and approved.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, reported that they had entered into a contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith to do the State binding for the present year and submitting the contract.

The report was accepted, and the contract read and approved.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the above contracts came from the House severally approved in concurrence, and were by the Secretary lodged in the office of the Secretary of State.

Mr. BURLEIGH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of John T. Pike, that the Land Agent may be authorized to convey to him a certain lot of land in Lyndon, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of Hazen Keech”;

“Resolve in favor of James Walker”;

“Resolve in favor of Joseph Cariveau”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

“An act to incorporate the Baring Woollen Manufactory”;

“An act to incorporate the officers and members of Eastern Frontier Lodge”;

“Resolve in favor of Jane H. Childs”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Maine Express Company,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY, was laid on the table, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Shaw and Clark Sewing Machine Company,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, was laid on the table.

Bill “an act to set off part of the town of Starks and annex the same to the town of Mercer,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. PEIRCE, was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns and plantations in voting and making provisions for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes,” with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and the House amendments severally adopted.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, proposed an amendment which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the bill was laid on the table and Monday at 11 o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

"An act to amend chapter 32 of the public laws of 1861, entitled an act to restrict the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace to Trial Justices";

"An act to incorporate the Irish American Relief Association";

"An act to amend section 1, chapter 91 of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property"

"An act relating to Portland Bridge";

"An act to incorporate the Range Pond Dam Company ;"

"An act to incorporate the Continental Mills";

"An act to incorporate the Lisbon Manufacturing Company";

"An act to increase the rate of tolls on Merrymeeting Bridge";

"An act to incorporate the Hudson Manufacturing Company";

"An act giving additional powers to the city of Portland in relation to cemeteries";

"An act to incorporate the State of Maine Oil Company";

"An act to incorporate the Lewiston Fire Insurance Company";

"An act to incorporate the Mesalonskee Manufacturing Company";

"An act to increase the tolls of the Baskahegan Dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the Eastport Hotel Company";

"An act to incorporate the Lincoln Mills";

"An act to prevent the defacing of private property and natural objects by advertisements";

"An act to extend the charter of the Norridgewock Bridge Proprietors and amend the rate of tolls granted therein";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Buxton Manufacturing Company";

"An act to incorporate the Lewiston Machine Company";

"An act to incorporate the proprietors of the St. Croix Hall";

Which were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence.

And these several bills having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of York,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BROWN of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House:

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of taxing foreign insurance companies in aid of the common school fund;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of David Howe and others, for the protection of the fishing interest on the coast of Maine, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on an order relating to abolishing the office of Fish Warden, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on an order relating to remitting settling duties on lots number 10, 13 and 25, in township B, range 1, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on petition of Charles Loring and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Guilford Manufacturing Company";

Report of the same Committee on petition of S. L. Goodale and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Bone Company";

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Edward Hargraves and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Hargraves Woollen Company";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was re-committed the report of the same Committee on the petition of Winslow Morse and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Winnegance Mill-dam Company";

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of S. S. Collier and others, with bill "an act to incorporate Star in the West Lodge, No. 85";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to amending chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, with bill "an act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of the year 1864, entitled an act requiring the Secretary of State to furnish the Clerks of Courts in the several counties a list of all persons commissioned and qualified as Justices of the Peace and Quorum, Trial Justices and Notaries Public";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act relating to the duties of Assistant Clerk of the Courts in the county of Penobscot," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed. The Senate receded and concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

A message was received from the Governor through Ephraim Flint, Jr., Secretary of State, as follows :

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Augusta, Feb. 6, 1865.

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I have the honor to lay before you an official copy of "a resolution submitting to the Legislatures of the several States, a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States," adopted by Congress.

By the proposed amendment, slavery or involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, is forever prohibited in the

United States, or in places subject to their jurisdiction. Your ratification thereof, is invoked.

I congratulate the people of this State that the time has arrived when, in a legitimate and constitutional method, a subject which has so long been the exciting cause of angry discussion and at last was made the pretext for plunging the nation into a bloody and fratricidal war attended with unutterable woes, may be finally put at rest.

I congratulate you personally, that in your character as the constitutional representatives of the people of Maine, the felicity is vouchsafed to you to give effect to their will by voting for the extirpation of a system utterly at variance with every other human institution, offensive to the best instincts of our species, founded on disregard of the first principles of human justice and in violation of the laws of God.

SAMUEL CONY.

On motion of Mr. TENNEY,

Ordered, That the message of the Governor, transmitting a copy of the resolves of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in Congress assembled, approved on the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, two-thirds of both Houses having concurred therein, proposing the amendment of the Constitution of the United States as aforesaid, which resolves are to become a part of the same when ratified by three-fourths of the Legislatures of the several States, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of five on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, with authority and direction to report a bill ratifying the resolves on the part of the Legislature of the State of Maine.

And Messrs. Tenney of Somerset, McGilvery of Waldo, Barker of Penobscot, Virgin of Oxford and Banks of York, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order came back passed in concurrence, with Messrs. Williams of Augusta, Tapley of Saco, Crosby of Dexter, Miller of Portland, Smith of Northfield, Shaw of Biddeford, and Parkes of Phippsburg, joined to said Committee on the part of the House.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Directors of the Winslow Bridge for

an extension of its charter, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the exaction of tolls on turnpikes, ferries, and bridges, after the right to exact such tolls has expired, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of repealing the latter clause of chapter 280 of the public laws of 1864, relating to evidence in criminal prosecutions.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HINDS,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to examine chapter 29 of the revised statutes relating to bowling alleys and billiard saloons, and the acts of 1862 and 1863, amendatory of the same, and ascertain whether said acts should not be revised or all of said acts repealed and a new act relating to the same matter enacted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns and plantations, in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men, and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes."

Mr. VIRGIN moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate adopted the amendment proposed by Mr. Sanborn of Kennebec.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the motion of Mr. Virgin was laid on the table, and to-morrow assigned for its further consideration.

Subsequently the bill was laid on the table, and to-morrow assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, bill "an act to incorporate the Shaw and Clark Sewing Machine Company," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill and resolve:

“An act to incorporate the Bath Iron Mining and Manufacturing Company”;

“Resolve in favor of Josiah H. Drummond”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill, “an act to incorporate the Williams Fraternity,” which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. JOHNSON of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House:

That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary relative to the weight or measurement of potatoes, so that the purchaser shall not get five pecks for a bushel;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law that the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, sitting as a Court of Law, may grant a new trial upon some specific point, when in their judgment it would better subserve justice than to open a new hearing upon all the points in the case;

That the same Committee be instructed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to the liability of towns, &c., or damages incurred by reason of defective highways;

That the same Committee be instructed to inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary respecting the unauthorized use of partnership names by either partner, after the expiration of said partnership ;

That the same Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1861, by striking out the word "fifty" and inserting in place thereof the words "one hundred";

That the same Committee be instructed to inquire if any further legislation be necessary relative to the collection of taxes ;

That the same Committee be directed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a fixed and uniform day throughout the State for election of town and plantation officers ; and also fixing the hours for opening and closing the polls ; and requiring the use of check lists in the election of all officers ; and providing that all the officers excepting the Moderator be elected on one ballot ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing a penalty for the non-performance of the requirements of chapter 279 of the public acts of 1864 by town officers ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 45 of the revised statutes of 1857, by inserting after the word "payment" in the 5th line in said section, the word : "provided such payment shall have been made by the party paying such interest under a written protest";

That the Committee on Military Affairs be directed to inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to secure to soldiers who joined the Invalid Corps of this State, and were allowed on the quota of this State, the same State bounties as other soldiers receive ;

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance be instructed to inquire what, if any, legislation is necessary relative to the weight of coal, and the measurement of wood ;

That the Committee on the Library be instructed to inquire into the expediency of having the public documents of the State indexed ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to the Kennebec and Portland Railroad," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Goss of Masardis for a grant of a lot of land, was referred to the next Legislature, in concurrence.

“Resolve in relation to unassigned Naval and Marine credits”;
Communication from John L. Hodsdon, Adjutant General, in response to an order of the House, relating to Naval credits;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “an act giving further remedies against executors and administrators,” with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill “an act to incorporate the English Spinning Roller Company,” with the same in a new draft, and that it ought 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, to which was recommended bill “an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864 in relation to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices,” that the same in a new draft ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended.

Mr. VIRGIN proposed an amendment which was adopted; as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “an act to change the name of James W. Leavitt and to confer upon him the rights of inheritance”;

Bill “an act to change the names of certain persons”;

Severally reported in the House from the Committee on Change of Names, were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill “an act to amend section 22 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, in relation to the adoption of children”;

Bill “an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States”;

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Andrew J. Stimson and others, reported bill "an act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of Kittery";

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

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 239 of the public laws of 1864, entitled "an act to restrain illegal appropriation of public money."

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns and plantations in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes," was taken from the table. The question being on the motion of Mr. VIRGIN to reconsider the vote whereby Mr. SANBORN'S amendment was adopted, the same was reconsidered.

Mr. CHASE proposed an amendment marked "T," which was adopted.

Mr. BARKER proposed an amendment marked "V," pending the consideration of which, on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. TENNEY submitted the following report :

The Joint Select Committee of the two branches of the Legislature, consisting of Messrs. Tenney of Somerset, McGilvery of Waldo, Barker of Penobscot, Virgin of Oxford, and Banks of York, of the Senate, Messrs. Williams of Augusta, Tapley of Saco, Crosby of Dexter, Miller of Portland, Smith of Northfield, Shaw of Biddeford, and Parkes of Phippsburg, of the House, to whom was referred the message of the Governor with a copy of the resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in Congress assembled, approved on the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, (two-thirds of both Houses concurring) submitting to the Legislatures of the several States a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States, with the order giving to the Committee

authority and direction to report a bill ratifying on the part of the State of Maine the resolution referred to, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report the bill herewith submitted.

JOHN S. TENNEY,
WILLIAM MCGILVERY,
LEWIS BARKER,
WM. WIRT VIRGIN,
ESREFF H. BANKS,
JOSEPH H. WILLIAMS,
RUFUS P. TAPLEY,
JOSIAH CROSBY,
JAMES F. MILLER,
GEORGE W. SMITH.

The report was accepted.

The bill entitled "an act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, proposed to the Legislatures of the several States by a resolution of Congress, approved on the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five," was read twice under a suspension of the rules.

On the passage of the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. PEIRCE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which, being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Barker, Bradbury, Burleigh, Chase, Dingley, Hale, Hamor, Hinds, Holbrook, Jewett, Ludwig, Manson, McGilvery, Milliken, Peirce, Richardson, J. A. Sanborn, L. Sanborn, Southard, Stetson, Stewart, Stone, Talbot, Tenney, True, Virgin, Wadsworth, Walker, Warren, Woodman—31.

NAYS—None.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Express Company," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills:

"An act to incorporate Star in the West Lodge, No. 85";

"An act to amend chapter 64 of the public laws of 1864, entitled

an act requiring the Secretary of State to furnish the Clerks of Courts in the several counties a list of all persons commissioned and qualified as Justices of the Peace and Quorum, Trial Justices and Notaries Public”;

“An act to incorporate the Winnegance Mill-dam Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Hargraves Woollen Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Guilford Manufacturing Company”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Cumberland Bone Company,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. HAMOR, was recommitted to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TENNEY,

Ordered, That Senators who were not present at the time when the yeas and nays were taken in the Senate on the question whether the resolution of Congress submitting to the Legislatures of the several States a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States, providing that neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction, shall be ratified, may have the privilege of recording their names when convenient for them.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, bill “an act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, proposed to the Legislatures of the several States by a resolution of Congress, approved on the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five,” which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

And this bill having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HUTCHINSON of the House.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of relieving towns in this State from the expense of advancing and disbursing State aid to the families of soldiers and others entitled to the same, and that the aid thus advanced and disbursed be by, and at the expense of, the State ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 2, chapter 130 of the public laws of 1862, entitled " an act to regulate the agencies for and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors," approved March 19, 1862, so as to prohibit the purchase of liquors from the State Commissioner of Massachusetts (except such purchases as may be made by the State Commissioner of Maine); and also to provide that the State Commissioner of Maine shall keep a supply of liquors in some convenient place in the city of Boston for the accommodation of such Municipal officers as may find it more convenient to purchase a supply at that place ;

That the Committee on State Prison be directed to consider the expediency of some additional law for the punishment of persons aiding prisoners to escape from the State Prison ; also the propriety of having the salaries of the officers of the Prison fixed by the Inspectors, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Richard L. Waterhouse and others, with bill " an act to authorize the Second Parish in Scarborough to convey their property to the Methodist Society of Scarborough " ;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on the petition of Theodore Cary and others, with bill " an act to incorporate the Aroostook County Agricultural Society " ;

Report of the Committee on the Library on "resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Joint Delegation from Piscataquis County, on an order relating to increasing the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate for said county, with bill "an act to establish the salaries of the Judge of Probate and Register of Probate for the county of Piscataquis";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills and resolve were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act amendatory of and additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Otisfield Mutual Fire Insurance Company," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, in concurrence.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Edmund L. Young and others, reported bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Marsh Bay in Gouldsborough, in the county of Hancock."

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

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of John Mathews and others, for the repeal of the act incorporating the city of Hallowell, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills:

"An act to change the names of certain persons";

"An act to change the name of James W. Leavitt and to confer upon him the rights of inheritance";

"An act to give further remedies against executors and administrators";

"An act to incorporate the English Spinning Roller Company";

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of Kittery";

“An act to amend section 27 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, in relation to the adoption of children”;

“An act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States”;

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CHASE, bill “an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns and plantations, in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men, and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes,” was taken from the table.

The question being on amendment “V” proposed by Mr. BARKER, the same was adopted.

As amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the city of Bangor”;

“An act to incorporate the Portland Tenement House Company”;

“An act to repeal an act entitled an act regulating the storage, safe-keeping and transportation of gunpowder in the city of Bangor,” passed March 31, 1835;

“An act to incorporate the officers and members of the Somerset Royal Arch Chapter”;

“An act to incorporate the Kennebec Steamship Company”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Machiasport and East Machias Toll Bridge”;

“An act to amend chapter 251, section 1, of the public laws of 1864, regulating poll taxes”;

“An act to increase the capital stock of the Traders’ Bank, Bangor”;

Which were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

“Resolve in favor of Joseph Carriveau”;

“Resolve in favor of Hazen Keech”;

“Resolve in favor of James Walker”;

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves, having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MUNGER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of enacting a law whereby corn shall be bought and sold by the standard weight ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 101, section 3 of the revised statutes, relating to replevying a person, and chapter 135, section 10 of the revised statutes, relating to prisoners in jail ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

That all bills, petitions and orders relating to salaries of County officers, be taken from the files and referred to a Special Committee of one from each county, with such as the Senate may join, with Messrs. Miller of Portland, Abbott of China, Ellis of Canton, Stetson of Newcastle, Hall of Rockland, Wasgatt of Mt. Desert, Jones of Lewiston, Hunt of Bath, Pullen of Monson, Mayo of Orono, Phillips of Weld, Kilby of Eastport, Bradford of Houlton, Roberts of Stockton, Tapley of Saco, and Gower of Mercer, appointed on the part of the House, was read, and on motion of Mr. MANSON, was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

" Resolves authorizing a temporary loan, reported in the House from the Committee on Finance," were read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Petition of Webster Treat and others of Frankfort, for the protection of the porgy fisheries of Penobscot Bay, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to hawkers and pedlers, with bill "an act to amend chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relative to hawkers and pedlers";

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to auctions and auctioneers, with bill "an act additional to chapter 34 of the revised statutes relating to auctions and auctioneers";

Report of the Committee on Education, to which was recommitteed bill "an act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in the Madawaska townships";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve directing the State Treasurer to pay certain moneys due to the Madawaska townships for school purposes," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Aaron Hobart and others, with bill "an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and recommended to the Committee, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864, in relation to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices," came from the House, that branch non-concurring in Senate amendment "A," and insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. CHASE, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to highways, reported bill "an act to regulate the liability of towns for damages caused by defective ways."

The report was accepted.

Mr. BANKS presented bill "an act to authorize certain banks to increase their capital stock," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY presented the following bills :

“An act to recover damages sustained by perjury”;

“An act explanatory of chapter 94 of the public laws of 1859, relating to petitions for review”;

“An act to protect parties against perjured testimony”;

Which were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARKER, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Fen. G. Barker and others, giving petitioners leave to withdraw, was reconsidered, and the report was recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill “an act to incorporate Rumford Bridge Company,” reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of James Merrill and others, for an amendment of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, so as to allow religious meetings to be held in district school houses, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills and resolve :

“An act to incorporate the Aroostook County Agricultural Society”;

“An act to authorize the Second Parish in Scarborough to convey their property to the Methodist society of Scarborough”;

“An act to establish the salaries of the Judge of Probate and Register of Probate for the county of Piscataquis”;

“Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Marsh Bay in Gouldsborough, in the county of Hancock," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

Mr. DINGLEY proposed amendments "A" and "B," which were severally adopted, and the bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

"An act to incorporate the Winnegance Mill-dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company";

"An act to incorporate the Star in the West Lodge";

"An act to incorporate the Bath Iron Mining and Manufacturing Company";

"An act to incorporate the officers and members of Eastern Frontier Lodge";

"An act to incorporate the Baring Woollen Manufactory";

"An act to incorporate the Guilford Manufacturing Company";

Which were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported "resolve in favor of Josiah H. Drummond," which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. HAMOR,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1865.

Senate 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 into the expediency of amending section 5 of the act relating to drinking houses and tippling shops, approved March 25, 1858, by substituting the word "may" for "shall," so far as it is necessary, that the power of towns to act in the premises may be discretionary ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 82, section 19 of the revised statutes ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 59, section 28 of the revised statutes, so as to give adopted children the right of inheritance of their adopted parents, if requested by them ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending the 1st section of chapter 75 of the revised statutes, relating to title by descent ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 57 of the revised statutes," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the inhabitants of the town of Etna, against the petition of David Spratt to be set off from Etna and annexed to Carmel, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of Joseph Attean and others, to have the Indians of the Penobscot tribe pass over the railroads in the State at half fare; that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Robert Goodenow and others, for "an act additional to an act in-

corporating Farmington Village Corporation," that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to amend chapter 82, section 12 of the revised statutes," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to billiard saloons and bowling alleys, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to executors and administrators, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to granting new trials on specific points by the Supreme Judicial Court, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Elizabeth A. Jenkins, with "resolve in favor of Elizabeth A. Jenkins";

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of J. W. North and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society";

Report of the Committee on the Library, on "resolve donating certain books and documents to Bates College," that the same ought to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bill and resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. SOUTHARD, from the Joint Delegation from Sagadahoc county, on the petition of Amos Nourse, Judge of Probate in said county, for an increase of salary, reported that petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. STETSON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of John Dennis, also on petition of S. E. Judkins and others, in aid of the same, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Education ;

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the same Committee, on "resolve relating to the examination of candidates for West Point Academy," reported that the same ought not to pass ;

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act giving further security against fraud in the sale of personal property," reported that the same ought not to pass ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the use of the partnership name by either partner after the expiration of the partnership, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Mr. BARKER, from the same Committee, on the petition of Dexter Merrill and others, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CHASE, bill "an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864 in relation to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices," was taken from the table.

The same Senator moved that the Senate recede and concur with the House, pending which, on motion of Mr. BARKER, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. TENNEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of authorizing the trustees of literary institutions to mortgage real estate owned by them, to raise money to erect and repair buildings necessary for the successful accomplishment of the object of such institutions.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator presented bill "an act to indemnify persons against damage by taking their property wrongfully," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator presented the petition of Joel Colby and others, for an appropriation on the Canada road, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARKER,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether legislation is not necessary to protect Overseers of the Poor, or those acting under their order, under the State aid laws of 1861 and 1862.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of William McGilvery, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Neptune Mutual Marine Insurance Company";

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Alexander Black and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Stockton Steamboat Wharf Company";

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Union Mills Bridge, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 173 of the private and special laws of 1862, to incorporate the Proprietors of Union Mills Bridge, and granting a right to demand tolls."

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 239 of the public laws of 1864, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 239 of the public laws of the year 1864."

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, bill "an act to increase the fees of the Register of Deeds for the county of Lincoln," was taken from the table.

Mr. WALKER proposed an amendment which was adopted.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. BANKS, the vote adopting said amendment was reconsidered.

Same Senator proposed an amendment which was adopted.

The question recurring on the passage of the bill as amended to be engrossed, the same was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills and resolve :

"An act to amend chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relative to hawkers and pedlers";

"An act additional to chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers";

"Resolve directing the State Treasurer to pay certain moneys due to the Madawaska township for school purposes";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported bill "an act to incorporate the Rumford Bridge Company," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in the Madawaska township," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time and, on motion of Mr. BARKER, was laid on the table.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 45 of the revised statutes, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator presented the petition of Albert G. Hills and others, for an act of incorporation as the Oxford Turpentine Company, which was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, "resolve authorizing a temporary loan," which was finally passed in concurrence.

And this resolve having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. BURGESS of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Normal School act as to place the general supervision of the school in the hands of a commission, of which the Superintendent of Common Schools shall be chairman, instead of in the hands of the Superintendent alone, as now provided ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of establishing by law rules regulating the measurement of round timber ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 210 of the public laws of 1863, relative to location of Normal Schools, by striking out the last clause of said section, as follows, viz : "and provided that such location shall not be within the limits of any incorporated city";

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of requiring Coroners and Notaries Public to pay the same duty on their commissions that is now required of Justices of the Peace ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any further legislation be necessary in relation to writs of prohibition and proceedings by injunction ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any further legislation be necessary relative to actions against towns to recover back taxes paid and alleged to be irregularly assessed ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire if any further legislation be necessary in order to secure a more perfect trial by jury in civil actions ;

That the Committee on Agriculture be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 3, chapter 23 of the revised

statutes, so as to make the penalty or penalties therein named more effectual ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the selectmen of Avon to have the records and doings of said town made valid ;

Bill "an act relating to County Treasurers";

Bill "an act to amend chapter 244 of the public laws of 1864, relating to registration of births, marriages and deaths";

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

Petition of George S. Sweetser and others ;

Petition of Sullivan Green and others of Deer Isle, for a law for protection of porgies and menhaden in the waters of this State ;

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

Petition of J. R. Tabor and others of Unity, for the annexation of Unity plantation to said town, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of A. C. Cotton for compensation for damages done his property by the 22d and 23d regiments Maine Volunteers in 1863, that petitioner have leave to withdraw, came from the House accepted.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the Senate non-concurred in the acceptance of the report and recommitted the same to the Committee.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the claim of William Sally for the bounty of his son Scott Sally, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to a change in the rate of interest, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the taxation of Foreign Insurance Companies, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Nahum

W. Bennett and others, of township number 5, range 1, for reimbursement of money paid to substitutes, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of the Selectmen of East Machias, with bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Washington county to lay out and establish in East Machias a county road over tide waters," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was laid on the table on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company," approved March 19; 1860, passed to be engrossed in the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to regulate the liability of towns for damages caused by defective ways," was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to authorize the building and maintaining a sluice for the passage of lumber in Perry," reported that the same ought to pass ;

Mr. WADSWORTH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of B. Cummings, Martha J. Fields, Rebecca L. Donham, Louisa S. F. Mower, Eli Hume and others, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to the widows of deceased soldiers";

These reports were severally accepted, the bill and resolve each once read, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

A message was received from the House through Mr. Larrabee of Portland, informing the Senate that in the absence of its Speaker, the House had made choice of Josiah Crosby, Esq., of Dexter, as Speaker *pro tem*.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following bills and resolves :

"An act to amend chapter 173 of the private and special laws of 1862, to incorporate the proprietors of Union Mills Bridge";

"An act to incorporate the Stockton Steamboat Wharf Company";

"An act to incorporate the Neptune Mutual Marine Insurance Company";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolves :

"An act to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society";

"Resolve donating certain books and documents to the library of Bates College";

"Resolve in favor of Elizabeth A. Jenkins";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills :

"An act for the protection and preservation of bass and alewives in the waters of the Winnegance creek above the mill-dam";

"An act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of the year 1864, entitled an act requiring the Secretary of State to furnish Clerks of Courts in the several counties, a list of all persons commissioned and qualified as Justices of the Peace and Quorum, Trial Justices, and Notaries Public";

"An act to establish the salaries of the Judge of Probate and Register of Probate for the county of Piscataquis";

"An act to incorporate the Hargraves Woollen Company";

"An act giving further remedies against executors and administrators";

"An act to authorize the Second Parish in Scarborough to convey their property to the Methodist Society of Scarborough";

"An act to change the names of certain persons";

"An act to incorporate the Williams Fraternity";

"An act to incorporate the Shaw and Clark Sewing Machine Company";

"An act to change the name of James W. Leavitt, and confer upon him the rights of inheritance";

"An act to incorporate the English Spinning Roller Company";

“An act to incorporate the Aroostook Agricultural Society”;
Which were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

“Resolve in favor of Jane H. Child”;

“Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State”;

Which were finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

Bill “an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns, and plantations in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men, and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes,” came from the House, that branch concurring in the adoption of Senate amendment “T,” non-concurring in Senate amendment “V,” and further amended as per sheets “W” and “X.”

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, the bill was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the same as amended, together with the proposed amendments, ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of York,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. BAILEY of Gardiner.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on petition of Joseph Attean and others, to have the Governor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians chosen only when asked for by two-thirds of the voters of said tribe, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on " resolve to facilitate the sale of timber and lumber granted in aid of Westbrook Seminary, Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, and for educational purposes," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of Joseph Attean and others of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, with " resolve establishing a new school district for the Penobscot tribe of Indians " ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill " an act authorizing the town of Presque Isle to exempt certain property from taxation," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill " an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Lewiston," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Zavien Violet and others, with bill " an act to render valid the doings of Van Buren plantation " ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The resolve and bills were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill " an act authorizing the County Commissioners of Washington county to lay out and establish in East Machias a county road over tide waters " ;

Bill " an act to amend chapter 239 of the public laws of the year 1864 " ;

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on an order relating to mortgages given by railroad corporations, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to the Kennebec and Portland Railroad," reported that the same ought not to pass;

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following resolve and bill:

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to the widows of deceased soldiers";

"An act to authorize the building and maintaining a sluice for the passage of lumber in Perry";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to regulate the liability of towns for damages caused by defective ways," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

Mr. DINGLEY moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, pending the consideration of which, on motion of Mr. STETSON, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns, and plantations, in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men, and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes," was taken from the table.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House in rejecting amendment "T." House amendments "W" and "X" were adopted in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. WADSWORTH,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

The Senate concurring, that the Clerk of this House and the Secretary of the Senate, cause to be prepared a suitable copy of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States abolishing slavery, and to secure to such copy the signatures of the members of both branches of the Legislature who voted for the same ; and that they then have such copy and signatures suitably framed for the purpose of preserving the same in some public place in this State House ;

Was read. Mr. BANKS proposed to amend by inserting after the word "for" in the seventh line the words "or against."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence. •

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was re-committed bill "an act to supply the inhabitants of the city of Bangor with fresh water," that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish Alva plantation, in the county of Aroostook, with certain documents," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to enlistments and the system of paying bounties, with bill "an act relating to bounties";

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to sales of intoxicating liquors by the State Commissioner, with bill "an act in addition to an act approved March 19, 1862, entitled an act to regulate agencies for and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors";

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the amendment of section 1 of chapter 9 of the laws of 1861, with bill "an act to amend chapter 9 of the public laws of 1861, concerning the exemption of sewing machines from attachment and execution";

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the amendment of section 3, chapter 101 of the revised statutes, with bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the revised statutes, entitled writ for replevying a person, and chapter 135 of the revised statutes, entitled sentence and its execution in criminal cases, and the liberation of poor convicts";

Report of the Committee on Education on bill "an act to establish the Dexter High School," that the same ought 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 Agriculture on an order relating to the taxation of dogs, with bill "an act to tax dogs," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and on motion of Mr. CHASE, was recommitted to the Committee in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. PEIRCE, bill "an act to set off part of the town of Starks and annex the same to the town of Mercer," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WADSWORTH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to the repair of State roads in the county of Aroostook, reported "resolve authorizing repairs on roads and rebuilding of bridges in the county of Aroostook"; also "resolve authorizing repairs upon the Houlton and Baring, and road across Indian township in the county of Washington."

The report was accepted, the resolves each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. BARKER, bill "an act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in the Madawaska townships," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on an order relating to bounties to soldiers who have enlisted in the Invalid Corps, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill: "An act to amend chapter 239 of the public laws of year 1864," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

"An act authorizing the town of Presque Isle to exempt certain property from taxation";

"An act authorizing the County Commissioners of Washington county to lay out and establish in East Machias a county road over tide waters";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston";

"An act to render valid the doings of Van Buren plantation";

"Resolve establishing a new school district for the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MUNGER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Petition of Ezekiel Holmes and Charles H. Hitchcock, for compensation for services while in the employ of the State on the scientific survey, the joint order being suspended, was referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

"Resolve in relation to taxing public stocks," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, in concurrence.

Bill "an act requiring conditional sales to be recorded," introduced in the House, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and indefinitely postponed, was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C" and "D," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred in adopting amendment "A."

Pending the consideration of amendment "B," on motion of Mr. BARKER, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to mortgages of real estate by literary institutions, reported bill "an act to authorize the Trustees of Farmington Academy to obtain a loan of money for the completion of a building erected by them for a Normal School, and give security therefor in a mortgage of real estate."

The report was accepted.

Mr. HAMOR, from the Committee on Manufactures, to which was recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Bone Company," reported bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Fertilizing Company."

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

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of James Allen and others and Wm. T. Pearson and others, reported bill "an act additional to regulate the survey of lumber in the county of Penobscot."

The report was accepted.

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, reported a statement of facts, and "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the same, together with the statement of facts and resolve accompanying, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Richard M. Chapman and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford Savings Bank."

The report was accepted.

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of David Spratt to be set off from the town of Etna and annexed to the town of Carmel, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of L. P. Billings and others, to be set off from the town of Brooksville and annexed to the town of Sedgwick, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Edgerly and others, for an alteration of the town line of Princeton, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. WADSWORTH, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the City Manufacturing Company," reported that the same ought not to pass ;

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Education, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the office of Superintendent of Common Schools, and also on orders relating to the abolishment of said office and substituting therefor a Board of Education, submitted in advance of an act now in preparation so much of the Superintendent's Report as refers to the same subject ;

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Nathaniel G. Gould and others, to be set off from the county of Sagadahoc and annexed to the county of Lincoln, referred from the last Legislature to the present, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to highway fences, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to County Treasurers," reported that the same ought not to pass ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the election of town officers, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the prompt publication of the Reports of the Supreme Judicial Court, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY presented the remonstrance of Daniel Bunker and others, also various remonstrances from the citizens of Somerset county, severally against the change of the shire town of said county, which were each referred to the Joint Delegation from Somerset county.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following bills and resolve :

"An act in addition to an act approved March 19, 1862, entitled an act to regulate agencies for, and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors";

"An act to establish the Dexter High School";

"An act to amend chapter 101 of the revised statutes, entitled 'writ for replevying a person,' and chapter 135 of the revised statutes, entitled 'sentence and its execution in criminal cases and the liberation of poor convicts'";

"An act to amend chapter 9 of the public laws of 1861, concerning the exemption of sewing machines from attachment and execution";

"Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish Alva plantation in the county of Aroostook with certain documents";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported :

“ Resolve authorizing repairs on roads and rebuilding of bridges in the county of Aroostook ”;

“ Resolve authorizing repairs upon the Houlton and Baring, and road across Indian township in the county of Washington ”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “ an act relating to bounties,” reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the Senate non-concurred in House amendment “ A,” and recommitted the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, bill “ an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864, in relation to the jurisdiction of trial justices,” was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill “ an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston,” was reconsidered.

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

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

“ An act to amend chapter 44 of the revised statutes, relative to hawkers and pedlers ”;

“ An act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of Kittery ”;

“ An act to amend section 27 of chapter 59 of the revised statutes, in relation to adopted children ”;

“ An act additional to chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctions and auctioneers ”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve: "Resolve directing the State Treasurer to pay certain moneys due to the Madawaska Townships for school purposes," which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ROWE of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on an order relating to the sale of coin by weight, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the weight of potatoes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to pound keepers, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to the measurement of round timber, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of colored soldiers," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Express Company," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C."

The Senate receded and concurred in adopting House amendment "A," non-concurred in amendment "B." Subsequently the

vote non-concurring in amendment "B" was reconsidered ; also the vote adopting amendment "A," and on motion of Mr. MAN-SON, the bill was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the House amendments ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Education on the petition of Henry Stevens and others, with "resolve in favor of aid to idiotic persons," was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was twice read, the rules being suspended, and re-committed to the Committee in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Trustees of Farmington Academy to obtain a loan of money for the completion of a building erected by them for a Normal School, and give security therefor in a mortgage of real estate";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Biddeford Savings Bank";

Bill "an additional act to regulate the survey of lumber in the county of Penobscot";

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. LUDWIG, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the "resolves of the Legislatures of New Hampshire and Vermont relating to fish in certain rivers, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Mr. SANBORN of York, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them and ask to be discharged from further duty ;

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, made a similar report ;

Mr. LUDWIG, from the Committee on Fisheries, made a similar report ;

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to jury trials in civil actions, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to summoning in executors and administrators of deceased defendants in civil suits, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Edward Wilder and others, for the repeal of an act restricting the powers of the County Commissioners in regard to the city of Bangor, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to amending section 1, chapter 210 of the laws of 1863, concerning the location of Normal Schools, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient :

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Military Affairs on an order relating to furnishing State aid to orphan children of deceased soldiers, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of W. Hunton and others, reported bill "an act to amend the tariff of tolls of Livermore Falls Bridge Corporation";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Directors of Stillwater Bridge Corporation, reported bill "an act to extend the charter of the Stillwater Bridge";

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Charles Foss and others, reported bill "an act to empower the collector of Abbot to collect school district tax in district number one in said town";

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of the inhabitants of Waterborough and Limington, reported bill "an act to establish the easterly line of Waterborough between said town and the towns of Limington and Hollis, in the county of York"

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the proprietors of Lewiston bridge to sell their toll bridge," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "an act requiring conditional sales to be recorded," reported from the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time.

Amendments "A" and "B" of the House were adopted in con-

currence, and the bill as amended, on motion of Mr. BARKER, was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Fertilizing Company," reported from Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Education, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the office of Superintendent of Common Schools, also on various orders relating to the expediency of abolishing said office and substituting therefore a Board of Education, reported bill "an act to establish the Department of Public Instruction."

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the bill was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the same, together with the report, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, bill "an act to regulate the liability of towns for damages caused by defective ways," was taken from the table.

The question being on the motion of the same Senator to indefinitely postpone the bill, the motion prevailed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston," was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A" which was adopted; as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, bill "an act additional to chapter 73 of the revised statutes, concerning conveyances by deeds, &c., was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A" which was adopted; as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company," approved March 19, 1860, came up on its final passage.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate receded and concurred with the House in passing the bill as amended to be engrossed, was reconsidered.

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

Mr. STONE of Franklin, and Mr. TALBOT of Washington, severally ask leave to record their names in favor of the passage of bill "an act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, proposed to the Legislatures of the several States by a resolution of Congress, approved on the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and sixty-five," agreeably to an order of the Senate passed the seventh day of February.

Accordingly their names were entered upon the Senate Journal.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

"An act to incorporate the Rumford Bridge Company";

"An act to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society";

"An act authorizing the building of a dyke or dam across Marsh Bay in Gouldsborough, in the county of Hancock";

"An act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns and plantations in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in favor of Elizabeth A. Jenkins, Lyman C. Hurd, and Joseph H. Myrick";

"Resolve donating certain books and documents to the library of Bates College";

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. HAMOR,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Superintendent of the Normal School, under the direction of the Secretary of State, be authorized to select and deposit with the Normal School at Farmington, duplicate geological specimens collected in this and other States and now on deposit in the State House, so far as can be done without injury to the present arrangement of the cabinet ; said specimens to be retained for the use of the Normal School until otherwise ordered by the Legislature ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs on an order relating to the payment of bounties under an act providing bounties for soldiers, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on an order relating to the weight of coal and the measurement of wood, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to incorporate the Silver Spring Company," that that same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on an order relating to amendment of section 3, chapter 23 of the revised statutes, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to cattle and horses running at large, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on memorial of Joseph B. Hall in relation to a compendium of amendments to the revised statutes, that memorialist have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of James Brown and others, to be relieved from furnishing State aid to the inhabi-

tants of number 6, range 5, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on the petition of David N. Ross, with "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Francis Bolier";

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on bill "an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Education on various orders relating to schools and their support, with bill "an act amendatory of chapter 11 of the revised statutes relating to education";

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, to which was recommended bill "an act to tax dogs," with the same in a new draft ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The resolve and bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was recommended bill "an act providing for the taxation of the property and stock of National banks and banking associations in the State of Maine," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and on motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to amendment of chapter 279 of the public laws of 1864, with bill "an act to repeal chapter 279 of the public laws of 1864, relating to town auditors of accounts";

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs on the credentials of Joseph Nicolar, delegate from the Penobscot tribe of Indians, with "resolve in favor of Joseph Nicolar";

Report of the same Committee on the credentials of Newell Neptune, delegate from the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, with "resolve in favor of Newell Neptune";

Report of the same Committee on the report of the agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, with "resolve in favor of the agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bill and resolves were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Militia and Military Affairs on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the militia, with bill "an act concerning the militia," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and House amendment "A" adopted in concurrence.

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

Bill "an act authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes," reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 267 of the public laws of 1864 in relation to the jurisdiction of Trial Justices," recommitted in the Senate to the Committee on the Judiciary, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

"Resolve authorizing a temporary loan," reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolves for the payment of State bounties and fixing the amount thereof," reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, were read twice, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. BANKS proposed to amend the same by striking out the third resolve. The amendment was adopted. As amended the resolves were passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARKER, bill "an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking association under the laws of the United States was taken from the table. The question being on adopting House amendment "B," pending the consideration of the same, on motion of the same Senator, the bill was again laid on the table.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

"An act to extend the charter of the Stillwater Bridge"

"An act to authorize the Trustees of Farmington Academy to obtain a loan of money for the completion of a building erected by them for a Normal School, and give security therefor in a mortgage of real estate";

•"An additional act to regulate the survey of lumber in the county of Penobscot";

"An act to empower the collector of Abbot to collect school district tax in district number one in said town";

"An act to incorporate the Biddeford Savings Bank";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported "resolve in favor of colored soldiers," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on State Reform School, on the report of the superintendent and trustees of said institution, reported "resolve in favor of the State Reform School"; also "resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the same, with the resolves accompanying, ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on petition of Eusebius Weston for a charter for a savings bank, reported that petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That on and after Monday next the Senate meet at ten o'clock A. M., and at half-past two o'clock P. M., until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

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

On motion of Mr. WADSWORTH,

The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills :

“ An act to amend the tariff of tolls of Livermore Falls Bridge Corporation ”;

“ An act to establish the easterly line of Waterborough between said town and the towns of Limington and Hollis, in the county of York ”;

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DINGLEY, bill “ an act to authorize the proprietors of Lewiston bridge to sell their toll bridge,” was taken from the table, read once, and to morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, bill “ an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States,” was taken from the table.

House amendments “ B,” “ C ” and “ D ” were adopted in concurrence.

Mr. SANBORN proposed amendments marked “ E,” “ F,” “ G ” and “ H,” pending which, on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the House amendments, together with the proposed amendments, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on State Prison, to which was referred the report of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison, reported a “ resolve in favor of the State Prison.”

The report was accepted.

On motion of the same Senator, the report was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the same, with the resolve accompanying, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. BANKS, from the York County Delegation, on the petition of Isaac W. Eaton and others, reported bill “ an act to regulate the compensation of the County Commissioners of the county of York.”

The report was accepted, and the bill, on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to attachments on mesne process, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes relating to civil actions";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to simplify indictments in capital cases," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. MCGILVERY, from the Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the coast of the State, reported "resolve calling on the United States Government to place steam vessels of war as a permanent ocean police upon the coast of Maine."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table, and 350 copies of the same, with the resolve accompanying, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. HINDS, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of John Kelley and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Easton."

The report was accepted.

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of David Fuller and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate Reeds Pond Dam Company."

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 118 of the revised statutes concerning offences against the lives and persons of individuals, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to prevent substitute brokerage," reported that the same ought not to pass;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending chapter 122 of the revised statutes concerning "offences against public justice," reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Mr. TENNEY, from the same Committee, on an order relating to writs of prohibition and proceedings by injunction, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on petition of the Selectmen of Avon to have the records of said town made valid, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending section 1 of chapter 75 of the revised statutes concerning title by descent, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Mr. STONE, from the Franklin County Delegation, on petition of citizens of said county for an increase of the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate of said county, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of J. Dinsmore and others for a charter for a Horse Railroad Company, reported that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Edward E. Shead for relief for loss of a State bond, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of George D. Bacon and others, that Unity plantation may be annexed to the town of Unity, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Mr. MANSON, from the Penobscot County Delegation, on bill "an act to establish the salaries of the Judge of Probate for said county," reported that the same ought not to pass ;

Mr. STONE, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to amending the Normal School act so as to place the supervision of the school in the hands of a commission, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to increasing the salary of the State Librarian, and on an

order relating to indexing public documents, reported bill "an act to increase the salary and duties of the State Librarian";

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Penobscot Log Driving Company, reported bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company";

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of J. T. McKellar and others, reported "an act to set off a part of St. George and annex the same to South Thomaston";

Mr. BANKS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "an act to increase the capital stock of certain banks," reported the following bills:

"An act to increase the capital stock of the North Bank at Rockland";

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

"An act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank of Biddeford";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Lime Rock Bank";

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Oliver Moses, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 386 of the special laws of 1860";

Mr. WADSWORTH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Julius C. Chandler, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Julius C. Chandler";

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Ezekiel Holmes and C. H. Hitchcock, reported "resolve in favor of Ezekiel Holmes and C. H. Hitchcock";

These reports were severally accepted, the bills and resolves each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to fix the sum to be paid hereafter by the State to persons enlisted or drafted into the service of the United States," reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. BRADBURY presented "resolve in favor of the Committee on Education," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BARKER,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House:

That the Secretary of State be directed to cause to be printed a sufficient number of copies of "an act to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns and plantations in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men, and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes," and also of "an act to amend chapter 251, section 1 of the public laws of the year 1864, relating to poll taxes," passed at the present session of the Legislature; and to send one copy of each of said acts to the clerk of each city, town and plantation in the State;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Androscoggin County Delegation on the petition of Enos T. Luce and others, for an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate for said county, that petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Lincoln County Delegation on the petition of the Judge and Register of Probate for said county for an increase of their salaries, that petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Oxford County Delegation on the petition of Josiah S. Hobbs and others, for an increase of the salary of the Register of Probate for said county, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Cumberland County Delegation on the petition of D. W. Fessenden and others, for an increase of the salary of the

Clerk of Courts for said county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on " resolve in relation to taxing government stocks and shares in National Banks," that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to engrossing with types, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to amending chapter 82, section 19 of the revised statutes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to amending section 5 of an act approved March 25, 1858, concerning drinking houses and tippling shops, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on bill " an act to recover damages sustained by perjury," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on bill " an act to protect parties against perjured testimony," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Arno Wiswell and others, for the establishment of a police court at Ellsworth, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs on the petition of Dexter Merrill and others, for the extension of State aid to minor children of deceased soldiers, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to relief of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county in the matter of State aid, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to relief of towns from the expense of advancing and disbursing State aid, and that this expense be borne by the State, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Claims, to which was recommitted the report of same Committee, on the petition of A. C. Cotton for compensation for damages done him by the 22d and 23d Maine Regiments, that petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, to which was recommitted the report of same Committee, on the petition of Fen. G. Barker and others, for the bounty provided in the ten regiment act, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on the petition of Osborn Charles for authority to impose a tax on logs passing through his dam on Ballard's brook in Fryeburg, that petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to amend the fifty-seventh chapter of the revised statutes," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Printing and Binding on "resolves relating to printing and distributing the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864," with the same in a new draft and that they ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The resolves were twice read, the rules being suspended, and, on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, were laid on the table.

Report of the same Committee on "resolve directing the printing of certain documents," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was twice read, the rules being suspended, amended on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, and as amended passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Library on the communication of John L. Hodsdon, Adjutant General, relating to his reports for the years 1861, 1862 and 1863, and on order relating to the same, with "resolve in relation to the reports of the Adjutant General for the years 1861, 1862 and 1863," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the assumption of the State war debts by the general government, with "resolve in relation to the assumption of the war debts of the several States by the United States," was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was once read and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to Coroners and Notaries Public, with bill "an act requiring Cor-

oners and Notaries Public to pay a duty to the State," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and on motion of Mr. RICHARDSON, was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to extend further the operation of chapter 253 of the special laws of 1863, and chapter 358 of the special laws of 1864, relating to the claims of Miles Wilson against Penobscot county," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on bill "an act amendatory of and additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Otisfield Mutual Fire Insurance Company," that the same in a new draft ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on the petition of Hazen Hill, with "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Hazen Hill";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills and resolve were each twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs on the report of the Indian Agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe, with "resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians," was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Report of the same Committee on various petitions of Joseph Attean and others, with "resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Joseph Attean and others, with "resolve in favor of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

Report of the same Committee on the reports of the Superintending School Committees of Princeton and Perry, with "resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians for educational purposes";

Report of the same Committee on the report of the Indian Agent

of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, with "resolve in favor of the Agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The resolves were each twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on the petition of G. D. McCrillis and various other petitions, with bill "an act to protect menhaden or porgies in the waters of the coast of Maine," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and on motion of Mr. WARREN, Tuesday next was assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education on the petition of Henry Stevens and others, with "resolve in favor of idiotic children," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on the petition of Philo D. Andrews, with "resolve in favor of Philo D. Andrews," was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs on the report of the Agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, with "resolve in relation to the Penobscot tribe of Indians," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the Kennebec County Delegation on the petition of the Judge and Register of Probate for said county, with bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Kennebec," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs on the report of the Agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, with "resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians," was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Mr. WARREN of Hancock asked leave to have his name recorded on the Senate Journal as voting in favor of the passage of bill "an act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, proposed to the Legislatures of the several States by a resolution of Congress, approved on the first day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five," under an order of the Senate passed the seventh day of February.

Accordingly his name was entered upon the Journal.

"Resolve relating to an Agricultural College";

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison";

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following bills and resolves:

"An act to increase the salary and duties of the State Librarian";

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company";

"An act to amend chapter 386 of the special laws of 1860";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Lime Rock Bank";

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

"An act to increase the capital stock of the North Bank at Rockland";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank of Biddeford";

"An act to authorize the proprietors of Lewiston bridge to sell their toll-bridge";

"Resolve in favor of Ezekiel Holmes and C. H. Hitchcock";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Julius C. Chandler";

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education";

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported,

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Francis Bolier";

"Resolve in favor of Newell Neptune";

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Nicolar";

"Resolve in favor of the Agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

"An act to fix the sum to be paid hereafter by the State to persons enlisted or drafted into the service of the United States";

"An act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river"

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to tax dogs," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

House amendments were rejected.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 11 of the revised statutes relating to education," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

House amendments "A" and "B" were adopted, and, as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 279 of the public laws of 1864, relating to town auditors of accounts," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

House amendments "A" and "B" were adopted in concurrence, and as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to set off a part of St. George and annex the same to South Thomaston," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. BARKER, was laid on the table.

Mr. STONE, from the Committee on the Library, on so much of the report of the State Librarian as relates to the contingent expenses of the Library for the current year, reported "resolve to provide for the yearly expenses of the State Library";

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of L. D. Jordan and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Union River Plank Road Company";

Mr. BURLEIGH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Abba A. Rose, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Abba A. Rose";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Joel Colby and others, reported "resolve authorizing repairs to be made on the Canada road";

These reports were severally accepted, the resolves and bill each once read, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 122 of the revised statutes, reported bill "an act to simplify indictments for perjury";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending chapter 280 of the public laws of 1864, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 280 of the public laws of 1864";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, to which was recommended bill "an act relating to bounties," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. MANSON, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty;

Mr. HOLBROOK, from the Committee on Division of Counties, made a similar report;

Mr. HALE, from the Committee on State Prison, made a similar report;

Mr. TRUE, from the Committee on Division of Towns, made a similar report;

Mr. WADSWORTH, from the Committee on Manufactures, made a similar report;

Mr. MILLIKEN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made a similar report;

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, made a similar report;

Mr. MCGILVERY, from the Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences, made a similar report;

Mr. WOODMAN, from the Committee on Claims, made a similar report;

Mr. HINDS, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, made a similar report;

Mr. DINGLEY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, made a similar report ;

Mr. PEIRCE, from the Committee on Public Buildings, made a similar report ;

Mr. VIRGIN, from the Committee on the Library, made a similar report ;

Mr. BURLEIGH, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made a similar report ;

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, made a similar report ;

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, " resolve for the payment of State bounties," which was finally passed in concurrence.

And this resolve having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STONE of the Senate.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Secretary of State be authorized to employ such additional Clerks in the Engrossing Department, as the exigencies of the case may require, was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to the October quota of 1863, with "resolve defining and establishing the October quota, under the act providing bounties for soldiers," approved February 20, 1864 ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to amending chapter 112 of the laws of 1862, with bill "an act to amend chapter 112 of the laws of the year 1862, relating to the use of office copies of deeds";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The resolve and bill were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the records of births and deaths of certain plantations in Aroostook county, with bill "an act relating to the records of births and marriages in Grant Isle, Madawaska, Dionne, and Van Buren plantations in the county of Aroostook," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act explanatory of chapter 94 of the public laws of 1859, relating to petitions for review," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the protection of overseers of the poor, with bill "an act additional to chapter 63 of the public laws of 1861, and chapters 66 and 127 of the public laws of 1862, relating to the families of volunteers";

Report of the same Committee on the expediency of amending chapter 91 of the public laws of 1862, with bill "an act to amend chapter 91, section 3 of the public laws of 1862, defining the time for making application for compensation";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the same Committee on the petition of the County Commissioners of Kennebec county, with bill "an act to change the time of holding the County Commissioners Court for Kennebec county," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the same Committee on the petition of the Proprietors of the First Parish Meeting-House of Perry, with bill "an act authorizing the Proprietors of the First Parish Meeting-House in Perry to sell their parsonage, and invest the proceeds";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters on the petition of Henry E. Prentiss and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Birch Stream Dam Company";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on the petition of John W. Dana and others, with bill "an act extending the jurisdiction of the County Commissioners of the county of Cumberland over tide waters near Martin's Point in said county";

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 Kennebec Ice Company," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bills, "an act to amend chapter 280 of the public laws of 1864";

"An act to simplify indictments for perjury";

"An act to incorporate the town of Easton";

"Resolves calling on the United States government to place steam vessels of war as a permanent ocean police upon the coast of Maine";

Were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. BURLEIGH, from the Aroostook County Delegation, on various petitions for an increase of the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate of said county, reported bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Aroostook."

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

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following resolves:

"Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians";

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison";

"Resolve relating to an Agricultural College";

"Resolve in relation to the assumption of the war debts of the several States by the United States";

"Resolve in favor of Philo D. Andrews";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolves:

"An act to incorporate the Union River Plank Road Company";

"Resolve to provide for the yearly expenses of the State Library";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Abba A. Rose";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Kennebec";

"Resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians," severally reported from the same Committee;

Were each read a second time, and severally postponed indefinitely in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, "resolves relating to printing and distributing the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864," were taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed amendments marked "A" and "B,"

which were adopted. As amended, the resolves were passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STONE, bill "an act to establish the Department of Public Instruction," was taken from the table, read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," was taken from the table, read twice under a suspension of the rules, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STONE, "resolve in favor of the State Prison," was taken from the table, read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. BRADBURY, from the Committee on Education, reported that said Committee have disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston";

"An act to establish the Dexter High School";

"An act in addition to an act approved March 19, 1862, entitled an act to regulate agencies for, and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors";

"An act to amend chapter 9 of the public laws of 1861, concerning the exemption of sewing machines from attachment and execution";

"An act to amend an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in the Madawaska townships";

"An act to render valid the doings of Van Buren plantation";

"An act authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes";

"An act to incorporate the Stockton Steamboat Wharf Company";

"An act to incorporate the Neptune Mutual Marine Insurance Company";

"An act authorizing the town of Presque Isle to exempt certain property from taxation";

"An act authorizing the building and maintaining a sluice for the passage of lumber in Perry";

"An act to amend chapter 239 of the public laws of 1864";

"An act authorizing the County Commissioners of Washington county to lay out and establish in East Machias a county road over tide waters";

"An act to amend chapter 101 of the revised statutes, entitled 'writ for replevying a person,' and chapter 135 of the revised statutes, entitled 'sentence and its execution in criminal cases and the liberation of poor convicts'";

"An act to amend chapter 173 of the private and special laws of 1862, to incorporate the Proprietors of Union Mills Bridge and granting the right to demand tolls";

Which were passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve to establish a new school district for the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

"Resolve in favor of colored soldiers";

"Resolve authorizing repairs on the Houlton and Baring, and road across Indian township in the county of Washington";

"Resolve authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish Alva plantation in the county of Aroostook with certain documents";

"Resolve authorizing a temporary loan";

Which were finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. STETSON,

The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN, bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company," approved March 19, 1860, was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed an amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

The bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of York," came from the House on its passage to be enacted indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. BANKS, the Senate non-concurred with the House in indefinitely postponing the bill.

Sent down.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Express Company," was taken from the table.

House amendment "A" was adopted.

On motion of Mr. STETSON, the Senate non-concurred in House amendment "B," and concurred in amendment "C."

On motion of Mr. STETSON, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of York,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be authorized to procure glass cases for the protection and preservation of the war worn colors now exposed in the rotunda of this capitol ;

Was read, and on motion of Mr. STONE, was laid on the table.

“ Resolves directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities, towns and plantations of the amount of State aid when the same is ready for distribution,” introduced in the House, amended as per sheet “ A,” and passed to be engrossed, were read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill “ an act to tax dogs,” indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote passing the bill as amended by the House, to be engrossed.

The Senate, on motion of Mr. RICHARDSON, adhered to its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

Sent down.

Mr. BANKS announced the attendance of Elisha H. Jewett, Senator elect from the First Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

Mr. Banks was directed by the President to conduct Mr. Jewett, Senator elect, to the Governor and Council to take and subscribe the oaths to qualify him for the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Banks subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that the Senator had before the Governor and Council taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. JEWETT thereupon appeared and took his seat at the Senate Board.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to amending chapter 113 of the public laws of 1862, with bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 113 of the public laws of 1862, relating to taxes upon certain towns and plantations";

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to the collection of taxes, with bill "an act in relation to the collection of taxes";

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 so much of the Governor's Message as relates to fugitives from draft, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, came from the House amended by substituting the report of a minority of said Committee for that of the majority, on the question of accepting the majority report.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the yeas and nays were ordered.

Mr. BANKS asked to be excused from voting on the question, and his request was granted.

The vote being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Burleigh, Hamor, Hinds, Holbrook, Ludwig, Manson, Richardson, J. A. Sanborn, L. Sanborn, Stone, Southard, Talbot, Tenney, True, Virgin, Warren, Woodman—17.

NAYS—Messrs. Barker, Bradbury, Chase, Dingley, Hale, Jewett, McGilvery, Milliken, Peirce, Stetson, Wadsworth—11.

So the report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VIRGIN presented "resolve in favor of Stevens and Sayward," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

A communication was received from William Pitt Fessenden, United States Senator elect, signifying his acceptance of the office, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Express Company," was taken from the table.

Same Senator moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate non-concurred in House amendment "B," and on motion

of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table, and this afternoon, at half-past two o'clock, was assigned for the consideration of the motion.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,
The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Order from the House :

That a Committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to consider the propriety of observing the anniversary of Washington's birthday and report before the adjournment this afternoon, with Messrs. Weston of Gorham, Williams of Augusta, Jones of Lewiston, Larrabee of Portland, and Fisher of Charlotte, appointed on the part of the House ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

And Messrs. Stone of Franklin, Woodman of Cumberland, and Wadsworth of Washington, were joined to the Committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. JEWETT of York asked leave to record his name in favor of the passage of bill "an act to ratify an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, proposed to the Legislatures of the several States by a resolution of Congress approved on the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five," agreeably to an order of the Senate, passed the seventh day of February.

Accordingly the name of Mr. Jewett was entered upon the Senate Journal.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills and resolves :

"An act to incorporate the Birch Stream Dam Company";

"An act additional to chapter 63 of the public laws of 1861, and chapters 66 and 127 of the public laws of 1862, relating to the families of volunteers";

"An act authorizing the proprietors of the First Parish Meeting-House in Perry to sell their parsonage and invest the proceeds";

"An act to amend chapter 91, section 3 of the public laws of 1862, defining the time for making application for compensation";

"An act explanatory of chapter 94 of the public laws of 1859, relating to petition for review";

"An act to amend chapter 112 of the laws of the year 1862, relating to the use of office copies of deeds";

"An act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company";

"Resolve defining and establishing the October quota, under the act providing bounties for soldiers";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves:

"An act to amend chapter 280 of the public laws of 1864";

"An act to incorporate the town of Easton";

"An act to simplify indictments for perjury";

"An act to increase the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Aroostook";

"Resolve calling on the United States Government to place steam vessels of war, as a permanent ocean police, upon the coast of Maine";

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison";

"Resolve authorizing repairs to be made on the Canada Road";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act providing for the taxation of shares in National Banking Associations," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to protect menhaden or porgies in the waters of the coast of Maine," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

Mr. WARREN proposed amendments "A," "B" and "C," which were severally adopted.

As amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act extending the jurisdiction of the County Commissioners of the county of Cumberland over tide waters near Martin's Point, in said county," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish the Department of Public Instruction," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

Mr. CHASE proposed amendments "A" and "B," which were adopted.

Same Senator proposed amendment "C," pending the consideration of which, on motion of Mr. STONE, the bill was laid on the table, and to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, bill "an act to enable the banks of this State to become Banking Associations under the laws of the United States," was taken from the table.

Amendments "E," "F," "G" and "H," proposed by Mr. Sanborn, were adopted.

As amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Express Company." The question being on the motion of Mr. TRUE to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate non-concurred with the House in amendment "B," the same, was reconsidered, and the amendment adopted in concurrence.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LUDWIG, bill "an act to set off a part of St. George and annex the same to South Thomaston," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STONE, from the Joint Special Committee on celebrating Washington's birthday, reported that the hour from twelve to one o'clock be devoted to that object, the two branches assembling in Convention in the House of Representatives.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported the following bills:

"An act amendatory of chapter 11 of the revised statutes relating to education";

"An act to incorporate the Cumberland Fertilizing Company";

"An act to amend the tariff of tolls of Livermore Falls Bridge Corporation";

"An act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river";

"An act amendatory of, and additional to, an act entitled an act to incorporate the Otisfield Mutual Fire Insurance Company";

"An act to incorporate the Biddeford Savings Bank";

"An act to authorize the Trustees of Farmington Academy to obtain a loan of money for the completion of a building erected by them for a normal school, and give security therefor in a mortgage of real estate";

"An act further defining the duties of town officers, in relation to the disbursement of moneys";

"An act to set off a part of the town of Starks and annex the same to the town of Mercer";

"An act to extend further the operation of chapter 253 of the special laws of 1863, and chapter 358 of the special laws of 1864, relating to the claims of Miles Wilson against Penobscot county";

"An act to incorporate the Reeds Pond Dam Company";

"An additional act to regulate the survey of lumber in the county of Penobscot";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Hazen Hill";

"Resolve in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

"Resolve in favor of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

"Resolve in favor of the Agent of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Francis Bolier";

"Resolve in favor of idiotic children";

"Resolve in favor of Joseph Nicolai";

"Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians for educational purposes";

"Resolve in relation to the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

"Resolve in favor of the Agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians";

"Resolve in favor of Newell Neptune";

“Resolve in relation to the reports of the Adjutant General for the years 1861, 1862 and 1863”;

Which were finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. WADSWORTH,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MUNGER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House:

That, the Senate concurring, the order whereby this Legislature fixed upon the twenty-first instant as the day of its final adjournment, be and the same is hereby rescinded, and that Friday the twenty-fourth instant, is hereby fixed as the day of the final adjournment of this Legislature;

Was read, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY was laid on the table.

Bills, “an act to incorporate the Portland Burnettizing Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Oxford Turpentine Company”;

“An act to cede to the United States of America the jurisdiction of a parcel of land in the city of Portland”;

“Resolve providing for the purchase of colors for Maine Regiments and Batteries”;

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bills, “an act to incorporate the officers and members of Lafayette Lodge”;

"An act to incorporate the Lisbon Centre Falls Manufacturing Company";

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were each twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs on an order relating to State aid to soldiers' families, with bill "an act to provide support for the families of soldiers";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to the recovery of taxes irregularly assessed, with bill "an act in relation to the assessment of taxes";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on an order relating to the taking of lands for depot purposes, with bill "an act additional concerning railroads";

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The bills were each once read, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Hancock County Delegation on bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Hancock," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

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

'Report of the Committee on Federal Relations on the report of the Commissioner for Maine of the Soldiers' National Cemetery, with "resolve in favor of the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg," was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was once read and to morrow assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve relating to printing and distributing the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864," amended as per sheets "A" and "B" by the Senate, came from the House, amendment "A" having been rejected, amendment "B" adopted, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on the petition of John A. Poor, for the extension of the broad gauge

railroad west of Portland, also on an order relating to the same subject, also on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the same subject, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and that legislation on the order and that portion of the message is inexpedient, came from the House amended by substituting the report of the minority of said Committee for that of the majority.

On motion of Mr. WOODMAN, the report was laid on the table and half-past two o'clock assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. PEIRCE,

Ordered, That on and after to-morrow, the Senate meet at nine o'clock A. M.

Mr. VIRGIN presented "resolve authorizing the Superintendent of Public Buildings to procure glass cases for the protection of the stands of colors now exposed in the rotunda of the capitol";

Mr. HOLBROOK presented bill "an act to incorporate the Consumers' Mutual Coal Company of Portland";

Which were each once read and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, from the Joint Special Committee on Unassigned Naval Credits, on an order relating to credits of men in the naval service of the United States, and the assignment thereof, reported "resolve for the appointment of Commissioners to investigate the subject of military, naval and marine credits"; also bill "an act to provide for the appointment, and defining the duties of State recruiting officers."

The report was accepted, and, on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table and 350 copies of the same, with resolve and bill accompanying, were ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. LUDWIG, from the Committee on Cony United States General Hospital, reported "resolve in relation to the Cony United States General Hospital."

The report was accepted, and, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY, was laid on the table and 1,000 copies of the same, with the resolve accompanying, were ordered to be printed for the use of 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. BANKS, that Senator was charged with a message to the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments, informing them that a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature is assembled in the Representatives' Hall, for the purpose of celebrating the anniversary of the birth of Washington, and inviting them to be present and participate therein.

Mr. Banks subsequently reported that he had waited upon the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments, and delivered the message with which he was charged, and they were pleased to answer that they accepted the invitation and would attend upon the Convention immediately.

Thereupon, the Governor and Council and Heads of Departments came in. The Governor took the chair as President of the day and addressed the Convention.

Mr. STONE of the Senate reported an order of exercises, which was accepted.

Mr. WESTON of the House presented "resolves in relation to the memory of George Washington," which were unanimously adopted.

Addresses were delivered by Hon. John S. Tenney of the Senate, Hon. Charles Holden of the Council, Messrs. Dillingham of Waterville, Hamilton of Waterborough, Granger of Calais, Weston of Gorham, Roberts of Stockton, of the House, and others.

The Governor and Council and Heads of Departments then withdrew, and the Convention dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON,
The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on the petition of John

A. Poor, for the extension of the broad guage railroad west of Portland, also on an order relating to the same subject, also on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the same subject, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and that legislation on the order and message is inexpedient.

The question being on the acceptance of the report, on motion of Mr. MANSON, the yeas and nays were ordered.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the report was laid on the table.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

"An act to change the time of holding the County Commissioners' Court for Kennebec county";

"An act relating to the records of births and marriages in Grant Isle, Madawaska, Dionne and Van Buren plantations, in the county of Aroostook";

"An act to establish the easterly line of Waterborough between said town and the towns of Limington and Hollis, in the county of York";

"An act to empower the collector of Abbot to collect school district tax in district number 1 in said town";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee reported :

"Resolve relating to an Agricultural College";

"Resolve in favor of the Passamaquoddy Indians";

"Resolve in relation to the assumption of the war debts of the several States by the United States";

"Resolve in favor of Ezekiel Holmes and C. H. Hitchcock";

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison";

"Resolve in favor of the Committee on Education";

"Resolve directing the printing of certain documents";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Julius C. Chandler";

"Resolve in favor of Philo D. Andrews";

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several 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 adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CHASE of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State," reported in the House from the Committee on County Estimates, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to fugitives from draft, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, accepted in the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote amending the same by substituting therefor the minority report and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Crosby of Dexter, Dingley of Lewiston, and Oak of Garland appointed conferees on its part.

On motion of Mr. MANSON, the Senate insisted on its vote accepting the report, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and joined Messrs. Tenney of Somerset, Sanborn of Kennebec, and Virgin of Oxford, as conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to extend the charter of the Stillwater Bridge," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act to amend chapter 244 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths," that the same ought not to pass, was read, and on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, was laid on the table.

Bill "an act relating to bounties," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions," was once read, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to simplify indictments in capital cases," was twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of York," came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote indefinitely postponing the same, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Tapley of Saco, Hersey of Bangor, and Wilson of Rockland appointed conferees on its part.

On motion of Mr. BARKER, the Senate insisted on its former vote, concurred in the proposition for a conference, and joined Messrs. Barker of Penobscot, Banks of York, and Burleigh of Aroostook, as conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to fix the sum to be paid hereafter by the State to persons enlisted or drafted into the service of the United States," came up on its passage to be enacted.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate passed the bill to be engrossed, was reconsidered.

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted; as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill "an act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of York," reported

that the same be amended so as to make the salary "nine hundred dollars," instead of "one thousand dollars."

The report was accepted.

The Senate reconsidered its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, adopted the amendment recommended by the Committee, and passed the same as amended to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bills and resolves:

"An act to amend section 3 of chapter 113 of the public laws of 1862, relating to taxes upon certain towns and plantations";

"An act additional concerning railroads";

"An act in relation to the assessment of taxes";

"An act in relation to the collection of taxes";

"An act to cede to the United States of America the jurisdiction of a parcel of land in the city of Portland";

"An act to incorporate the Oxford Turpentine Company";

"Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg";

"Resolve authorizing the Governor to purchase colors for Maine Regiments and Batteries";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolves:

"An act to incorporate the Consumers' Mutual Coal Company of Portland";

"Resolve in favor of Stevens and Sayward";

"Resolve authorizing the Superintendent of Public Buildings to procure glass cases for the protection of the stands of colors now exposed in the rotunda of this capitol";

Which were each read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to provide support for the families of soldiers," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time.

Amendment "A" of the House was adopted.

Mr. SANBORN of York proposed an amendment marked "B,"

pending the consideration of which, on motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Burnettizing Company," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. BARKER, was laid on the table.

"Resolves directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities, towns and plantations of the amount of State aid when the same is ready for distribution," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, House amendment "A" was adopted, and the resolves as amended passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, amounting to two millions four hundred seventy-six thousand eight hundred twenty-one dollars twenty-one cents," reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STONE, the report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on the petition of John A. Poor, for an extension of the broad guage west of Portland, also on an order relating to the same subject, also on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the subject, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, and that legislation on the order and message is inexpedient, was taken from the table.

The question being on accepting said report, the yeas and nays were taken thereon and resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Chase, Holbrook, Peirce, Richardson, L. Sanborn, Stetson, Stone, Virgin, Woodman—10.

NAYS—Messrs. Barker, Bradbury, Burleigh, Hale, Hamor, Hinds, Ludwig, Manson, McGilvery, Milliken, J. A. Sanborn, Talbot, Tenney, True, Wadsworth, Walker, Warren—17.

So the Senate refused to accept the report.

On motion of Mr. MANSON, the report of the minority of said Committee was substituted for that of the majority, and the same was accepted. Accompanying said minority report was bill "an act to repeal an act entitled and act to promote safety of travel on railroads," approved March 14, 1860, was read once, and on motion of the same Senator, this afternoon at half-past three o'clock, was assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. WADSWORTH,
The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

"Resolve in relation to the compensation of the engrossing clerks employed in the Secretary of State's office during the present session of the Legislature," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Belmont," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and, on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, bill "an act to provide support for the families of volunteers," was taken from the table.

Amendment "B," proposed by Mr. SANBORN of York, was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER presented "resolve extending the thanks of this State to Maj. General O. O. Howard," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to promote safety of travel on railroads," approved March 14, 1860, which was read a second time.

Mr. VIRGIN proposed an amendment marked "A," and on the question of its adoption, on motion of Mr. WOODMAN, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Chase, Holbrook, Peirce, Richardson, L. Sanborn, Stetson, Stone, Virgin, Wadsworth, Woodman—11.

NAYS—Messrs. Barker, Bradbury, Burleigh, Hale, Hamor, Hinds, Manson, McGilvery, Milliken, J. A. Sanborn, True, Warren—12.

So the amendment was rejected.

The bill was then passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BURLEIGH by leave presented "resolve authorizing repairs on roads, rebuilding and repairing of bridges, in the county

of Aroostook," which was twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAMOR, bill "an act to establish the Department of Public Instruction," was taken from the table.

Mr. CHASE withdrew amendment "C."

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

"An act for the assessment of a State tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, amounting to two million four hundred twenty-six thousand eight hundred and twenty-one dollars and twenty-one cents";

"An act concerning the militia";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the City Bank of Biddeford";

"An act to authorize the proprietors of Lewiston bridge to sell their toll-bridge";

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company";

"An act authorizing the proprietors of the First Parish Meeting-House in Perry to sell their parsonage, and invest the proceeds";

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

"An act to protect menhaden or porgies in the waters of the coast of Maine";

"An act to incorporate the Union River Plank Road Company";

"An act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Hancock";

"An act to amend chapter 280 of the public laws of 1864";

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Lime Rock Bank";

"An act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Forest Avenue Railroad Company," approved March 19, 1860;

"An act to increase the capital stock of the North Bank at Rockland";

"An act to incorporate the officers and members of Lafayette Lodge";

"An act to set off a part of St. George and annex the same to South Thomaston";

"An act explanatory of chapter 94 of the public laws of 1859, relating to petitions for review";

"An act to incorporate the Maine Express Company";

"An act to amend chapter 112 of the laws of 1862, relating to the use of office copies of deeds";

"An act additional to chapter 63 of the public laws of 1861, and chapter 66 and 127 of the public laws of 1862, relating to the families of volunteers";

"An act to amend chapter 386 of the special laws of 1860";

"An act to amend chapter 91, section 3 of the public laws of 1862, defining the time for making application for compensation";

"An act to incorporate the Birch Stream Dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company";

"An act to incorporate the town of Easton";

"An act to incorporate the Lisbon Centre Falls Manufacturing Company";

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act to promote safety on railroads," approved March 14, 1860;

Which were severally passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve calling on the United States Government to place steam vessels of war as a permanent ocean police on the coast of Maine";

"Resolve relating to printing and distributing the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864";

"Resolve authorizing repairs to be made on the Canada road";

"Resolve to provide for the yearly expenses of the State Library";

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison";

"Resolve defining and establishing the October quota under the act providing bounties for soldiers," approved February 20, 1864;

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Abba A. Rose";

"Resolve in favor of Insane Hospital";

Which were finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, the report of the Special Committee on Naval Recruits was taken from the table, and the vote whereby the Senate accepted the same was reconsidered, and the report committed to the Committee.

Sent down in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STONE,
The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House:

That, the Senate concurring, the Librarian be directed to distribute to each member of this Legislature and its officers, one copy of the "Statutes at Large and Treaties of the United States of America," now in the Library;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act requiring coroners and notaries public to pay a duty to the State," indefinitely postponed in the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and as amended passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads on various petitions in aid of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike, with "resolve making appropriation in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike," was accepted in concurrence.

The resolve was twice read under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. CHASE moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question, on motion of Mr. BURLEIGH, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Burleigh, Chase, Hale, Hinds, Holbrook, Peirce, L. Sanborn, Stone, True, Walker—11.

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NAYS—Messrs. Barker, Bradbury, Ludwig, Manson, McGilvery, Milliken, Southard, Stetson, Talbot, Tenney, Virgin, Wadsworth, Warren, Woodman—14.

So the motion was lost.

The question recurring on the passage of the [REDACTED] to be engrossed, the same was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Prison, on an order relating to additional punishment for aiding convicts to escape from the State Prison, with bill "an act additional to chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended.

House amendments "A," "B," "C," "D" and "E" were adopted, and as amended, the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Somerset County Delegation on bill "an act to change the shire town of Somerset county," that the same in a new draft ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended.

House amendments "A" and "B" were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence. /

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital on the report of the Superintendent and Trustees of said Institution, with "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to amending chapter 104 of the revised statutes, with bill "an act additional to chapter 104 of the revised statutes relating to real actions," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and on motion of Mr. VIRGIN, was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on an order relating to abolishing the Board of Agriculture, with bill "an act to repeal chapter 239 of the public laws of 1856, entitled an act to establish a Board of Agriculture," was accepted in concurrence.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Eastport," reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolves relating to the services of Major General Adelbert Ames," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 73 of the revised statutes concerning conveyances by deed," &c., amended and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, Senate amendment having been adopted, further amended as per sheets "B" and "C."

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion of Mr. WARREN,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to make up the pay of Hon. Eben M. Hamor for the session, and that he be excused from further attendance after this day.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported bill "an act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolve:

"An act to incorporate the Cobbossee Manufacturing Company";

"Resolve in relation to the compensation of the engrossing clerks employed in the Secretary of State's office during the present session of the Legislature";

Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State," reported from the same Committee, was read a second time, amendment "A" of the House adopted, and as amended the resolve was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to make up on the pay roll the attendance of the officers of the Senate for the term of seventy-five days.

Mr. BRADBURY presented "resolve fixing the compensation to be paid to the clerks employed in the office of the Adjutant General," which was twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SANBORN of Kennebec, bill "an act providing for the taxation of the property and stock of national banks and banking associations in the State of Maine," was taken from the table.

Same Senator moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, and on this question the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Bradbury, Hale, Hinds, Holbrook, Ludwig, McGilvery, Milliken, Peirce, Richardson, J. A. Sanborn, L. Sanborn, Southard, Stetson, Stone, Talbot, True, Virgin, Walker, Woodman—20.

NAYS—None.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LUDWIG,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate make up in the Senate Pay Roll the pay of E. C. Bartlett, the Reporter, to the amount of two hundred dollars.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and cause to be published under his supervision and direction, two hundred copies of the Journal of the Senate for the present session, and cause three copies of the same to be distributed to each of the members of this Senate, and one copy to each of the Senators for 1866, the Governor and Council, Heads of Departments and Collegiate Institutions, and deposit the remaining copies in the State Library.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor by the Secre-

tary, requesting a return to the Senate of "resolve calling on the United States Government to place steam vessels of war as a permanent ocean police upon the coast of Maine," if he has not signed the same.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently, a message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting the above entitled resolve.

On motion of Mr. VIRGIN, the rules were suspended, and the vote finally passing said resolve was reconsidered.

The vote passing said resolve to be engrossed was also reconsidered.

Mr. VIRGIN proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

As amended, the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, "resolve relating to Cony United States General Hospital," was taken from the table, read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARKER, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed bill "an act to regulate the liability of towns for damages caused by defective ways," was reconsidered, and the bill laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BANKS, "resolve in favor of the State Reform School," was taken from the table, read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, "resolve in favor of the State Reform School" was taken from the table, read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator presented bill "an act to amend chapter 142 of the revised statutes," which was twice read, the rules being suspended, and, on motion of Mr. BARKER, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That the Messenger be authorized and instructed to receive from Messrs. Hartford and Smith, binders for the State, ten

copies of the Adjutant General's Report for the year 1864 for each member and officer of the Senate, as soon as the same are ready for delivery, and that he carefully pack and plainly mark to the address of each member and officer and forward the same by express without delay, and also those numbers of the Rules and Orders and printed Journals to which each Senator is entitled.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, That fifteen hundred copies of the report of the Committee on Education upon the subject of the State Superintendency, together with the accompanying bill, be printed and placed in the hands of the Secretary of State, to be by him distributed to the various school officers throughout the State.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

"An act to cede to the United States of America the jurisdiction of a parcel of land in the city of Portland";

"An act in relation to the assessment of taxes";

"An act in relation to the collection of taxes";

• "An act additional concerning railroads";

"An act to fix the sum to be paid hereafter to persons enlisted or drafted into the service of the United States";

"An act to amend section 3 of chapter 113 of the public laws of 1862, relating to taxes upon certain towns and plantations";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg";

"Resolves directing the Treasurer of State to notify cities, towns and plantations of the amount of State aid when the same is ready for distribution";

"Resolve providing for the purchase of colors for Maine Regiments and Batteries";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to the widows of deceased soldiers";

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON,
The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Order from the House :

That the Secretary of State be directed to cause to be printed a sufficient number of copies of an act amendatory of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to education ; and also an act to repeal chapter 279 of the public laws of 1864, relating to town auditors of accounts ; and to send one copy of each of said acts to the clerk of each city, town and plantation in the State, so soon as said acts shall be approved by the Governor ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WARREN,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State cause to be printed three hundred copies of the report of the Inspector General of Fish.

Sent down for concurrence.

“ Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the Reform School,” 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.

On motion of Mr. BANKS, bill “ an act to amend chapter 142 of the revised statutes relating to the Reform School,” was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, bill “ an act to regulate the compensation of the County Commissioners for the county of York,” was taken from the table, read twice, the rules being suspended, and on motion of Mr. BARKER, was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MILLIKEN, “ resolve in favor of the town of Belmont,” was taken from the table.

Mr. VIRGIN proposed an amendment which was adopted ; as amended, the resolve was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Burnettizing Company," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on the report of the Committee on the Judiciary on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to fugitives from draft, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, reported that the Committee were unable to agree with the House Committee, and recommend that the Senate adhere to its vote accepting the report.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the Senate receded and concurred with the House in substituting the minority report for that of the majority.

Accompanying said minority report was "resolve for an amendment of the Constitution to provide for the disfranchisement of deserters and absentees from military draft," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and the question being on the passage of the bill to be engrossed,

On motion of Mr. CHASE, the yeas and nays were ordered thereon, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Barker, Bradbury, Chase, Hale, Ludwig, Milliken, Peirce, L. Sanborn, Stetson, Stewart, True, Walker—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Burleigh, Hinds, Holbrook, Manson, Richardson, J. A. Sanborn, Southard, Stone, Tenney, Virgin, Warren, Woodman—12.

So the resolve was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BANKS, the order relating to final adjournment was taken from the table, and subsequently, on motion of Mr. BARKER, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet at half-past seven o'clock this evening.

On motion of Mr. MANSON,

Ordered, That Hon. Moses R. Ludwig be excused from further attendance, and that the Secretary is hereby directed to make up his pay for the session.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills :

“ An act to increase the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of York ”;

“ An act to simplify indictments for perjury ”;

“ An act to extend the charter of the Stillwater Bridge ”;

“ An act to incorporate the Oxford Turpentine Company ”;

“ An act to increase the salary of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Aroostook ”;

“ An act to increase the salary and duties of the State Librarian ”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“ Resolve authorizing repairs upon roads, rebuilding and repairing bridges, in the county of Aroostook ”;

“ Resolve extending the thanks of this State to Major General O. O. Howard ”;

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON,

The Senate adjourned.

EVENING.

Report of the Joint Special Committee, to which was recommit-
ted the report of the same Committee on an order relating to
Naval recruits and the credit thereof, with “ resolve appointing a
Commissioner to investigate the doings of brokers for recruits,”
and bill “ an act to provide for the appointment, and defining the
duties of State recruiting officers,” was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the report was laid on the table,
and 350 copies of the same ordered to be printed for the use of the
Legislature.

The resolve was twice read, the rules being suspended, and on
motion of Mr. BRADBURY was laid on the table.

The bill was twice read, the rules being suspended, and on mo-
tion of Mr. STETSON was laid on the table.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on the report of the Board of Commissioners on the location of the Agricultural College, that they do not advise the adoption of the recommendations of the said Commissioners, but recommend that when it shall be established, it be upon an independent basis, and that the subject be referred to the next Legislature, came from the House amended by substituting the report of the minority of said Committee for that of the majority.

The report was rejected, and on motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the minority report was substituted for that of the majority, and accepted in concurrence.

Accompanying said minority report was bill "an act to establish the State College for the benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," which was twice read, the rules being suspended.

House amendment "A" was adopted.

The bill was further amended as per sheet "B," on motion of Mr. BRADBURY, and as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CHASE,

Ordered, That Wm. W. Virgin be excused from further attendance, and that the Secretary is hereby directed to make up his pay for the session.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

Ordered, That the Senate meet on the 25th of February, 1865, at half-past eight o'clock A. M.

On motion of the same Senator,

The Senate adjourned.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1865.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Reading of yesterday's journal dispensed with.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate";

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House";

Were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve fixing the compensation to be paid to the clerks employed in the office of the Adjutant General," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. MANSON, the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bills:

"An act to incorporate the Cobbossee Manufacturing Company";

"An act requiring Notaries Public to pay a duty to the State";

"An act to simplify indictments in capital cases";

"An act to incorporate the Consumers' Mutual Coal Company of Portland";

"An act relating to bounties";

"An act additional to chapter 73 of the revised statutes, concerning conveyances by deed," &c.;

"An act additional to chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison";

"An act to provide support for the families of soldiers";

"An act to incorporate the Portland Burnettizing Company";

"An act to establish the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts";

"An act additional to chapter 81 of the revised statutes relating to civil actions";

"An act to amend chapter 142 of the revised statutes, relating to the Reform School";

"An act to change the place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Somerset, and to change the shire town of Somerset county";

"An act to provide for the expenditures of government";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in favor of the Reform School";

"Resolve relating to the services of General Ames";

"Resolve in relation to the compensation of the engrossing clerks employed in the Secretary of State's office during the present session of the Legislature";

"Resolve in favor of the town of Eastport";

"Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital";

"Resolve in favor of Stevens and Sayward";

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in this State";

"Resolve in favor of the Reform School";

"Resolve relating to Cony United States General Hospital";

"Resolve calling on the United States government to place steam vessels of war as a permanent ocean police on the coast of Maine";

"Resolve in favor of the town of Belmont";

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the Reform School";

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate";

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House";

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

And these several bills and resolves having been signed by the President, were by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

"Resolve authorizing the Superintendent of Public Buildings to procure glass cases for the protection of the stands of colors now exposed in the rotunda of this capitol," came from the House on its final passage indefinitely postponed.

The Senate indefinitely postponed the resolves in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TRUE, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby bill "an act to increase the salaries of the Judge and Register of Probate for the county of Kennebec" was indefinitely postponed, was reconsidered. The question then being on the

passage of the bill to be engrossed, the same was refused a passage.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY, the report of the Committee on the Judiciary on bill "an act to amend chapter 244 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths," that the same ought not to pass, was taken from the table. The question being on the acceptance of the report, the Senate refused to accept the same.

On motion of Mr. CHASE, the report of the minority of said Committee was substituted for that of the majority, and accepted. Accompanying said minority report was bill "an act to amend chapter 244 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths," which 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 strictly engrossed, "resolve making appropriation in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike."

Mr. BURLEIGH moved the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and on this question the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Burleigh, Chase, Hale, Hinds, Holbrook, Peirce, Stone, True—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Barker, Milliken, Southard, Tenney, Warren—5.

No quorum having voted, on motion of Mr. BANKS, a call of the Senate was ordered, and the roll being called, seventeen Senators were found to be present.

On motion of Mr. STONE, the resolve was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to provide for the expenditures of government," reported in the House from the Committee on Finance, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolves for the amendment of the Constitution to provide for the disfranchisement of deserters and absentees from military draft," came from the House refused a final passage.

On motion of Mr. BARKER, the resolves were laid on the table.

Order from the House :

That the Secretary of State be authorized to allow and pay to the temporary clerks employed in his office during the present session of the Legislature for night work, a reasonable compensation not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents per night,

Was read, and on motion of Mr. BANKS, was laid on the table.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at two o'clock.

On motion of the same Senator,

The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, bill "an act to amend chapter 244 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths"; which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

And this bill having been signed by the President, was by the Secretary presented to the Governor for his approval.

On motion of Mr. TENNEY, the order relating to compensation of temporary engrossing clerks, was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed an amendment thereto marked "A," which was adopted, and the order as amended was passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARKER moved that "resolve making appropriation in aid of the construction of the Milford and Princeton Turnpike," be taken from the table, and on this question, on motion of Mr. STONE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Barker, Bradbury, Chase, Hale, Holbrook, Manson, Milliken, Peirce, J. A. Sanborn, Tenney, True—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Burleigh, Hinds, Stone, Warren—4.

So the motion prevailed.

The question then recurring on the motion of Mr. BURLEIGH to indefinitely postpone the resolve, on motion of Mr. MANSON,

the yeas and nays were ordered thereon, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Burleigh, Chase, Hale, Hinds, Holbrook, Peirce, Stone, Warren—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Barker, Bradbury, Manson, Milliken, J. A. Sanborn, Tenney, True—7.

So the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BRADBURY,

Ordered, The House concurring, that both branches of the Legislature adjourn without day at half-past four o'clock P. M.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. STONE,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House informing that body that the Senate has disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

Mr. Stone, being charged with the message, subsequently reported that he had delivered the same.

A message was received from the House by Mr. Miller of Portland, informing the Senate that the House has disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

On motion of Mr. BANKS,

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 the two branches of the Legislature, having acted on all matters before them, are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

And Messrs. Banks of York; Tenney of Somerset, and Burleigh of Aroostook, were appointed said Committee on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the order came up from the House passed in concurrence, with Messrs. Wilson of Rockland, Tapley of Saco, Haines of East Livermore, Robinson of Sherman, Wasgatt of Mt. Desert, Nickerson of Linneus, and Oak of Garland, joined on the part of House.

Mr. BANKS, from the above Committee, subsequently reported that the Committee had waited upon the Governor and delivered the message with which they were charged, who was pleased to say that he would communicate with the two Houses forthwith, through the Secretary of State.

A message was received from the Governor through the Secretary of State, transmitting a list of acts and resolves passed by the Legislature during the session which have received his official signature, numbering 175 acts and 65 resolves, and stating that he had no further communication to make.

Mr. STONE rose in his place and said :

MR. PRESIDENT :—The hour for our final separation and the closing of our labors has come. It has been usual for some member of the opposite party to offer to the officer presiding over this body some resolutions and make some remarks on this occasion. But we find ourselves without any opposition party, and this being the case I perhaps may be pardoned for offering a resolution and saying a few words.

MR. SECRETARY :—The members of this branch all will agree with me in saying that our presiding officer has performed the arduous duties of his position with impartiality, with kindness and accuracy ; preserving the dignity and decorum of the Senate and conducting its labors with great propriety and great success. He has our kindest wishes. Our respect will follow him through all his life journey. He has endeared himself to us while we have been associated with him in our legislative labors, and although we have had doubts and perplexing matter, yet the path out of them has been made clear under his able lead.

Mr. Secretary, I ask leave to submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby tendered to the Hon. D. D. Stewart for the very able, kind, courteous and impartial manner in which he has presided over and conducted our proceedings and deliberations the present session.

Mr. TENNEY said :

MR. SECRETARY :—I should not act in obedience to my feelings were I silent on this occasion. I perhaps can say that I have

longer known the President of this body than any other gentleman in either branch of this Legislature. I well recollect the time when he was a student at law. I know that he was in the constant habit of attending upon the Court House at the time trials were going on and paying diligent attention to everything connected therewith. He soon became a member of the bar and manifested that interest in legal proceedings which clearly showed that he was to become a distinguished member of the profession. These anticipations have been fully realized. That was only twenty years ago.

It so happened that I was more often the presiding member of the Court from the time he made his first appearance there than any other member of the bench. I know he was always present, giving the most diligent attention not only to his own business but to that under the charge of others. The high hopes and anticipations of a career of success which I then predicted have attended him.

Our relations have been exceedingly pleasant during the whole term of our acquaintance. Although very much his senior, still I had no disposition to take advantage of that, but was glad to be his companion and glad that he was willing to be mine. I received benefit from that relation and I fondly hope that it was not lost upon him that such a relation existed. After retiring from the bench I found myself associated with him in the Legislature last year. My time in it was comparatively short on account of illness, but found that there was the same attention to business in the new sphere of action that there was in his connection with the judicial department. We have since been intimately acquainted notwithstanding our labors have been in different directions, excepting so far as they have been here. I take great satisfaction in looking back upon that acquaintance, and have no doubt that that connection which has so long existed between us will continue as heretofore.

I take occasion to express to the members of this Board and of the other branch the great kindness and courtesy which has been extended to me.

I shall recollect with much satisfaction the courtesy and the urbanity which has been observed on all occasions, particularly the kindness and attention shown me by the presiding officer. I hope he will long live to adorn his profession and to be serviceable to

his country in all the relations he may sustain to it, and that he will continue to do good as a patriot and as a lawyer so long as he lives when I shall be laid in the dust and forgotten.

Mr. BRADBURY said :

MR. SECRETARY :—It gives me great pleasure to add my own to the words of commendation and high regard which have been spoken in reference to our worthy presiding officer during the present session. His urbanity of manner, his great good nature, his knowledge of parliamentary rules have assisted materially in the dispatch of business, and contributed much to produce the constant good feeling and hearty good will that have characterized our action here. I can only hope, sir, that his future life may be as prosperous and happy as he has contributed to make ours pleasant and agreeable during this winter.

I shall separate from my friends at this Board with feelings of regret. No word of discord has marred our action here ; no feeling of distrust or ill-will, if I judge from outward appearances, has at any time rankled in the heart of a single member of this Board. Our proceedings have been characterized by a unanimity of action, unprecedented in either branch.

SENATORS, I shall remember the days of this session, spent in this chamber, among the sunny spots of my life.

The resolution was then unanimously adopted, the vote being taken by rising.

The PRESIDENT said :

SENATORS :—Your kind words are beyond any merit of mine. I can rightfully appropriate but very few of them. My labors here have been light and easily performed, and the unvarying kindness of every Senator at the Board has made them doubly so. No presiding officer ever had an easier position than mine during the present session, and my warmest thanks are due to the Senate, but none from the Senate to me.

Senators, our work is done, and we are now to return to those who confided their interests to our care. I trust they may find that those interests have been carefully protected by us. Much of the legislation of the present session has been important. But it

has been permitted to us to take part in the most momentous act in the legislative history of our country—perhaps of any country—the amendment of our organic law, so that it shall no longer deny the truth of the declaration of our fathers, that, “all men are created free and equal.”

How little did the arrogant conspirators of the South foresee the consequences of their unholy attempt to destroy that government which those fathers gave them ! The declaration of its lawful executive that he should employ the military force of the country to repossess and retake the forts and places belonging thereto, was answered with the threat that the rattlesnake flag should float over Bunker Hill ; and the proclamation of the same executive on April 15, 1861, commanding the conspirators to lay down their arms and disperse, was read by Jefferson Davis and his “cabinet” at Montgomery at the time, as their official organ stated, “amid shouts of derisive laughter.” Did Jefferson Davis and his “cabinet” at Richmond, read the tidings last week of the fall of Sumter, Moultrie, and Charleston, “amid shouts of derisive laughter?” How vast the change since that *15th of April, 1861* ! The black waters of rebellion have surged, and swollen, and reached their flood, and rolled back—never to return. Let us thank Him who holds the destinies of nations in His hands.

Senators, I hope the associations and events of the present session may ever remain undimmed in our memories ; and that we may often meet each other as we travel onward in the pathway of life. I part from you all with a feeling of respect and a sense of indebtedness which I have no appropriate words to describe. I wish you all a safe return to your homes.

Mr. BRADBURY introduced the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to Thomas P. Cleaves, Esq., Secretary of the Senate, and to Frank E. Hitchcock, Esq., Assistant Secretary, for the able and acceptable manner in which they have discharged the responsible duties of their respective offices.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. BANKS introduced the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to Increase Blake, Esq., Messenger, Edgar M. Robbins, Assistant Messenger,

and William F. Blake, Page, for the alacrity and ability with which they have performed their duties.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The PRESIDENT then declared the Senate adjourned *without day*.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1865.

PUBLIC LAWS.

An act to further continue in force the provisions of chapter seventy-one of the laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-two, concerning specie payments.

to amend chapter one hundred and sixty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, entitled "an act to fix the compensation of jailers for the board of prisoners."

to amend an act entitled "an act to authorize the surrender of the charters of existing banks in this state and to remit a portion of the bank tax," approved March twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred sixty-three.

to abolish the February term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Knox and to change the time of holding the April term of said court for said county.

to create and establish a sinking fund.

to amend section one of chapter ninety-one of the revised statutes, relating to mortgages of personal property.

to amend chapter thirty-two of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, entitled "an act to restrict the jurisdiction of justices of the peace to trial justices."

to prevent the defacing of private property and natural objects by advertisements.

to ratify an amendment of the constitution of the United States, proposed to the legislatures of the several states, by a resolution of Congress approved on the first day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

to amend chapter two hundred and fifty-one, section one of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to poll taxes.

An act to amend chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, entitled "an act requiring the secretary of state to furnish the clerks of courts in the several counties, a list of all persons commissioned and qualified as justices of the peace and quorum, trial justices, and notaries public."

giving further remedies against executors and administrators.

to establish the salaries of the judge of probate and register of probate for the county of Piscataquis.

to amend section twenty-seven of chapter fifty-nine of the revised statutes, in relation to the adoption of children.

to amend chapter forty-four of the revised statutes relative to hawkers and peddlers.

additional to chapter thirty-four of the revised statutes relating to auctions and auctioneers.

to make valid the acts and doings of cities, towns and plantations, in voting and making provision for the payment of bounties to volunteers, drafted men, and substitutes of drafted and enrolled men, and for other purposes.

in addition to an act approved March nineteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled "an act to regulate agencies for, and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors."

to amend chapter one hundred and one of the revised statutes, entitled "writ for replevyng a person," and chapter one hundred and thirty-five of the revised statutes, entitled "sentence and its execution in criminal cases, and the liberation of poor convicts."

to amend chapter nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, concerning the exemption of sewing machines from attachment and execution.

to amend chapter two hundred and thirty-nine of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

authorizing the expenditure of money for war purposes.

amendatory of chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to education.

further defining the duties of town officers in relation to the disbursement of moneys.

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- An act to change the time of holding the county commissioners' court for Kennebec county.
- concerning the militia.
- to amend chapter one hundred and twelve of the laws of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-two, relating to the use of office copies of deeds.
- explanatory of chapter ninety-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred fifty-nine, relating to petitions of review.
- to amend chapter ninety-one, section three, of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-two, defining the time for making application for compensation.
- additional to chapter sixty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and chapters sixty-six and one hundred and twenty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-two, relating to the families of volunteers.
- to amend chapter two hundred and eighty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four.
- to protect menhaden or porgies in the waters of the coast of Maine.
- to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of Hancock.
- to repeal an act entitled "an act to promote safety of travel on railroads," approved March fourteen, eighteen hundred sixty.
- to enable the banks of this state to become banking associations under the laws of the United States.
- to fix the sum to be paid hereafter by the state to persons enlisted or drafted into the service of the United States.
- in relation to the collection of taxes.
- in relation to the assessment of taxes.
- to amend section three of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-two, relating to taxes upon certain towns and plantations.
- additional concerning railroads.
- to increase the salary of the register of probate for the county of York.
- to increase the salary of the judge and register of probate for the county of Aroostook.

An act to simplify indictments for perjury.

to increase the salary and duties of the state librarian.

additional to chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, relating to the state prison.

requiring notaries public to pay a duty to the state.

relating to bounties.

to simplify indictments in capital cases.

additional to chapter seventy-three of the revised statutes, concerning conveyances by deed, etc.

to provide support for the families of soldiers.

to amend chapter one hundred forty-two of the revised statutes, relating to the reform school.

additional to chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions.

to change the place of holding the supreme judicial court in the county of Somerset and to change the shire town of Somerset county.

to amend chapter two hundred forty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-four, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

An act to establish the name and confirm the doings of the First Universalist Society in Portland.

to amend the acts establishing Westbrook Seminary.

to make valid the doings of William Percival as a justice of the peace.

authorizing the clerk of the courts for the county of Knox to complete the records of the courts in said county.

to incorporate the Atwood Lead Company.

to repeal an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Brunswick Mutual Marine Insurance Company," approved March thirty-first, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty six, and to continue its corporate existence for certain purposes.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Pembroke Iron Company," approved August twentieth, eighteen hundred and fifty.

An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Mills Company," approved February seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

to amend the charter of the Augusta Hotel Association.

to incorporate the Pembroke Axe and Scythe Company.

to change the name of the Little River Manufacturing Company and to increase its capital stock.

to incorporate the Denison Paper Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Lord Brook Dam Company.

to incorporate the Yarmouth Paper Company.

authorizing James W. Congdon and Edward N. Myers to construct and maintain a fish weir in Boot Cove, Lubec.

to incorporate the Eastern Packet Company of Portland.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Wiscasset Bridge."

additional to incorporate the Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company.

additional to "an act to incorporate the East Branch Mattawamkeag Dam Company."

to incorporate Crescent Lodge.

to change the limits of Ticonic Village Corporation.

to amend chapter four hundred and seventy of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty, relating to the destruction of fish in Chandler's river.

to incorporate the Maine Beater Press Company.

to change the name of Nancy J. Huey.

to increase the capital stock of the Farnsworth Manufacturing Company.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Portland Dry Dock Company."

additional to "an act to incorporate the Red Beach Plaster Company."

to incorporate the Lewiston Fire Insurance Company.

to increase the rate of tolls on the Merrymeeting Bridge.

to incorporate the Lewiston Machine Company.

to incorporate the Hudson Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Lincoln Mills.

to incorporate the proprietors of the Saint Croix Hall of Calais.

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to incorporate the Continental Mills.

to incorporate the Irish American Relief Association of Portland.

to incorporate the Mesalonskee Manufacturing Company. relating to Portland Bridge.

to increase the capital stock of the Buxton Manufacturing Company.

to increase the tolls of the Baskahegan Dam Company.

to incorporate the Range Pond Dam Company.

to incorporate the Eastport Hotel Company.

to extend the charter of the Norridgewock Bridge Proprietors and amend the rate of tolls granted therein.

to incorporate the State of Maine Oil Company.

to incorporate the Portland Tenement House Company.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Machiasport and East Machias Toll Bridge Company."

additional to "an act to incorporate the city of Bangor."

to repeal an act entitled "an act regulating the storage, safe-keeping and transportation of gunpowder in the city of Bangor," passed March twenty-third, eighteen hundred and thirty-five.

to increase the capital stock of the Traders' Bank in Bangor.

to incorporate the Kennebec Steamship Company.

to incorporate the officers and members of Somerset Royal Arch Chapter.

to incorporate the Bath Iron Mining and Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Guilford Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate Star in the West Lodge, number eighty-five.

to incorporate the Winnegance Mill-dam Company.

to incorporate the Baring Woollen Manufactory.

to incorporate the officers and members of Eastern Frontier Lodge.

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to incorporate the Hargraves Woollen Company.

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to change the name of James W. Leavitt and to confer upon him the rights of inheritance.
to incorporate the Williams Fraternity.
to incorporate the Shaw and Clark Sewing Machine Company.
to incorporate the Aroostook County Agricultural Society.
to authorize the Second Parish in Scarborough to convey their property to the Methodist Society of Scarborough.
to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of Kittery.
to incorporate the Kennebec Horticultural Society.
to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Marsh bay, in Gouldsborough, in the county of Hancock.
to incorporate the Rumford Bridge Company.
to incorporate the Stockton Steamboat Wharf Company.
to amend chapter one hundred seventy-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-two, to incorporate the proprietors of Union Mills Bridge, and granting a right to demand tolls.
to amend "an act to secure the proper expenditure of school moneys in the Madawaska townships."
authorizing the town of Presque Isle to exempt certain property from taxation.
authorizing the county commissioners of Washington county to lay out and establish in East Machias, a county road over tide waters.
to render valid the doings of Van Buren plantation.
to amend "an act to incorporate the city of Lewiston."
to establish the Dexter High School.
to authorize the building and maintaining a sluice for the passage of lumber in Perry.
to incorporate the Neptune Mutual Marine Insurance Company.
to set off part of the town of Starks and annex the same to the town of Mercer.
to incorporate Reeds Pond Dam Company.
to incorporate the Biddeford Savings Bank.
to amend the tariff of tolls of Livermore Falls Bridge Corporation.

An act to authorize the trustees of Farmington Academy to obtain a loan of money for the completion of a building erected by them for a Normal School and give security therefor in a mortgage of real estate.

An additional act to regulate the survey of lumber in the county of Penobscot.

An act to incorporate the Cumberland Bone Company.

to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river.

to extend further the operation of chapter two hundred fifty-three of the special laws of eighteen hundred sixty-three, and chapter three hundred fifty-eight of the special laws of eighteen hundred sixty-four, relating to the claims of Miles Wilson against Penobscot county.

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to establish the easterly line of Waterborough between said town and the towns of Limington and Hollis, in the county of York.

to empower the collector of Abbot, to collect school district tax in district number one, in said town.

relating to the record of births and marriages in Grant Isle, Madawaska, Dionne and Van Buren plantations, in the county of Aroostook.

to increase the capital stock of the City Bank of Biddeford.

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to incorporate the Union River Plank Road Company.

to authorize the proprietors of Lewiston Bridge to sell their toll bridge.

to amend chapter three hundred eighty-six of the special laws of eighteen hundred sixty.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company."

to increase the capital stock of the North Bank at Rockland.

to increase the capital stock of the Searsport Bank.

to increase the capital stock of the Lime Rock Bank.

to incorporate the Birch Stream Dam Company.

to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company.

An act authorizing the Proprietors of the First Parish Meeting-House in Perry, to sell their parsonage and invest the proceeds.

to incorporate the Maine Express Company.

to incorporate the town of Easton.

to set off a part of St. George and annex the same to South Thomaston.

to incorporate the officers and members of Lafayette Lodge.

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to extend the charter of the Stillwater Bridge.

to incorporate the Consumers' Mutual Coal Company of Portland.

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to incorporate the Portland Burnettizing Company.

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- Resolves relating to an amendment of the constitution of the United States prohibiting slavery.
- Resolve for the relief of Nathan Weston.
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in favor of Josiah H. Drummond.
- Resolves authorizing a temporary loan.
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- Resolve in favor of Jane H. Child.
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- Resolves in favor of Elizabeth A. Jenkins, Lyman C. Hurd and Joseph H. Myrick.
- Resolve donating certain books and documents to the library of Bates College.
- Resolves for the payment of state bounties.
- Resolve establishing a new school district for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.
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- in favor of the Penobscot tribe of Indians.
- in relation to reports of the adjutant general for the years eighteen hundred and sixty-one, eighteen hundred and sixty-two and eighteen hundred and sixty-three.
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