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IN SENATE, March 11, 1870.

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, seventy-five copies of which shall be bound; and cause three copies of the same to be distributed to each of the members of this Senate, one copy to each of the Senators of 1871, the Governor and Council, Heads of Departments, and Collegiate Institutions, and deposit the remaining copies in the State Library.

Read and passed.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

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AUGUSTA,
WEDNESDAY, January 5, 1870. }

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Maine, the Senators elect convened in the Senate Chamber, and were called to order by THOMAS P. CLEAVES, Esq., Secretary of the Senate of 1869.

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

The roll of Senators elect, furnished by the Secretary of State, in pursuance to the provisions of chapter 67 of the public laws of 1869, entitled "An act to regulate the organization of the Legislature," was called by the Secretary of the Senate as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT—YORK.

SAMUEL HANSON of Buxton.

JOHN B. NEALLEY of South Berwick.

JOSEPH C. ROBERTS of Waterborough.

SECOND DISTRICT—CUMBERLAND.

MARQUIS D. L. LANE of Standish.

CHARLES E. GIBBS of Bridgton.

HENRY CARVILL of Brunswick.

THOMAS B. REED of Portland.

THIRD DISTRICT—OXFORD.

WILLIAM W. BOLSTER of Dixfield.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES of Brownfield.

FOURTH DISTRICT—ANDROSCOGGIN.

DANIEL HOLLAND of Lewiston.

FIFTH DISTRICT—FRANKLIN.

EDWIN R. FRENCH of Chesterville.

SIXTH DISTRICT—SAGadahoc.

J. P. MORSE of Bath.

SEVENTH DISTRICT—KENNEBEC.

THOMAS S. LANG, of Augusta.

JOSHUA GRAY of Gardiner.

GEORGE E. MINOT of Belgrade.

EIGHTH DISTRICT—SOMERSET.

STEPHEN D. LINDSEY of Norridgewock.

LUTHER H. WEBB of Hartland.

NINTH DISTRICT—PISCATAQUIS.

JOHN G. MAYO of Dover.

TENTH DISTRICT—PENOBSCOT.

THOMAS R. KINGSBURY of Bradford.

CHARLES BUFFUM of Orono.

TIMOTHY FULLER of Lincoln.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT—LINCOLN.

BENJAMIN D. METCALF of Damariscotta.

TWELFTH DISTRICT—KNOX.

PHILANDER J. CARLETON of Camden.

RUGGLES S. TORREY of St. George.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT—WALDO.

T. H. CUSHING of Winterport.

LORENZO GARCELON of Troy.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT—HANCOCK.

JOHN A. BUCK of Orland.

HIRAM S. BARTLETT of Trenton.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT—WASHINGTON.

F. LORING TALBOT of East Machias.

PUTNAM ROLFE of Princeton.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT—AROOSTOOK.

SAMUEL W. COLLINS of Lyndon.

And Messrs. Hanson, Nealley, Roberts, Lane, Gibbs, Carvill, Reed, Bolster, Holland, French, Morse, Lang, Gray, Minot, Lindsey, Webb, Kingsbury, Buffum, Fuller, Metcalf, Carleton, Torrey, Cushing, Garcelon, Buck, Bartlett, Talbot and Collins, a quorum of Senators elect, responded to their names.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

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. Cushing subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and the governor was pleased to reply, that he would attend upon the Senators elect forthwith for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution.

Thereupon the Governor, attended by the Council and Heads of Departments, came in, before whom the Senators elect took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution, with the exception of Mr. Lang of Kennebec, who was qualified by affirmation.

The Governor and his attendants then withdrew.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Messrs. Talbot of Washington, Collins of Aroostook, and Hanson of York, 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 votes is.....	26
Necessary for a choice.....	14
W. W. Bolster has.....	24
P. J. Carleton.....	2

The report was accepted, and Hon. W. W. Bolster was declared duly elected President of the Senate for the current political year.

Mr. Bolster was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Carleton of Knox and Mr. Cushing of Waldo, and thereupon addressed the Senate as follows :

SENATORS—In accepting the responsible position your partiality has assigned me, I fully appreciate the honor conferred, and

heartily thank you for this generous expression of your confidence. I bring to the Chair no experience as a presiding officer, and can only promise that I shall endeavor to merit your abiding confidence, by a prompt, faithful, honest and impartial discharge of its duties; confidently trusting that you will cheerfully accord to me that courtesy, forbearance and cordial coöperation which has always marked the deliberations of this Board.

With these assurances, I cheerfully enter upon the exercise of the duties of the office. I trust, and doubt not, that unanimity, harmony, and fidelity will characterize our deliberations and councils; that our labors will provide new guards for the future welfare, prosperity and happiness of the people of the State.

The people of Maine are proud of her intelligence and tried patriotism; her institutions, her resources, and her progress. Development is their watchword. Let us unite in endeavors for the public good, avoiding all narrow views of economy, trusting in the Supreme Ruler, go forth confidently in the discharge of those official duties entrusted to us by the suffrages of our fellow citizens, that shall minister to the highest prosperity of our state, that the people may have reason to be proud of us as their representatives.

The field of our labors opens broad before us, embracing a revision of our statute law and making a State valuation upon which to base our State tax for ten years. On these and all other questions that may come before us let us act in the spirit of harmony, solicitous above all things to do right and justice to all private and public interests, and the entire people of our noble State.

Again thanking you for the honor, I now await your pleasure in completing the organization of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Buffum of Penobscot, and Webb of Somerset, 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 votes is	24
Necessary for a choice.....	13
Samuel W. Lane has.....	24

The report was accepted, and Samuel W. Lane of Augusta, was

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

Mr. Lane signified his acceptance of the office; and on motion of Mr. CUSHING, that Senator accompanied the Secretary elect to the Governor and Council to take and subscribe the necessary oaths to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Mr. Cushing subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Samuel W. Lane had taken and subscribed the necessary oaths to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Whereupon Samuel W. Lane appeared and entered upon his official duties.

Attest: THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary*.

Mr. LINDSEY announced the attendance of Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves, Senator elect from the Third Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

Mr. Lindsey was directed by the President to conduct Mr. Cleaves to the Governor and Council for that purpose; who subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Mr. Cleaves 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. Cleaves thereupon appeared and took his seat at the Senate Board.

On motion of Mr. BUCK,

Messrs. Buck of Hancock, Cleaves of Oxford, and Minot of Kennebec, 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 votes is.....	23
Necessary for a choice.....	12
Herbert M. Heath has.....	23

The report was accepted, and Herbert M. Heath of Gardiner, was declared duly elected Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

Messrs. Webb of Somerset, Reed of Cumberland, and Bartlett

of Hancock, 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 votes is24

Necessary for a choice.....13

Jabez Marriner has.....24

The report was accepted, and Jabez Marriner of Cape Elizabeth, was declared duly elected Messenger of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. GARCELON,

Messrs. Garcelon of Waldo, Nealley of York, and Carvill of Cumberland, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Assistant Messenger of the Senate.

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

Whole number of votes is23

Necessary for a choice.....12

James H. Banks has.....23

The report was accepted, and James H. Banks of Freeport, was declared duly elected Assistant Messenger of the Senate.

Mr. TALBOT announced the attendance of Hon. Putnam Rolfe, Senator elect from the Fifteenth Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

Mr. Talbot was directed by the President to conduct Mr. Rolfe to the Governor and Council for that purpose ; who subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Mr. Rolfe 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. Rolfe thereupon appeared and took his seat at the Senate Board.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, The House concurring, that all petitions for private legislation, except "petitions for redress of wrongs and grievances," 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. METCALF,

Ordered, That the Rules and Orders of 1869, be and continue to be the Rules and Orders of this Senate, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY,

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

On motion of Mr. GIBBS,

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

On motion of Mr. HANSON,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish to each Senator, the Secretary and Assistant Secretary, Messenger and Assistant Messenger, one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal, and one copy of the Daily Eastern Argus, during the session of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. LINDSEY, 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. W. W. Bolster as President, and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

On motion of Mr. LANG, 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. W. W. Bolster as President, and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Cousens of Kennebunkport, informing the Senate that the House is duly organized by the choice of Hon. Reuben Foster of Waterville, as Speaker, and Sumner J. Chadbourne, Esq., of Dixmont, as Clerk.

A communication was received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Senators for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. LINDSEY,

Ordered, That a Committee of seven be appointed by the Chair,

to whom the return of votes for Senators for the current political year shall be referred for examination and report.

And Messrs. Lindsey of Somerset, Holland of Androscoggin, Collins of Aroostook, Lane of Cumberland, French of Franklin, Gray of Kennebec, and Kingsbury of Penobscot, were appointed said Committee.

A communication was received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the returns of votes for Governor for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. MORSE,

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. Morse of Sagadahoc, Lindsey of Somerset, Cushing of Waldo, Minot of Kennebec, Webb of Somerset, Torrey of Knox, and Buffum of Penobscot, 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. Farwell of Augusta, Bearce of Lewiston, Stickney of Presque Isle, Stover of Harpswell, Wheeler of Chesterville, Wasson of Surry, Bliss of Washington, Mears of Bristol, Chase of Woodstock, Humphrey of Bangor, Foss of Abbot, Spaulding of Richmond, Folsom of Skowhegan, Harriman of Belfast, Peavey of Whiting, and Cousens of Kennebunkport.

Mr. LINDSEY, at his request, was excused from serving on the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial Votes, and Mr. Roberts of York, was appointed to the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Bates Manufacturing Company in Lewiston";

Bill "an act additional to 'an act to incorporate the Lewiston Bleachery Company,' approved March 29th, 1853";

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Ordered, the House concurring, That the Joint Rules and Orders of 1869, be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to place in the hands of the Secretary of the Senate, for the use of the Senate, two copies of the Revised Statutes, also one copy of Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer, and one copy each of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, and Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY,

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

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

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. BUCK,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to furnish each member of the Senate, one copy of the Acts and Resolves of 1869.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

The vote whereby the Senate passed the order adopting the Joint Rules and Orders of 1869 as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature was reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked "A," to amend by adding the words, "excepting so much of Rule First as requires the appointment of a Committee on Appropriations."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on Senatorial Votes, submitted the following report:

The Committee to which were referred the return of votes for Senators for the current political year, ask leave to report as follows:

In the First District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	10,837
Necessary for a choice.....	5,418
Samuel Hanson has.....	5,903
John B. Nealley.....	5,732
Joseph C. Roberts.....	5,722
Ephraim C. Spring.....	4,887
Edward Eastman.....	4,919
George Bragdon.....	4,880
Joseph B. Roberts.....	6
Ebenezer S. Hanson.....	157
Isaac M. Trafton.....	153
Muel Hanson.....	1
B. Nealley.....	1
C. Roberts.....	1

And Samuel Hanson, John B. Nealley and Joseph C. Roberts, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Second District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	11,202
Necessary for a choice.....	5,602
Marquis D. L. Lane has.....	5,774
Charles E. Gibbs.....	5,638
Henry Carvill.....	5,931
Thomas B. Reed.....	5,689

Benjamin J. Larabee, 2d.....	4,438
Daniel O. Emery.....	4,527
Abner B. Thompson.....	4,320
Daniel M. Cook.....	4,514
John W. Munger.....	479
William M. Shaw.....	599
Henry H. Starbird	478
Ezra Tobey.....	446
F. G. Messer.....	100
Samuel F. Perley.....	84
John H. Philbrick.....	8
John W. Russell.....	1
Neal Dow.....	7
W. W. Vinton.....	1
Charles Humphrey.....	1
Amos Osgood.....	1
Joseph W. Simonds.....	1
Joseph Simonds.....	1
Benjamin Larabee.....	82
Thomas Hancock.....	1
A. H. Burbank.....	1
O. B. Durand.....	1
Woodbury Davis.....	1
Charles H. Stackpole.....	1
W. H. Woodbury.....	1
C. J. Morris.....	6
C. P. Kimball.....	1
W. J. Merrill.....	1
Caleb Chaplain.....	1

And Marquis D. L. Lane, Charles E. Gibbs, Henry Carvill and Thomas B. Reed, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Third District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	6,576
Necessary for a choice.....	3,289
William W. Bolster has.....	3,445
Thomas P. Cleaves.....	3,592
John C. Gery.....	2,781
Charles C. Sanderson.....	2,775

Lewis Bisbee.....	207
Enoch C. Farrington.....	195
James W. Eaton.....	1
William Bolster.....	107
Thomas Mabry.....	1

And William W. Bolster and Thomas P. Cleaves, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Fourth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	4,949
Necessary for a choice.....	2,475
Daniel Holland has.....	2,711
Alonzo Garcelon.....	1,840
Phillips Bradford.....	417
Alson Lathrop.....	2
William Lowell.....	1

And Daniel Holland, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

In the Fifth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	3,573
Necessary for a choice.....	1,787
Edwin R. French has.....	2,089
Francis G. Butler.....	1,475

And Edwin R. French, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

In the Sixth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	2,375
Necessary for a choice.....	1,188
J. P. Morse has.....	1,425
Samuel O. Bailey.....	806
Benjamin F. Talman.....	144

And J. P. Morse, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

In the Seventh District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	8,927
Necessary for a choice.....	4,464
Thomas S. Lang has.....	4,740
Joshua Gray.....	4,987

George E. Minot.....	4,523
Thomas L. Stanton.....	3,081
Charles L. White.....	3,149
Bradford Sawtelle.....	2,874
Eli Jones.....	1,005
George W. Quinby.....	726
F. E. Webb.....	1,401
Scattering.....	2

And Thomas S. Lang, Joshua Gray and George E. Minot, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Eighth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	6,643
Necessary for a choice.....	3,322
Luther H. Webb has.....	3,842
Stephen D. Lindsey.....	3,732
John Ware, Jr.....	2,936
James Fuller.....	2,941
George W. Bicknell.....	53
Samuel Gould.....	54
Scattering.....	7

And Luther H. Webb and Stephen D. Lindsey, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Ninth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	2,507
Necessary for a choice.....	1,254
John G. Mayo has.....	1,470
James S. Wiley.....	956
Phineas Tolman.....	81

And John G. Mayo, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

In the Tenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	11,063
Necessary for a choice.....	5,537
Thomas R. Kingsbury has.....	6,343
Charles Buffum.....	6,220
Timothy Fuller.....	6,339
Levi B. Patten.....	3,962
Stephen D. Jennings.....	3,977

Asa Smith.....	3,971
Amos Pickard.....	587
Smith Baker.....	596
L. W. Starbird.....	599
Stephen Jennings.....	16
Smith Baker, Jr.....	32
John Gardner.....	7
Levi Patten.....	27

And Thomas R. Kingsbury, Charles Buffum and Timothy Fuller, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Eleventh District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	3,764
Necessary for a choice.....	1,883
Benjamin D. Metcalf has.....	1,980
Daniel F. Hutchings.....	1,782

And Benjamin D. Metcalf, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

In the Twelfth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	4,932
Necessary for a choice.....	2,467
Simon G. Webster has.....	2,191
George W. Kimball, Jr.....	1,680
Philander J. Carlton.....	2,604
Ruggles S. Torrey.....	2,539
George W. Kimball.....	573
Scattering.....	3

And Philander J. Carlton and Ruggles S. Torrey, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Thirteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	6,159
Necessary for a choice.....	3,080
T. H. Cushing has.....	3,170
Lorenzo Garcelon.....	3,135
Adams Treat.....	2,522
Ezra Cox.....	2,583
A. J. Billings.....	390
A. W. Rich.....	402

N. H. Pendleton.....	15
A. W. Atwood.....	1

And T. H. Cushing and Lorenzo Garcelon, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Fourteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was	4,643
Necessary for a choice.....	2,322
John A. Buck has.....	2,575
Hiram S. Bartlett.....	2,588
Cyrus J. Hall.....	1,858
Alonzo Colley.....	1,861
Mark H. Lufkin.....	185
W. W. Bragdon	186
Mark Lufkin	6

And John A. Buck and Hiram S. Bartlett, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Fifteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	5,209
Necessary for a choice.....	2,605
F. Loring Talbot has.....	2,869
Putnam Rolfe.....	2,748
Samuel D. Leavitt.....	2,279
Aaron H. Woodcock.....	2,310
W. J. Cothell.....	6
George Leavitt.....	4
Aaron W. Woodcock.....	9
Putnam	3

And F. Loring Talbot and Putnam Rolfe, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Sixteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	3,495
Necessary for a choice.....	1,748
Samuel W. Collins has.....	2,389
George Cary.....	939
Isaac Hacker.....	205
Scattering.....	1

And Samuel W. Collins, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

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 half past eleven o'clock A. M., 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, by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, informing the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the foregoing proposition of the Senate.

The hour assigned for a Convention of the two branches for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Attorney General, Adjutant General, Land Agent, and seven Executive Councillors, having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. LINDSEY of the Senate,

Messrs. Lindsey of Somerset, Carvill of Cumberland, of the Senate, and Messrs. Blake of Auburn, Powers of Houlton, Jordan of Brunswick, Martin of Rumford, and Farwell of Augusta, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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

Whole number of ballots is.....	155
Necessary for a choice.....	78
Franklin M. Drew has.....	133
John M. Goodwin.....	22

The report was accepted, and Franklin M. Drew was declared duly elected Secretary of State for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING of the Senate,

Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, of the Senate, and Messrs. Twitchell of Portland, Green of Wilton, Bliss of Washington, Brown of Anson, Jones of Norway, and Cushing of Sidney, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

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

Whole number of ballots is.....	153
Necessary for a choice.....	77
Thomas B. Reed has.....	127
Albert W. Bradbury.....	26

The report was accepted, and Thomas B. Reed was declared duly elected Attorney General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. WEBB of the Senate,

Messrs. Webb of Somerset, Minot of Kennebec; of the Senate, and Messrs. Whidden of Calais, Waterhouse of Portland, Darling of Lincoln, Wheeler of Chesterville, and Mayo of Windham, 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 ballots is.....	164
Necessary for a choice.....	83
Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., has.....	131
Charles W. Roberts.....	32
Albert W. Bradbury.....	1

The report was accepted, and Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., was declared duly elected Adjutant General for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY of the Senate,

Messrs. Kingsbury of Penobscot, Lang of Kennebec, of the Senate, and Messrs. Wasson of Surry, Palmer of Gardiner, Watts of Thomaston, Dunning of Bangor, and Skinner of St. Albans, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

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

Whole number of ballots is.....	139
Necessary for a choice.....	70
Parker P. Burleigh has.....	139

The report was accepted, and Parker P. Burleigh was declared duly elected Land Agent for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of the Senate,

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, Nealley of York, of the Senate, and

Messrs. Chase of Woodstock, Whitney of Exeter, Foss of Abbot, Adams of Mayfield, and Lewis of Liberty, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for seven Executive Councillors.

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

Whole number of ballots is.....	162
Necessary for a choice.....	82
Uranus O. Brackett has.....	128
William Deering.....	128
William Rogers.....	128
A. H. Abbot.....	128
E. R. Spear.....	128
Joseph W. Porter.....	128
D. K. Hobart.....	127
Trafton Hatch.....	34
Charles E. Merrill.....	34
John Reed.....	34
Oliver Moses.....	34
E. K. O'Brien.....	34
James F. Rawson.....	34
Samuel D. Leavitt.....	34

The report was accepted, and Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, A. H. Abbot, E. R. Spear, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart, were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. BUCK,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to inform Franklin M. Drew of his election as Secretary of State, Thomas B. Reed of his election as Attorney General, B. B. Murray, Jr., of his election as Adjutant General, Parker P. Burleigh of his election as Land Agent, and Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, A. H. Abbot, E. R. Spear, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart of their election as Executive Councillors, for the current political year.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet this evening at seven o'clock.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial Votes, submitted the following report:

The Committee to which was referred the Gubernatorial Votes of 1869, for examination and report, have attended to that duty and ask leave to report:

The whole number of votes returned is.....	95,729
Necessary for a choice.....	47,864
Joshua L. Chamberlain has.....	51,511
Franklin Smith.....	39,274
Nathan G. Hichborn.....	4,751
J. L. Chamberlain.....	37
Joshua Chamberlain.....	88
N. G. Hichborn.....	48
Sidney Perham.....	4
Ebenezer Knowlton.....	2
Anson P. Morrill.....	2
Samuel F. Hersey.....	1
Ezra T. Beal.....	1
Scattering.....	10

There were many irregularities in the details of returns, which the Committee in the exercise of their discretion, counted. But there were several returns so glaringly incorrect, that the Committee were obliged to reject them. Mapleton, in Aroostook county, made no return of the candidates voted for, for Governor.

St. Francis plantation appears to have voted for eleven men for Governor, these among other reasons caused the rejection of its returns. Talmadge, in Washington county, sent a *blank* return legally signed by town officers.

And Joshua L. Chamberlain, having a majority of all the votes returned, is elected Governor for the current political year.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

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.

Joshua L. Chamberlain and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year.

And Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Lane of Cumberland, and Lindsey of Somerset, 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. McGilvery of Searsport, Chamberlain of Ellsworth, White of Bangor, Stone of Kennebunk, Reed of Waldoborough, Patten of Bath, and Irish of Sherman.

Mr. CUSHING, from the foregoing committee, subsequently reported that the committee had waited upon the Governor elect and informed him of his election, and that he was pleased to reply that he accepted the office, and would attend upon the Legislature at such time as may be assigned, 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. LANE,

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 evening, at seven o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor elect, the oaths of office, and receiving such communication as he may be pleased to make, and asking the concurrence of the House.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently a message was received from the House by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, informing the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the foregoing proposition of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

The Senate adjourned.

EVENING.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The President announced the Standing Committees of the Senate, which were appointed, as follows :

On Bills in the Second Reading.

Messrs. Talbot of Washington,
Nealley of York,
Lang of Kennebec,
Kingsbury of Penobscot,
Webb of Somerset,
Garcelon of Waldo,
Gibbs of Cumberland,
French of Franklin,
Collins of Aroostook,
Torrey of Knox,
Holland of Androscoggin,
Morse of Sagadahoc,

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford,
Buck of Hancock,
Cushing of Waldo,
Hanson of York,
Rolfe of Washington,
Carleton of Knox,
Minot of Kennebec,
Metcalf of Lincoln,
Bartlett of Hancock,
Gray of Kennebec,
Lane of Cumberland,
Reed of Cumberland,

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

“An act to incorporate the capital stock of the Bates Manufacturing Company in Lewiston”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Lewiston Bleachery Company, approved March 29, 1853”;

Which were each 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.

The hour assigned for the Convention, for the purpose of administering to the Governor elect the oaths of office, having arrived,

the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. LANG of the Senate,

That Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, 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 qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Subsequently Mr. Lang 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 Executive 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. Franklin M. Drew, 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 Joshua L. Chamberlain, 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 JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN is *Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the State of Maine*, and that due obedience should be rendered to all 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.

Thereupon, the Governor addressed the Convention as follows:

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

In approaching the duties of another session, it is well to impress upon the mind a due estimate of their importance; and acknowledging and invoking the Divine favor, seek for wisdom in their faithful discharge. It is true that the councils of the Nation have more to do with the greater matters of our common weal or woe; but the questions which are within your control, and the duties to which you are now solemnly devoted, are worthy of your best thought and conscience and wisdom.

While the dark burden of the war rolled its gloom over us, the people were not niggardly in giving nor over-critical in receiving whatever promised aid in the great deliverance. With a patriotism which knew no class or section, with a generosity which counted no cost, and a devotion that shrank from no sacrifice, they poured their choicest treasure and their most precious life into the field where the great issue was joined for the guaranties of liberty and a government of law. Intent on this they paid little attention to little things; they did not stop to challenge either men or measures that came in the guise and color of the common cause. But the crisis now is past; the field won. The times are different; our duties new. We must challenge both measures and men, cast out the false, displace the weak, entrench the strong. We must look back over the tumultuous track and see where ruin can be repaired and abuses corrected;—false channels cut by the wild overflow stopped up; true currents of prosperity restored. We must look forward, not only to see what must be borne, but what must be done,—stifled energies to be set free, new powers put in motion. No spiritless or timid reluctance to grapple with the vexed questions which may claim our attention, should be allowed to settle upon us from the too modest impression that our acts are of little consequence. On the contrary never was sound judgment and generous toil, and the clear, sharp scrutiny that runs before and after, more demanded by the exigency of the times and the interests of the people.

A government has something more to do than to govern, and levy taxes to pay the governors. It is something more than a police to arrest evil and punish wrong. It must also encourage good, point out improvements, open roads of prosperity and infuse

life into all right enterprises. It should combine the insight and foresight of the best minds of the State for all the high ends for which society is established and to which man aspires. That gives us much to do. We sit down here to devise things for the public good. Let us be at the work early, and do it both well and quickly. For both are possible. Promptitude and activity will enable us to avoid a protracted session, omitting nothing and at the same time considering well. That there will be conflicts of opinion and differences of judgment may be expected, and is well. Where men are thoughtful there will seldom be unanimity. Where men are honest there will be sharp individuality. Independence, if it is genuine, is no evil, but a good. The great requisite, indeed, on the part of those who make or administer laws, is moral courage. We cannot expect much that is good from laws enacted under clamor or to meet some crisis, nor from statesmen who are chiefly concerned in contriving to keep their place and power. One thing we may be sure of,—the virtue in the hearts of the people. That instinct may be deceived, but will not be defeated. It demands honesty; and will pardon us if in that cause we are over bold.

One man, indeed, we have lost from active participation and influence in our affairs. One voice is silent that was wont to speak only honest conviction, without favor and without fear. WILLIAM PITT FESSENDEN is gone. The race of men that dare be right has suffered loss. The man who will calmly resolve and give judgment with understanding, unmoved by the voice of those who seeing not so clearly, feel more violently—the man who aims for the ultimate right, rather than for the near advantage—the man who in the tremendous hour of responsibility when great issues hang upon his action, hearing above the tumult of taunting foes and supplicating friends, the deeper voices of reason and conscience, fixes his single eye on duty, and stakes his all upon the blow—that man it is hard to find, and hard indeed to lose. One by one the great men around whom our hearts rallied in the dark days of the Republic, are passing from our view. We feel that we are lost, rather than they. Happy will it be if the young men now rising to their places, shall learn from their example, and be able when the day of trial comes to do their duty as unselfishly, as boldly, and as well. The deeds of such men live after them. Their words are gone out unto the end of the world. Their light shall shine

along the heights of history, as the glory lives on the Alpine peaks when the sun is seen no more.

The vacancy in the United States Senate it became my duty to fill for the time, and I accordingly appointed Hon. Lot M. Morrill. It now devolves on you to elect a Senator for the remainder of the term ending March 4th, 1871.

I proceed to lay before you an abstract of the condition of the State, with the few suggestions which appear needful to be made: the more complete details and cogent reasons will for the most part appear in the several reports and other documents submitted to your inspection.

FINANCIAL.

The report of the Treasurer will present a most interesting statement and history of our finances. Our receipts during the past year have been \$939,814.50, and our expenditures \$919,609.80. On the old civil debt we have paid the annual installment of \$37,000, leaving a balance of \$384,000. Our war debt December 31, 1869, was \$4,632,500. This is amply provided for by the sinking fund arising from the tax of three-fourths of a mill on the dollar by the valuation of 1860. Of this debt \$800,000 falls due in 1871. The sinking fund, with the collections from the general government applied to extinguish this debt, already amounts to \$972,530, so that we are already \$172,530 in advance of our liabilities in 1871, and at the present rate of increase we shall be \$300,000 ahead.

Our whole public debt January 1, 1870, including the civil and the war debt, and the municipal reimbursement loan is \$8,100,900. Notwithstanding the heavy drain on the Treasury last year, expenditures have been so economized and cut short, that the loan authorized to meet current expenses has not been resorted to, nor have even the appropriations been exhausted. It is estimated that with all that may reasonably be contemplated, the rate of taxation this year will fall somewhat short of the last. Still, we should make all reasonable appropriations. It would be poor economy to refuse to expend any money till our debts are paid.

The remarkable feature of our finances this year is the assumption by the State of a portion of the war expenses of towns. This is made at the rate of \$100 for every three years' man actually furnished for the war. After a long and thorough examination of

the most tangled and perplexing matters, the commissioners appointed to adjust the reimbursement have now made their report, which will be found to contain serious matters of history in regard to the method of furnishing men for the war. They adjudge the sum of \$3,105,183.33. The fractional parts of \$100 required to be paid in currency in this distribution amount to \$20,783.33. For the rest, viz. \$3,084,400, Bonds of the State are now ready for issue bearing interest from October 1, 1869, at the rate of six per cent., payable semi-annually. To provide for this interest and the ratable portion of the sinking fund required to extinguish this debt, you will need to assess the sum of about \$80,000.

It would serve as a protection against loss or robbery, if you were to provide for the registration of these bonds as the holders might desire. If a portion of this loan finds its way to the market, there is no reason to apprehend a serious depreciation. Under the late stringency which so severely tested all bonded securities, ours fell off not more than two or three per cent. from par. When we consider also the much higher rates of interest offered by other securities which flood the market, we cannot but congratulate ourselves upon the public confidence in our financial soundness.

The liabilities, which, one way or another, grew out of the war, have laid a heavy burden on us. Were it not for this, it will be perceived, they would be but light. But it must be borne in mind that this debt does not represent what is wasted and lost. It is a heritage of honor, and a patent of nobility; and if that seems too unsubstantial a consolation to those who dwell on the more striking fact that our taxes continue high, they may be reminded that more than half this debt is for money that has been scattered broadcast among our own citizens.

The report of the Examiner of Banks and Insurance Companies will suggest matters of unusual importance. It will be seen that our old banks, under State charter, are almost extinct. The policy of the Government is hostile, and we shall probably have to abandon the system.

The recommendation of a tax to be laid upon foreign Insurance Companies doing business in this State, seems well supported by argument.

Those who are interested in the condition of our people, will not be content to estimate the prosperity of the State from the operations of capitalists and the balance of trade. They will also look

upon the great masses, and see if they can live upon their daily labor; to what use they put their earnings, and to what advantage their small savings. There you can best discover whether you are rightly solving the problems of political economy, or realizing the objects of society. There are now thirty-seven Savings Banks in Maine, several having been recently chartered in what we might call our country towns; the chief apprehension in regard to which is, that they may not be able to afford suitable security against robbery. The deposits for the past year amount to \$10,839,955, by about 40,000 depositors; making an average of something over \$250 each. An interesting comparison is shown by the fact that the amount thus laid in store from honest and hard-earned gains, is already more than a million and a quarter larger than the aggregate capital of all our banks of issue, State and National, and nearly two and three-quarter millions larger than the whole of our bonded public debt.

It is urged by some that a direct tax should be laid on savings banks. It is a sound principle that property should share as equally as possible the public burden; and it seems, at first sight, that savings banks should no more be exceptions to the rule than any other banks. But it will be seen upon reflection that the spirit and intent of deposits in savings banks differ entirely from the object and operation of deposits in other banks; and it is a grave question whether this difference is not of such a nature and result as to make the savings banks a positive benefit to the State, which might even entitle them to special grace, practically amounting to a bounty, or premium, if you please. These banks are the special depositories of the poor; treasuries of pittances which could in no other way be so well guarded and made profitable. If not kept here many of them would not be kept at all. Besides the actual saving of earnings, and the positive addition to wealth thence accruing,—itself an object worthy of your thoughtful care,—there are incidental and even more valuable advantages. The moment he has money in the bank, the humblest feels a bracing up of his self-respect and whole moral force. From that moment springs an incentive to industry, frugality, temperance, enterprise; to all, in fact, which constitutes good citizenship, and advances the character and condition of men. Anything, therefore, which tends to discourage deposits in savings banks should be scrupulously avoided. If there were any way to reach the large depositors by

requiring the officers of banks to make returns to the assessors of towns for the purpose of taxation, it would certainly be well. But first premising that large sums are less likely than small ones to escape taxation in the ordinary way, it is to be said that such depositors might still easily evade the law, and the burden would fall back on those less able to bear it.

Indeed the mere fact itself of publishing Savings Banks deposits would intimidate and dishearten many whose very struggle and merit it is to keep this pittance from the willful and wasteful hands which would at the same time destroy it and themselves. By the very confidential relations of these banks many a poor woman is helped in her heroic struggle to bear her unequal burden. Therefore it seems to me better even to suffer such evils as we do, than in the attempt to correct them to subvert a far greater good.

What this State needs is capital—money in motion, whether gold or currency. Our material is stagnant, our industry crippled, our enterprise staggered for want of money, which is power. What makes the sinews of war, makes also the sinews of peace. Maine strikes me as quite different in her circumstances from the other New England States, with their denser population, developed arts and industries, their centralization of forces and accumulation of capital. She reminds me more of the Western States in her condition and needs,—a virgin soil, undeveloped powers, vast forests, and vigorous men, but no money. Like them she is trying to build railroads, invite immigration and develop her resources, and perhaps is not so much in love with a high tariff as some of her more cultivated sisters. The elements and powers of nature, and the energy and enterprise of men in order to be turned to account for the great uses of civilization, must wait on capital. Unfortunately we cannot hold our own: we can keep neither our men nor our money at home. Higher rates of interest for the one, and quicker and larger returns for the other, win the game. The result is a double drain which keeps all our channels low. This evil must be remedied or Maine will have to wait a great while for her coronation. What can be done it is not easy to say specifically. We must look to the National Government to strike off some of our fetters and lighten some of our burdens. To me it seems unwise to cramp our energies with duties and taxes in trying to do everything in one day. I have no great pride against letting somebody else help pay the cost of the war. The great debt of

the country is a boon which we must invite posterity to share, along with the blessings which they will inherit with it. We gave our strength, our blood, our tears ; let the delivered future bear a part at least in the thank-offering. If we can do anything that will make labor, skill, talent and capital remunerative, that let us do. People will come and will stay ; money will be kept and brought, if we can manage to make it pay. What we can do for money does not readily appear. But we can look over the situation. As I have said, higher rates of interest abroad lure our money away. Money will seek the highest level as sure as water. Argument and entreaty will not change the course of this inexorable law. Capitalists are reluctant. Some scruple to receive an illegal rate and so refuse. Some stipulating for these rates, knowing that they can only trust the honor of the borrower for the continuance, want a better security. But mortgages of real estate, which is about all we have, carry a long right of redemption, and the lender is liable to be kept three years out of the money at merely the low legal rate. The result is he will not accept even the mortgage, but demands an outright deed, and then the borrower must trust the honor of the lender, which in turn may not be very valuable security.

Two things would undoubtedly tend to make money more plenty. 1. To perfect and make practicable our free banking law. 2. To legalize higher rates of interest. Of course the suggestion of evils growing out of the latter proposal at once arises. But it may be that the example of the General Government which compelled us to suspend specie payments, may also compel us for a time to recognize a rate of interest corresponding with this general practice and sanction.

The Commissioners on the State valuation will submit the result of their labors for your action, which will require your careful scrutiny and impartial judgment.

INSTITUTIONS, REFORMATORY AND SANITARY.

The various institutions under the care of the State are generally in a prosperous condition. The Reform School shows excellent management. The business is conducted with judgment and energy ; the discipline and care of the boys is wise and kind ; and although this is in some sense a prison it is in the best sense a school. It is a greater task than we might think to administer the

the affairs of such an institution with entire success. We have every reason to be gratified with the present results.

I trust we shall not lose sight of the proposition so cordially received two years ago, to establish an Industrial School for girls. Such an institution would do much good, and save from vast evils. The subject cannot but command the sympathy of every humane and considerate man.

So far as I can judge of the State Prison, everything about it appears to be well managed. The sum of \$15,000 was placed last year in the hands of the Warden for a working capital. The experiment has proved successful. The books show this year an excess of earnings over expenses of \$689.19, which is a marked change in the balance of accounts. Great care is taken for the welfare and improvement of the convicts, and every thing is done for their good which the nature of the case will permit.

I am constrained to say here, that the jail system in this State is far from being so satisfactory. As I have said before, it is attended by evils which are disastrous in the extreme, and I would respectfully renew my recommendation that you provide some method to reach this matter.

The Executive Council have given particular attention to the condition of the deaf, dumb and blind, who are now sent to institutions out of the State. Some matters of detail have been corrected and improved, but upon the whole the present mode of caring for those unfortunates is approved as the best provision we could make.

The Hospital for the Insane is still crowded with inmates. Applicants are awaiting the completion of the new wing. This it will be necessary to provide for. The building will then be architecturally complete, and the institution as large as can be advantageously managed. The adjacent lands on the south have been purchased, and the grounds are now convenient and symmetrical. Cordially conceding all that is claimed for the sincere efforts of those who have the management of the institution in charge, I still remain of the opinion that we are somewhat short of perfection in our methods, if not in our system, of caring for the insane. Cells and corridors and stone walls are dreary confines for minds broken under the weight of real or fancied wrongs. It may be justified on the homœopathic principle that the proper medicine for a sick man is that which produces the same disease in a well one ; for a

brief treatment of a sane man in these crowded corridors would very soon give him a title to stay there. I cannot venture to point out (even were I able) precisely what should be done, but we may reasonably expect that those who are especially charged with this responsibility, instead of troubling themselves too much to defend what they do, should set themselves to search out and correct the evils which inevitably grow up in such institutions, and think it no confession of fault if they strive to improve in every possible way their methods, instrumentalities, and even their system.

If I were to permit myself a suggestion, it would be that we strive to make the Hospital less of a prison, and attend more to the healing influences of Nature. Let the inmates come in contact as much as possible with that which is calm, and free, and natural, and sane. I think that the laying out of the grounds on some artistic plan would afford salutary employment and recreation to many of the inmates, and thus without much outlay by the State, the place may be made attractive, and the gloom which pervades the atmosphere of such an institution be mitigated if not dispelled, by the beauty and salubrity of its surroundings.

For some reason which does not now clearly appear, the Insane Hospital is largely exempt from that responsibility to the Executive Council which affects other institutes of the State. The practical effects of this appear in many ways, and have not contributed to relieve the doubts which have sometimes arisen in regard to the management of the establishment. I would therefore recommend that the Hospital be placed under the same supervision as other Institutions sustaining a similar relation to the State.

The Trustees of the Maine General Hospital will ask your aid. It is understood that generous private benefactions are ready to follow an appropriate endowment by the State. This petition is eminently proper, and should be received with the most favorable disposition.

EDUCATIONAL.

There is probably no branch of our public interests where such improvement has been made as in that of our common schools. Not that any striking changes or brilliant results have as yet appeared; but what I mean to say is, that we are set upon right ways; that the faults, the wastes, and the wants of our former

practices have been brought out, and appropriate means have been set in motion which can scarcely fail to work salutary and permanent effects. We are seeking, not so much to change the system, as to infuse life into it; so that the best appliances, the best methods and the experience of the best minds, can be extended to remote and humble places; so that in an educational sense, we can secure through every nook and corner of the State, the equal rights of all.

It is moreover no exaggeration to say, that the present is a new era in teaching. It is not a little singular to find novelty in an art so old. But the spirit of our institutions, and the demands of the times, have necessitated aims, objects, and methods which render education altogether a different business from what it was a generation ago. It no longer seeks to cram the mind with strange forms and aggregated facts, without harmony, relation, life, or permanence; it now teaches the mind from the very start to observe, compare, analyse, assimilate—to master and make its own;—in fact it is education—the training, unfolding, leading and fashioning forth of the mind. Teachers must now have something more than a good moral character—that, and something besides—they must demonstrate that they have character at all. They cannot teach merely what they have borrowed over night; but only that which they have wrought out and made their own. This tells on the young mind; gives it edge and point, and in many ways tends to fit all, both teacher and taught, to enter undismayed the arena of these stirring and eventful times. I think the highest good is flowing from our Normal Schools, and Institutes and County Supervisorships. They have caught the right spirit and transfuse it. They are the means mainly by which the State is to be reached and brought within the better modes.

That the people are awake in this matter, it is easy to see. They have raised over \$800,000, this past year, by direct taxation, and expended the total sum of \$1,100,000 for the support of schools. It remains for us to take care, by all means in our power, that such provisions are not wasted and such intentions foiled. We want, among other things, to see that all have a fair chance; that, for instance, the cost and changes and variety of books do not put poor parents to distress to keep the means of education within their childrens' reach.

I feel that these are important matters, and have thus spoken that we may understand the spirit in which we shall be called to act. We have wasted a good deal of time and money hitherto; but I believe we have now begun better things, and that with the intelligence, good sense and vigor now brought to bear on these interests, our people will before long be satisfied with the results of their generosity and care.

As to our College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts, although generous devotion to duty has been manifest on the part of all who are charged with its immediate concerns, it yet fails to attain to quite the prosperity which we hoped, and which I believe is still possible for it. It is my duty to say that, so far as appears, there are two principal causes of its present feeble and uncertain condition. 1st, The neglect of mechanics and manufacturers and masters of the Industrial Arts, to assert their rights in the college. 2d, The deep-settled feeling on the part of many, that the location is unfavorable. The existence of these two disadvantages it is worse than folly to deny, or pass over with soft words. The truth is, we must come to an understanding and agreement in the matter. It is a pity to waste money and mind, even for the best of motives, without hope of a successful end. The \$28,000 voted last winter in condition of a perfect deed of the property to the State, has fallen dead through failure of the town to make the full conveyance. If we are all in earnest to have the college go on where it is, neither the State nor the town need insist much upon conditions. But if it is the intention to remove the college, then it would be best not to expend more money there. I am unable to give you the least information or advice on this point. But I am ready to assure you that unless we keep in mind the scope and generous intent of this institution, it will never greatly thrive. A farmers' college is a good and worthy idea, but limited to that alone, such an institution will not live and move. There are not boys enough who mean to go back to a farm after they have got through the college. Farming is not at present a business of that inviting sort in Maine. But a school embracing all the material industries, teaching our young men skill in the handicrafts which invite them to worthy and profitable employment, training and nerving them to strike a sure and a good blow in the manly rivalries of peace or war—such a school in fact as hundreds of our young men go out of the State to seek, would not only live and flourish, but would

be a powerful and preëminent good. Whether we can make such a school of ours I do not know; but such an one we must have, or our money and our efforts will have been spent in vain.

The splendid volume published by the Historical Society forming the first in the series of the Documentary History of Maine, authorized by the Legislature of 1867, which traces the discovery of this coast from the Northmen in 990 to the Charter of Gilbert in 1578, has doubtless been laid before you. A volume quite as remarkable containing the first publication of an original manuscript of the celebrated Hakluyt in which he urges upon Queen Elizabeth the vigorous prosecution of colonization on this coast, is in course of preparation. It is proposed to go on with the history of the actual occupation of this territory under the influence and efforts of Sir Ferdinando Gorges. These works are a credit to the liberality of the State and the learning of the society, and are attracting much attention as valuable contributions to American History.

MILITARY.

The question of an efficient and economical militia system has been long agitated, but still unsettled. For the last three years I have given the matter much thought. You will bear me witness that I have not shown a disposition to exalt unduly the military element, to incur the expenses or abuse the powers which the law places in the control of the Executive. It is unsafe however to be without some military force at call in case of need. The moderate suggestion was made and adopted at the last session, of authorizing ten companies of infantry to be fully equipped by the State. The orders of the Department will show with what care and caution the intent of the Legislature has been carried out. Applications have been thoroughly considered; companies have been accepted only where the several localities appeared fully in earnest to maintain them, and only those men mustered, who upon rigorous examination were found able to do full duty. The result vindicates the wisdom of the statute. We have now an incentive to military duty, and a premium on good soldiership. It will be work and not play, a school of discipline for manliness. Seven companies with an aggregate of 413 men have been accepted. The appropriation intended to accompany the Act having been

overlooked, no uniforms have as yet been issued, with the exception of overcoats for the two Portland companies, which are under orders to appear on duty. We can the better afford to expend money judiciously, because we have not expended any foolishly. These companies were not to be organized as a regiment. That especially I wished to avoid. 1st. They extend over too much space to be best handled in that way. 2nd. The rank of Colonel would be too low for the actual command of our whole effective force. 3d. This office being elective, the personal and local rivalries that would ensue would be harmful to good discipline. 4th. It was the pith of the whole plan to have these companies independent corps, responsible only to the Commander-in-Chief, and capable by the character of the men, their military knowledge, spirit and discipline, of being expanded into regiments and even brigades, at very short notice, with officers ready, competent and understanding. This I am satisfied is the right way for us, and at a trifling expense we may have a body of soldiers which might well be a pride and example as well as a defence to the State. Our present militia law is a good one and sufficient for all exigencies, and need not be touched.

A large lot of material accumulated in the Arsenals, and practically worthless to the State, has been very advantageously sold under the direction of a committee of the Council, and the proceeds, \$2,564.61, paid into the Treasury.

The State Pension Law has been administered with much care. The whole number of applications for 1869 is 772. Of these 635 have been allowed at various rates. The whole amount expended to date is \$24,562. The pension year ends somewhat awkwardly, on the 23d of February, which constantly renders a complete report to the Legislature impossible. It would be better to make the pension account end with the year. It is estimated that some fifty claims more will be presented and allowed, rendering the whole number of pensions some 700, and swelling the amount paid for the full year to about \$35,000. These figures we may now regard as about the settled amounts of our liabilities on the score of pensions. The law and its application is now so well understood that few but meritorious cases will apply, and these, it may be presumed, are now nearly all in. It will be seen that the amounts received by the pensioners fall very far short of the maximum allowed by law, viz. \$96 each. The average is now very

nearly \$50. The appropriation being limited, we are, of course, anxious to keep within the amount; while the applicants are so many that to render aid to all, the sum allowed to each must necessarily be small, and some have to be sent away empty, and perhaps rather summarily. You will doubtless continue this aid. It seems indeed pitifully small, compared with the great gift these widows and orphans and wounded men have made to the nation in her hour of peril. This pittance does not restore health, nor the son, or husband, or father. The guide of youth and the stay of age is smitten from their sight. The best we can do is poor—the most we can give is little. That at any rate we should do and should give. The cost of the pension office will be \$2,100 for the year. Perhaps some saving might be made and some other advantages secured by placing this business in the Adjutant General's office. The ordinary duties of that office will naturally be less as we gradually settle up the accounts of the war. One disadvantage would be obviated—the changing of hands each year. In all doubtful or disputed cases as now, appeal might still be had to the Governor.

The Board of Guardians of destitute orphans of soldiers and sailors have used such diligence as they could in fulfilling their trust. The duties of this Board are varied and wide. Besides receiving applications, they have to search out cases, visiting distant places for the personal inspection of reported destitution, and sometimes assuming the entire care of the homeless and unprotected. The result has shown many bereaved families, and much suffering. The number of orphans now on our list is 2,270. Of these, 1,200 have more or less been aided. Sixty have been absolutely taken into our care, and most of them placed in those beneficent institutions which are well called Homes. The Orphan Asylum, at Bangor, has received twenty-five, and the amount paid for their support thus far is \$1,000. This Institution is not primarily devoted to orphans of this class. But the broad and tender charity that presides over it has admitted these little ones as a special favor, which we were authorized by the Legislature to accept. The Orphan's Home, at Bath, is now established under the most happy auspices. The conditions annexed to the appropriation of last winter were promptly fulfilled by generous citizens of Bath, whose names are already venerated for acts of charity, and a commodious estate was bought and refitted for the Home.

It is not completely furnished as yet, but the space is ample, and with the benefactions which will follow, this institution will become the dispenser of many blessings. There are thirty-three orphans now there. The amount paid for their support is \$2,000. The whole amount disbursed up to the present time is \$11,230; remaining in the hands of the Board for disbursement during the next quarter \$2,920; expenses of the Board thus far \$850; making the total amount drawn from the treasury on this account for the year \$15,000, which leaves the balance of the appropriation, viz. \$5,000, unexpended and not drawn from the treasury. Whatever means you provide for the care of these orphans, it is a duty too sacred to be slighted. The alms-house, the hovel, and the street, are sad homes for the sons of martyrs.

LEGAL.

The Attorney General suggests important changes in our law. Especially do I concur in his recommendation that the act of 1869 relating to reviews in capital cases, together with the related and consequent sections of other acts, be repealed. This was one of those acts hurried through near the close of the session without due consideration. Although impressed with grave doubts as to its constitutionality, and fitness to promote the ends of justice, I was in that brief time unable to prepare and present such reasons of public policy as would warrant me opposing an act which had the weighty sanction of a majority of the Legislature. I believe the intent and practical working of the law were not at that time fully understood.

The Governor and Council were instructed at the late session to provide for a revision and consolidation of the Public Statutes by contract or commission. After careful consideration it was deemed advisable to appoint Commissioners for that purpose. These gentlemen have been diligently employed upon their work, and their report will be laid before you at an early day. The matter of changing the phraseology, be it never so slightly, of existing laws in order to harmonize and consolidate them, is so delicate a task that you will pardon me if I remind you of the close scrutiny with which such a revision must be examined before it is passed upon, making no doubt at the same time that the work of the board will be found in a high degree accurate and judicious. The period happens to be a critical one; the census about to be taken, the

new valuation of property to hold for the next ten years, and various matters of unusual importance awaiting your decision, render it of the utmost importance that you should use the best discretion and foresight in repealing obnoxious or unnecessary laws, and in enacting such as incorporated into this revision may give it some chance of standing for ten years without being so mutilated and overlaid as soon to become almost without advantage.

The complaint is not unfrequently made that the administration of justice is not so prompt as it should be in this State. If this is so the remedy is beyond the reach of my suggestions. I am of opinion, however, that an injustice is done the court as well as the people, by reason of the fact that the Judges of the Supreme Court are required to travel over the length and breadth of this State without proper remuneration. I am not aware that this is the case with any other officer on public duty. It is well known the salaries of the judges are inadequate, and without derogating aught from that high reverence for the court which is naturally entertained by us all, and so especially commanded by the character of our present Bench, it is still by no means unnatural that a judge detained from home at heavy expense, every day making deeper inroads upon his scanty means of support, might become impatient of long terms, and in his anxiety possibly slight some duties. When it is the case as now, that the more one does the less pay he has, the tendency and effect it is not difficult to perceive. An unembarrassed, independent judiciary is of inestimable value. I would respectfully suggest that the actual circuit expenses of the Justices of the Supreme Court be audited and paid by the State.

It was made the duty of the Governor and Council to count and report the vote on the proposed amendment to the Constitution, authorizing the legislature to divide towns into voting districts. The whole number of votes upon this amendment was 5,186. Number voting "Yes," 2,809; number voting "No," 2,377. So the Constitution is amended accordingly.

The accounts of the State Liquor Commissioner and his method of doing business have been carefully examined and are found highly satisfactory. Some points remarked on in his report, will demand your attention. The practice of turning in confiscated liquors—always more or less impure—to the town agencies, taken in connection with the fact that we have provided a State Commis-

sioner who is paid and placed under bonds to furnish nothing but the purest liquors, which the town agents are imperatively required to purchase exclusively of him, is so absurd that good logic, if not good morals, demand that it should be prohibited.

It is proper that I should inform you that there seems to be a general falling off in respect for our liquor laws. The enforcement of these laws comes in no manner within the power of the Executive. It very properly devolves upon municipal officers, and the degree of their zeal and efficiency is measured by the prevailing local sentiment. It is not an unreasonable theory that the State should secure the even and impartial execution of her laws throughout her jurisdiction. So far probably all good citizens would agree; but the erection of a special police for the purpose mainly of enforcing the liquor law beyond, certainly, if not against the wishes of the municipalities, has been urged by some as a proper measure, and proclaimed by a few as a test of allegiance to the cause of Temperance. But in a government like ours one of the most delicate things which a State could be called upon to do, is to invade the ancient rights and dignities of towns, which the historian and statesman know, are at the foundation of our liberties. It is still more difficult when the issue is upon a contested question of social ethics, or public morals, on which even good men might be divided, and bad men find pretext for giving the most dangerous passions way. The antagonism to excessive measures is likely to react against a virtue which all good citizens hold high.

Unfortunately we have made the experiment our own; and the salutary lesson to be learned from it may warrant me in taking public notice of it here.

A principle prized by all was arrogated by a few, and made the placard if not the watchword of a political organization. The result, as might have been expected, was to give to a worthy and a sacred cause the appearance of defeat. The cause has suffered, but should not be held to blame. Its very virtue was its misfortune. The strong hold which it had upon the hearts of the people was the occasion of its being seized upon to cover sinister intentions. Various elements of disaffection availed themselves of the confusion which their cries had raised, and rallied in a strange companionship, under a banner which had never been so entrusted to them, and which lost its consecration by their laying on of

hands. The elements which conspired in this movement and the animus which impelled it, appear to have been so well understood by our people as to require no analysis by me. 4,700 votes in a total of nearly 100,000 after the unparalleled resorts of that campaign, prove that whoever else voted that way the Temperance men of Maine did not. They answer to a longer roll-call. They muster a nobler host. The people of this State are a temperate people, and "in favor of temperance," if that can mean anything more. They are also a manly people. They do not fear to express their opinions, nor shrink from espousing any just cause. What they desire of right or expedient in their laws they will in their own good time have. But anything forced upon them contrary to their best judgment, and consequent upon their good nature alone, cannot be expected to receive their hearty moral support, or be productive of real good. It is a sad day, however, for the welfare of this State when any rash measure must be adopted simply because no one dares for a moment to question its expediency lest its champions should taunt him with infidelity to a creed of which they are not the chosen apostles, and anathematize him in the name of a power which they have usurped.

Gentlemen, I yield to no man in respect for the rights of minorities. This is the glory and nobility of liberty. Men may vote as they please and be protected. They may do and say what they please, perhaps; but not without being held responsible for the abuse of the privilege. And if I may be allowed the opportunity to advert to matters which, although of a personal nature, yet in their effects rise to the dignity of a public consideration, let me here deprecate the practice so recklessly resorted to in the last campaign, of aspersing the motives of official conduct, and of misrepresenting private character for political and sinister ends. So far as those efforts were successful, I fear they did no good to the cause of temperance, or to the young men of Maine. It is a regard for their welfare, and solicitude that those who have followed me on other fields may not be seduced to wrong ways, by the false fancy that they are following me still, that I ask you to let me lift my standard for a moment that they may see where I am. Let them not think that the record of a life-long loyalty is so easily reversed. I shall not seek safety in the lines of the enemy to escape the mutinies of the discontented, more anxious for their own way than for a right cause; nor turn back to camp because

some raw recruit on picket, with the impetuosity of terror, unable to discern front from rear, or friend from foe, shrieks at me for the countersign.

Let us not, however, in our scorn of hypocrisy, or resistance to ill-judged or encroaching measures, be forced into a seeming antagonism to virtue, and to those who love and labor for its cause. But rather with cool brain and steady nerve, summoning all the agencies of good, whether of heart or hand, go on to practice and promote the things that are honest and pure and of good report. Those who join wisdom with zeal to promote virtue among the people, will labor to nourish a right public sentiment as well as to secure punitive enactment. Some margin must always be left for differences of moral sentiment. Otherwise we might break down the public conscience. For one, however, I do not object to a law's being somewhat in advance of public opinion—that is, more stringent in its provisions than the people really like to obey. The requisitions of even an impossible virtue may avail for good. Its broad, high aspect may strengthen and hold up some that would otherwise fall before the influence of bad surroundings, and the terrors of its penalty might cool the recklessness of some who would not be restrained by milder persuasives. But when a law is widely different from the people's judgment, and provokingly contrary to their wishes; then, instead of expecting it to go on crushing its way like an unrelenting law of the universe, it would be better to look for one that takes some cognizance of human conditions, and reach out a hand that will meet half way the trembling instincts of good. These are questions which go to the foundations of society. Indeed it may be said that wisdom consists in seeing the practical points of contact between the abstract and the human right. For the human law is not as the divine. That declares the ways of absolute Justice and the inexorable Right. But the object of human law is to protect individual rights so that every man may be free according to his own conscience to work out his obedience to the higher. Any law, therefore, which proposes to abridge personal rights, should be ventured upon with the utmost caution, and administered with the widest charity. There are other things to be thought of besides restraining men from the use of intoxicating drinks. Although this be a parent of crime, and begets monsters from which all the good avert their faces and seek to save their fellows,

yet we must not expect that it can be wholly subdued and driven from among men. The laws against intoxicating liquors have been as well executed and obeyed as the laws against profanity, theft, unchastity or murder. Even if they are executed, they will not avail to extinguish crime, nor banish evil from the hearts of wicked men. We must consider what can be done. Restrain and intimidate as much as you can by law; it is only by the Gospel still that men can be converted from evil.

I see no reason why measures for the promotion of temperance should not be approached as calmly, and, if need be, as boldly as any other question of so much moment. Nay, it is such questions as these, most of all, which demand the full measure of your wisdom, your candor and your courage.

MATERIAL INTERESTS.

Agriculture, considered in reference either to the amount of property it represents, or to the numbers employed in it, stands at the head of our material interests. Our wide and thinly settled territory, while it makes this a leading industry, still gives it a certain character which is in some respects unfortunate. The tendency is to too much breadth, and too little skill. If farming is a hard business at the best, then we cannot afford to do it otherwise than well. But of late we see more thoughtfulness and more courage. The best agencies are brought to bear upon this interest, and the discussions and Reports of the Board of Agriculture show what sturdy good sense and what fine talent these pursuits may develop. Farming is rather a hard way to get rich, but it is a good way to be independent. And I think as a general thing farmers are far happier and more comfortable than any other class of men who work as hard, whether with hands or brains.

I have upon other occasions endeavored to express my sense of the importance of this great branch of our industries, and I shall not now venture more than two suggestions;—that we do not waste our forests, which are more valuable than we have been taught to think; and that we try to raise our own breadstuffs, and save the enormous loss of paying three or four profits on foreign grain, and twice as many more on its transportation.

The Commissioners on the settlement of our Public Lands, will make their report to you. It has not passed under my eye. I learn, however, that well-matured and feasible plans are proposed for

encouraging worthy settlers on the rich lands now lying idle. It is a little curious, to see that everybody who really examines the subject of Swedish immigration, whatever may have been his prejudice from the failure of imperfect experiment, comes to a warm support of the measure. I confess I can see no reason why we should not make good work of this, as well as the Western States, who find it an element of wealth and power. A little retouching of our color by the infusion of fresh, young Northern blood, would do us no harm.

Two instrumentalities, which will powerfully aid us in proportion as they flourish, are Manufactures and Railroads. It appears to me that the last few years have witnessed such an awakening of interest in these matters as almost to mark an epoch in our history. Capitalists from abroad are beginning to understand our extraordinary facilities, and improve their own opportunities; yet much—almost all—remains to be done. I will not weary you with iterations upon our wants and our advantages—you already know them, or you may. The now completed work on the Water-power of Maine, which I cannot mention with any feeling less than that of pride, I commend to your careful perusal, and for a wide distribution. You cannot contemplate the astonishing results so admirably presented in this report without seeing where our nearest way to prosperity lies, and what is yet to be the work and the wealth and the fame of Maine. Shipping has been our glory, but we shall look in vain for that preëminence to return. Causes more powerful than any within human control have turned the tide from our shores. Still our power is in the waters. We may lay hands upon their wild career and ask of them a service and a blessing ere they mingle with the sea. We must foster this great interest which is the hope of the State. We must do it generously, yet judiciously. We have still to bear the sight of our noble powers running wild, our rich materials lying waste, waiting the magic touch of mind and skill; our abundant products sent away, raw, or rudely shaped, to receive their chief value elsewhere. To export abundance of raw material is thought by some to be great prosperity; though the most that they receive in payment is a portion of the same material finished into costly fabrics for a thousand uses, by the skill of other hands. This may do where civilization has not much advanced, but does not seem a wise policy for a State which

is mature, and has abundant facilities for manufacturing. Take for example one of our common trees, worth in the rude shape we give it for the market, say twenty dollars. Now set talent and skill at work upon it, fashion it for all the fine uses and finish it to the high perfection which sooner or later it would have found elsewhere—put \$100 worth of such work upon it and you have made it worth \$200. You have done more. You have gained the countless advantages of cherishing the industry and skill, the talent and character employed upon it. Carry this out on a large scale and into all the fields of enterprise that invite us on every side, and you are doing something for others as well as yourselves. You encourage diversified industries and increase wealth. You lend a helping hand to humble toil and honest ambition. You quicken hope, and pride, and higher aspirations. You carry life into deserts, and happiness into homes. This I somewhat more than fancy is the right policy for a State like Maine, with her unparalleled advantages, and her strong sinews anxious and eager to be at work.

Then as to Railroads, we are doing all that is possible. More than 250 miles of new road are now building in many directions, wherever enterprise points. The great road which connects us with Halifax,—hence already freighted with so many stirring hopes of good—now lacks but about fifty miles of completion; to secure and hasten this, the State has already made generous gifts, and an effort is to be made to induce Congress to recognize the claim assigned to the road by Maine and Massachusetts. We trust this may be successful, and that the year may witness the consummation.

In the west, too, we have openings which are scarcely less, if not indeed more, in their promise of good. The courage and energy of Portland, in undertaking the task of cutting her way through to the great lakes and the greater west, forming thus a link in the magnificent continental chain, has already ensured victory. Other efforts as worthy I can scarcely name here, but they also deserve our interest and care.

The Railroad Commissioners make valuable suggestions in their Report, which I commend to your attention. The feature of immediate interest which will come before us, is the proposed consolidation of prominent lines in the State. If this means to place the public at the mercy of a monopoly unrestrained by responsi-

bility to the State, and relieved from the checks of competition, I cannot recommend it to your favor. But this probably is not the case. The roads, however, have already the power to consolidate to all practical intents, by lease. What they want I understand is, that the rights they already severally have be brought under one organization and legalized, so as to economize their own efforts, and provide better securities for their public obligations. It is not the mere authority to fix times and rates. That they already claim to have. I do not believe, however, that they are independent of the State. Whatever their charters may contain, I do not believe it is competent for a State to grant away her powers over great public thoroughfares like these. It is to cede away her "right of eminent domain." These corporations took private property for public uses. Have they no responsibility to that public for whose uses this property was taken? It is the indefeasible duty of the State to take care of herself, and of her citizens. Everything is hers, if need be,—our fortunes and our lives. Shall railroads claim immunity? With this understanding, I need not feel it necessary to oppose consolidation. There are manifest advantages for the State in it. 1st, We may take the occasion, if there is any doubt, to declare or reaffirm the ultimate right of the State over the roads. 2d, The public convenience may be thereby facilitated. 3d, Better securities based on the whole property and franchise would be given in exchange for old ones. 4th, The wrangling which railroads have indulged in before the Legislature, and the political control which they have sought, would be entirely at an end. 5th, It would be a saving of money and strength. These things I can see in favor of the measure. But I leave the decision to your better judgment.

The things we have been considering are great matters. We must not let them drift; but seize them with a strong hand, and wield them for the common welfare. It is not enough to call a power into exercise; we must be able to guide and control it, and shape it to useful ends. We must be ready when the incubus is lifted from enterprise, and the bolts thrown back from capital, to receive the influx of strength and population that will surely come, and to take part in the great reciprocities of civilization which are as the tides of life to nations.

Gentlemen, we have reached the fiftieth year of our existence as a State. We are not ashamed of her history. One of the

earliest in discovery and colonization, she is one of the latest in the development of her resources, and the fruits of civilization. Yet all the obscure trial and toil that have intervened wrought for the times that were to come. The State sees her place and owns her duty; and does not spurn the task that enfolds the triumph. The gates of Destiny are opened, and she enters on her proud career. We shall watch with admiring interest, and help with untiring toil her onward way. Nor can it be that we hope and prophecy in vain. Our work may be obscure and the reward far off; but both will live. The early discoverers of this territory foresaw the future, and foretold its glory. Then by reason of human weakness and immature times, they fell short or perished. Then came two centuries of dull mechanical advance—slow moving by mere force of physical laws, without any grand mastery of mind and inspiration of idea. But in fact beneath this dull and lifeless seeming, forces were in preparation, elements in ferment, and germs maturing, which were in due time to ripen into blessings of which all that work and waiting were actual powers. The seeming death foretold and foreordained the life. The thrilling story of the voyagers rang round the world, and seemed to have rung itself away. But it is heard again coming round on the other side, swelling with the yet more wondrous harmonies of prophecy fulfilled.

So we may be “building better than we know.” Our humble works wrought in faith are regenerated by a mightier spirit than that in which they were conceived, and built into loftier monuments than our hands have reared. We pass and are forgotten; but amidst the silent or tumultuous years our good deeds are working free from the taint of our imperfection, and stand solid and shining in the perfect day. God deals with men as the melter of metals. He puts the earth-mingled ores into his crucible, and seals it up in fiery furnaces, out of view. Men forget it, but He does not. In the fullness of time it is opened—lo, on one side the dull earth, on the other the glittering ore. Surely, He “sits as a refiner of silver.”

He who thinks of these things will be humble, but will not be idle; trustful but not spiritless; reverential but not afraid. He is the true worker, heir of the ages past, and testator to the “all hail hereafter.” It is thus that they who labor must also wait; that they who are faithful shall endure. It matters little what be-

comes of us, if we so conduct our great concernments that they who come after us are thereby made wiser and better than we. It matters little that our poor toil seems buried in the dust, if so be that it shall spring up again to bless the coming time.

The ways of Providence seem slow to our brief, impetuous lives ; but they are swift in the centuries of God.

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

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

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. MORSE,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Communications were received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State elect, and Hon. Parker P. Burleigh, Land Agent elect, signifying their acceptance.

Communications were received from Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, Joseph W. Porter and D. K. Hobart, Councillors, elect, signifying their acceptance.

Also, communications from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital for the year 1869 ; also the Annual Report of the Bank and Insurance Examiner for the year 1869 ;

Which were severally read and sent down.

Also, communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Reports of the Railroad Commissioners and the State Liquor Commissioner.

The communication was read, and on motion of Mr. LINDSEY, the reports were laid on the table and one thousand copies each ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

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

Mr. WEBB proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the words "three thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

Ordered, That the Senate meet on Mondays at eleven o'clock A. M., and on Saturdays at nine o'clock A. M., until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

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

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to take into consideration and report, what proceedings, if any, it is proper and desirable for this Legislature to make to testify the respect of the State for the memory of the late George Peabody;

And Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Lang of Kennebec, and Lindsey of Somerset, 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. Bliss of Washington, Bradford of Eastport, Dickey of Fort Kent, Whidden of Calais, Farwell of Augusta, Barker of Stetson, and Reed of Waldoborough.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at half past ten o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Joseph W. Porter, Uranus O.

Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers and D. K. Hobart, Councillors elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently a message was received from the House by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, informing the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the foregoing 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. METCALF of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to notify Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, D. K. Hobart and Joseph W. Porter, Councillors elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are now assembled in Convention for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution, to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that the Councillors elect were pleased to say that they would attend upon the Convention forthwith for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon, Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, William Rogers, D. K. Hobart, and Joseph W. Porter, Councillors elect, came in, and in 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 Councillors then retired.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES of the Senate,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor by the Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of Uranus O. Brackett, Wm. Deering, Wm. Rogers, D. K. Hobart, and Joseph W. Porter, as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. BUCK,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

Journal of Friday's proceedings read and approved.

A communication was received from Hon. B. B. Murray, Jr.,
Adjutant General elect, signifying his acceptance.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

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 suitable person or persons to do the State printing and binding for the current year, subject to the approval of the Legislature ;

And Messrs. Lang of Kennebec, Garcelon of Waldo, and Cleaves of Oxford, were appointed on the part the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. William Caldwell, Treasurer of State, transmitting an annual statement and account. of the receipts and disbursements of the Treasury Department for the year ending December 31, 1869.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

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. Talbot of Washington, Buffum of Penobscot, and Collins of Aroostook, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed on the Governor's Message, who shall report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees ;

And Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Minot of Kennebec, and Kingsbury of Penobscot, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

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

On the Judiciary.

Messrs. Lindsey of Somerset,
Lane of Cumberland,
Reed of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;

Messrs. Whidden of Calais,
Barker of Stetson,
Smith of Saco,
Bonney of Portland,
Bliss of Washington,
Powers of Houlton,
Vose of Winterport, *of the House*.

On Federal Relations.

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford,
Lindsey of Somerset,
Reed of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Barker of Stetson,
Stone of Kennebunk,
McGilvery of Searsport,
Whidden of Calais,
Burgess of Portland,
Smith of Warren,
Jordan of Brunswick, *of the House*.

On Military Affairs.

Messrs. Gibbs of Cumberland,
Nealley of York,
Hanson of York, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. White of Bangor,
Duncan of Kittery,
Spaulding of Richmond,
Phillips of Weld,
Sturgis of Standish,
Dennett of South Berwick,
Alexander of Belmont, *of the House*.

On Coast and Frontier Defences.

Messrs. Morse of Sagadahoc,
Cushing of Waldo,
Talbot of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Blake of Auburn,
Brawn of Oldtown,
Moulton of Porter,
Ames of Jefferson,
Mayo of Windham,
Page of Vinalhaven,
Gates of Robbinston, *of the House*.

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

- Messrs. Cushing of Waldo,
Morse of Sagadahoc,
Holland of Androscoggin, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hinks of Bucksport,
Twitchell of Portland,
Foster of Argyle,
Farwell of Augusta,
Lane of Hollis,
Patten of Bath,
Dickey of Fort Kent, *of the House.*

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

- Messrs. Buck of Hancock,
Carvill of Cumberland,
Metcalf of Lincoln, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Holbrook of Freeport,
Chamberlain of Ellsworth,
Blake of Auburn,
Warren of Veazie,
Gannett of Bath,
Watts of Thomaston,
Harding of Gorham, *of the House.*

On Legal Reform.

- Messrs. Lane of Cumberland,
Nealley of York,
Cleaves of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Baker of Augusta,
Humphrey of Bangor,
Harriman of Belfast,
Hume of Cherryfield,
Spaulding of Richmond,
Barton of Benton,
Mildram of Wells, *of the House.*

On Education.

Messrs. Buffum of Penobscot,
French of Franklin,
Minot of Kennebec; *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Farwell of Augusta,
Humphrey of Bangor,
Bonney of Portland,
Gott of Leeds,
Hathorn of Pittsfield,
Smith of Litchfield,
Daggett of Strong, *of the House*.

On Banks and Banking.

Messrs. Metcalf of Lincoln,
Reed of Cumberland,
Gray of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Dunning of Bangor,
Reed of Waldoborough,
Twitchell of Portland,
Waterhouse of Portland,
Bird of Rockland,
Palmer of Gardiner,
Adams of Biddeford, *of the House*.

On Agriculture.

Messrs. Lang of Kennebec,
Garcelon of Waldo,
Bartlett of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Green of Wilton,
Wasson of Surry,
Thurlough of Newburg,
Wentworth of North Berwick,
Moulton of Porter,
Boothby of Embden,
Darling of Lincoln, *of the House*.

On Manufactures.

- Messrs. Hanson of York,
Gibbs of Cumberland,
Mayo of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Ham of Lewiston,
Purinton of Bowdoinham,
Cole of Cape Elizabeth,
Foss of Abbot,
Lewis of Pittston,
Burnham of Biddeford,
Cousens of Kennebunkport, *of the House*.

On Interior Waters.

- Messrs. Talbot of Washington,
Buffum of Penobscot,
Gibbs of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hammond of Westbrook,
Folsom of Skowhegan,
McGilvery of Searsport,
Bearce of Lewiston,
Cox of East Machias,
Hamilton of Orono,
Skinner of St. Albans, *of the House*.

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Lang of Kennebec,
Kingsbury of Penobscot,
Webb of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Smith of Hodgdon,
Crockett of Rockland,
Chase of Woodstock,
Irish of Sherman,
Martin of Rumford,
Chase of Winn,
Sherman of Camden, *of the House*.

On Division of Towns.

- Messrs. Webb of Somerset,
Gray of Kennebec,
Bartlett of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Wasson of Surry,
White of Bangor,
Weston of Poland,
Kimball of Bethel,
Thompson of Hallowell,
Smith of Parsonsfield,
Peavey of Whiting, *of the House*.

On Division of Counties.

- Messrs. Carvill of Cumberland,
Torrey of Knox,
Kingsbury of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Tobey of Athens,
Berry of Buxton,
Milliken of Tremont,
Mason of Hiram,
Wilder of Fort Fairfield,
Douglass of Naples,
Adams of Mayfield, *of the House*.

On Incorporation of Towns.

- Messrs. Holland of Androscoggin,
Collins of Aroostook,
Carvill of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Foss of Abbot,
Cushing of Sidney,
Tobey of Athens,
Clark of Holden,
Libbey of Limerick,
Cotton of Troy,
Bean of Corinth, *of the House*.

On Fisheries.

- Messrs. Bartlett of Hancock,
Metcalf of Lincoln,
Carleton of Knox, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Stover of Harpswell,
Mears of Bristol,
Davis of Lubec,
Means of Sedgwick,
Bartlett of Harrison,
Newcomb of Brewer,
Riggs of Georgetown, *of the House.*

On Indian Affairs.

- Messrs. Kingsbury of Penobscot,
Rolfe of Washington,
Fuller of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Bradford of Eastport,
Brawn of Oldtown,
Brown of Anson,
Gould of Albany,
McLain of New Vineyard,
Campbell of Deer Isle,
Sargent of Hermon, *of the House.*

On Claims.

- Messrs. Rolfe of Washington,
Carleton of Knox,
Collins of Aroostook, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Bliss of Washington,
Clark of Readfield,
Boyd of Newcastle,
Guptill of Gouldsborough,
Plummer of Lisbon,
Holman of Dixfield,
Whitehouse of St. George, *of the House.*

On Pensions.

- Messrs. Fuller of Penobscot,
Gibbs of Cumberland,
Roberts of York, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Gannet of Bath,
Stickney of Presque Isle,
Greenleaf of Edgecomb,
Wilson of Bradford,
Mills of Brooksville,
Brackett of Cumberland,
McDougal of Meddybemps, *of the House*.

On Insane Hospital.

- Messrs. Gray of Kennebec,
Webb of Somerset,
Gibbs of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Main of Unity,
Sturgis of Standish,
Burgess of Portland,
Burbank of Acton,
Jones of Norway,
Pierce of Machias,
Jordan of Minot, *of the House*.

On Reform School.

- Messrs. Nealley of York,
Buck of Hancock,
Talbot of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle,
May of Winthrop,
Leighton of Yarmouth,
Whitney of Exeter,
Wheeler of Chesterville,
Duncan of Kittery,
Berry of Damariscotta, *of the House*.

On State Prison.

- Messrs. Minot of Kennebec,
Garcelon of Waldo,
Roberts of York, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hammond of Paris,
Cole of Cape Elizabeth,
Cornforth of Fairfield,
Bearce of Turner,
Hussey of Sangerville,
Ames of Jefferson,
Ray of Harrington, *of the House*.

On Public Buildings.

- Messrs. French of Franklin,
Holland of Androscoggin,
Torrey of Knox, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Crockett of Rockland,
Allen of Corinna,
Lord of Lebanon,
Lewis of Liberty,
Dearborn of Falmouth,
McKown of Boothbay,
Sherman of Islesborough, *of the House*.

On Library.

- Messrs. Reed of Cumberland,
Cleaves of Oxford,
Cushing of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Skinner of St. Albans,
Cousens of Kennebunkport,
Mason of Hiram,
Nickerson of Swanville,
Wentworth of North Berwick,
Young of Hancock,
Sawyer of Gray, *of the House*.

The order appointing a Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Report, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee on Finance joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That all business of the last Legislature, referred to this, be taken from the files and referred to the appropriate Committees.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to reviews in capital cases and to the Supreme Judicial Court, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether any legislation be necessary to render chapter 57, laws of 1868, applicable to involuntary bankrupts.

The foregoing orders were sent down for concurrence.

Communications were received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the annual reports of the Attorney General, and of the Warden and Inspectors of the State Prison, for the year 1869, which were read and sent down.

A communication was received from Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall this day at 11½ o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently a message was received from the House by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, informing the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the foregoing proposition of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY,

Ordered, That the Committees on State Prison, Insane Hospital, and Reform School, be authorized to visit those institutions, and report thereon during the present session.

Sent down for concurrence.

The hour assigned for the Convention, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, the oaths of office, having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to notify Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are now assembled in Convention for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that Hon. Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, was pleased to say, that he would attend upon the Convention forthwith, for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon, Ambrose H. Abbot, Councillor elect, came in, and in 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 to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Councillor then retired.

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 Ambrose H. Abbot, as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. LEWIS of the House.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the State Treasurer be respectfully requested to lay before the Legislature any valuation lists or communication that he may have received from the Valuation Commissioners as soon as may be ;

That the Committee on Banks and Banking be requested to inquire into the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 60 of the public laws of 1869 ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Mt. Chase, for reimbursement of money expended for support of certain paupers ;

Bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland";

Bill "an act additional conferring certain powers on the city of Portland";

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

Bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond, situated in Franklin county";

Petitions of John Patten and others of Bath, and the valley of the Kennebec, for the repeal of chapter 213 of the special laws of 1869, entitled "an act to protect smelts in the Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference";

Petition of A. S. Townsend and others, for aid to build a school-house in the town of Fort Fairfield ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, in concurrence.

Bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Luther Maddocks and others, for an act of incorporation under the name of the Algae Fertilizer Company, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Albert Blaisdell and others, to be set off from the town of North Yarmouth and annexed to Yarmouth, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

The order appointing a Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Message, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined as follows :

Messrs. Barker of Stetson, Stone of Kennebunk, Powers of Houlton, Hinks of Bucksport, Stover of Harpswell, Harriman of Belfast, and Gannett of Bath.

The order appointing a Joint Select Committee on State Printing and Binding, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined as follows :

Messrs. Cushing of Sidney, Whidden of Calais, Dunning of Bangor, Spaulding of Richmond, Crockett of Rockland, Nickerson of Swanville, and Moulton of Porter.

Mr. LANE presented bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of William K. Kimball and others, members of the Bar of Oxford county, for a restoration of the December Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for said county, or the establishment of a court of intermediate jurisdiction, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Same Senator presented the petition of P. M. Edmunds and

others of Mexico and Byron, to be set off from said towns and annexed to the town of Rumford, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Same Senator presented the petition of William Woodbury and others, inhabitants of Mexico, for abatement of State tax of said town for 1869, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. FRENCH presented the petition of Jacob Randall and others of East Livermore, Fayette and Wayne, for an act of incorporation as the East Livermore Campmeeting Association, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 11, section 53 of the revised statutes.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, be directed to prepare a Legislative Manuel for 1870, containing a diagram of the Senate Chamber and House of Representatives, and the usual statistical matter, and that three hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate and the usual number for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. BARTLETT,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to take from the files of last year the petition of the town of Surry, and accompanying papers, praying to be reimbursed for bounty money paid to one Nelson Smith, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That the suggestions for the amendment of the criminal laws of the State, contained in the report of the Attorney General, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of requiring a record of notes containing stipulations that the chattels for which notes are given shall remain the property of the payee until payment.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary in relation to the manner of engrossing the acts and resolves, and for preserving the same, as

now provided in chapter 6 of resolves of 1866, approved February 10, 1866.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the purchase and distribution of the second volume of Virgin's Digest, which is now in manuscript.

The foregoing bill, petitions and orders, were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House:

That there be appointed a Committee on State Valuation, consisting of one on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House from each Councillor district, and that the delegations of the several districts be requested to indicate to the presiding officers the names of members to compose said Committee;

That the Committee on State Printing and Binding inquire into the expediency of substituting for the use of the House, the Maine State Political Manual and Register for the Legislative Manual, and report immediately the terms on which said Register will be furnished, in the same form and of the same size as the Manual, to contain all the information included in the Manual which is not published in the Register;

That the Secretary of State be requested to procure from the Clerk of the Courts in each county, the number of days that the session was held in his county at the trial terms for the years 1868 and 1869, and lay the same before the Legislature;

That the Committee on Manufactures inquire into the expediency of distributing copies of the Water Power of Maine to the manufacturing corporations in the New England States, New York, England, France and Germany, as the Committee deem necessary;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the fee bill of officers serving legal precepts that no constructive travel shall be allowed;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 87 of the laws of 1862, relating to laying out highways";

Petition of George B. Leavitt and others, for change of game laws";

Petition of William Higgins and others of Kenduskeag, for an act to authorize the Congregational Society in Kenduskeag to sell one half of the Baptist meeting-house in said town;

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

Petition of John Lamson and others, citizens of Lubec, for repeal of chapter 211 of the public laws of 1868, and to restore section 4, chapter 23 of the revised statutes;

Petition of Solon White and others, pewholders in the Freewill Baptist meeting-house at Richmond, asking that certain doings of the pewholders of said meeting-house may be legalized;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of Josiah Merrow and others of Sagadahoc county, for the repeal of an act entitled "an act to protect smelts in the waters of the Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers, approved March 4, 1869";

Petition of James Thomas and others of Richmond, in aid of same;

Petition of the inhabitants of Hartford, for an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Swan pond in said town;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Mortinier Bodwell and others, for an act to incorporate the Solon Village Cemetery, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of George G. Hillman and others of Lubec, for an act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in said town, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of William W. Quimby, for renewal of pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. D. Fisher and others of Bath, against the passage of any law taxing insurance companies;

Remonstrance of B. Plummer & Sons and others of Bangor, against the same;

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

Petition of Nathan Perry and others of Presque Isle, that the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county be held at Presque Isle, came from the House referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. TALBOT.

Petition of Charles Kidder and others of Bridgewater, in aid of the same;

Petition of Frances Stowe and others of Perham plantation in aid of the same;

Severally came from the House referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, and were laid on the table on motion of Mr. REED.

Petition of Otis J. Godfrey and others of Cherryfield, for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act to change the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Washington";

Petition of Hiram T. Smith and others of Machias, for the same;

Severally came from the House referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, and were laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

Petition of the inhabitants of the towns of Palermo, Somerville and Washington, that a tract of land in the county of Lincoln, called the Gore, be set off from Lincoln county and annexed to Palermo in Waldo county, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties in concurrence.

Petition of James C. Madigan and others, for an act of incorporation as the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company;

Petition of G. W. Haskell and others of Hodgdon, in aid of same;

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

Petition of James Timoney and others, for aid in building State road in Oakfield plantation in Aroostook county;

Petition of John Reed and others of Amity, that the Land Agent be authorized to convey State lot in the town of Amity to Mrs. Abigail Davis;

Petition of William Reed and others of No. 11, Range 1, that the Land Agent be authorized to exchange certain lots of land;

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

Petition of Simeon Carpenter and others of Patten, for an act to incorporate the Shin Brook Dam Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of James F. Farmer and John Perry, to be set off from Silver Ridge plantation and annexed to the town of Sherman;

Petition of E. T. Luce and others, to amend "an act to annex Auburn to Lewiston," passed March 2, 1869;

Petition of Alanson Googins and others, for a division of the town of Trenton;

Petition of S. N. Eaton and others, for the same;

Remonstrance of citizens of Trenton, against the division of said town;

Petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for a division of the town of Westbrook;

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

Proposition of P. O. Vickery in relation to public printing; was referred to the Committee on State Printing and Binding in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Eureka Milling Company";

"Resolve in favor of clerks to the Valuation Commissioners";

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed, were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BUFFUM announced the attendance of Hon. John G. Mayo, Senator elect from the Ninth Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

Mr. Buffum was directed by the President to conduct Mr. Mayo to the Governor and Council for that purpose; who subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that Mr. Mayo 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. Mayo thereupon appeared and took his seat at the Senate Board.

A communication was received from Hon. William Caldwell, State Treasurer, in response to an order, informing the Legislature that the Commissioners on State Valuation had been unable to complete their report on the first day of January, and they ask for further time, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of establishing, by law, the number of days that shall constitute a school week, and the number of weeks that shall constitute a school month.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing by law for State uniformity of text books in the schools of this State.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented petition of Cyrus P. Curch and others, for the incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. ROBERTS presented the petition of Archie S. Downs and others, for an act for the preservation of pickerel in Bunganaul pond in the town of Lyman, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. ROLFE presented the petition of A. Hobath and others, for increase of pay of County Commissioners of Washington county, which was referred to the delegation from said county.

Mr. LANG presented the petition of James McKeen and others of Topsham, for an act of incorporation as the Mount Ararat Cemetery Association, with bill "an act to incorporate the Mount Ararat Cemetery Association";

Also petition of D. L. Milliken and others, citizens of Waterville and Winslow, that the County Commissioners be authorized to lay a highway across the Kennebec river near the Ticonic falls;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing orders and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MORSE presented bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," which, on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. KING 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 chapter 143, section 20 of the revised statutes, that the ordinary disabilities incident to pauperism shall attach to persons supported as paupers in the Insane Hospital;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 15 of the acts and resolves of 1858, entitled "an act to provide for enforcing liens on vessels";

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 207 of the acts and resolves of 1868, entitled "an act relating to liens of mechanics and of persons furnishing materials";

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 11 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act in relation to conditional sales of personal property";

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 21 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes, that the violation of said article be made a criminal offence;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

The order directing the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House to prepare a Legislative Manual for 1870, passed by the Senate, came from the House referred by that branch to the Committee on State Printing and Binding.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Petition of F. Mussey and others, for a Maine State Hospital, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of William Connor and others of Fairfield Village Corporation, in the county of Somerset, for the repeal of all laws relating to said corporation;

Petition of Silas Bates and others, for an act to make valid the doings of the Somerset Hall Corporation located at Somerset Mills in Fairfield;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of Russell Eaton and others, for a Savings Bank at Augusta, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Oliver Emery and others, for authority to build wharves and weirs in the tide waters of Johnson's Cove in Eastport, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Dixfield and Mexico, for an act to enable them to divide their ministerial school fund and appropriate the interest annually to their public schools;

Petition of selectmen and others of Dexter and Corinna, for an act establishing the Ridge School District;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Paul Taber, that the Land Agent be authorized to convey to him lot No. 63 in the town of Washburn;

Petition of inhabitants of Island Falls plantation for an appropriation for building a bridge across Beaver Dam brook in said plantation ;

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

Petition of Nathaniel S. Green for military pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of S. H. Bradbury and others of Lubec, for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county ;

Petition of Levi Leighton 2d and others of Columbia, for the same ;

Petition of James Gilpatrick and others of Whiting, for the same ;

Petition of Jeremiah Foster and others of East Machias, for the same ;

Petition of William H. Pope and others of East Machias, for the same ;

Severally came from the House referred to the Committee on the Division of Counties, and were laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

Petition of E. S. Higgins and others, to be set off from Hallowell and annexed to the town of Manchester ;

Petition of Jonathan Blake and others of Norway, to be set off from the Norway Village Corporation ;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company";

Petition of James T. Smart and others, for an act to establish a tariff of rates for a toll on timber and logs passing over and through the dam and sluice at Rocky pond in the town of Otis ;

Petition of Dyer P. Jordan for leave to extend his wharf on Union river into tide waters ;

Bill "an act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf into tide waters in the city of Ellsworth";

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

Remonstrance of Freeland Howe and others, against the taxation of insurance companies ;

Remonstrance of John H. Bradford and others, against the same ;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

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

Mr. CUSHING presented "resolves relating to the claim of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15," which, on motion of the same Senator, were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BUFFUM presented the following order :

That a Joint Standing Committee of three on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House, be appointed to be designated as the Committee on State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

On motion of Mr. GIBBS,

Ordered, That the Committee on Manufactures inquire what legislation may be necessary to prevent the obstruction of the water-power of the State in a manner prejudicial to the interests of manufactures.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Ordered, That rule first of the Joint Rules and Orders, be amended, by adding after the words "On Agriculture," the words, "On State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

Mr. BUCK presented the petition of Samuel Adams and others, taxpayers of Castine, for abatement of State tax, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. COLLINS presented the petition of Assessors of Glenwood

plantation, for power to control the public lots in said plantation, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing orders and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to vote for United States Senator, on Tuesday, January 18th, at half-past 11 o'clock A. M.

The PRESIDENT announced the Joint Select Committee on State Valuation, as designated by delegations from the several Councillor Districts, which were appointed and sent down to the House; as joined in that branch, they are as follows:

1st DISTRICT—Nealley of York, *of the Senate*;
Stone of Kennebunk,
Kimball of Bethel,
Moulton of Porter, *of the House*.

2d DISTRICT—Carvill of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
Waterhouse of Portland,
Holbrook of Freeport,
Harding of Gorham, *of the House*.

3d DISTRICT—Holland of Androscoggin, *of the Senate*;
Weston of Poland,
Gannett of Bath,
Green of Wilton, *of the House*.

4th DISTRICT—Gray of Kennebec, *of the Senate*;
Baker of Augusta,
Folsom of Skowhegan,
Skinner of St. Albans, *of the House*.

5th DISTRICT—Carleton of Knox, *of the Senate*;
McGilvery of Searsport,
Crockett of Rockland,
Reed of Waldoborough, *of the House*.

6th DISTRICT—Buffum of Penobscot, *of the Senate*;
Barker of Stetson,
Humphrey of Bangor,
Foss of Abbot, *of the House*.

7th DISTRICT—Talbot of Washington, *of the Senate*;
Peavey of Whiting,
Wasson of Surry,
Smith of Hodgdon, *of the House*.

Mr. BUFFUM, of the Sixth Councillor District, at his request, was excused from serving on the foregoing Committee, and designated Mr. FULLER of Penobscot, who was accordingly appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. REED presented the following :

MEMORIAL.

The People of the State of Maine by their Senators and Representatives in Legislature assembled : Joining in the national lamentation over the death of WILLIAM PITT FESSENDEN with a sorrow peculiarly their own, deem it fitting that there should be on the records at the Capitol some memorial showing their appreciation of the career of a great man who has honored them by his deeds more than they can honor him by their words.

His history needs not to be here recorded. Here were the scenes of his earlier triumphs, and from this place he was three times sent to fill the highest office in the gift of the State. It was here that he first showed those great qualities which made him in that larger arena as easily without a superior, as he was among us without a peer.

He was many times Representative in the Legislature and in Congress. He was Secretary of the Treasury, and three times Senator of the United States. He first stated the principles on which his country, rent asunder, was afterwards solidly united.

If the high positions which he filled and the deeds he did, do not preserve him much longer than most men from the oblivion which sooner or later awaits the mightiest, it will be because he always preferred to fame, the consciousness within himself of doing with all his might what his hand found to do for the safety and stability of his country.

As a citizen he was without reproach. As a lawyer he was always true to his client but never untrue to justice. As a statesman he was a friend of liberty when her friends were few. He was tried on many critical occasions and was equal to all, and at last crowned a long life of service by steadfastly enduring for what

he thought right the reproaches of friends and the praise of foes. The example of his stainless character and of the steady courage with which he met obloquy for the sake of convictions, in its effect upon the lives of those who come after him, will carry his influence and power to centuries which his name may never reach.

In recognition of his worth it is

Resolved, That as a testimonial of the reverence in which we hold his memory, the foregoing be spread upon the journals of the Senate and House, and a copy be sent by the Secretary of the Senate to his family.

The resolve was unanimously adopted, the vote being by rising. Sent down for concurrence.

As a further mark of respect for the memory of the deceased,
On motion of Mr. LINDSEY,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No Chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire what legislation, if any, is required to punish selectmen of towns and assessors of plantations for malfeasance in office.

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 18 of the revised statutes that when a town by a two-thirds vote refuse to accept a town-way laid out by the selectmen, there shall be no appeal to the County Commissioners.

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what legislation, if any, is required, to make the provisions of chapter 6 of the public laws of 1869, more effectual.

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of reducing the tax upon polls.

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire in the expediency of amending section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to fences on the line of railroads.

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing by legislation that the superintending school committees of the several cities, towns and plantations of the State shall have power and be authorized to employ school teachers, and have the exclusive supervision of schools.

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

The following order, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of so changing the public laws that no child shall attend the common schools until six years of age instead of four, as now provided, passed by the House, was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HOLLAND

Petition of James J. Davis and others of Northfield, for repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court, in Washington county ;

Petition of John F. Harmon and others of Marshfield, for the same ;

Petition of H. C. Peaslee and others of Jonesport, for the same ;

Petition of John Moreau and others of Whitneyville, for the same ;

Severally came from the House referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, and were laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

Petition of E. W. Bowen and others ;

Petition of T. T. Boothby and others ;

Petition of A. H. Chase and others ;

Petition of Corydon Felker and others—severally for amendment of the pauper laws ;

Petition of John Moulton and others of Porter, for an act legalizing the doings of said town in voting a bounty to George W. Ridlon ;

Petition of County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for an act authorizing the Treasurer of said county to procure a loan ;

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

Petition of N. Perry and others of Presque Isle and vicinity, for

an appropriation in aid of a road in Castle Hill, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of William McGilvery, for leave to extend wharf into tide waters in Brewer, was referred to the Committee on Interior waters in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Erastus Call and others of Porter, for an act prohibiting the taking of trout in the west branch of Ten Mile brook in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Mason H. Wilder, Register of Probate of Washington county, for an increase of salary, was referred to the Washington County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel W. Dinsmore, for damage for false imprisonment, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of George A. Fletcher and others of North Anson, for an act of incorporation as the Anson Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the sale of milk," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUCK,

Ordered, That so much of the Report of the Bank and Insurance Examiner as relates to insurance, be referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. GRAY presented bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing order and bill were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Joint Select Committee appointed to take into consideration and report what proceedings, if any, it is proper and desirable for this Legislature to make to testify the respect of the State for the memory of the late George Peabody, submitted the following

REPORT :

That inasmuch as the Governor and Council have taken action upon the same subject and in behalf of the State and representatives of the government thereof, have decided to attend the reception ceremonies at Portland, on the arrival of the remains of our distinguished countryman, and fully sensible that the honor and respect of the people of the State for the memory of George Peabody will be thus completely manifested by the Executive branch of the State government, and the dignity of the occasion most amply and appropriately sustained, we are of the opinion that action on the part of the Legislative branch of the government, looking to an attendance of the Legislature upon the funeral ceremonies, would not be advisable, and we respectfully report legislative action inexpedient.

T. H. CUSHING,	} Committee.
T. S. LANG,	
S. D. LINDSEY,	
C. R. WHIDDEN,	
LEWIS BARKER,	
A. B. FARWELL,	
ALDEN BRADFORD,	
W. DICKEY,	

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company," which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

"Resolve in favor of clerks to the valuation commissioners," which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. UPHON of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending sections 12, 13 and 14 of the school laws of the State of Maine, relating to habitual truants, was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as a Justice of the Peace," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of J. B. Peaks and others, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of John Polleys and others, for "an act to amend the charter of the Baring Toll Bridge Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of J. D. Sawyer and others of Jonesport, for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, came from the House referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. ROLFE.

A communication was received from Edward R. Spear, Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. ROBERTS,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending section 43, chapter 80 of the revised statutes, that constables may be authorized to serve writs and precepts where the damage claimed does not exceed five hundred dollars.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, and such as the House may join, be appointed to consider such part of the Governor's Message as refers to the subject of temperance, and report what changes, if any, are desirable in present laws;

And Messrs. Lang of Kennebec, Cleaves of Oxford, and Webb of Somerset, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Mr. LANE presented bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company," which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. MINOT presented the petition of J. S. Minot and others, pew-holders of the Baptist meeting-house in Belgrade, for an act of incorporation, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented the petition of Warren M. True and others, for an act of incorporation as the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. COLLINS presented the petition of John Parks and others, that the Land Agent be authorized to exchange a certain lot of land;

Also, petition of David Doe and others, for a lot of land;

Also, petition of Willard Glidden and others of Woodland plantation, for power to control the public lots in said plantation;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing orders, bill and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUCK,

Ordered, That the State Treasurer be directed to inform the Senate if the sum of \$15,500, or any fractional part thereof, claimed to be due from certain towns in the county of Hancock,

appears among the assets in his office, and if not, why the same does not appear.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature in the Representatives' Hall, this day at twelve o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Edward R. Spear, Councillor elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to enable him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently a message was received from the House by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, informing the Senate of the concurrence of the House in the foregoing 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 of Mr. BUCK of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to notify Edward R. Spear, Councillor elect, that the two branches of the Legislature are now assembled in Convention, for the purpose of administering to him the oaths required by the Constitution, to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that the Councillor elect was pleased to reply, that he would attend upon the Convention forthwith, for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon, Edward R. Spear, Councillor elect, came in, and in presence of both branches of the Legislature, and before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Councillor then retired.

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 Edward R. Spear, as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. QUINBY 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 repealing or amending chapter 53 of the acts of 1858, entitled "an act to amend chapter 82 of the revised statutes, in relation to the levy of executions against towns";

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, inquire what changes, if any, are expedient in chapter 51 of the revised statutes, concerning railroads ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the public laws, so as to require towns to raise \$1.25 for each inhabitant for the support of public schools, instead of \$1, as now required ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

The following order : That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 75 of the laws of 1869, entitled "an act for the establishment of County Supervisors for schools," came from the House amended by striking out the words "Legal Reform" and substituting in lieu thereof the word "Education," and passed.

The amendment was adopted, and the order passed in concurrence.

Petition of Jeremiah Watson and others of Saco, for repeal of charter of city of Saco ;

Petition of inhabitants of the town of Dalton, for an act legalizing the doings of said town ;

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

Bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of Joshua Lane and others, for a change in the law for the sale of milk, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Otis W. Lawry and others, against the petition of W. Connor and others, for the repeal of the charter of the Fairfield Village Corporation, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Cyrus Skillin and others of North Yarmouth, against the petition of Albert Blaisdell and others, to set off certain lands in North Yarmouth and annex the same to Yarmouth;

Petition of Benjamin L. Kelly and others, that a part of the town of Trescott may be set off and annexed to Whiting;

Petition of inhabitants of Veazie, to be annexed to the city of Bangor;

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

Petition of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, for an act ratifying the lease of said road, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Assessors of Plantation No. 11, R. 1, for an appropriation to build a bridge in said plantation, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Newell Powers and others, for a repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies;

Petition of Robert P. Walker and others, for amendment of chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the river and interior fisheries;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Dalton, for abatement of State taxes, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of J. D. Wyer and others of Harpswell, for a bridge from Bailey's Island to Orr's Island in said town, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. William Caldwell, Treasurer of State, in response to an order of the Senate of the 17th inst., "that the State Treasurer be directed to inform the Senate if the sum of \$15,500, or any fractional part thereof, claimed to be due from certain towns in the county of Hancock, appear among the assets in his office, and if not, why the same does not appear," that the claims referred to in the order do not appear among the assets of his office, as at the time of making up his report there was no evidence in the office that there was any "deficiency under call of October 17, 1863"; also appending the following communication received from the Adjutant General:

STATE OF MAINE.

HEAD QUARTERS, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Augusta, January 7, 1870. }

Hon. William Caldwell, State Treasurer:

SIR: The list hereto annexed contains the names of cities, towns and plantations in this State against which are set the sums as charged and now appearing upon one of the books of this office "for deficiencies under call of October 17, 1863."

I am respectfully,

B. B. MURRAY, Jr., Adj. Gen.

The communication was read, and on motion of Mr. BUCK was laid on the table.

A communication was received from Messrs. Ephraim Flint, Joseph Baker and Edwin W. Wedgewood, Commissioners appointed under the resolve approved March 12, 1869, providing for the revision and consolidation of the public laws of the State, transmitting the report of said commissioners, which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That the delegation from Cumberland county inquire whether any further legislation is needed to regulate the salary of the Register of Probate for said county.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the

expediency of amending section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, so as to limit the time of commencing actions against towns for damages from defective highways to one year.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Petition of Nathan Perry and others of Presque Isle; also, petition of Charles Kidder and others of Bridgewater; also, petition of Francis Stowe and others of Perham plantation—severally that the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county be holden at Presque Isle, were taken from the table.

On motion of same Senator,

The Senate non-concurred with the House in referring the foregoing petitions to the Committee on Division of Counties, and the same were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BUCK presented the petition of J. A. Buck, for authority to extend his wharf into tide waters at Bucksport, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. MORSE presented the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for extension of said railroad;

Also, bill "an act to authorize the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad";

Which were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. CLEAVES presented bill "an act relating to evidence," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HANSON presented bill "an act to amend an act in relation to Savings Banks and Savings Institutions," which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The foregoing orders, petitions and bills, were sent down for concurrence.

The order providing for a Joint Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as refers to the subject of temperance, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined as follows:

Messrs. Whidden of Calais, Wasson of Surry, Bearce of Turner, Brown of Anson, Hawes of Vassalborough, and Lewis of Liberty.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Report, submitted the following:

That they have fully examined the books and accounts in the Treasurer's office, and find them to have been carefully kept,

correctly cast, and accompanied with satisfactory vouchers, and that all agree with the exhibit made by the Treasurer in his said report.

Your Committee, agreeably to the requirements of law, have destroyed, by burning, all bonds and coupons paid by the Treasurer the past year. The amount of the former being thirty-seven thousand dollars, and of the latter three hundred thirteen thousand one hundred forty-five dollars.

A record of the same has been made upon the books of the Treasurer.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The hour fixed by an order of the Senate to vote for a Senator in Congress from this State, to fill the vacancy that existed in the representation of this State in the Senate of the United States, on the meeting of this Legislature, by the death of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden, having arrived, and this being the second Tuesday after the meeting and organization of the Legislature of this State, the day assigned by an act of Congress approved July 25, 1866, for that purpose, the Senate proceeded openly and by a *viva voce* vote of each member present to name a person for Senator in Congress from this State, and the roll being called, the following Senators, to wit:

Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buck, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Cushing, French, Fuller, Gibbs, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Lindsey, Mayo, Metcalf, Minot, Morse, Nealley, Reed, Roberts, Rolfe, Talbot and Webb,

Voted for Lot M. Morrill.

The following Senators, to wit: Messrs. Carleton, Collins and Torrey,

Voted for Isaac Reed.

Whole number of votes.....30

Lot M. Morrill had.....27

Isaac Reed.....3

And Lot M. Morrill had a majority of the whole number of votes.

On motion of Mr. MORSE,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Directors of the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for a law authorizing them to cancel outstanding policies in "Farmers' Class," with bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company";

Remonstrance of M. W. Farr and others of Hallowell ;

Remonstrance of Woodbury Davis and others—severally against a law taxing insurance companies ;

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

Petition of citizens of Sherman, that a lot of land be granted to Sarah J. Caldwell ;

Petition of citizens of Sherman, that a lot of land be granted to Franklin F. Young ;

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

Petition of Directors of the Somerset Railroad Company, for the extension of their charter to Bingham, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of William D. Rice and others, for "an act to amend an act entitled an act granting Mary E. Balch authority to construct weirs in Moose river, in the town of Trescott";

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others, in aid of the same ;

Petition of Ann Ramsdell and others, in aid of the same ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Jerome P. Wass and others, for repeal of chapter 261 of laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, came from the House referred to the Committee on Division of Counties, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

Petition of L. H. Ingersol and others, for a law prohibiting the throwing of edgings, shavings, &c., into Pleasant river;

Remonstrance of A. S. Hathaway and others, against the foregoing petition of L. H. Ingersol;

Petition of Selvin Welt and others, for an act prohibiting the throwing of edgings, &c., into Medomak river;

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

Petition of Charles W. Copp of Portland, for State aid, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of N. H. Hubbard and others, for increase of salary of the Judge of Probate of Waldo county, was referred to Waldo County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of R. K. Cushing and others, for Maine State Hospital;
Bill "an act additional to chapter 63 of the revised statutes";

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the court for the county of Cumberland";

Bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 174 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbances of religious meetings";

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes";

Memorial of George M. Weston, in regard to his accounts, connected with the allowance in 1859, of the Massachusetts war claim;

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

"Resolve in relation to the shipping interests of Maine," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

"Resolve in relation to the ceremonies at Portland on the arrival of George Peabody's remains," was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Reform School for the year 1869, which was read.

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of G. C. Gray and others of Wesley, for the repeal of an act entitled "an act to change the

time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county," which on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table.

Mr. ROBERTS presented the petition of Thomas C. Allen and others of Waterborough, for an act for the preservation of fish in Ossipee Lake and its tributaries, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. BUFFUM presented bill "an act to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Steam Navigation Company";

Mr. CUSHING presented bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. REED presented bill "an act relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing petition and bills were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table, and on motion of the same Senator was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Petition of Otis J. Godfrey and others of Cherryfield;

Petition of Jerome P. Wass and others of Columbia;

Petition of S. H. Bradbury and others of Lubec;

Petition of William H. Pope and others of East Machias;

Petition of Harrison T. Smith and others of Machias;

Petition of Jacob Gilpatrick and others of Whiting;

Petition of Levi Leighton and others of Columbia;

Petition of James J. Davis and others of Northfield;

Petition of H. C. Peaslee and others of Jonesport;

Petition of D. J. Sawyer and others of Jonesport;

Petition of John Morean and others of Whitneyville;

Petition of John F. Harmon and others of Marshfield—severally for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, were taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate non-concurred with the House in referring the foregoing petitions to the Committee on Division of Counties, and the same were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of the same Senator, petition of G. C. Gray and others of Wesley, for the same, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of E. T. Luce and others, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 195 of the private laws of Maine for 1869."

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

The foregoing report, bills and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. REED, the vote whereby the report of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Statutes was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of D. L. Milliken & Sons and others, reported bill "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across Kennebec river between the towns of Waterville and Winslow."

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, on bill "an act additional conferring certain powers on the city of Portland," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Dyer P. Jordan, reported bill "an act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth."

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

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order of the Legislature relating to the expediency of amending chapter 157 of the laws of 1868, reported bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 157 of the public laws of 1868."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to evidence," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills each laid over to be printed under the joint rule.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Message, reported as follows:

That, that part of the Address upon the Insane Hospital be assigned to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

That upon education, to the Committee on Education.

That upon the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, to the Committee on Agriculture.

That upon reviews in capital cases, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon consolidation of railroads, to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

That upon registration of State bonds, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon taxing Foreign Insurance Companies, to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon Savings Banks and banking, to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

That relating to a higher rate of interest than six per cent., to the Committee on the Judiciary.

That upon the Industrial School for Girls, to the Committee on Reform School.

That relating to jail reform, to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The report was accepted, and on motion of Mr. CUSHING was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, proposing that the Joint Convention of the Legislature required by an act of Congress approved July 25, 1866, to be convened this day at twelve o'clock, meridian, be held in the Hall of the House of Representatives; and that upon the completion of the election of United States Senator, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden, the Convention proceed to choose a State Treasurer for the current fiscal year, and asking the concurrence of the Senate.

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

The hour of twelve o'clock, meridian, having arrived, the time fixed by an act of Congress approved July 25, 1866, for the two

houses of the Legislature to convene in Joint Assembly for the purposes therein mentioned, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

The Journal of each house for the preceding day was read, and Lot M. Morrill having received a majority of all the votes in each house, was declared duly elected Senator to represent the State of Maine in the Congress of the United States to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden.

On motion of Mr. LANG of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to inform the Governor that Lot M. Morrill has been duly elected by the Legislature, a Senator in Congress from this State, to fill the vacancy caused by the decease of Hon. William Pitt Fessenden.

On motion of Mr. REED of the Senate,

Messrs. Reed of Cumberland, Lang of Kennebec, of the Senate, and Messrs Baker of Augusta, Chase of Woodstock, and Patten of Bath, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for State Treasurer.

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

Whole number of votes.....	141
Necessary for a choice.....	71
William Caldwell has.....	141

The report was accepted, and William Caldwell was declared duly elected State Treasurer for the current fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to notify William Caldwell that he has been duly elected State Treasurer for the current fiscal year.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

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

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner,” 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. MINOT,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1870.

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 Special Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the subject of temperance, inquire into the expediency of so amending the liquor law of this State, that the proper authorities of cities, towns and plantations, may make seizures of liquors without previously taking out warrants ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of separating the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court who act on questions of law from those who hold jury trials ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the normal school law, so as to admit of a graduating scale of diplomas ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of J. B. Condon and others of Mapleton ;

Petition of C. P. Ferguson and others of Maysville—severally that the September term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county be holden at Presque Isle ;

Bill “an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers” ;

Bill “an act to establish certain rules for the construction of repealing statutes” ;

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

Petition of James Jewett and others of Bath and Westport, for alteration in the charter of the Arrowsic Bridge Company ;

Petition of J. B. Swanton and others, in aid of the same ;

Petition of C. S. Wiggin and others, in aid of petition of J. C. Madigan and others, for railroad charter ;

Petition of C. Dunn and others of Amity, in aid of the same ;

Petition of Francis G. Butler and others, Committee of Farmington Village Corporation, for " an act to authorize said corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad " ;

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

Petition of P. B. Soule and others, to be set off from the Penobscot Agricultural Society and annexed to the proposed Penobscot Central Agricultural Society ;

Remonstrance of J. F. Jordan and others of Penobscot county, against any change in the law for the measurement of milk ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of George Morang and others, against the petition of Oliver Emery and others, for authority to build wharves and weirs in Johnson's Cove at Eastport ;

Petition of Oliver Eaton and others ;

Petition of Wilfred Freathey and others of Brooklin—severally for the repeal of the law of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies ;

Were referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Smullen and Prince, for authority to build wharf into tide waters at Harpswell, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Josiah Norris and others of Wayne, for an act authorizing said town to donate \$2,000 to encourage manufactures to improve the water powers in said town, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of C. B. Sandford and others, for an act of incorporation as an " Ice and Coal Company," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of J. D. Wyer and others, for authority to build a bridge from Bailey's Island to Orr's Island, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill once read and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve in commemoration of the character and services of Edwin M. Stanton."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as a justice of the peace," that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted in concurrence.

The foregoing resolve and bill were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to evidence," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. REED presented memorial of John E. Godfrey and others, Judges of Probate, for amendment of probate laws, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. ROLFE presented the petition of Peter Sepsis and others, members of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, for an appropriation, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to the division of towns into school districts, so as to provide for a uniform system of graded schools.

The foregoing bill, memorial, petition and order, were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of the Directors of the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company, reported bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

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

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

"An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river between the towns of Waterville and Winslow";

"An act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth";

"An act additional conferring certain powers on the city of Portland";

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

On motion of Mr. WEBB,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House:

Petition of J. M. Talbot and others, for repeal of chapter 261, laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding courts in Washington county;

Petition of Horace Ford and others, Trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Biddeford, for an act of incorporation;

Bill "an act additional to chapter 102 of the revised statutes, relating to writs of error in criminal cases";

Bill "an act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, concerning assignments";

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

Petition of M. F. Eldridge and others, for an act authorizing the town of Orrington to loan its credit to aid in building a railroad from Bangor to Bucksport;

Petition of Seth Tisdale and others, for a charter for a railroad from Bangor to Bucksport and Ellsworth ;

Petition of James Anderson and others of Whitneyville, for a charter for a railroad from Whitneyville to Ellsworth ;

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

Petition of the Ocean Insurance Company, for extension of its charter ;

Remonstrance of Alfred Pierce and others of Biddeford, against taxing insurance companies ;

Remonstrance of Frank Foss and others of Saco, against the same ;

Remonstrance of S. Titcomb and others, against the same ;

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

Petition of Phineas Yeaton and others of Bangor, for an act of incorporation as the "Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company," with bill "an act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of John C. Condon, for authority to extend his wharf into tide waters in Belfast, with bill "an act authorizing John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in the city of Belfast," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of B. H. Huston, for a lot of land in Mt. Chase, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of J. R. Bodwell and others, to be set off from Manchester and annexed to Hallowell ;

Petition of Mayor and Aldermen of Hallowell, in aid of the same ;

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

Petition of Job T. Wilson, Agent of the Bluehill Oil Works Company, for repeal or amendment of act regulating the taking of porgies in the waters of Maine ;

Bill "an act to amend an act to regulate the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Elijah Upton, Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county, for an increase of salary, was referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on an order relating to the distribution of the "Water Power of Maine," that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on bill "an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to lease their road, and for other purposes," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

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

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on the petition of Luther Madocks and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Algæ Fertilizer Company," was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The foregoing bills were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication was received from the Governor by the Secretary of State, as follows:

I have information that the fleet conveying the remains of the late George Peabody is expected in Portland harbor early next week. Such preliminary steps as seemed proper were seasonably taken by me, as will appear by the copy of Special Order No. 13, accompanying. This information is laid before you that you may take such action thereon as you may deem fitting.

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

Mr. CUSHING presented the following :

WHEREAS, His Excellency the Governor has this day communicated to the Legislature the information that the remains of the philanthropist, George Peabody, will be disembarked at Portland from the British ship "Monarch"; and whereas, we desire in behalf of the people of the State to pay due honor to the memory of the great benefactor, whose unexampled charities have borne witness to his nobleness of character, and honored the American name throughout the globe, and whose deeds of benevolence command the admiration and respect of the civilized world; it is therefore

Ordered, That a Committee of five on the part of the Senate and twelve on the part of the House, be appointed to accompany His Excellency the Governor, Heads of Departments and the Honorable Council to Portland, on the arrival of the remains of our late distinguished countryman, and for and in behalf of the State to represent it in the ceremonies of the occasion.

Read and passed, and Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Lang of Kennebec, Lindsey of Somerset, Metcalf of Lincoln, Morse of Sagadahoc, and Holland of Androscoggin, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the vote giving the foregoing order a passage was reconsidered, and on motion of the same Senator, the order was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MINOT presented the following :

Ordered, the House concurring, That both branches of the Legislature attend with the Governor and Council, the ceremonies at Portland in respect to the memory of the late distinguished George Peabody ;

Which on motion of Mr. TALBOT was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. LANG, the votes whereby the foregoing orders were indefinitely postponed were reconsidered, and the same were laid on the table.

Mr. COLLINS presented the petition of Judah D. Teague and others ;

Also, petition of John Eddy and others ;

Also, petition of William Small and others—severally that Lyndon may be made a half shire town ;

Which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the remonstrance of D. R. Hastings and others of Fryeburg, against the taxation of foreign insurance companies, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

On motion of Mr. GRAY,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Valuation inquire into the expediency of furnishing annually to the assessors of the several cities, towns and plantations in this State, uniform headings for a valuation list, for purposes of taxation, in order to secure a more uniform description and appraisal of property throughout the State.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

The Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's Message, was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator,

The vote whereby the Senate accepted said report, was reconsidered.

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out that part which refers the taxing of foreign insurance companies to the Committee on the Judiciary, and refer the same to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, which was adopted.

The report was accepted.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, which was instructed by an order of the Legislature to inquire what further legislation, if any, is necessary in relation to the manner of engrossing the acts and resolves and for preserving the same, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Printing and Binding.

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on an order relating to the petition of the town of Surry, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, reported bill "an act to authorize the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad."

These reports were severally accepted, the bill once read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

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

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing petitions, order, reports and bills, were sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of John Patten and others, reported bill "an act to repeal chapter 213 of the private and special laws of 1869."

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

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence," reported that the same ought to pass"; .

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on Memorial of John E. Godfrey, with bill "an act additional further regulating probate courts and proceedings," reported that the same be laid on the table and printed.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That a copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal be furnished the members of the Board of Agriculture during the session of the Legislature.

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

"An act relating to evidence";

"An act to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as a justice of the peace";

"An act to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Company";

"An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across Kennebec river, between the

towns of Waterville and Winslow, and apportion the expense of erecting and maintaining a bridge across said river upon said towns in proportion to their respective State valuations";

Which were each 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. KINGSBURY,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STORRS 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 amending chapter 74, section 9 of the revised statutes, relating to wills ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what change is necessary in chapter 230 of the acts of 1864, to effect the purpose intended ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending sections 55, 56 and 57 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what amendment, if any, is expedient in chapter 46, section 19 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing that the process of forcible entry and detainer may be commenced by an action instead of complaint and warrant ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

The order providing that all petitions for private legislation, except petitions for redress of wrongs and grievances, which shall be presented to this Legislature after the first day of February

next, be referred to the next Legislature, passed by the Senate, came from the House amended by striking out the word "*first*" and inserting in its stead the word "*twentieth*" and passed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

The following order: That notice be given by publishing the same one week in the two daily papers ordered by the House, and by serving the same on the Clerk of Kennebunkport and the Clerk or Mayor of Biddeford, by any officer qualified to serve civil precepts, within five days, that the petition of William F. Moody and others, for an act to straighten the line between the town of Kennebunkport and the city of Biddeford, has been presented to the Legislature, came from the House referred with the accompanying petition to the Committee on Division of Towns, and was so referred in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas G. Smith and others of Edmunds;

Petition of H. W. Ramsdell and others of Harrington—severally for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county;

Petition of Roscoe Doble and others of Independence plantation, for an act to legalize the doings of said plantation;

Petition of Samuel Mowry and others of Lubec, for amendment or repeal of chapter 56 of the public laws of 1869, relating to commutation of bounties;

Bill "an act for the incorporation of public cemeteries";

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

Petition of Charles Comery and others of Waldoborough, for a law prohibiting the taking of trout and other fish in Grass pond;

Remonstrance of Roland Carleton and others;

Remonstrance of John Cain and others—severally against the repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of James Devine, for compensation for laying aqueduct to supply the State House with water, came from the House referred to the Committee on Claims, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. HOLLAND.

Petition of G. C. Nelson and others, for the incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Campbell and others of Cherryfield, for charter for a railroad from Cherryfield to Ellsworth, and that said town may be authorized to loan its credit to aid in building said road, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Asa Smith and others of Mattawamkeag, for an appropriation to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge;

Petition of Veranus Chandler, for a deed of lot No. 112, in Mapleton plantation, in Aroostook county;

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

Petition of William Carr and others, in aid of the petition of Simeon Carpenter and others, for the erection of a dam on Shin Pond brook;

Petition of Charles E. Rand and others, for authority to use the water of the Oxford and Cumberland canal for manufacturing purposes;

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

Petition of A. D. Manson and others of Bangor, for a Marine Insurance Company;

Remonstrance of Charles H. Treat and others, against taxing insurance companies;

Remonstrance of John T. Wallace and others, against the same;

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

Petition of David Townsend and others of Somerville, to be set off from said town and annexed to Washington;

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Mexico, against the petition of P. M. Edmunds, for a division of said town;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating

to the disturbance of religious meetings," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the County Commissioners of Penobscot county, that the same be referred to the Penobscot County Delegation ;

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence.

The bill once read, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 157 of the public laws of 1868," was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Report of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Statutes, was taken from the table, and on motion of the same Senator, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. BUCK presented the petition of John Buck and others of Orland, for authority for said town to loan credit and take stock in a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth via Bucksport ;

Mr. MAYO presented the petition of William H. Smith and others, for charter for a railroad from Milo to Sebec village ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. CARLETON presented the petition of E. K. O'Brien and others, for a charter for a savings bank, which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. BUFFUM presented the petition of William McPheters and others, for amendment to an act to incorporate the Birch Stream Dam Company, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the remonstrance of Henry W. Park and others of Oxford county, against the petition of P. M. Edmunds and others, to have a part of Mexico set off and annexed to Rumford, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That this Legislature on receiving notice of the arrival

of the fleet at Portland conveying to our shores the remains of the late George Peabody of London, and the time fixed for their disembarkation and obsequies, do adjourn over that day that we may thereby in an official capacity and as individuals, testify our respect for the exalted character and distinguished services of one so truly noble.

The foregoing order, report and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the foregoing order was returned from the House amended as per sheet "A," to amend by striking out all after the word "day," and inserting instead, the following: "And that we will in a body, in our official capacity, attend the ceremonies on the occasion, &c.," and passed.

The question being on receding and concurring with the House in the adoption of the amendment, on motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Collins, Lane, Minot and Talbot—4.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buck, Buffum, Carleton, Cleaves, French, Garcelon, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo and Rolfe—12.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Selectmen and others of Dexter and Corinna, for an act to establish the Ridge School District, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of John S. Minot and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Baptist Meeting-House Society in Belgrade."

Mr. FRENCH, from the same Committee, on the petition of Jacob Randall and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association."

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

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

"An act to repeal chapter 213 of the private and special laws of 1869," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to lease their road and for other purposes,” which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the Algæ Fertilizer Company”;

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. TALBOT,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CORTISS of Gardiner.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire what change or reform, if any, is required in the provisions of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, to insure a more prompt collection of municipal taxes, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others of Cutler ;

Petition of E. G. Coffin and others of Machiasport ;

Petition of J. C. Googins and others of Steuben—severally for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county ;

Bill “an act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association”;

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

Petition of D. N. Rogers and others of Dalton, that the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county, be held at Presque Isle, came from the House referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANE.

Petition of Hiram Goodwin and others of Machias, for a charter for a railroad from that town via Cherryfield to Ellsworth, and for authority for the town of Machias to loan its credit in aid of the same ;

Petition of George M. Weston and others, for a charter to build a railroad from Sebec lake to Elliottsville ;

Petition of Daniel Randall and others of Island Falls, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad bill ;

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

Remonstrance of William H. Shailer and others of Portland, against State uniformity of text books, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, for an appropriation to repair their hall, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of George M. Weston and others, for an act giving them the right to improve the navigation of Ship Pond stream ;

Petition of Bangor Water Power Company, for extension of certain franchises ;

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Benjamin L. Kelley and others, that a part of the town of Prescott be set off to the town of Whiting, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of James McKeen and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Mount Ararat Cemetery Association," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the expediency of requiring towns to raise one dollar and twenty-

five cents for each inhabitant for the support of public schools, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Waldo County Delegation, on the petition of N. H. Hubbard and others, with bill "an act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Waldo."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Francis G. Butler and others, with bill "an act to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad, and to contract for said extension."

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

On motion of Mr. REED, the vote whereby the report of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Statutes, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, was reconsidered, and on motion of the same Senator, the report was laid on the table.

Mr. COLLINS presented the petition of Charles G. Whittier and others, in aid of the several petitions that Lyndon be made a half shire town;

Mr. REED presented bill "an act to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LANG presented the petition of T. J. Southard and others, for an act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company, with bill "an act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company";

Which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing bill and petitions, were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association";

"An act to amend section 1, chapter 157 of the public laws of 1868";

"An act to incorporate the Baptist Meeting-House Society in Belgrade";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company";

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

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

"An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government";

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. LANE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HERRIN of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of so amending the public laws, that the bondsmen of collectors of taxes shall be holden only for a definite time from the date of commitment of tax lists to said collectors ;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, inquire into the expediency of authorizing the several counties, cities and towns in the State, to purchase and make free all the toll bridges and turnpikes where tolls are payable, and maintain the same as public highways ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Charles T. Pillsbury and others, citizens of Franklin county, for change of pauper laws, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of J. H. Sprague and others of Presque Isle, that the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court be held at Presque Isle, came from the House referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANE.

Remonstrance of William D. Rice and others of Trescott, against any change in the cattle laws ;

Petition of Nathan Kimball and others of Winthrop and Wayne, that municipal officers may be authorized to appoint highway surveyors ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of Henry J. Milliken and others ;

Petition of Solomon J. Treworgy and others ;

Petition of F. W. Witham and others—severally for an amend-

ment of chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, so that any violation may be a penal offence ;

Remonstrance of Samuel Adams and others, against any change in chapter 36 of public laws of 1869, regulating the taking of porgies ;

Petition of George W. McLellan, for authority to construct and maintain fish weirs in the tide waters of Herring Cove in Trescott ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill " an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof" ;

Petition of John D. Hopkins and others of Ellsworth, for authority for said city to loan its credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Bangor via Bucksport to Ellsworth ;

Petition of H. M. Hall and others of Ellsworth, in aid of the same ;

Petition of John M. Merrill and others of Surry ;

Petition of G. W. Allen and others of Surry—severally for authority to loan the credit of said town in aid of the construction of a railroad from Bangor via Bucksport to Ellsworth ;

Petition of Randall Gallison and others of Sherman ;

Petition of F. F. Smith and others of Silver Ridge plantation ;

Petition of Thomas A. Irish and others of Sherman—severally in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company ;

The foregoing were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of L. G. Downes and others of Machias ;

Remonstrance of Orren Tufts and others of Kingfield ;

Remonstrance of Henry Clay Packard and others of Readfield—severally against the taxing of foreign insurance companies ;

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

Remonstrance of S. C. Hatch and others of Bangor ;

Remonstrance of Joseph Carr and others of Bangor—severally against annexing the town of Veazie to Bangor ;

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

Petition of Sidney Clark of Presque Isle, to be released in part for certain claim in the State Land Office against him;

Petition of J. W. Hinds of Presque Isle, for compensation for a lot of land improperly conveyed to another party;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of Governor John Francis and others, for an appropriation to repair the Chapel at Pleasant Point, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Island Falls, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge across Fish stream in said plantation;

“Resolve granting lot of land to Francis Albert, Jr.”;

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

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill “an act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor,” that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill “an act to incorporate the proprietors of Solon Village Cemetery,” that the same ought to pass.

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

Bill “an act relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence,” was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

A communication was received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, in response to an order of the Legislature, transmitting a schedule showing the number of days that the Supreme Judicial Court was held in the several counties of the State, at the trial terms, for the years 1868 and 1869, which was read, and on motion of Mr. CUSHING, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, That that part of the Railroad Commissioners' Report relating to stopping engines at railroad crossings, and that part relating to power of Railroad Commissioners to interfere with the

speed of railroad trains on defective tracks, be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. REED presented bill "an act relating to collection of debts where no administration has been taken out," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LANG presented the petition of County Commissioners of Somerset county, for a change in section 8, chapter 191 of the laws of 1868, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. WEBB presented the petition of R. L. Williams, for authority to navigate Moose pond, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. CARVILL presented the remonstrance of A. S. Packard and others of Brunswick, against State uniformity of text books, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

The foregoing order, bill and petitions, were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad";

"An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Waldo";

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

The order relating to the ceremonies at Portland relative to the reception of the remains of the late George Peabody, came from the House. The House insisting on its vote adopting amendment "A," and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Whidden of Calais, Barker of Stetson, and Farwell of Augusta, appointed Conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

The Senate insisted upon its former vote and concurred in the proposition for a Conference, and Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, Gray of Kennebec, and Buck of Hancock, were appointed Conferees on its part.

On motion of Mr. REED,

The Report of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Statu

tes, was taken from the table, and on motion of the same Senator, the report was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

On motion of the same Senator,

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the memorial of John E. Godfrey and others, for change in the probate laws, with bill "an act additional further regulating probate courts and proceedings," was taken from the table and recommitted.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,

Petition of James Devine, for compensation for laying aqueduct to supply the State House with water, was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on the adoption of House amendment "A" to the order providing that the Legislature adjourn on the day of the reception of the remains of George Peabody in Portland, that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

The question being on accepting the Report of the Committee in concurrence,

On motion of Mr. WEBB, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Buck, Collins, Garcelon, Gibbs, Holland, Metcalf, Minot, Morse, Nealley, Roberts, Rolfe, Talbot and Webb—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Cushing, French, Gray, Kingsbury, Lang, Lindsey, Mayo and Reed—13.

So the report was rejected.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the Senate proposed another Committee of Conference, and Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, Lindsey of Somerset, and Buffum of Penobscot, were appointed Conferees on the part of the Senate.

Mr. CLEAVES, at his request, was excused from serving on the foregoing Committee, and Mr. REED of Cumberland, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference”;

“An act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to lease their road, and for other purposes”;

“An act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth”;

“An act to amend chapter 195 of the private laws of 1869, entitled an act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

“Resolve in commemoration of the character and services of Edwin M. Stanton”;

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. KINGSBURY,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House:

Petition of the Maine General Hospital for a grant by the State, was referred in concurrence to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House, and three on the part of the Senate.

As joined by the Senate the Committee is as follows:

Messrs. Buffum of Penobscot, Carleton of Knox, and Minot of Kennebec, of the Senate; and Messrs. Barker of Stetson, Baker of Augusta, Reed of Waldoborough, Whidden of Calais, Sturgis of Standish, Patten of Bath, and Main of Unity, of the House.

Petition of John A. Wheeler and others;

Petition of Daniel Torry and others of Westbrook;

Petition of Elijah L. Hamlin and others of Bangor ;
Petition of Joseph P. Fessenden and others of Lewiston ;
Petition of A. B. Thompson and others of Brunswick ;
Petition of Nathan Weston and others of Augusta ;
Petition of B. F. Barton and others ;
Petition of B. Freeman and others of Yarmouth ;
Petition of D. Sewall and others ;
Petition of P. H. Harding and others of Ellsworth ;
Petition of Thomas Lambard and others of Augusta ;
Petition of William H. Simpson and others of Belfast ;
Petition of William G. Crosby and others of Belfast ;
Petition of N. Abbott and others of Belfast—severally in aid of
the petition of the Maine General Hospital ;

Were each referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine
General Hospital in concurrence.

Petition of Ambrose White and others of Bucksport, for
authority to loan the credit of said town to aid in the construction
of a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth ;

Petition of O. M. Crawford and others of Warren ;

Petition of George Alexander and others ;

Petition of James Fuller and others of Searsmont ;

Petition of S. B. Ripley and others of Appleton ;

Petition of W. B. Thayer and others of Searsmont ;

Petition of John Arnold and others of Appleton ;

Petition of Charles Fogler and others of Union—severally for a
charter for a railroad from Warren to Belfast ;

Bill “an act additional to chapter 119 of the public laws of
1867” ;

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

Memorial of the Mayor of Rockland, for amendment of city
charter ;

Petition of Benjamin Royal and others, for an act to amend sec-
tion 2, chapter 316 of the private laws of 1867” ;

Petition of Charles W. Deering and others of Gorham, for
further legislation to secure their rights under section 3, chapter
341 of the laws of 1864 ;

Petition of O. S. Livermore and others of Eastport, for repeal of

chapter 261, laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding courts in Washington county;

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

Petition of William Godfrey and others, for authority to construct weirs in tide waters of Pigeon Hill Bay, with bill "an act to authorize William Godfrey and others, to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill Bay in the town of Steuben," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Severin Cormier and others, for a grant of land for building a mill in Letter L township, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel Perkins, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river;

Petition of Henry E. Prentiss and others, for an act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company, with bill "an act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company";

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

Remonstrance of Zenas Lane and others;

Remonstrance of John S. Kimball and others—severally against a law taxing foreign insurance companies;

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

Petition of Benjamin L. Kelly and others, for an act granting them the amount due the town of Trescott, according to the decision of Commissioners on the Equalization of Municipal War Expenditures;

Petition of I. H. Calkins and others, in aid of the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 1 of an act to aid the minor children of William J. Dean, approved February 22d, 1869," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of

John A. Buck, with bill "an act to authorize John A. Buck to extend his wharf into tide water in the town of Bucksport";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company," that the same ought to pass;

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each twice read, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. REED,

The vote appointing a second Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on House amendment to the order relating to the Peabody ceremonies at Portland, was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the vote whereby the Senate rejected the report of the conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on the same subject, was reconsidered, and said report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion of same Senator, the Senate receded and concurred with the House in the adoption of amendment "A."

The following order from the House: That a Committee of three on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to make all necessary arrangements for the Legislature to attend the Peabody ceremonials at Portland to-morrow, and report before adjournment this day, was read and passed in concurrence.

The Committee, as joined by the Senate, is as follows:

Messrs. Morse of Sagadahoc, Gibbs of Cumberland, and Collins of Aroostook, of the Senate;

Messrs. Bliss of Washington, May of Winthrop, and Sherman of Camden, of the House.

Mr. CARLETON presented the petition of John S. Hopkins and others, for removal of gates, &c., across the highways in the town of Vinalhaven, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges;

Same Senator presented the petition of M. R. Ludwig and others of Thomaston, in aid of the Maine General Hospital;

Mr. NEALLEY presented the petition of Josiah F. Day and others of Alfred;

Also the petition of William Swasey and others of Limerick—severally in aid of the Maine General Hospital;

Mr. FRENCH presented the petition of James B. Seavey and others of Farmington, in aid of the same;

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of Alfred Small and others of Lubec, in aid of the same;

Which were severally referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Mr. WEBB presented the petition of Archibald Linn and others, for savings bank, with bill "an act to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank," which were referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. CUSHING presented the petition of Charles B. Sanford, for authority to build a wharf in the town of Winterport;

Mr. BUCK presented the petition of Edward Swazey and others, for authority to extend wharf into tide waters of Penobscot river, with bill "an act to authorize Edward Swazey and others, to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Russell Eaton and others, for a Savings Bank at Augusta, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of William K. Kimball and others, reported bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved February 28, 1867."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Maine State Boiler Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Jas. T. Grant and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company."

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

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, "resolve relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15," was taken from the table.

The resolve was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of E. K. O'Brien and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Thomaston Savings Bank."

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MORSE, from Joint Select Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Legislature to attend the Peabody ceremonies at Portland, presented the following report:

That the members of both branches of the Legislature, together with the officers of both branches, attend in a body, leaving the depot in Augusta at 6½ o'clock on the morning of Thursday, January 27th, and thence proceed to Portland.

That Hon. T. H. Cushing of the Senate, act as Chief Marshal, and A. B. Farwell and C. R. Whidden of the House, act as Assistant Marshals.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Solon Village Cemetery";

"An act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence";

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 authorize the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington known as the Androscoggin Railroad”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company”;

Which were each 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. FRENCH,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn it be to meet this afternoon at five o'clock.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The PRESIDENT read a telegram from the Governor relating to the Peabody ceremonies, as follows :

“PORTLAND, January 26, 1870.

To Hon. W. W. Bolster, President of the Senate :

The principal ceremonies here, will be the reception of the remains on Saturday morning and the departure from Portland Tuesday.

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.”

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn it be to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

On motion of the same Senator,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY '27, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire into the expediency of authorizing the agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, under the direction of the Governor and Council, to purchase a wood lot for said tribe ;

That the Committee on Indian Affairs inquire as to whether any additional legislation is necessary in relation to leasing the shores of the islands in the Penobscot river belonging to the Penobscot tribe of Indians ;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 186 of the laws of 1868, relating to executions against railroad corporations ;

That so much of the report of the Bank and Insurance Commissioner as relates to taxation of foreign insurance companies, be referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance ;

That the Committee on Pensions inquire into the expediency of repealing all resolves granting pensions to any persons prior to the act of 1862 or any part thereof ;

That the Committee on Pensions inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve giving Lewis Selbin a State pension, commencing with the first of July, 1869 ;

That the Committee on Pensions inquire into the expediency of continuing in force the provisions of chapter 170 of the public laws of 1868, entitled " an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen " ; and that so much of the Governor's message as relates to this subject be referred to the same Committee ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relating to paupers who are not residents of the State, that towns who assist such paupers may receive pay from the State ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency

of amending section 1 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes, relating to the measurement of wood and bark, by striking out all of said section after the words "cubic feet" in line eight;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Charles H. Farnsworth and others of Beddington;

Petition of H. Willey and others of Cherryfield;

Petition of Joseph Nash and others of Addison;

Petition of Warren Leighton and others of Milbridge—severally for the repeal of chapter 261 of the laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county;

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Bangor," approved February 12, 1834;

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 275 of private laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland," passed to be engrossed in both branches, came from the House recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary, and was recommitted in concurrence.

Petition of A. F. Bradbury, President of Dexter Savings Bank, for amendment of the law of 1869, relating to savings banks, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Oldtown, for an act authorizing them to take Upper Stillwater Bridge;

Petition of David Dudley and others of Presque Isle, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad;

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

Petition of Paul Pendexter and others, for an act for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in Parsonsfield;

Petition of P. G. Blanchard and others of Yarmouth, for an amendment to "an act entitled an act to regulate the taking of porgies";

Petition of Joel Lang and others of Bluehill;

Petition of Samuel Herrick and others of Sedgwick;

Petition of N. K. Sawyer and others of Ellsworth;

Petition of J. N. Chatto and others ;

Petition of E. C. Chatto and others—severally for the repeal of chapter 36 of the public laws, relating to the taking of porgies ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. F. Bradbury and others of Dexter, against taxing insurance companies ;

Petition of the stockholders of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company, for renewal of charter ;

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

Petition of Joseph Paradis and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge in Dickeyville, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Bill “an act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company, approved February 22, 1865,” was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Remonstrance of George Warren and others ;

Remonstrance of James Pennel and others ;

Remonstrance of Horace Parker and others ;

Remonstrance of Jonathan Smith and others ;

Remonstrance of J. D. Roberts and others ;

Remonstrance of Isaac Knight and others ;

Remonstrance of George W. Hammond and others ;

Remonstrance of Asa H. Milliken and others ;

Remonstrance of Archelaus Lewis and others ;

Remonstrance of Thomas Lowell and others—severally against a division of the town of Westbrook ;

Petition of Isaac Sawyer and others, to be set off from Limington and annexed to Limerick ;

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

Petition of A. S. Richards and others, to be incorporated into a town by the name of Van Buren, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of towns in concurrence.

Petition of Albert S. Rice and others of Rockland ;

Petition of Washington Long and others of Eastport ;

Petition of Philo Clark and others of Turner ;

Petition of A. P. Snow and others of Winthrop ;

Petition of Abial Libbey and others of Richmond ;

Petition of J. G. Allen and others of Warren—severally in aid of Maine General Hospital ;

Were each referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital in concurrence.

Petition of James Devine, for compensation for laying aqueduct to supply the State House with water, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its former vote referring the petition to the Committee on Claims.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of citizens of Sherman, for deed of lot of land to Franklin F. Young, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order of the Legislature relative to amending section 21, chapter 23 of the revised statutes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof," that the same be printed and recommitted ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," that the same be printed and recommitted ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to section 24, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, with bill "an act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the citizens of Sherman, with "resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell."

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills

and resolve each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of aiding in the publication of the Maine Educational Journal, and report by resolve or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to selectmen, assessors and treasurers of towns.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented the petition of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, for an appropriation to repair their church, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. BUFFUM presented the petition of Greenlief M. Fogg and others, for aid to build a bridge across the Passadumkeag river at Rocky Rips, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing orders and petitions, were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Division of Counties, on the petition of inhabitants of towns of Palermo, Somerville and Washington, that the tract of land in Lincoln county, called the Gore, be set off from Lincoln county and annexed to Palermo, in Waldo county, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Jonathan Blake and others, reported bill "an act to set off certain estates, with the inhabitants thereon, from the Norway Village Corporation."

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

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of A. D. Manson and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Marine Insurance Company."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of

Charles B. Sanford and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Ice and Coal Company."

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each read twice, the rules being suspended, 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 the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company";

"An act to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company";

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

"Resolve relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15";

Which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing bills and resolve, were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to increase the salary of the Judge of Probate for the county of Waldo";

"An act to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad, and to contract for said extension";

"An act to repeal chapter 213 of the private and special laws of 1869, entitled "an act to protect smelts in the Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers";

Which were each 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. CUSHING,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. ANNIS 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 so changing the statutes, that purchasers of land at sales for the non-payment of taxes, shall account for all timber or lumber cut on said land toward payment of said tax, on the redemption of said land ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law that no resident owner of land sold for taxes, shall be entitled to commence, maintain or defend any action or suit in law or equity, or any grant involving the validity of such sale, until the legal charges and interest shall have been paid or tendered by the party contesting the validity of the sale ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law that the statute of limitation be suspended in certain cases, while proceedings in bankruptcy are pending, so that actions may be brought against bankrupts within six months after the discharge of such bankrupt is denied ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether appropriations of money made to literary and educational institutions as endowments may be recovered by the State where such institutions cease to exist as literary or educational institutions ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if any legislation is necessary concerning bonds given by the Inspector General of lime ;

That the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House be directed to enter in their books kept by each for that purpose, and constantly open to inspection, all orders, resolves, or acts granting money or lands for any purpose, with the title and purpose thereof, and the amount of money or lands so granted, and the date of their passage ;

That when the Legislature adjourn this day, that it adjourn to

Monday next at eleven o'clock A. M., and that this order operate as a revocation of all former orders relating to adjournments in connection with the Peabody ceremonies;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Alexander Campbell and others of Cherryfield, for an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels in carting lumber in said town, with bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of the Stillwater Canal Corporation, for increase of toll;

Petition of Gorham L. Boynton and others, for dam on Russel stream, with bill "an act to incorporate the Russel Stream Dam Company";

Bill "an act to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf";

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

Petition of Daniel McGowan and others, for repeal of chapter 211 of public laws of 1868, relating to cattle running at large;

Bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes," relating to offers to be defaulted;

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

Petition of Joseph L. Young, for a deed of a lot of land;

Petition of John G. Kelso, that the Land Agent be authorized to sell him a lot of land;

Petition of Daniel Williams and others, for conveyance of a lot of land in Amity;

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

Petition of Charles Balch and others, for authority to erect and maintain fish weirs in the waters of Bailey's Mistake Cove in the town of Trescott, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of William Lowder and others, citizens of Veazie, against annexing said town to Bangor, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for division of rents for shoreage;
Petition of Thomas Soccalexis and others of Penobscot tribe of Indians, for an appropriation for farming purposes;

Petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for support of schools;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of C. O. Farrington and others;

Petition of J. Hinks and others of Brewer—severally for authority for the town of Brewer to loan its credit in aid of a railroad from Bangor via Bucksport to Ellsworth;

Petition of John Rollins and others of Bancroft;

Petition of D. Williams and others of Amity;

Petition of Alfred Plummer and others of Linneus;

Petition of Leonard Pierce and others of Houlton;

Petition of Albert Kelley and others of Bancroft;

Petition of Moses Drew and others of New Limerick;

Petition of J. H. Collins and others of Bridgewater—severally in aid of the petition of J. C. Madigan and others, for charter of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company;

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

Remonstrance of N. B. Nutt and others;

Remonstrance of Amos J. Wardwell and others;

Remonstrance of Webster Treat and others;

Remonstrance of William Hill and others—severally against taxing insurance companies;

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of William Connor and others, for the repeal of all laws relative to the Fairfield Village Corporation, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the expediency of so amending chapter 18 of the revised statutes, that when a town by a two-thirds vote refuses to accept a town way laid out by the Selectmen, there shall be no appeal to the County Commissioners, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Selectmen of Mt. Chase, for reimbursement of money expended in support of State paupers, that the same be referred to the Governor and Council.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of John Polleys and others, with bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Baring Bridge, approved February 26, 1833."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing Samuel E. Smullen and Sylvanus C. Prince to extend a wharf into tide waters at Harpswell," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer, and also to build a marine railway," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of James F. Farmer and others, with bill "an act to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the State Superintendent of Common Schools for the year 1869, which was read and sent down.

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

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE,
Petition of D. N. Rogers and others ;

Also petition of J. H. Sprague and others—severally that the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county, be held at Presque Isle;

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

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of Thomas S. Cox and others of Dixfield, for charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls;

Also the petition of H. W. Park and others of Mexico;

Also the petition of S. A. Reed and others of Roxbury;

Also the petition of H. H. Wyman and others of Rumford;

Also the petition of W. H. Harding and others of Andover;

Also the petition of A. K. Knapp and others of Hanover;

Also the petition of C. P. Edmunds and others of Byron—severally in aid of the foregoing petition of Thomas S. Cox and others.

Which were each referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented the petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for salary of the priest of said tribe;

Also the petition of Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for salary of governor and lieutenant governor of said tribe;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The same Senator presented the petition of Benjamin Ball and others, for incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. LINDSEY presented the petition of William Allen, for the repeal of the laws for the settlement of paupers, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The same Senator presented the petition of Nathan Wood and others, for an act of incorporation as the Madison Manufacturing Company, which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. FRENCH presented the remonstrance of John Allen of Farmington, against taxing insurance companies;

Mr. BUCK presented bill "an act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. HOLLAND presented the petition of A. D. Lockwood and

others, for a Maine General Hospital, that the same be located at Lewiston, which was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Mr. FULLER presented the petition of D. S. Plumly and others, for an act to legalize the doings of the town of Lincoln, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, the House concurring, That in accordance with previous votes of both branches to attend the Peabody ceremonials, to-morrow is hereby designated as the day of attendance, and 5.30 A. M., the hour of departure from Augusta.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of David Doe, for a lot of land in the town of Lyndon, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted.

The foregoing order, report and petitions, were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table and 700 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the County Commissioners of Somerset county, reported bill "an act to amend the 8th section of chapter 191 of the public laws of 1868."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond, situated in Franklin county," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

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

“An act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes”;

“An act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers”;

“Resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell”;

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 set off certain estates, with the inhabitants thereon, from the Norway Village Corporation”;

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 incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association”;

“An act to incorporate the Baptist Meeting-House Society in Belgrade”;

“An act to authorize Robert Crockett to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor”;

“An act to authorize John A. Buck to extend his wharf into tide waters in the town of Bucksport”;

“An act to incorporate the Thomaston Savings Bank”;

“An act to amend section 1 of chapter 157 of the public laws of 1868, relating to the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy”;

“An act additional to an act entitled an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Bangor Ice and Coal Company”;

“An act to incorporate the proprietors of the Solon Village Cemetery”;

Which were each 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. FRENCH,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Root of Gardiner.

Journal of Friday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law, that personal property shall be holden for taxes the same as real estate ;

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire what change is necessary in the law regulating the size of herring boxes ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of John Ayers and others, for repeal of act authorizing the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river between Waterville and Winslow ;

Petition of Ashbel T. Webb and others, in aid of the same ;

Petition of Noah Boothby and others, for an act authorizing the towns of Waterville and Winslow to purchase the charter, stock and property of the Ticonic Bridge Company ;

Petition of Alfred Winslow and others, in aid of the same ;

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

Petition of Selectmen and Assessors of Cornville, for a reduction of poll tax ;

Petition of Stephen A. Wilcox and others, for repeal of chapter 211 of the laws of 1868, relating to cattle running at large ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of E. G. Guptill and others of Plantation No. 7, to be set off from said plantation and annexed to Gouldsbrough ;

Petition of inhabitants of Gouldsbrough, in aid of the same ;

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

Remonstrance of H. A. Balch, against the petition of Charles Balch and others, for authority to build fish weirs in Bailey's Mistake Cove ;

Petition of David Roderick, for authority to extend fish weir into tide waters of Frenchman's bay ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of F. Muzey and others, for a change in the law regulating the measure of milk, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of the Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation to repair their church, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of J. K. Nelson and others ;

Petition of Ira Fish and others ;

Petition of Cyrus Chase and others ;

Petition of B. H. Huston and others ;

Petition of C. T. Ferguson and others—severally in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

Remonstrance of M. C. Brooks and others, citizens of Georgetown, Bath and vicinity, against any alteration in the charter of the Arrowsic bridge ;

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

“Resolve relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15,” passed to be engrossed by the Senate,” came from the House referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Russel Eaton and others, for a savings bank at Augusta, was recommitted to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Erastus Cole and others, for an act prohibiting the taking of fish from the west branch of the Ten Mile brook, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Archie S. Downs and others, for an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel in Bunganaul pond, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in the city of Belfast," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Solon White and others, pew-holders in the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House at Richmond, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the pew-holders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House at Richmond."

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Commissioners on the Equalization of Municipal War Debts, which was read.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of Thomas H. Brown and others of Paris, in aid of the petition of the Executive Committee of the Maine General Hospital, which was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital.

The same Senator presented the petition of George Hopkins and others of Franklin plantation, for charter of railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. FRENCH presented the petition of Hiram Holt & Co. and others of Wilton, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, bark and other refuse into Wilson's stream in Wilton, with bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, bark and other refuse into Wilson's stream in Wilton," which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. BUCK presented the petition of the members of the Hancock County Bar, for an act to change the time of holding the Supreme Judicial Court.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 23 of the public laws of 1861.

The foregoing order and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANG, from the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, on the proposition of P. O. Vickery to do the engrossing of acts and resolves, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee reported that said Committee had entered into a contract with Messrs. Sprague, Owen and Nash to do the printing for the State for the present year, and submitting the contract.

These reports were severally accepted, and the contract read and approved.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association";

"An act authorizing Samuel E. Smullen and Sylvanus C. Prince to extend a wharf into tide water at Harpswell";

"An act to authorize William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer, and also to build a marine railway";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Baring bridge, approved February 26, 1833";

"An act to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond, situated in Franklin county";

"An act to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Robert Wilder and others of Washburn, that the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county, be held at Presque Isle ;

Petition of C. O. Stoddard and others of Fort Fairfield, in aid of the same ;

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others, for an appropriation to open a road from Presque Isle to Molunkus ;

Petition of E. F. Jones and others, for an appropriation to open a road through township F and G, Range 1, Aroostook county ;

Petition of D. F. Adams and others, for deed of lot No. 71, in township No. 14, Range 3 ;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company";

Petition of Joseph Pollard and others of Masardis, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

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

Remonstrance of John Gray and others, against taxing insurance companies ;

Remonstrance of S. H. Talbot and others of East Machias, against the same ;

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

Petition of John Allen and others, for the annexation of Maysville to Presque Isle, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of George Walker and others, in aid of petition of W. H. Hemenway and others, for authority to extend his wharf into tide waters in Machias river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of M. L. Elwell and others, for the repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Resolve tendering the thanks of the Legislature to Hon. Richard D. Rice, was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Phineas Yeaton and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company, approved February 22, 1865," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of William Bicknell and others, with bill "an act to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Swan pond in the town Hartford."

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

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved February 28, 1867";

Bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations";

Were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. LANG presented the petition of the Selectmen of Moscow and others, for an appropriation for highways, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. WEBB presented the petition of the overseers of the poor of the town of Harmony, for amendment to chapter 47 of the public laws of 1869 ;

Also the petition of the municipal officers of Harmony, for further legislation under the act authorizing the equalization of municipal war debts ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The same Senator presented the petition of Jesse Smith, for pension for war services, which was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of M. N. Lufkin and others of Rumford, for charter of a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls ;

Also, petition of John J. Holman and others of Dixfield, in aid of the same ;

Also, petition of John B. Staples and others of Carthage, in aid of the same ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The same Senator presented the remonstrance of S. B. Bean and others of Brownfield, against taxation of foreign insurance companies, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The same Senator presented the remonstrance of H. G. Vergin and others, against the petition of H. W. Park and others, for a division of the town of Mexico, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The foregoing petitions and remonstrances, were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That one thousand additional copies of the Report of the Commissioners on Equalization of the Municipal War Debts, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The contract with Messrs. Sprague, Owen and Nash, to do the State Printing for the current year, came up from the House approved in concurrence, and was by the Secretary lodged in the office of the Secretary of State.

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

“An act to make valid the doings of the pew-holders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House at Richmond”;

“An act authorizing John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in the city of Belfast”;

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

On motion of Mr. WEBB,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Cram of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Senate and House of Representatives meet in the Representatives' Hall, in Convention, to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, for the purpose of an exhibition of beneficiaries of this State attending the American Asylum for deaf and dumb at Hartford, Conn.;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Winslow Bates and others, for amendment to section 2, chapter 23 of the revised statutes ;

Petition of Gilman Chapman and others of Bethel, for an act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in said town, with bill “an act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in Bethel”;

Petition of Robert Crosby and others of Albion, for authority to sell the meeting-house of the Christian Society in said town ;

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

Petition of James W. Moore and others, Trustees of Cherryfield Academy, for an amendment of section 1, chapter 170 of private laws of 1869, with bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 170 of the private and special laws of 1869," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of Smith Gilman and Company, for lot of land donated by the State to aid in building mills in No. 6, R. 5, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

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

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Cyr plantation, against annexation of said plantation to Van Buren, was referred to the Committee on incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of A. S. Washburn and others, in aid of the petition of J. R. Bodwell and others, to be set off from Manchester and annexed to Hallowell, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Jonathan Durham and others;

Petition of J. R. Grant and others of Monroe;

Petition of Edmund Brenner and others—severally for authority to locate a bridge over tide waters at Belfast;

Were referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Remonstrance of H. H. Cleveland and others of Camden, against a law taxing foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company";

Petition of D. M. Patten and others of Perham;

Petition of Isaac Hacker and others of Fort Fairfield;

Petition of George Seely and others of Fort Kent;

Petition of R. M. Davis and others of Madawaska ;
Petition of Walter Dorkendoff and others of Easton ;
Petition of Magloire Cyr and others of Dickeyville ;
Petition of S. Newland and others of Dalton ;
Petition of Amos Sprague and others of Mapleton ;
Petition of Frank Reynolds and others of Lyndon ;
Petition of Frank Harit and others of Limestone ;
Petition of John Waddell, Jr., and others of Castle Hill ;
Petition of Warren Preble and others of Mars Hill ;
Petition of Samuel Doe and others of Crystal Plantation ;
Petition of Edward Eaton and others of Dickeyville ;
Petition of H. O. Perry and others of Alva ;
Petition of George W. Collins and others of Bridgewater ;
Petition of W. C. Hammond and others of Van Buren—severally
in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

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

Remonstrance of Ora Oakman and others of Corinth ;
Remonstrance of Noah Barker and others of Corinth ;
Remonstrance of Peter Barker and others ;
Remonstrance of Simon G. Jerrard and others ;
Remonstrance of Joseph P. Sinclair and others ;
Remonstrance of citizens of Corinth ;
Remonstrance of citizens of Stetson ;
Remonstrance of citizens of Newport ;
Remonstrance of Anson Fisher and others of Corinna ;
Remonstrance of citizens of Garland ;
Remonstrance of citizens of Exeter ;
Remonstrance of Charles Shaw and others of Dexter—severally
against the division of the West Penobscot Agricultural Society ;
Were referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance,
on an order relating to the Report of the Bank and Insurance
Examiner, with bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance
companies," was recommitted to the Committee on Mercantile
Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on
the petition of B. F. Buxton and others, with bill "an act to incor-

porate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," that the same be printed and recommitted, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, on the petition of the County Commissioners of said county, with "resolve to authorize the County of Penobscot to procure a loan," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

The communication from the Secretary of State, with schedule showing the number of days the Supreme Judicial Court was held in the several counties in this State, at the trial terms for the years 1868 and 1869, was taken from the table, and on motion of the same Senator, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented the remonstrance of Penobscot Indians, against dividing shore rents, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. BUFFUM presented bill "an act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands and funds arising therefrom," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. FULLER presented the petition of M. B. Pinkham and others, for an act to incorporate the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company, which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of N. S. Allen and others of Edmunds, for a division of said town, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. LANG presented the petition of citizens of Jarratunk, The Forks and vicinity, for an appropriation in aid of the Canada road ;
Also the petition of citizens of Moscow, in aid of the same ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. HOLLAND presented the petition of Lee Strickland and others, for charter of a railroad from Lewiston or Auburn to Rumford Falls, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

take into consideration the propriety of repealing chapter 142 of the laws of 1862, relating to the sale of swamp and meadow lands.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Henry W. Park and others, for change of line between the towns of Mexico and Rumford, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Bangor Water Power Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Alanson Googins and others, reported bill "an act to set off part of the town of Trenton and incorporate the same into a town by the name of Lamoine."

These reports were severally accepted, the bills read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing petitions, order, reports and bills, were sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the second reading reported the following bill :

"An act additional to and amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved February 28, 1867";

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CLEAVES.

The same Committee also reported the following bill : "An act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANG.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

"An act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company, approved February 22, 1865";

"An act to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Swan pond in the town of Hartford";

"An act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing 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 authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf”;

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 section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to trespasses on adjoining lands”;

“An act to incorporate the Merchants’ Marine Insurance Company”;

“An act additional to chapter 27 of the revised statutes, relating to innholders and victualers”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell”;

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. CLEAVES,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1870.

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 whether any legislation is necessary in regard to building and repairing of roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 14 of the acts of 1869, relating to writs of execution where the person who recovers judgment has deceased ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the pauper law, reporting if additional legislation is necessary to give overseers of the poor more power over the personal and real estate of paupers ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 26 of the revised statutes, so that towns may be authorized to compensate engine men for their services ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of so amending the public laws, as to abolish capital punishment ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Joel Valley and others of Alva, that the September Term of Supreme Judicial Court of Aroostook county be held at Presque Isle ;

Petition of W. C. Hammond, Jr., and others, that Van Buren may be made a half shire town ;

Petition of Walter G. Morrill and others, for an act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company, with bill "an act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company";

Bill "an act authorizing the town of Stetson to take stock in the Stetson Manufacturing Company";

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the St. Johns Agricultural Society," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Oakes Angier and others of Belfast, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Dennys river, approved Feb. 22, 1865";

Petition of Thomas Thompson and others of Unity, for an act regulating the taking of fish from Twenty-five Mile pond";

Petition of William Hopkins and others of Bluehill, that the law regulating the taking of porgies be made more effectual;

Petition of William P. Joy and others;

Petition of George F. Smith and others;

Petition of John Stevens and others;

Petition of George W. Hardy and others of Deer Isle—severally in aid of the petition of William Hopkins and others;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Yarmouth and others, in aid of petition of Joseph S. Bailey, to be set off from North Yarmouth and annexed to Yarmouth;

Petition of Peter E. Vose and others of Dennysville, in aid of the petition of N. S. Allen and others;

Remonstrance of Orin Gilpatrick and others of Somerville, against setting off any part of said town;

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

Remonstrance of the Mayor and Aldermen and others of Belfast, against the petition of Edward Benner and others, for a fourth free bridge across tide water in Belfast;

Remonstrance of William H. Simpson and others, against the same;

Petition of John H. Eveleth and others, for authority to improve the north branch of the Piscataquis river;

Petition of Leonard McCobb, for authority to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor;

Remonstrance of Shaw & Kingman and others, against any law giving the exclusive right to navigate the waters of the Mattawamkeag river by steam to any persons ;

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

Petition of H. J. Milliken and others of Surry, for authority to said town to loan its credit in aid of a railroad from Bangor via Bucksport to Ellsworth ;

Petition of A. S. Townsend and others of Fort Fairfield ;

Petition of W. S. Kimball and others of Easton ;

Petition of Samuel T. Gilman and others of Washburn ;

Petition of David Collins and others of Forestville ;

Petition of W. S. Dwinal and others ;

Petition of Judah D. Teague and others of Lyndon—severally in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

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

Petition of L. R. Page and others of Dexter ;

Petition of C. W. Curtis and others—severally for an appropriation to repair the road leading from Monson Village to Greenville in the towns of Monson and Shirley ;

Petition of Isaac Hacker, that the Land Agent may be authorized to convey him a lot of land ;

Petition of the Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, for an appropriation to finish the bridge over the Aroostook river in said town ;

Petition of James Nutting and others, for an appropriation to aid in repairing the road from Presque Isle to Molunkus ;

Petition of Narcis Dufour and others, for an appropriation to build a road in Madawaska ;

Petition of the inhabitants of Crystal and Island Falls plantations, for an appropriation to aid in building a road in said plantations ;

Petitions of A. Coburn and others, for a change in a law passed in 1847, so that a charter for a railroad from N. E. Bay of Moosehead Lake to Penobscot West Branch, may extend to a turnpike, with the right to collect toll thereon ;

Petition of S. T. Williams and others, for an appropriation to build a turnpike from Kingsbury to Abbot in Piscataquis county ;

Petition of Jesse Murphy, to be remunerated for opening a

winter road from Chesuncook lake to Moosehead lake, and for an appropriation to make said road passable for summer travel ;

Petition of Romain Michaud, to be refunded money paid for lot of land ;

Petition of Nelson Herrin, to be remunerated for a lot of land in the town of Limestone, conveyed by the Land Agent to another party by mistake ;

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

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Daniel W. Dinsmore, for damages for false imprisonment, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act authorizing any city or town in this State to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this State, approved Feb. 28, 1867," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence ; the bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on credentials of Lewis Bennewit, representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, with "resolve in favor of Lewis Bennewit."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order of the Legislature relating to repealing or amending the statutes in relation to the levy of executions against towns, with bill "an act to repeal chapter 53 of the acts of 1858, and sections 32, 33 and 34 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes, and to amend section 31 of the same chapter, relating to levy of executions against towns."

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, with "resolve for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter 330 of the resolves of 1864, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College."

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Paul Taber, for deed of lot of land, with "resolve in favor of Paul Taber."

The report was accepted in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. LANG the resolve was laid on the table.

Bill "an act to amend the eighth section of chapter 191 of the public laws of 1868," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

- *Ordered*, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to aid the town of Mexico, in Oxford county, to rebuild a bridge at the mouth of Swift river in said town.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That the Annual Report of the Trustees and Treasurer of the College of Agriculture, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of citizens of Mexico, in aid of petition of Selectmen of Byron, for an appropriation from the State, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. MAYO presented the remonstrance of A. M. Robinson and others, Trustees of Foxcroft Academy, against uniformity of text books;

Mr. CARVILL presented the remonstrance of A. G. Poland and others of Brunswick, against the same;

Mr. BUFFUM presented the remonstrance of H. F. Howard and others of Dixfield and Canton, against the same;

Mr. LANG presented the remonstrance of O. B. Cheney and others, against the same;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented "resolve in favor of Joseph M. Soccalexis," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Report, to which was referred the official bond of Hon. W. Caldwell, State Treasurer 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.

The foregoing orders, petition, resolve, report and bond, were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANG, bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, the bill was laid on the table, and Wednesday next, at 11 A. M., assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

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

"Resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan";

Which was 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 to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman";

"An act authorizing John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in the city of Belfast";

"An act to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association";

"An act to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Baring bridge, approved February 26, 1833";

"An act authorizing William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer, and also to build a marine railway";

"An act authorizing Samuel E. Smullen and Sylvanus C. Prince to extend a wharf into tide waters at Harpswell";

"An act to make valid the doings of the pew-holders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting-House at Richmond";

Which were each 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. TALBOT,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MOOR 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 article 2 of section 1 of the Constitution of the State, so that persons therein designated paupers shall not for the reason that they are designated paupers be denied the right to vote ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to report a bill establishing the number of pounds of coal which constitute a ton ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Addison Bradford and others of Turner, for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Joseph Doan and others of Orrington, against the repeal of the laws regulating the measure of milk, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Rufus E. Woods and others, against the division of the town of Westbrook, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Paris Hill Academy, for an appropriation;
Petition of Charles Sweson and others, for an appropriation in aid of schools in Dickeyville;

Remonstrance of Fred M. Dow and others, against State uniformity of text books;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of O. R. Sevois and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge over Dufour stream in Madawaska;

Petition of inhabitants of township No. 5, R. 3, for an appropriation to aid in building a road in said township;

Petition of Dominique Daigle and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge over Daigle stream in Fort Kent;

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

Petition of I. B. Kimball and others, for an act to incorporate the Auburn and Lewiston Ice Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of William H. Hemenway and another, for authority to erect and maintain a wharf in Machias river;

Petition of M. G. Crocker and others, in aid of the same;

Petition of Ziba Burrill and others, for an amendment to an act of 1868, to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river;

Petition of Charles H. Bartlett, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of Piscataquis river;

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

Petition of H. B. Record and others, for an act to prevent the destruction of pickerel and trout in the streams and ponds in Turner, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Abraham Bridges, for a State pension, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to amending section 1 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to taxation and reduction of polls, that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. Wilcox and others, for a repeal of chapter 211 of the laws of 1868, that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for the county of Cumberland," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Gorham L. Boynton and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Russel Stream Dam Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of L. H. Ingersoll and others, with bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Pleasant river," that the same ought to pass.

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

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries for 1869, which was read.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, That the delegation from Cumberland county inquire whether any legislation is necessary to regulate the salary of the Judge of Probate of said county; also to inquire whether it is necessary to raise the salary of the County Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending the law relative to foreclosure of mortgages, so as to lessen the time allowed for redemption.

On motion of Mr. ROLFE,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads ascertain what amount will be required to repair the Houlton road across the Indian township in Washington county.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Ordered, That all matters referred to in the Report of the State

Superintendent of Common Schools, requiring legislation, be referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. METCALF presented the petition of B. D. Metcalf and others, for an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. LANE presented the petition of the County Commissioners of Cumberland county, that the Treasurer of said county be authorized to pay Miltimore Watts for services as agent on Martin Point Bridge, which was referred to the delegation from said county.

Mr. CARLETON presented the remonstrance of J. E. Moore and others of Thomaston and vicinity, against uniformity of text-books.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented the petition of citizens of Greenbush, for State uniformity of text-books.

The foregoing orders and petitions were sent down for concurrence.

The official bond of Hon. William Caldwell, State Treasurer elect, came from the House approved in concurrence, and was by the Secretary lodged in the office of the Secretary of State.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the municipal officers of Harmony, for further legislation under the act equalizing the municipal war debts, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of William Allen, for the abolition of the law of settlement of the poor, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of T. F. Boothby and others, for an amendment of the pauper laws, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Harmony, for an amendment of chapter 47 of the public laws of 1869, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of Penobscot Indians for a division of shore rents, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill and resolve:

"An act to repeal chapter 53 of the acts of 1858, and sections 32, 33 and 34 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes, and to amend section 31 of the same chapter, relating to levy of executions against towns";

"Resolve in favor of Louis Bennewit";

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

"Resolve for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter 330 of the resolves of 1864, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College";

Which was read a second time.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bolster, Buffum, Carvill, French, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Lane, Lang, Lindsey, Minot, Nealley, Rolfe and Talbot—14.

NAYS—Messrs. Buck, Carleton, Cleaves, Fuller, Gibbs, Kingsbury, Roberts and Torrey—8.

So the resolve was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve:

"An act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company";

"An act to amend the 8th section of chapter 191 of the public laws of 1868";

"Resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of the Supplemental Digest of the Maine Reports";

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 the following bills:

“An act to set off certain estates with the inhabitants thereon from the Norway Village Corporation”;

“An act to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Swan pond in the town of Hartford”;

“An act additional to an act authorizing any city or town in this State to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this State, approved February 28, 1867”;

“An act to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam Company”;

“An act to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company, approved February 22, 1865”;

Which were each 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. FRENCH,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1870.

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 Third Annual Report of the Commissioner on Fisheries, laid before the members of the Legislature, be referred to the Committee on Fisheries for action upon the suggestions therein contained, was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to change the name of the Gardiner District Camp-meeting Association," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. G. Wakefield and others of Bangor, against State uniformity of text books ;

Petition of Byron Porter and others of Newport ;

Petition of James L. Linnell and others of Exeter ;

Petition of David E. Parsons and others of Stetson—severally for State uniformity of text books ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. H. Burbank and others of Yarmouth ;

Remonstrance of H. Fenderson and others of Scarborough—severally against taxing insurance companies ;

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

Petition of inhabitants of Van Buren plantation, for incorporation into a town by the name of Violette, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of C. T. Daniels and others, for an act for the protection of trout in Alden stream in the town of Corinna ;

Remonstrance of Jesse Bakeman and others of Brooksville, against the repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies.

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Everett and others ;

Petition of J. W. Brown and others ;

Petition of Ansel Packard and others—severally for an appropriation in aid of building a bridge across the Aroostook river in the town of Washburn ;

Petition of inhabitants of Hamlin, for an appropriation to complete the road leading from Hamlin to Limestone ;

Petition of inhabitants of Grant Isle, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge in said Grant Isle ;

Petition of John Kilgore and others of Grafton, for an appropriation to repair roads ;

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

Petition of Ezekiel Prescott and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of Georges river in Montville ;

Petition of A. L. Frohock and others of Lincolnville, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of Penobscot bay ;

Petition of James Peterson and others, in aid of petition of W. H. Hemenway and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters of Machias river ;

Petition of E. C. Simpson and others of Harpswell, for authority to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell ;

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

Petition of E. C. Spaulding and others, that a portion of South Thomaston be set off and annexed to Rockland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of John Morrison and others, to be incorporated into a society to be called the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Veranus Chandler and others, for a deed of a lot of land, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of George H. Freeman and others, that the Land Agent be authorized to convey him a lot of land in Mapleton plantation, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Nathaniel S. Green, for State pension, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Charles Balch and others, for authority to construct fish weirs in Bailey's Mistake Cove in Trescott, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William D. Rice and others, for an amendment to "an act granting Mary E. Balch authority to construct fish weirs in Moose river in the town of Trescott," that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 170 of the private laws of 1869, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money," that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to establishing the number of days which shall constitute a teacher's week, with bill "an act establishing the school week and month," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the ex-

pediency of amending section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relative to the taxing of land for the location of school-houses.

Mr. LANG, from the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, on an order relating to the State binding, reported that they had entered into a contract with Messrs. Hartford & Smith to do the binding of the State for the current year, and submitting the contract.

The report was accepted, and the contract approved.

Mr. LANG, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, on an order relating to change in the manner of engrossing acts and resolves, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15," reported that the same ought to pass;

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANG, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, on an order relating to substituting the Maine State Political Manual and Annual Register, for the Legislative Manual, reported "resolve in favor of substituting the Maine State Political Manual and Annual Register for the Legislative Manual usually supplied."

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Thomas C. Allen and others, reported bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Ossipee Lake and its tributaries."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Paul Pendexter and others, reported bill "an act for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in Parsonsfield."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Ziba Burrill and others, reported bill "an act amendatory of and additional to an act to amend an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river, approved March 5, 1869."

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

Mr. LANG, from the Committee on Printing and Binding,

reported that they had disposed of all matters referred to them, and asked to be discharged from further duty.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Pleasant river”;

“An act to incorporate the Russel Stream Dam Company”;

“An act additional to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for the County of Cumberland”;

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 Howard Slate 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 for the preservation of fish in Webb’s pond, situated in Franklin county”;

“An act to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of Lewis Bennewit”;

“Resolve for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter 330 of the resolves of 1864, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female 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. TALBOT,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of furnishing to Judges of Police and Municipal Courts one copy each of the acts and resolves of this and subsequent Legislatures;

That the Committee on Pensions inquire into the expediency of recommending that volunteers actually mustered into the military or naval service of the United States on the quota of Maine in the suppression of the rebellion, and not receiving a State bounty therefor, be exempted from the payment of a poll tax for a term of years ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to provide for enforcing liens on logs and lumber";

Petition of Joseph B. Hall and others, for the incorporation of the Mayfield Slate Company, with bill "an act to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company";

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

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes";

Bill "an act to amend chapter 19 of the laws of 1858";

Bill "an act additional to chapter 11 of the laws of 1858";

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of Hollis R. Mountfort and others, for an act to incorporate the Grove Pond Dam Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Remonstrance of C. E. Hayward and others, against the division

of the town of Edmunds, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of John Allen and others, for an appropriation to open a road from Presque Isle to Moluncus;

Petition of Ezekiel Vasson, that the Land Agent may be authorized to sell him a lot of land in Mapleton;

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

Petition of Charles Kendall and others, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad;

Petition of Byron Hilt and others, in aid of the same;

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

Petition of B. F. Fernald and others of Winn, for State uniformity of text-books;

Petition of C. J. Howse and others of Lee, for the same;

Petition of Joseph Chadbourne and others of Bradford, for the same;

Petition of J. Fogg and others of Holden, for the same;

Petition of Samuel Libby and others of Orono, for the same;

Remonstrance of Selectmen and others of Eastport, against the same;

Remonstrance of the Superintending School Committee and others of Biddeford, against the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Davis R. Stockwell and others, for an act to incorporate the Mattawamkeag Steam Navigation Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Charles Comery and others, with bill "an act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Grass pond in the town of Waldoborough."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of George W. McLellan and others, with bill "an act to authorize George W. McLellan to construct and maintain fish weirs and wharves in the tide waters of Herring Cove in the town of Trescott."

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

On motion of Mr. LANG,

The vote whereby the Senate accepted the final report of the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, was reconsidered; and on motion of the same Senator, the report was laid on the table.

Mr. CARVILL presented the remonstrance of C. C. Humphreys and others of Brunswick, against taxing insurance companies, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of John J. Perry and others, for the establishment of a Superior Court for the counties of Oxford, Androscoggin and Franklin, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LANE presented bill "an act to prevent the manufacture or sale of poisonous or adulterated liquors," which was referred to the Joint Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the subject of temperance.

Mr. LANG presented the petition of Samuel Holden and others of Moose River settlement, for an appropriation to aid in repairing the Canada road, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to amend section 1 of chapter 170 of the private and special laws of 1869, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money";

"An act further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland";

"An act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield";

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

"Resolve in favor of substituting the Maine State Political

Manual and Annual Register for the Legislative Manual, usually supplied," which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANG.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company," which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. MAYO.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

"An act amendatory of and additional to an act to amend an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river, approved March 5, 1869";

"An act for the preservation of fish in Ossipee lake and its tributaries";

"An act for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in Parsonsfield";

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 the following bills :

"An act to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf";

"An act to set off a part of the town of Trenton and incorporate the same into a town by the name of Lamoine";

"An act to repeal chapter 53 of the acts of 1858, and sections 32, 33 and 34 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes, and to amend section 31 of the same chapter, relating to levy of executions against towns";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

"Resolve to authorize the County of Penobscot to procure a loan";

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. LANE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1870. .

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER 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 chapter 264 of the laws of 1864, concerning the distribution of lists of Justices of the Peace, so as to insert after "Clerks of Courts," Registers of Probate ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of giving city marshals the power of constables in civil cases as well as criminal ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of so amending or adding to the law of taxation, as to make it the duty of the assessors of towns and plantations, whenever they find in taking the inventory, any taxable property not by law taxable in the towns or plantations where it is found, shall notify the assessors of the town or plantation where such property is by law taxable ;

That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire into the expediency of amending "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs or other refuse into the Penobscot river, approved Feb. 5, 1868," by providing that one-half of the penalties be paid to the prosecutor, so as to render said act more efficient ;

That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to secure and protect the public in their winter travel upon the navigable rivers and waters of this State ; and to prohibit the cutting and removing of ice in said waters, at such places as are usually designated and used for a public road and common travel ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 27 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in the Supreme Judicial Court";

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and ex-

tend certain streets in said city to low water mark in Penobscot river and Kenduskeag stream”;

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

Remonstrance of the Superintending School Committee and teachers of Calais, against a law providing for State uniformity of text-books, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill “an act to incorporate the town of Van Buren in the county of Aroostook,” was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Rufus Fickett and others of Milbridge, for authority to construct a fish weir in tide waters in said town;

Petition of Paul Johnson and others of Eastport, for authority for Oliver Emery and others to build wharves and weirs in Johnson’s Cove at Eastport;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of J. B. Nash and others of Windham;

Remonstrance of Daniel E. Hall and others of Kenduskeag—severally against taxing insurance companies;

Bill “an act concerning insurance and insurance companies”;

Bill “an act additional to chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctioneers”;

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

Petition of John R. Weed and others, in aid of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company;

Petition of Lewis DeLaite and others, in aid of the same;

Petition of George H. Fuller and others of Hartford, for a charter for a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls;

Petition of G. B. Strickland and others, in aid of the same;

Petition of Orrison Rollins and others of Livermore, in aid of the same;

Petition of E. T. Stetson and others of Canton, in aid of the same;

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

Bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of the county of Waldo, was referred to the Waldo County Delegation in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of William McPheters and others, for the repeal of an act incorporating the Birch Stream Dam Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Ann Ramsdell and others, for authority to construct fish weirs and to amend an act authorizing Mary E. Balch to construct the same, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Washington County Delegation, on the petition of Mason H. Wilder, Register of Probate for said county, for an increase of salary, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the Report of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Public Laws, that chapter 81, as revised, be printed for the use of the Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Leonard McCobb, with bill "an act to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Edward Swazey and others, with bill "an act to authorize Edward Swazey and others, to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act authorizing Nathaniel Perkins and J. M. Perkins, to build a wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river at Phippsburg," that the same ought to pass.

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

Bill "an act to provide for payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LANG, the Final Report of the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding was taken from the table and

recommitted, and the authority of the Committee to act was revived.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of B. W. Stockwell and others of Mexico, in aid of the petition of Lee Strickland and others, for charter for railroad from Lewiston to Rumford, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. LINDSEY presented bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved February 3d, 1869";

Mr. WEBB presented bill "an act to amend section 27 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to location of school-houses";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. FRENCH presented the remonstrance of Wm. W. Walker and others, against the petition of Hiram Holt and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of waste into Wilson stream in the town of Wilton, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 2 of chapter 97 of the revised statutes, by inserting in the second line of said section the words, "or his deputy," after the word sheriff.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Shin Brook Dam Company," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the bill read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. NEALLEY.

The contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith, to do the State Binding for the current year, came from the House approved in concurrence, and was by the Secretary lodged in the office of the Secretary of State.

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

"An act to authorize George W. McLellan to construct and maintain fish weirs and wharves in the tide waters of Herring Cove in the town of Trescott";

“An act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond in the town of Waldoborough”;

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 additional to an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the Court of Probate for the County of Cumberland”;

“An act establishing the school week and month”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Bangor Water Power Company”;

“An act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Pleasant river”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of Joseph M. Soccalexis,” 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.

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

“An act to incorporate the Russel Stream Company,” which was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. NEALLEY.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Public Buildings inquire into the expediency of allowing the city of Augusta to build and maintain a street on the east and south sides of the State House ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of legislation authorizing towns to deduct from commutation notes outstanding against them, the amount equal to the unpaid taxes on the same during the years that they were not taxed ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Edward McPheters and others, for a law providing for a bounty on crows, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of A. F. Watson and others, for the annexation of Unity plantation to the town of Unity ;

Petition of Daniel Harmon and others, in aid of the same ;

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

Petition of B. P. Butler and others of Minot, for a savings bank at Mechanic Falls, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel R. Merrill and others of Turner, in aid of railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls ;

Petition of A. M. Jones and others, in aid of the petition of Lee Strickland and others, for charter of a railroad from Lewiston to Rumford Falls ;

Petition of A. T. Mores and others of Dalton, in aid of Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

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

Petition of Maine General Hospital, for amendment of charter, with bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital";

Petition of the Freewill Baptist Parish in Augusta, for authority to mortgage their meeting-house and lot to secure their debt;

Bill "an act to make valid the acts of the Parish of the High Street Church in the city of Portland";

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

Petition of Ira T. Brackett and others of Buxton, for a bounty on hawks;

Petition of P. C. Bradford and others, for an act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company, with bill "an act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company";

Bill "an act relating to the removal of cases from the State to the United States Court";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Remonstrance of D. L. Smith and others, against State uniformity of text-books;

Remonstrance of Superintending School Committee and others of Westbrook, against the same;

Remonstrance of J. W. Porter and others of Strong, against the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Darius Wellington, for authority to build weirs in Trescott at Hancock harbor and Herring cove;

Petition of Alexander Berry and others of Porter, for a law to prohibit the taking of fish from any of the waters in Hiram and Porter for a term of years;

Remonstrance of A. H. Curtis and others, against the repeal of chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies;

Remonstrance of J. F. Lamson and others, against the same;

Remonstrance of John W. Perry and others, against the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of L. L. Record and others ;

Remonstrance of Comfort Pettingill and others ;

Remonstrance of Francis J. Folsom and others ;

Remonstrance of Lorenzo D. Stacy and others—severally against taxing insurance companies ;

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

Petition of Arthur Berry and others, for “an act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company,” was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of citizens of Castle Hill, that the Land Agent be authorized to change the location of the public lots in said plantation ;

Petition of the Selectmen of Byron, for aid to repair roads and build bridges in said town ;

Petition of inhabitants of Andover, in aid of the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of Dixfield, in aid of the same ;

Petition of the inhabitants of Rumford, in aid of the same ;

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Nathan Kimball and others of Winthrop, with bill “an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors,” was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the memorial of the Mayor of Rockland, with bill “an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Rockland.”

Report of the same Committee, on bill “an act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime,” with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.”

Report of the same Committee, on the memorial of the Mayor of Rockland, with bill “an act to authorize the city of Rockland to raise and expend money for certain purposes.”

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on an order relating to continuing in force the provisions of chapter 170 of the public laws of 1868, with bill “an act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 170 of laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.”

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Charles B. Sanford, with bill "an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford to build a wharf in the town of Winterport."

Report of the Sagadahoc County Delegation, on the petition of Elijah Upton, Register of Probate for said county, with bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate for Sagadahoc county."

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

Mr. BUFFUM presented the petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, that authority be granted to the city of Bangor to extend further aid to said company, with bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company";

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of J. M. Demeritt and others of Peru, for railroad charter from Lewiston to Rumford Falls";

Also the petition of Timothy Walker and others of Rumford, for the same;

Also the petition of W. A. Holt and others of Weld, for the same;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY,

Bill "an act to incorporate the Shin Brook Dam Company," was taken from the table, and read twice, the rules being suspended.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Albert Blaisdell and others, to be set off from North Yarmouth and annexed to Yarmouth, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to selectmen, assessors and treasurers of towns, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose Pond," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The hour assigned by the Senate for consideration of bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," having arrived, the same was taken from the table.

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment marked "A."

And on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table and the amendment ordered to be printed.

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

"An act to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor";

"An act authorizing Nathaniel Perkins and J. M. Perkins to build a wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river at Phippsburg";

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 authorize Edward Swasey, B. F. Farnham and others, to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport";

Which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to provide for payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences";

Which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

"An act to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield";

"An act to amend section 1 of chapter 170 of the private and

special laws of 1869, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money”;

“An act further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland”;

Which were each 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. LANE,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the petition of John Allen and 132 others, for the union of the towns of Presque Isle and Maysville, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, be referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Laura M. Nutt and others of Pembroke, for an amendment to the Constitution so as to allow women to vote ;

Petition of L. D. Stacy and others, for an act authorizing selectmen of towns, mayor and aldermen of cities, and county commissioners, to change the course of small streams ;

Bill “an act to amend chapter 46 of the revised statutes, relating to corporations ;

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

Petition of Jared C. Nash and others, for a dike corporation to build and repair a dike or dam on Branch stream in Addison ;

Bill “an act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor ;

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

Petition of Edward Spring and others, for a law to regulate the taking of pickerel in Patten pond in Winslow ;

Petition of Agreen Crabtree, 2d, and others, that the law regulating the taking of porgies be made more effectual ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the inhabitants of Hamlin plantation, against incorporation and annexation to Van Buren, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of J. B. Coyle and others, that a portion of the town of Westbrook may be annexed to Portland ;

Remonstrance of William H. Small and others, against a division of Westbrook ;

Petition of W. R. Johuson and others, in aid of petition for the division of Westbrook ;

Remonstrance of M. Emerson and others, against the same ;

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

Petition of the Superintending School Committee of Augusta, for uniformity of text books ;

Petition of citizens of Charleston, for alteration of school laws ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Remonstrance of R. H. Thompson and others of Canton, against taxing foreign insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of John Hanscom, for payment to him of balance of State pension due his deceased brother, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of Moses Perry, for an adjustment of contract for labor on State road ;

Petition of the inhabitants of Van Buren plantation, for aid in building a bridge in said Van Buren ;

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the report and recommendations of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Public Laws, with bill "an act providing for the organization of plantations," that the same be printed and recommitted.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the inhabitants of Dalton, for abatement of State taxes, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation," that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Washington County Delegation, on the petition of Aaron Hobart and others, with bill "an act to establish the fees of the County Commissioners of Washington county."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Hiram Ford, with bill "an act to incorporate the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Biddeford."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Smith Gilman & Co., with "resolve directing the Land Agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation in the county of Aroostook."

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Valley Steamship Company," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on bill "an act to amend section 1 of an act to aid the minor children of William J. Dean, approved February 22, 1869," was accepted in concurrence.

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

Mr. LANG presented the petition of S. L. Milliken and others of Belfast, that Bickford C. Mathews be paid for services in opening a highway in town of Liberty.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Education on the petition of the Selectmen of Dexter and Corinna and others, for the establishment of the Ridge School District, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was reconsidered.

And on motion of the same Senator, the report was recommitted to the Committee on Education.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Hollis R. Mountfort and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company."

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the Insane Hospital, reported "resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital."

Mr. HANSON, from the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Nathan Wood and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of M. B. Pinkham and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company."

Mr. CUSHING, from the Waldo County Delegation, on bill "an act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of the county of Waldo," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Noah Boothby and others, that Waterville and Winslow be authorized to purchase the charter, stock and property of the Ticonic Bridge Company, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Charles F. Pillsbury and others, for change of pauper laws, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of John Ayer and others, for repeal of act authorizing County Commissioners to lay out a highway across Kennebec river between Waterville and Winslow, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to repealing chapter 23 of the public laws of 1861, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending the law, relating to paupers who are not residents of the State, that towns assisting such paupers may receive pay from the State, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to bonds given by the Inspector General of Lime, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of John Buck and others of Orland, for authority to loan credit and take stock in a railroad, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to distributing copies of the acts and resolves to Judges of Municipal and Police Courts, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond,” which was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. WEBB, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county”;

“An act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime”;

“An act to authorize the city of Rockland to raise and expend money for certain purposes”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Rockland”;

“An act to authorize Charles B. Sanford to build a wharf in the town of Winterport”;

“An act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 170 of laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen”;

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 to authorize George W. McLellan to construct and maintain fish weirs and wharves in tide waters of Herring Cove in the town of Trescott;

“An act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company”;

“An act to amend the 8th section of chapter 191 of the public laws of 1868, relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land”;

“An act for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond in the town of Waldoborough”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

“Resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of a Supplemental Digest of Maine Reports”;

“Resolves relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of 1812-15”;

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. MINOT,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. UPJHON of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That so much of the Land Agent's Report as recommends legislation, be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, was read and passed in concurrence.

The following order :

"That a Committee of seven on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate, be appointed to investigate the matter referred to in the communication this day made by the Adjutant General to this House, and that said Committee be empowered to send for persons, papers and records," came from the House amended as per sheet "A," by inserting after the word "House," the following: "Also to take into consideration so much of the Report of the Commissioners on the Equalization of the Municipal War Debts, as relates to naval commission men, paper credits and other matters therein named," and passed, and Messrs. Hume of Cherryfield, Humphrey of Bangor, Wasson of Surry, Spaulding of Richmond, Stickney of Presque Isle, Hawes of Vassalborough, and Stover of Harpswell, appointed on the part of the House.

The order was read and passed in concurrence as amended, and Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Lindsey of Somerset, and Nealley of York, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Petition of Albert Emerson and others, for an act to authorize them to erect and maintain a toll bridge across Piscataquis river in Howland, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of A. H. S. Davis and others of Farmington, for legislation for the protection of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Josiah Maxey and others of Gardiner, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Memorial of the Bangor Water Power Company, that the city of Bangor may be authorized to aid said company ;

Bill "an act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1st, 1869";

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

Petition of R. Thompson and others, for an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale";

Bill "an act to close a certain guardianship"; .

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of George B. Leavitt and others, for change in the game laws, that the same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Report of the same Committee on an order relating to legislation to make more effective the provisions of chapter 6 of the public laws of 1869, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to amending chapter 26 of the revised statutes, so that towns may be authorized to compensate engine men for their services, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of I. S. Brackett and others of Buxton, for a law granting a bounty on hawks, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Daniel McGowan and others, for a repeal of chapter 211 of the public laws of 1868, relating to cattle running at large, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Paul Johnson and others, with bill "an act giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport, to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark in said town.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Alvin West and others, with bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river in the town of Waldoborough."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize Erastus C. Simpson, Alpheus P. Simpson and George L. Garland to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell," that the same ought to pass.

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

Bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. CUSHING presented bill "an act to incorporate the Railway Construction Company," which on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The same Senator presented the petition of S. I. Roberts and others, for grant to Maine General Hospital, which was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Mr. BUFFUM presented the petition of John A. Peters and others, for an act authorizing them to improve the Wassataquoik stream in the county of Piscataquis, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

"Resolve in favor of Paul Taber," was taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That all the papers relating to the petition of W. H. Hemenway and others, to erect and maintain a wharf at Machias, which were before the Legislature of 1868 and 1869, and now on the files of the Senate, be placed in the hands of the Committee on Interior Waters.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House, be appointed to join the Committee on Agriculture, and said Committee, so formed, be directed to visit the State College of Agriculture and the Me-

chanic Arts during the present session of the Legislature, and make such report of the condition of the college as the true interest of the State seems to demand;

And Messrs. Buffum of Penobscot, French of Franklin, and Lane of Cumberland, 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. Hamilton of Orono, Reed of Waldo-borough, Lane of Hollis, Douglas of Naples, McLain of New Vineyard, Hammond of Westbrook, and Dearborn of Falmouth, joined on the part of the House.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of D. S. Plumbly and others, that the doings of the town of Lincoln may be legalized, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the Assessors of Glenwood plantation, for power to control the public lots in said plantation, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of John Allen and others, for the union of the towns of Maysville and Presque Isle, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act in relation to the Supreme Judicial Court," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on an order relating to stopping of trains at railroad crossings, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 51, section 48 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads."

These reports were severally accepted; and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, reported bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the First Freewill Baptist Parish in Augusta, reported bill "an act to authorize the First Freewill Baptist Parish of Augusta to borrow money to pay its debt and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same."

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

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

"An act to establish the fees of the County Commissioners of Washington county";

"An act to incorporate the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Biddeford";

"An act to incorporate the Penobscot Valley Steamship Company";

"Resolve directing the Land Agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation in the county of Aroostook";

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 Madison Manufacturing Company";

"An act to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company";

"An act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Waldo";

"Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital";

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 the following bills:

"An act to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Boothbay harbor";

“An act to provide for payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences”;

“An act authorizing Nathaniel Perkins and J. M. Perkins to build a wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river at Phippsburg”;

Which were each 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. TORREY,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1870.

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 so amending the Constitution of the State of Maine, that sheriffs shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Council ;

That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish the Legislature with the reports of the investigating committee of 1865, on paper credits and other matters, with the accompanying documents ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of N. L. Thompson and others of Kennebunk, for an act to prevent the fillings-up of Mousam river in said town ;

Petition of William Curtis and others, citizens of the County of York, that the County Commissioners be authorized to lay out a highway over Little river in said county ;

Petition of Joseph Howard and others of Portland, members of Cumberland County Bar, that the power of constables may be enlarged ;

Petition of James H. Toothaker and others, for the repeal of so

much of the public laws of 1866, as relates to the killing of muskrats ;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company";

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

Petition of N. C. Hellenbrand and others of Oldtown, for change in the liquor law, was referred to the Joint Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to temperance in concurrence.

Petition of John N. Swazey and others of Bucksport, in aid of the petition of the Executive Committee of the Maine General Hospital ;

Petition of T. Robie and others of Gorham, in aid of the same ;

Petition of Horace Harmon and others, in aid of the same ;

Were severally referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Memorial of H. B. Willams and others of China, for an act to prevent the destruction of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of William F. Moody and others, that the town lines between Kennebunkport and Biddeford may be straightened, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice relating to the same, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Nelson Herrin, for remuneration for lot of land in the town of Limestone, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. F. Adams and others, that the Land Agent be authorized to deed them lot No. 71 in township No. 14, R. 3, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to so changing the statutes that purchasers of land at sales for the non-payment of taxes shall account for all timber and lumber cut on said land toward the payment of the tax on the redemption of the land, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to chapter 63 of the revised statutes, that the same ought not to pass.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Edward McPheters and others, for a law providing for a bounty on crows, that petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Abraham Bridges, for aid from the State, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of J. B. Swanton and others, for an alteration in the charter of the Arrowsic Bridge Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company," that the same be printed and recommitted.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of George G. Hillman, with bill "an act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in the town of Lubec."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to chapter 275, private and special laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to make valid the acts of the Parish of the High Street Church in the city of Portland," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Maine General Hospital, with bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to change the name of the Gardiner District Campmeeting Association," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to

incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Josiah Norris and others, with bill "an act to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Rufus Fickett and others, with bill "an act to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Pinkham's Island in the town of Milbridge."

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of William Godfrey and others, with bill "an act to authorize William Godfrey, Franklin Brown and Handy Hinkley, to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben, also one in the tide waters of Dyer's bay in the same town."

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Mr. LINDSEY presented bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Concord," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on "resolve granting lot of land to Francis Albert, Jr.," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1st, 1869," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of David Rodic, reported bill "an act to authorize David Rodic to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay in the town of Eden."

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

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

"An act giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport, to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark in said town";

"An act to authorize Erastus C. Simpson, Alpheus P. Simpson and George L. Garland, to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell";

"An act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river in the town of Waldoborough";

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 First Freewill Baptist Parish of Augusta to borrow money to pay its debt and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same";

"An act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors";

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 the following bills:

"An act amendatory of and additional to an act to amend an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river, approved March 5, 1869";

"An act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company";

"An act to authorize Edward Swazey, B. F. Farnham and others, to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport";

Which were each 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. CARVILL,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, That during the absence of the President, Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves be President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Cleaves was conducted to the chair by Mr. Carvill of Cumberland, and Mr. Buck of Hancock, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. BUCK,

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 has made choice of Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves as President *pro tempore*.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Papers from the House :

Remonstrance of C. R. Mallard and others of Rockland, against granting a charter for Georges Valley Railroad, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Bill "an act to aid in the preservation of partridges, wild fowl and their eggs";

Bill "an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Remonstrance of F. A. Robinson and others ;

Remonstrance of Superintending School Committee of Wales—severally against uniformity of text-books ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of George W. Whitney and others, for change in banking law ;

Petition of William Dyer and others, Trustees of Waterville Savings Bank, for authority to make loans on the security of three or more good names ;

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

Petition of B. Brown, for State pension, was referred to Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Henry R. Downes and others of Presque Isle, against the union of Presque Isle and Maysville, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of H. Lancaster and others of Upper Stillwater, for change in liquor law, was referred to the Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the subject of temperance in concurrence.

Remonstrance of John B. Bray and others of Bridgton, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on an order relating to authorizing the several counties, cities and towns, to purchase and make free, toll bridges and turnpikes, with bill "an act relating to toll bridges and turnpikes," that the same be printed and recommitted.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Severin Cormier and others, that certain land be granted to David Cyr for building a mill in township Letter L, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Daniel Williams and others, that the Land Agent be authorized to convey to him a certain lot of land in Amity, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of John Reed and others, that the Land Agent be authorized to convey a certain lot of land to Abigail Davis, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on

petition of Ezekiel Vasseur, that the Land Agent be authorized to sell him a lot of land in Mapleton, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of E. G. Guptill and others, with bill "an act to set off a part of Plantation No. 7, and annex the same to the town of Gouldsborough."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of I. B. Kimball and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the report and recommendations of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Public Laws, with bill "an act to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Bangor, passed Feb. 12, 1834," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize the sale of the Christian Meeting-House in Albion," that the same ought to pass.

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

Bill "an act in relation to the Supreme Judicial Court," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, in response to an order requesting the Secretary of State to furnish the Legislature with the Report of the Investigating Committee of 1865 on Naval Credits and other matters, with the accompanying documents, informing the Legislature that only reports accompanying bills and resolves which become law are deposited in his office, therefore the said report and documents were not received in the office of the Secretary of State, which was read, and referred to the Joint Select Committee appointed to investigate Paper Credits, Naval Commission Men, &c.

Mr. TALBOT presented the remonstrance of W. C. Holway and others, against the petition of W. H. Hemenway and others, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

On motion of Mr. COLLINS,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of enacting a law to protect bridges against damage from driving lumber in the spring or fall of the year.

On motion of Mr. WEBB, bill "an act to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to authorize William Godfrey, Franklin Brown and Handy Hinkley to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill Bay in the town of Steuben, also in the tide waters Dyer's Bay in the same town";

"An act to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures";

"An act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company";

"An act to make valid the acts of the Parish of the High Street Church in the city of Portland";

"An act to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of his own land on Pinkham's Island in the town of Milbridge";

"An act to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital";

"An act to change the name of the Gardiner District Camp-meeting Association";

"An act additional to chapter 275, private and special laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland";

"An act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in the town of Lubec";

"An act to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company";

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 supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1, 1869”;

“An act to authorize David Rodic to construct a fish weir in Frenchmen’s Bay in the town of Eden”;

“Resolve granting a lot of land to Francis Albert, Jr.”;

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 the following bills :

“An act to amend section 1 of chapter 39 of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime”;

“An act to incorporate the Penobscot Valley Steamship Company”;

“An act to authorize Charles B. Sampson to build a wharf in the town of Winterport”;

“An act to establish the fees of the County Commissioners of Washington, county”;

“An act to continue in force the provisions of chapter 170 of laws of 1868, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen”;

“An act for the preservation of fish in Ossipee Lake and its tributaries”;

“An act to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Society in Biddeford”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire what legislation is necessary to place the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society on an equality with other societies in this State ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

The following order from the House :

That the Committee on Federal Relations inquire into the expediency of reporting resolves instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to favor a reduction of the tariff on bituminous coal from one dollar and twenty-five cents to fifty cents per ton ;

Was read.

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment marked "A," to amend the order so that the Committee on Federal Relations be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives to favor the abolishment of the tariff on coal.

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of James Fuller and others of Hartland, for an act for the preservation of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Emery Sawyer and others of Belfast, for an act enlarging the jurisdiction of trial justices in said city ;

Petition of William Hackleton and others, for an act to legalize the doings of school district No. 17 in the town of Bristol ;

Bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage";

Bill "an act to amend chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court";

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

"Resolve relating to the payment of the debts of the State contracted prior to February 25, 1862," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Remonstrance of David Howes and others of Linconville, against a bill granting a charter to St. Georges Valley Railroad;

Remonstrance of D Knowlton and others of Camden, against the same;

Remonstrance of S. D. Carleton and others of Rockport, against the same;

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

Petition of Harris Garcelon and others of East Livermore, that said town may be authorized to loan its credit for the development of its water power;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of D. M. Nash and others of Columbia, for an act to incorporate the Branch Dyke Company;

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the outlet stream leading from Walker's Mills";

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

Petition of Paul Sanborn and others, for charter for a Mutual Fire Insurance Company for the town of Weld, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act authorizing the town of Stetson to take stock in the Stetson Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act for the incorporation of public cemeteries," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to penalties of selectmen and assessors for malfeasance in office, with bill "an act relating to penalties of selectmen and assessors for malfeasance in office."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. L. Frohock and others, with bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot bay in the town of Lincolnville."

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the report and recommendations of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Public Laws, with bill "an act to amend chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to notices in Probate Courts," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The following communication was received from the Governor :

"To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I have the honor to ask your attention to the disadvantages of the present mode of heating the State House. There are thirty fires, besides two furnaces in constant operation, and still the building is imperfectly warmed. The present arrangement is, moreover, expensive and dangerous. I submit herewith proposals for heating the building by steam, from which it may be seen that this can be effectually done at a saving, compared with the present mode, of some fifteen hundred dollars a year.

In commending this matter to your attention, I take occasion also to advert to the bad condition of the roof above the Library, by reason of which the books are suffering great damage. It would seem that the building requires considerable repairs."

The communication was read, and referred, with the accompanying papers, to the Committee on Public Buildings.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings to which was referred the communication of the Governor in relation to the con-

dition of the Capitol, in connection with said communication, inquire into the state of the building, submit estimates of the probable cost of repairs; also inquire into the expediency of removing the seat of government to some other section of the State; and the propriety of the appointment of Commissioners by the Governor and Council to examine all questions connected with said removal, and report to the present or next Legislature.

Mr. CARLETON presented bill "an act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor in the town of Camden;

Mr. LANE presented bill "an act to promote navigation on Sebec Lake";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. CARVILL presented the petition of Selectmen of Brunswick, for authority to raise money on town bonds for the erection of a town building, with bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick, in the county of Cumberland, to erect a building on a certain lot of land of said town, for the use of said town, and for other uses, and to issue bonds of said town to raise money therefor and provide for the payment of said bonds";

Mr. FRENCH presented the remonstrance of Robert Goodenow and others, against the petition of J. J. Perry and others, for the establishment of a Superior Court for the counties of Oxford, Androscoggin and Franklin;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HOLLAND presented the petition of D. Cowen and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill "an act to incorporate the Aurora Mills," which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of John P. Parks and others, that the Land Agent be authorized to exchange a certain parcel of land, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table.

Mr. LANG proposed an amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

Mr. TALBOT proposed an amendment to amendment "A," marked "B," which was adopted.

Mr. CARLETON proposed amendment "C" to amendment "A," which was adopted.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the yeas and nays were ordered.

On motion of Mr. WEBB, the bill was laid on the table.

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

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Bangor, passed February 12, 1834";

"An act to authorize the sale of the Christian Meeting-House in Albion";

"An act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company";

"An act to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations";

"An act to set off a part of Plantation No. 7 and annex the same to the town of Gouldsborough";

"An act to incorporate the Highland Slate 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 in relation to the Supreme Judicial Court," 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 authorize Erastus C. Simpson, Alpheus P. Simpson and George L. Garland, to extend their wharf into tide waters at West Harpswell";

"An act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Medomak river in the town of Waldoborough";

"An act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company";

"An act giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport, to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark in said town";

“An act relative to reversal of final judgment in criminal cases on account of error in sentences”;

“An act for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in the town of Parsonsfield”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the propriety of repealing, abridging or modifying chapter 10 of the revised statutes, and subsequent acts relating to the militia, and report at the earliest convenient day ;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the condition of the two great roads leading to the St. John river, viz : the road leading from Caribou to Van Buren, and the road leading from Dalton to Fort Kent, and report by resolve the amount required to repair the same ;

That fifteen hundred copies of the Report of the Commissioners on the Settlement of the Public Lands of Maine, be printed for the use of the Legislature ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending chapter 118 of the laws of 1867, relating to testimony of persons taken in the trial of civil causes who have since deceased ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

The following order: That the Committee on Federal Relations inquire into the expediency of reporting resolves instructing our Senators and requesting our representatives in Congress to favor a reduction of the tariff on pig iron from nine dollars per ton to three dollars per ton, introduced in the House and passed by that branch, was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

Petition of the Trustees of Fort Fairfield High School, for aid to build a school-house";

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of M. L. Wilder and others of Pembroke, for an act for the preservation of forest trees;

Petition of James A. Lawrence and others of Bucksport, for an act to encourage the growth of forest trees;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel H. Dale and others of Bangor, for an act granting additional powers to the Mayor of said city, with bill "an act to amend the city charter of Bangor;

Petition of B. S. Kelley and others of Winthrop, for a change in the law in relation to auctioneers;

Bill "an act to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association";

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

Remonstrance of Ezekiel Treat and others of East Livermore, against authorizing said town to loan its credit for developing its water power, was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Daniel Clark and others of Richmond, for an act of incorporation, with bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company of Richmond";

Petition of Samuel D. Reed of Bath, for a change in the laws relating to the practice and proceedings in court;

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Grant Isle plantation,” was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Reuben Carver and others of Vinalhaven, against the petition of John S. Hopkins, for removal of gates in said town ;

Remonstrance of O. Robinson and others of Thomaston, against bill granting charter to Georges Valley Railroad ;

Petition of E. H. Hayden and others, in aid of the Northern Aroostook Railroad ;

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

Petition of G. W. Herbert and others of Bucksport, for a charter for a savings bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Frederic Safford, for authority to build a wharf in tide waters in Bucksport ;

Petition of Joshua Adams and another, for authority to extend a wharf, with bill “an act relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden” ;

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

Remonstrance of D. Wyer and others, against the repeal of chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company,” passed to be engrossed in both branches, was recommitted to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Bill “an act to incorporate the Russel Stream Dam Company,” indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, non-concurred by that branch, and recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of William W. Quimby for renewal of State pension, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was recommitted, with instructions that the Committee report a bill in accordance with the prayer of the petitioner, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Jesse Murphy, to be remunerated for opening a winter road from Chesuncook lake to Moosehead lake, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Daniel Everett and others, for aid to build a bridge across Aroostook river in Washburn, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the inhabitants of Dalton, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton."

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

Bill "an act to amend an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Calais, approved Feb. 18, 1868";

Bill "an act to amend an act amendatory of and additional to an act to incorporate the city of Calais, approved Feb. 26, 1869—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.

Mr. WEBB presented the petition of S. Z. Leslie and others of Hartland, for an act of incorporation, with bill "an act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association," which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. BUCK presented memorial of J. S. Condon and others of Orland, relating to forest trees, which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. KINGSBURY presented the petition of directors of Dexter and Newport Railroad Company, for an an act to legalize the location of said railroad over a certain highway in Newport ;

Mr. HOLLAND presented the petition of W. S. Robinson and others of Rumford, in aid of a railroad charter from Lewiston to Rumford;

Mr. LINDSEY presented the remonstrance of D. D. Mann and others, against consolidation of railroads;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. COLLINS presented the petition of Harvey Collins and others, that the Land Agent be authorized to convey to him a certain lot of land, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. LANG presented the petition of the Selectmen and others of Roxbury, in aid of the petition of the Selectmen of Byron, for an appropriation from the State, which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act for the amendment of chapter 11, section 27 of the revised statutes, relating to location of school-houses," reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Hiram Holt and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of refuse into Wilson's stream, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of the inhabitants of the town of Veazie, praying that said town may be annexed to the city of Bangor, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Houlton Academy, reported "Resolve in aid of Houlton Academy," with statement of facts.

The report was accepted, and on motion of Mr. BUFFUM, the resolve was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, with the statement of facts.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "an act to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. LANG, from the Committee on Printing and Binding, on resolve relating to the Maine Legislative Manual, reported "resolve concerning the printing of the Legislative Manual."

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

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

"An act authorizing the town of Stetson to take stock in the Stetson Manufacturing Company";

"An act relating to penalties of selectmen or assessors for malfeasance in office";

"An act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company";

"An act for the incorporation of public cemeteries";

"An act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot Bay in the town of Lincolnville";

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof";

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 to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company";

"An act to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of his own land on Pinkham's Island in the town of Milbridge";

"An act to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company";

"An act to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures";

"An act additional to chapter 275, private and special laws of 1863, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland";

"An act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in the town of Lubec";

"An act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate for the county of Waldo";

"An act to make valid the acts of the Parish of the High Street Church in the city of Portland";

“An act to incorporate the Lincoln Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation”;

“An act to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the Maine General Hospital”;

“An act to change the name of the Gardiner District Camp-meeting Association”;

“An act to authorize William Godfrey, Franklin Brown and Handy Hinkley to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben, also one in the tide waters of Dyer’s bay in the same town”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

“Resolve directing the Land Agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation in the county of Aroostook”;

Which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. WEBB, bill “an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations,” was taken from the table.

Mr. HOLLAND moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

And on that question, on motion of Mr. REED, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, Collins, Fuller, Garceion, Holland, Kingsbury, Lindsey, Metcalf, Nealley, Roberts, Rolfe, Talbot, Torrey and Webb—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Cushing, French, Gibbs, Gray, Hanson, Lane, Lang, Mayo, Morse and Reed—10.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to report what amendment is necessary, if any, to section 6 of chapter 225 of the public laws of 1868, in order to enable municipal officers to equitably distribute the surplus bonds and money mentioned in said section over and above the amounts paid out to the "soldiers who enlisted or were drafted and went any time during the war";

Was read and passed in concurrence.

The following order : That the Report of the Commissioners on the Settlement of the Public Lands, so far as it relates to immigration, with so much of the Governor's Message as refers thereto, be submitted to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, came from the House passed by that branch, and Messrs. Stone of Kennebunk, Dunning of Bangor, Blake of Auburn, Bonney of Portland, Adams of Biddeford, Nickerson of Swanville, and Bird of Rockland, appointed on its part.

The order was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Buffum of Penobscot, Hanson of York, and Lane of Cumberland, were joined on the part of the Senate.

The order requiring the Committee on Public Buildings to inquire into the condition of the Capitol, submit estimates of the cost of repairs, and inquire into the expediency of removing the seat of government, passed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," by inserting after the word "repairs" the words, "and for some proper system of ventilation," and passed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Petition of G. J. Pendexter and others, for authority to elect a new Board of Trustees for Parsonsfield Seminary ;

Petition of James Sampson and others of Bowdoinham, for an act to authorize said town to aid in the building of a steam mill;

Remonstrance of the town of Kennebunkport, against the petition of William Curtis and others of Biddeford;

Remonstrance of John A. Wheeler and others, against the same;

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes";

Bill "an act making valid the doings of the town of Phippsburg in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes for the year 1869";

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

Petition of G. Andrews and others, for an act to prohibit the trapping of birds;

Bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Tilton and others of Charleston, for investigation and redress of grievances, relating to bounty money charged to said town;

Petition of Henry Wilson and others of Mars Hill, for investigation relating to bounty money charged to said town in the Adjutant General's Office;

Were severally referred to the Select Committee on Naval Commission Men, &c., in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Bill "an act in relation to Savings Institutions," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Elliot Smith and others, for the preservation of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Corinna, for a fire insurance company in said town;

Remonstrance of James F. Blunt and others of Mt. Vernon, against taxing insurance companies;

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

Petition of Oliver Moses and others of Bath, for change in chapter 70 of laws of 1869, relating to fisheries ;

Petition of Lincoln Webb and others of Woolwich, for the same ;

Petition of John H. McLellan and others of Bath, for the same ;

Petition of William H. Lewis and others of Steuben, that authority be granted to Edward Hilton to build fish weir in said town ;

Petition of J. D. Parker and others of Steuben, for a law for propagation of fish ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of John Morrill and others of Sanford, for an act legalizing the doings of said town in voting to exchange State bonds for stock in the Portland and Rochester Railroad ;

Petition of Oliver Moses, President of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company, for authority to amend charter of said railroad ;

Petition of D. Parker and others of Steuben, for charter for a railroad from Machias to Ellsworth by shore route ;

Remonstrance of Mortimer Bodwell and others of Solon, against consolidation of railroads ;

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

Bill "an act to amend section 8 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervisors of schools, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Robert Boyd and others, for an appropriation for a road through Oakfield, Island Falls and Crystal plantations ;

Resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the State for stumpage ;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of L. D. Stacy and others, that the selectmen of towns, municipal officers of cities, and county commissioners, may have authority to change the course of small streams, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of John Hanscom and others, with "resolve in favor of John Hanscom."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Isaac Hacker, with "resolve for perfecting a State deed given by the Land Agent to Isaac Hacker in 1866," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Bachelor H. Huston, with "resolve in favor of Bachelor H. Huston."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William Reed and others, with "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of public lots in plantation No. 11, Range 1, Aroostook county."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John G. Kelso, with "resolve in favor of John G. Kelso."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph L. Young, with "resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young."

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

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of citizens of Castle Hill plantation, with "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of a public lot in Castle Hill plantation," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

Mr. CUSHING presented bill "an act to authorize railroad corporations to issue mortgage bonds," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, the vote whereby the Senate referred the petition of John Morrill and others of Sanford, for an act legalizing the doings of said town in voting to exchange State bonds for railroad stock, to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence, was reconsidered.

And on motion of the same Senator, the Senate non-concurred with the House in said reference, and referred the petition to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, That the Land Agent be requested to inform the Legislature how many acres of land are now owned by the State ; and what proportion in acres is timber land ; and what proportion is settling land, so called ; and what proportion is under contract for sale or conveyance ; and if the public lots are all located and surveyed, together with such other information connected therewith as he may possess.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending section 65, chapter 4, revised statutes, so as to provide for punishment of persons voting illegally at the election of municipal officers.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to truants, reported bill "an act relating to habitual truants."

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of members of Hancock County Bar, reported bill "an act amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved Feb. 28, 1867."

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor in the town of Camden," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Aurora Mills," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of B. D. Metcalf and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery."

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

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

"An act to amend 'an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Calais,' approved February 18, 1868";

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton";

"An act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor";

"An act to amend an act amendatory of and additional to an act to incorporate the city of Calais, approved Feb. 26, 1869";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolve:

"An act to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank";

"Resolve concerning the printing of the Legislative Manual";

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 the following bills:

"An act to incorporate the Highland Slate Company";

"An act to authorize the sale of the Christian Meeting-House in Albion";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Rockland";

"An act to set off a part of Plantation No. 7 and annex the same to the town of Gouldsborough";

"An act to amend chapter 63 of the revised statutes, relating to notices in Probate Courts";

"An act to authorize the First Freewill Baptist Parish of Augusta to borrow money to pay its debt and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same";

"An act to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations";

"An act to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CORTISS of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what change, if any, is needed in chapter 249 of the public laws of 1864, so that the inhabitants therein named may vote for Governor where they are qualified to vote for representatives to the Legislature ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether further legislation is not necessary in protecting travel over large bridges in seaport towns from frequent use of fire arms ;

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the exemption from taxation all improvements in any lands of this State resulting from a higher state of cultivation for a term of years, or that the assessors of cities, towns and plantations shall not advance on the valuation of any lands in this State for the purposes of taxation on account of improvements between the years of taking the State valuation ;

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire if any change is necessary in the law limiting the jurisdiction of agricultural societies in the distribution of their premiums ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Madrid and others, for an appropriation to aid in repairing road in said town damaged by the freshet in October last, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of the inhabitants of Rumford, to have doings of said town legalized, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph L. Metcalf and others, for authority to lay out winter roads in Winthrop, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of S. Babson and others of Brooksville, for an act to prevent the throwing of chips and other refuse into the outlet stream of Walker's pond;

Petition of Samuel D. Reed and others, for an act of incorporation as the Phipsburg Ice Company";

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

Petition of the Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy, for an appropriation from the State, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Isle plantation in the county of Lincoln, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 50 of the public laws of 1866, entitled "an act relating to hawkers and pedlers," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of John E. Godfrey and others, in aid of the memorial of the Board of Agriculture relating to forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Petition of John C. Harriman and others, for authority to construct and maintain a fish weir in the tide waters of Sheepscot river in Wiscasset, with bill "an act authorizing John C. Harriman and others to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river in Wiscasset";

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 59 of the special laws of 1857, relating to trout in Schoodiac waters";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn," was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Columbia Dike Company," that the same ought to pass, was recommitted, with instructions to report the bill in a new draft, in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John F. Harmon and others, citizens of Washington county, for

repeal of chapter 261, laws of 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in said county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, came from the House recommended, with instructions to report a bill to submit to the people at the next annual March meeting. The Senate non-concurred in recommitting with instructions, and accepted the report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the Supreme Judicial Court," that the same ought not to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Toothaker and others, for repeal of so much of the public laws of 1866, relating to fur-bearing animals, as relates to the killing of muskrats, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending chapter 74, section 9 of the revised statutes, relating to wills, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to giving city marshals the power of constables in civil as well as criminal cases, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to repealing chapter 75 of the laws of 1869, establishing county supervisors of schools, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on an order relating to leasing the shores on the islands in Penobscot river belonging to the Penobscot Indians, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to purchasing a wood lot for the Penobscot tribe of Indians, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Joshua Lane and others, for a change in the law for the measure of milk, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Harris Garcelon and others of East Livermore, that said town may be authorized to loan its credit for the improvement of its water power, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with order of notice.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the memorial of the Mayor of Rockland, with bill "an act to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad."

Report of the same Committee, on so much of the Report of the Attorney General as relates to the jurisdiction of justices of the peace, with bill "an act to amend section 3, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace."

Report of the same Committee, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to reviews in criminal cases, with bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act providing for reviews in criminal cases, approved March 3, 1869."

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve in relation to the shipping interests of Maine," that the same ought to pass.

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

Bill "an act to amend chapter 51, section 48 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. CARLETON,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of repealing section 31 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes.

Mr. CARVILL presented the petition of inhabitants of Brunswick and Topsham, for an act giving further authority to said towns to purchase the Androscoggin Bridge, with bill "an act giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin Bridge";

Mr. REED presented bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The same Senator presented bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, relating to frauds and perjuries," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. COLLINS presented the petition of Alexis Cyr and others, for an appropriation for a high school in Grant Isle, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

The same Senator presented the petition of Andrew Cyr and others of Cyr plantation, to be incorporated into a town by the name of Van Buren ;

Also, the petition of A. Wing, Jr., and others of Hamlin, that Letters M, L and G townships be incorporated into a town by the name of Van Buren ;

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

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, bill "an act to incorporate the Railway Construction Company," was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company," was taken from the table and read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator,

The following order: That the Committee on Federal Relations inquire into the expediency of reporting resolves instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to favor a reduction of the tariff on pig iron from nine dollars per ton to three dollars per ton," was taken from the table and read, and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, "resolve in favor of Houlton Academy," was taken from the table and read once.

And on motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the resolve was laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. MORSE, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint*Rule.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to uniformity of text-books, reported bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text-books."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator,

the bill was laid on the table and seven hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Charles W. Cobb, reported "resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb."

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

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Jared C. Nash and others, reported bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison, in the county of Washington."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of F. A. Wilson, Secretary of Bangor Water Power Company, reported bill "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company."

Mr. HANSON, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass."

Mr. LANG, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was recommitted "resolve in favor of Paul Taber," reported the same without alteration.

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

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill and resolves:

"An act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors";

"Resolve for perfecting a State deed given by the Land Agent to Isaac Hacker in 1866";

"Resolve in favor of Bachelor H. Huston";

"Resolve in favor of John G. Kelso";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of public lots in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, Aroostook county";

"Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young";

"Resolve in favor of John Hanscom."

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 incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery”;

“An act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor in the town of Camden”;

“An act to incorporate the Aurora Mills”;

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 the following bills :

“An act authorizing the town of Stetson to take stock in the Stetson Manufacturing Company”;

“An act relating to penalties of selectmen and assessors for malfeasance in office”;

“An act for the incorporation of public cemeteries”;

“An act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others, to extend their wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot bay in the town of Lincolnville”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof”;

“An act to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. LANG,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. WILSON of Waterville.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Commissioners on State Valuation, now in session, be requested to communicate to the Legislature when they will be able to submit their final report, and whether any further legislation is required in order to facilitate their business ;

That the Committee on State Land and State Roads inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation for the town of Roxbury, in Oxford county, to aid in building and repairing roads and bridges in said town ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 59, section 15 of the revised statutes, so that persons commissioned to solemnize marriages be required to return the certificates of marriage to the clerk of the town or towns in which the parties severally had their intentions of marriage filed, instead of the town clerk of the town in which the marriage takes place.

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws, that three commissioners be appointed by the Governor and Council to hear and decide all questions in relation to the division of towns, &c.

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law making railroad corporations liable for all injuries received by any of its employees during the construction of any railroad in this State, while at work under the direction of an overseer ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of so amending the law that juries for the trial of all cases except capital offences, shall be composed of six men instead of twelve as now provided ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend the 22d section of the 11th chapter of the revised statutes," was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company, for authority for aid from the city of Portland, with bill "an act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad";

Petition of the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company, for an amendment to its charter;

Petition of Sylvanus Poor and others of Andover, for a charter for a railroad from the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railroad to Richardson's Lake, with authority to connect said lake with Black brook by a canal;

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

Petition of John Lynch and others, for a charter for a canal from Richardson's Lake to Black brook, with bill "an act to incorporate the Andover Railroad and Canal Company";

Remonstrance of Alonzo Colby and others of Bucksport, against the petition of Frederic Spofford, for authority to build a wharf in tide waters in said town;

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

Remonstrance of Albert Winslow and others of Falmouth, against taxing foreign insurance companies;

Remonstrance of T. H. Dinsmore and others of Skowhegan, against the same;

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

Petition of H. W. Hobbs and others of Milo, to be set off from said town and annexed to Brownville;

Remonstrance of citizens of Milo, against the foregoing petition of H. W. Hobbs and others;

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

Petition of inhabitants of No. 2, Range 5, for an appropriation to aid in building a road through said township;

Petition of inhabitants of Sherman, in aid of the same;

Petition of George Cary and others of Houlton, for an appropriation on road through Oakfield and Island Falls;

Petition of Edwin C. Burleigh and others of Linneus, for the same;

Petition of Paul S. Merrill and others, for aid to build a road from Monson to Greenville;

Petition of J. H. Pullen and others of Monson, for the same;

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

Petition of Selectmen and others of Roxbury, for abatement of State tax, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of John S. Hopkins and others, for removal of gates across the highway in the town of Vinalhaven, that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Joseph H. Hines, for compensation for a lot of land, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Sidney Cook and others, for release in part from a certain claim in the land office, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Joseph B. Hall and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Daniel Clark and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Stockholders of Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company, with bill "an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Selectmen and others of Dexter and Corinna, with bill "an act to

establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden."

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on bill "an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society," that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act relating to habitual truants," was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Directors of the Somerset Railroad Company, with bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANG.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text-books," was taken from the table, read once, and Wednesday next assigned for its second reading.

Mr. LINDSEY presented bill "an act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LANE presented the petition of Charles Odway and others, for charter for a railroad from Bangor to Ellsworth, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. BUFFUM presented the petition of Preston Fisher, for pay for services while commissioned Assistant Surgeon of the 31st Regiment Maine Volunteers, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of citizens of Mexico, in aid of the petition of the Selectmen of Byron

for an appropriation from the State, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Newell Powers and others, for repeal of chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act relating to collection of debts where no administration has been taken out," reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending sections 55, 56 and 57 of chapter 64 of the revised statutes, relating to executors and administrators, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Russel Stream Dam Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Concord," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Education, on an order, reported bill "an act to amend section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses."

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of John Cain and others, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies."

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of the Penobscot Indians, reported "resolve making an appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator,

the resolve was laid on the table and 450 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for division of the town of Westbrook, submitted majority report of said Committee, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator also presented the minority report of the same Committee, on the same petition, with bill "an act to incorporate the town of Oakland."

On motion of the same Senator, these reports and bill were laid on the table, ordered to be printed, and Tuesday next assigned for their further consideration.

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

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act providing for reviews in criminal cases, approved March 3, 1869";

"An act to amend section 3, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace";

"An act to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad";

"Resolve in relation to the shipping interests of Maine";

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 chapter 51, section 48 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads";

"An act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company";

"An act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison, in the county of Washington";

"An act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company";

"Resolve in favor of Paul Taber";

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 the following bills :

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton";

“An act to amend an act amendatory of and additional to an act to incorporate the city of Calais, approved Feb. 26, 1869”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Bangor, passed February 12, 1834”;

“An act authorizing George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor”;

“An act to amend an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Calais”;

“An act to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond”;

“An act to authorize David Rodic to construct a fish weir in Frenchman’s Bay in the town of Eden”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

“Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital”;

Which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 9 of the public laws of 1869, relating to actions against executors and administrators, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of George A. Frederick and others, for legalization of the doings of the town of Temple ;

Petition of the Selectmen of Kenduskeag, for an act to make valid the doings of said town ;

Petition of Samuel Staples and others, for incorporation of the Lubec Hotel Company ;

Bill "an act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water";

Bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 65 of the revised statutes";

Bill "an act to make valid the official doings of the persons elected as selectmen and assessors of the town of Kennebunk for the year 1863";

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

Petition of Samuel Staples and others, for authority to maintain a ferry between the towns of Lubec and Eastport, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of E. A. Thompson and others of Dover, for uniformity of text-books, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of N. O. Mitchell and others, for an act of incorporation, with bill "an act to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Francis M. Sampson and others of Waterford, for an act regulating the taking of fish from Pappoose pond and its tributaries in said town, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of William Rogers of Bath, for compensation for damages, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of C. I. Barker and others, for an act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of E. S. Winter and others, for an appropriation for making a road in township No. 3, Range 2, in Franklin county ;

Petition of inhabitants of Island Falls, in aid of petition of inhabitants of Oakfield, for an appropriation for building a road ;

Petition of citizens of Moro plantation, for a deed of a lot of land ;

“Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river”;

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

Petition of Thomas Desmond and others of Whitneyville, for repeal of chap. 211 of laws of 1868, relating to cattle running at large ;

Bill “an act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks”;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Memorial in favor of German immigration, was referred to the Special Committee on Settlement of Public Lands in concurrence.

Petition of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Corporation, for extension of railroad ;

Petition of inhabitants of Canton, in aid of the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of Buckfield, in aid of the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of Sumner, in aid of the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of Hartford, in aid of the same ;

Petition of inhabitants of West Minot, in aid of the same ;

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

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on an order relating to giving Lewis Selbig a State pension, that the same be referred to the Governor and Council, came from the House recommitted, with instructions to report a resolve.

On motion of Mr. FULLER, the Senate non-concurred with the House in recommitting the report with instructions, and accepted the report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Joseph Howard and others, for the enlargement of the jurisdiction of constables, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Sam'l Mowrey and others, for amendment or repeal of chapter 56, laws of 1869, relating to commutation orders, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to close a certain guardianship," that the same ought not to pass.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Dam Company," that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to promote the improvement of the navigation of the Kennebec river," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of W. H. Lewis and others, with bill "an act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben."

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

Bill "an act amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved

February 28, 1867," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The following communication was received from the Commissioners on State Valuation :

To the Hon. Senate and House of Representatives :

In answer to your order of inquiry of this date asking "when the Commissioners will be able to report, and if any further legislation is necessary to facilitate the business," I am directed to say that the Commission will report on all property except wild lands, early in March, and in order to affix a just value to wild lands, it may facilitate business to authorize the Commission to send for persons if deemed necessary. Also, the Commission would ask permission to present their report in print when completed.

Respectfully submitted,

Per order.

SETH SCAMMAN, *Chairman.*

Which was read and sent down.

The following order : That the Commissioners on State Valuation are hereby authorized to send for any person or persons that may in their opinion be able to give them valuable information in the prosecution of their work, and to submit their report in print to the Legislature, came from the House passed by that branch, and was read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 17, chapter 71, revised statutes, so as to authorize a Judge of Probate to compel an executor or administrator to carry into effect contracts of deceased persons.

Mr. GARCELON, from the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of the citizens of Pembroke, relating to the memorial on the subject of forest trees, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Narcis Dufour and others, for aid

in building a road in Madawaska, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing order and reports, were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to amend an act entitled 'an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Denny's river,' approved Feb. 22, 1865," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

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

"An act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society";

"An act to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company";

"An act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company";

"An act to amend chapter 224, laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society";

"An act to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company";

"An act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company of Richmond";

"An act relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden";

"An act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company";

"An act to establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act for the protection of fish in the waters of Hiram and Porter";

"An act relating to habitual truants";

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Concord";

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 the following resolves:

“Resolve in favor of John Hanscom”;

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of public lots in plantation number 11, range 1, Aroostook county”;

“Resolve in favor of Bachelor H. Huston”;

“Resolve in favor of Joseph L. Young”;

“Resolve in favor of John G. Kelso”;

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. ROLFE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House:

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of repealing a resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, approved February 3, 1870;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of William H. Staples, for Land Agent to be authorized to convey to him lot No. 86 in Mt. Chase, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of the Howard Slate Company, for an extension of their powers, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Levi L. Lowell and others, against taxing insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of the East Winthrop Farmers' Club, for an act for the preservation of forest trees, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect fish weirs in the tide waters of Jonesborough at Shorey's Island," was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill "an act concerning banks," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the inhabitants of Van Buren plantation, for aid in building a bridge in said plantation, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Dominique Daigle and others, for aid in building a bridge over Daigle stream in Fort Kent, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of O. R. Seivis and others, for aid to build a bridge over Dafour stream in Madawaska, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Franklin Muzey and others, for change in the law regulating the sale of milk, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on order relating to amending the law so that personal property may be held for taxes the same as real estate, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of A. F. Watson and others, for annexation of Unity plantation to the town of Unity, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. Harmon and others, that Unity plantation be set off from the county of Kennebec and annexed to Waldo county, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Charles W. Deering and others, with bill "an act giving the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough annexed to Gorham by act of 1864, chapter 341, their portion of the money paid by the State to Scarborough under act of 1868, chapter 225."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to establish certain rules for the construction of statutes," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to amend section 21 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to offers to be defaulted," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of C. T. Daniels and others, with bill "an act to regulate the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corinna."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of A. Coburn and others, with bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, and to amend the charter of said Company."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company," that the same ought to pass.

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

Bill "an act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to amend section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes relating to school-houses," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. NEALLEY presented the petition of T. H. Jewett and others of South Berwick, for aid to the Maine General Hospital, which was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital.

Mr. LANE presented the petition of Seth Scamman and others, for an act of incorporation, and authority to dike a certain salt marsh in Scarborough, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. HOLLAND presented bill "an act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston," which was referred to the next Legislature, under the joint order.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WEBB, the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for the division of the town of Westbrook, were taken from the table.

And on motion of Mr. LINDSEY, the reports were laid on the table, and to-morrow at 12 o'clock M. assigned for their further consideration.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order of the Legislature, reported bill "an act to amend section 61 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

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

"An act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company";

"An act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben."

"An act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank";

"An act to promote the improvement of the navigation of the Kennebec river";

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 prevent the destruc-

tion of alewives in Dennys river, approved Feb. 22d, 1865," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," which was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. CUSHING, laid on the table, and Thursday next, at 11 A. M., assigned for its further consideration.

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

"An act to amend section 3, chapter 132 of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace";

"An act to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad";

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act to provide for reviews in criminal cases, approved March 3d, 1869";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in relation to the shipping interest of Maine";

"Resolve for perfecting a State deed given by the Land Agent to Isaac Hacker";

"Resolve in favor of Charles W. Cobb";

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. KINGSBURY,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PAINE of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Remonstrance of H. M. Stover and others, against amending the law regulating fisheries in the Androscoggin and Kennebec rivers, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures," that the same ought to pass, was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Concord," that the same ought to pass, accepted by the Senate and the bill passed to be engrossed, came from the House recommitted.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending fee bill of officers serving legal precepts, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to amend section 8 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervision of schools," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on an order relating to the size of herring boxes, with bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to herring boxes."

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk," that the same ought to pass.

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to capital punishment, with bill "an act to abolish capital punish-

ment," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. BUFFUM.

Bill "an act in relation to the Supreme Judicial Court," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

A communication was received from Hon. William P. Frye, Attorney General, tendering his resignation, to take effect on the first day of March next;

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY,

"Resolve making an appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians," was taken from the table, and read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

"Resolve in favor of Houlton Academy," was taken from the table, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," was taken from the table.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in refusing the bill a passage.

Mr. REED proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the second section, which was adopted.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed as amended, on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buck, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, Cushing, Fuller, Garcelon, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lang, Lindsey, Minot, Morse, Reed, Roberts, Rolfe and Torrey—21.

NAYS—Messrs. Bolster, French, Gibbs, Lane, Mayo, Metcalf, Nealley, Talbot and Webb—9.

So the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. ROBERTS gave notice that he should to-morrow move a reconsideration of the foregoing vote.

Mr. LANE, by leave, presented bill "an act to legalize the doings of T. W. Herrick, as a justice of the peace and quorum in and for Kennebec county," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

The vote whereby bill "an act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston," was referred to the next Legislature, was reconsidered; and on motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the same was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to authorizing towns to deduct tax from outstanding commutation notes, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Edward Benner and others, for authority for the County Commissioners to locate a bridge across tide waters in the harbor of Belfast, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. REED, from the Cumberland County Delegation, on the petition of Seward W. Baker and others, reported bill "an act to authorize the County Treasurer of Cumberland county to pay Milltimore Watts for services."

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from the same Delegation, on an order relating to the salaries of certain officers of Cumberland county, reported bill "an act to establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland."

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of A. Fletcher and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the North Anson Savings Bank."

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

On motion of Mr. FULLER,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Pensions, on an order relating to giving Lewis Selbing a pension; and on motion of Mr. REED, the report was laid on the table.

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

“An act to establish certain rules for the construction of statutes”;

“An act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, and to amend the charter of said Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company”;

“An act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage”;

“An act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court”;

“An act to regulate the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corinna”;

“An act to amend sect. 21 of chap. 82 of the revised statutes”;

“An act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough annexed to Gorham by act of 1864, chapter 341, their portion of the money paid by the State to Scarborough under act of 1868, chapter 225”;

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 section 28, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses,” which was read a second time.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendment marked “A,” which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to establish State uniformity of text-books,” which was read a second time.

Mr. ROBERTS moved the indefinite postponement of the bill.

An on that question, on motion of Mr. TALBOT, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bolster, Buck, Cleaves, Collins, Cushing, Gibbs, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Lane, Lindsey, Metcalf, Morse, Reed, Roberts, Rolfe, Talbot and Torrey—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, French, Fuller, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Minot and Nealley—10.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The hour assigned for the consideration of the reports of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for a division of the town of Westbrook, having arrived, the same was taken from the table.

Mr. LINDSEY moved to amend by substituting the minority for the majority report, and pending that question, on motion of Mr. CUSHING,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Agriculture inquire what further law is necessary to induce persons to plant forest trees by the roadside ;

That the Committee on Public Buildings inquire into the propriety of making the city of Bangor the capital of this State, providing said city of Bangor raise one hundred thousand dollars towards providing public buildings for the State ;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 45 of the resolves of the year of 1869, by striking out the words in the third and fourth lines "two other equally valuable lots," and inserting the words "an amount of land of equal value";

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the propriety of amending the law relating to the approval of bonds of town treasurers and collectors of taxes ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

A communication from the Land Agent in response to an order of the House, requesting all the documentary evidence in his possession concerning a resolve approved March 22, 1864, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Oliver Libbey and others, against the annexation of Unity plantation to the town of Unity, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of J. K. P. Merrow and others, for change of chapter 70, laws of 1869, relating to fisheries;

Petition of A. H. Whitmore and others, in aid of the same;

Petition of Roland A. Fisher and others, in aid of the same;

Remonstrance of W. W. Walker and others, against the repeal of chapter 70, laws of 1869, relating to river and interior fisheries;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton, in Aroostook county," was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Wm. H. Hatch and others, for change in the public laws relating to savings banks, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of F. W. Fales, for authority to maintain a ferry between Elwell's Point and Spruce Head, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Bill "an act to extend the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company";

Remonstrance of H. Lowell and others of Biddeford, against the petition of William Curtis and others;

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

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, on an order relating to authorizing the city of Augusta to maintain a street on the west and south sides of the State House, with "resolve authorizing the city of Augusta to make and maintain streets on the south and west sides of the State House," was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act relating to toll bridges and turnpikes," that the same ought not to pass, was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to repealing chapter 186, public laws of 1868, relating to executions against railroad corporations, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to repeal chapter 59 of the special laws of 1857, relating to trout in Schoodiac waters," that the same ought to pass, was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate non-concurred, insisted on its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Nealley of York, Buck of Hancock, and Holland of Androscoggin, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of G. J. Pendexter and others, for a new board of trustees of Parsonsfield Seminary, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Change of Names, on the petition of Rebecca W. Brett, with bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of George W. Patch and others, with bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William Gordon, with bill "an act to change the name of Eugene W. Libbey."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Charles E. Welch and others, with bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of inhabitants of Island Falls and vicinity, with "resolve in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island Falls plantation."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Island Falls, with "resolve in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in Island Falls plantation."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Moses Perry, with "resolve in favor of Moses Perry."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Crystal and Island Falls plantations, with "resolve in aid of opening a road through parts of Crystal and Island Falls plantations to Sherman."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Assessors of Plantation No. 11, Range 1, with "resolve in aid of building a bridge in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, in the county of Aroostook."

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

Bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the resignation of Hon. Wm. P. Frye, as Attorney General, was accepted, to take effect March 1, next.

Mr. NEALLEY presented the remonstrance of B. Barker and others, against setting off a part of the town of Limington to Limerick, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. LANE presented the petition of Helen A. Gilman, for change of name of the Association for the Relief of Aged Indigent Women, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. COLLINS,

Ordered, That the Committee on Division of Counties inquire into the expediency of changing the Registry District of Aroostook county.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Ordered, That the petition of J. H. Eveleth and others, to be incorporated for the purpose of improving the North Branch of the Piscataquis river, heretofore referred to the next Legislature, be recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of N. S. Allen and others, to be set off from Edmunds to Dennysville, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of A. F. Bradbury and others, for repeal of laws of 1869, so as to allow savings banks to make loans on the security of names, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend an act in relation to Savings Banks and Savings Institutions," reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to allowing savings banks to make loans on the security of names alone, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to making railroad corporations liable for injuries received by its employees while at work under the direction of an overseer, reported legislation thereon inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to so amending the laws, that three Commissioners be appointed by the Governor and Council to hear and decide all questions relating to the division of towns, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. LANE, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the protection of travel over bridges from the frequent use of fire arms, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. REED, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending section 6, chapter 225, laws of 1868, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of G. W. Herbert and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank."

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company."

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Gilman Chapman & Co., reported bill "an act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in Bethel."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of John E. Godfrey and others, reported bill "an act additional further regulating Probate Courts and proceedings."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to the number of pounds in a ton of coal, reported bill "an act establishing the number of pounds in a ton of coal."

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Manufactures, on an order relating to preventing the obstruction of the water power of the State, reported bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries, approved March 12, 1869."

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Lee Strickland and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company."

The report was accepted, and on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

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

"An act to amend section 8 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervision of schools";

"An act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to herring boxes";

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 establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland";

"An act to incorporate the North Anson Savings Bank";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to amend section 1 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk";

Which was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. LANG indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the Aurora Mills”;

“An act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society”;

“An act to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Russel Stream Dam Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company of Richmond”;

“An act to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank”;

“An act to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery Corporation”;

“An act to establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna”;

“An act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company”;

“An act relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden”;

“An act to authorize Samuel D. Carleton, Joshua G. Norwood and P. J. Carleton to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor in the town of Camden”;

Which were each 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.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society.”

On motion of Mr. LANG, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the bill to be engrossed.

The same Senator proposed an amendment marked “A,” to amend by striking out the word “six” in the second section, which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That after this day, the hour of meeting of the Senate be fixed at 9 o'clock A. M., except on Mondays, until otherwise ordered.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for a division of the town of Westbrook.

Pending the amendment proposed by Mr. LINDSEY,

On motion of Mr. REED,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Root of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of making an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Maine military road ;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of repealing or modifying section 1 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes, relating to the survey of railroads ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 60 of revised statutes, relating to divorces," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the removal of obstructions from Penobscot river," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Remonstrance of William H. Hunt and others, against taxing

insurance companies, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of S. D. Thurston and others of Bangor, for establishment of another State agency for the sale of spirituous liquors, was referred to the Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to Temperance in concurrence.

Petition of Joshua Chamberlain and others, for an act to authorize them to erect piers and booms at Eddington Bend;

Petition of William H. McCrillis and others, for incorporation to improve Sebois stream;

Remonstrance of James Jewell and others, against the petition of Samuel D. Reed;

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

Remonstrance of Inhabitants of Dresden;

Remonstrance of H. G. Allen and others;

Remonstrance of Eben Small and others;

Remonstrance of William G. Call and others—severally against repeal of an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries;

Were each referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Portland and Rutland Railroad Company, for amendment of charter, that the same be printed and recommitted.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on petition of G. Andrews and others, for act to prevent the trapping of birds, that the same be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Thomas Desmond and others, for act permitting cattle to run at large, that the same be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on an order relating to distribution of premiums by agricultural societies, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to recovering money to the State, made as endowments to literary institutions, when such institutions cease to exist, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance,

on an order relating to taxing foreign insurance companies, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to chapter 34 of revised statutes, relating to auctioneers," that the same ought not to pass.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on a communication of William Caldwell, State Treasurer, asking instructions from the Legislature in relation to the payment of the State indebtedness and interest which was contracted prior to February, 1862, with "resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to February 25, 1862."

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of William Higgins and others, with bill "an act to authorize the Congregational Church in Kenduskeag, to sell their title to the Baptist Meeting-House in said town."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of R. Thompson and others, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of N. L. Thompson and others, with bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of the Mousam river in the town of Kennebunk";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Edward Spring and others, with bill "an act to regulate the taking of pickerel from Pattee's pond in the town of Winslow";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect fish weirs in the tide waters of Jonesborough, at Shorey's Island," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Watson F. Hallett and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank";

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the

Trustees of Wilton Academy and others, with "resolve in favor of Wilton Academy."

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

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company";

"Resolve in favor of the town of Bucksport";

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.

Bill "an act to establish certain rules for the construction of statutes," passed to be engrossed by 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 relating to habitual truants," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House recommitted to the Committee on Education, with instructions to report a bill as a general law of the State, without action of towns.

The Senate receded, and the bill was recommitted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

The vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act for the protection of fish in the waters of Hiram and Porter."

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

(Amendment "B" amends the title so as to read as follows: "An act for the protection of trout and pickerel in certain waters in Hiram and Porter.")

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending section 2, chapter 97 of revised statutes, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to aiding the Maine Journal of Education, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

On motion of Mr. COLLINS,

The rules were suspended and the vote reconsidered whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Sidney Cook, for release in part from a certain claim in the Land Office, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, and the same was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table and Thursday next assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. MAYO, bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "A," "B" and "C."

And on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed with the amendments.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of William H. Smith and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Reform School, on an order directing said Committee to visit that institution and report thereon, reported in detail, submitting "resolve in favor of the State Reform School."

The report was laid on the table on motion of the same Senator, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. NEALLEY presented "resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to extend the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of

Samuel Adams and others, reported "resolve abating a portion of the State tax of the town of Castine in the county of Hancock."

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to the repair of roads in Indian township, reported "resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the county of Washington."

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

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

"An act to change the name of Eugene W. Libbey";

"An act to change the names of certain persons";

"An act to change the names of certain persons";

"An act to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association";

"An act to change the names of certain persons";

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in Island Falls plantation";

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island Falls plantation";

"Resolve in aid of building a bridge in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, in the county of Aroostook";

"Resolve in favor of Moses Perry";

"Resolve in aid of opening a road through parts of Crystal and Island Falls plantation to Sherman";

"Resolve in aid of Castle Hill road leading from Presque Isle to Ashland, in the county of Aroostook";

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 incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company";

"An act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Corporation";

"An act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in Bethel";

"An act to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes,

relating to damages from defective highways," which was read a second time.

Mr. LINDSEY proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough annexed to Gorham by act of 1864, chapter 341, their portion of the money paid by the State to Scarborough under act of 1868, chapter 225";

"An act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company";

"An act to regulate the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corinna";

"An act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison, in the county of Washington";

"An act to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company";

"An act to promote the improvement of the navigation of the Kennebec river";

"An act relating to the Supreme Judicial Court and to pay certain expenses of the justices thereof";

"An act to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors";

"An act amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Hancock, approved Feb. 28th, 1867";

"An act to amend section 21 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to offers to be defaulted";

"An act to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company";

"An act to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank";

"An act to amend chapter 51, section 48 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads";

"An act to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company";

"An act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve granting a lot of land to Francis Albert, Jr.”;

“Resolve in favor of Paul Taber”;

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.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of J. S. Ricker and others, for a division of the town of Westbrook.

The question being on the motion of Mr. LINDSEY, to amend the report by substituting the minority report,

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bolster, Buffum, Cushing, Gibbs, Kingsbury, Lane, Lindsey, Metcalf, Minot, Morse and Torrey—11.

NAYS—Messrs. Buck, Carvill, Cleaves, French, Fuller, Garcelon, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Lang, Mayo, Nealley, Reed, Roberts, Rolfe, Talbot and Webb—17.

So the motion was lost.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MORSE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. KING of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of additional legislation relating to receipts issued by warehouse men and commission merchants for merchandise and stocks received for storage or deposit ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire whether any change is necessary in chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law making administrators and executors of estates of deceased persons punishable by indictment for making a false return of the inventory of such estates ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

“ Resolve in favor of Patten Academy ” ;

Petition of A. O. Noyes and others, for an appropriation to Norway Literary Institute ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of O. B. Dwinal and others of Minot, for an act to authorize said town to create a sinking fund for the payment of its debt, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of A. C. Denison and others, in aid of Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Corporation, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Theodore C. Woodman and others of Bucksport, for amendment of law regulating river and interior fisheries, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on the petition of Geo. B. Leavitt and others, with bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds."

The report was accepted, and the bill referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

"Resolve in relation to the services of George F. Robinson," was adopted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John Merrill and others of Sanford, for legalization of doings of said town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William Curtis and others, for authority to County Commissioners of York county to locate a highway, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to repealing or amending chapter 14, acts of 1869, relating to writs of execution where the person who recovered judgment has deceased, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to making it the duty of assessors of towns and plantations, whenever in taking the inventory they find any taxable property not by law taxable in the town or plantation where found, to notify the assessors of the town or plantation where such property is by law taxable, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to so amending the law that bondsmen of collectors of taxes shall be holden only for a definite time, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to repealing or amending chapter 118 of the laws of 1867, relating to the testimony of persons taken in the trial of civil causes who have since deceased, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on an order relating to exempting certain persons heretofore in the military or naval service of the United States from payment of poll tax, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Charles Campbell and others, for a charter for a railroad from Cherryfield to Ellsworth, and for authority to said Cherryfield to loan its credit to aid in building said road, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James Anderson and others of Whitneyville, for a charter for a railroad from said town via Cherryfield to Ellsworth, and for authority for said Whitneyville to loan its credit to aid in the construction of the same, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Hiram Gardner and others, for a charter for a railroad from Machias via Cherryfield to Ellsworth, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to enforce liens on logs and lumber," that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to amend chapter 11, section 10 of the revised statutes," that the same ought not to pass.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing Charles H. Bartlett of Kittery, to build a wharf into tide waters of Piscataqua river," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on an order relating to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Societies, with bill "an act allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Societies."

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Joseph L. Metcalf and others, with bill "an act authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," that the same ought to pass.

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

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of A. L. Gerrish and others, with "resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute," was accepted in concurrence, and the resolve read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. NEALLEY.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of perjuries," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, amended as per sheet "A," 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 make valid the official doings of the persons elected as Selectmen and Assessors of the town of Kennebunk for the year 1863," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

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

On motion of Mr. REED,

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on an order relating to granting Lewis Selbing a State pension, was taken from the table, and recommitted in concurrence, with instructions to report a resolve.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved Feb. 28, 1867," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Harvey Collins and others, for the Land Agent to be authorized to give him a deed of a certain lot of land in Lyndon, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of S. Babson and others of Brooksville and Sedgwick, for "an act to prohibit the throwing of refuse into the stream in said towns," reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Jeremiah Madoc and others, for the city charter of Saco to be again submitted to a vote of said city, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, reported bill "an act to amend section 65 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for illegal voting."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Woodbury Davis and others, reported bill "an act to provide for the appointment and supervision of Clerks of the Supreme Judicial Court."

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order, reported bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies."

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Samuel Staples and others, reported bill "an act to establish a ferry across the Passamaquoddy river between the towns of Lubec and Eastport."

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of C. I. Barker and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank."

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town, and for other uses, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

A message was received from the House, by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, requesting the return to that branch of bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company."

The bill having been passed to be enacted by the Senate, signed by the President, and presented by the Secretary to the Governor for his approval,

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting a return to the Senate of bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company," if he has not approved of the same.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

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

“An act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company”;

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

“An act to regulate the taking of pickerel from Pattee’s pond in the town of Winslow”;

“An act to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect a fish weir in the tide waters of Jonesborough at Shorey’s Island”;

“An act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of the Mousam river in the town of Kennebunk”;

“An act to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company”;

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

“An act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank”;

“An act to authorize the Congregationalist church in Kenduskeag to sell their title to the Baptist meeting-house in said town”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of Bucksport”;

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 extend the charter of the Thomaston Marine and Fire Insurance Company”;

“Resolve abating a portion of the State tax of the town of Castine in the county of Hancock”;

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Reform School”;

“Resolve in aid of the 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.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy”;

Which was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. NEALLEY, laid on the table.

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

“Resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to February 25, 1862”;

Which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. BUCK.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet on Monday at nine o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. REED,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the public laws of 1862, relating to trustee process;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending the law for the selection and empanelling of juries in civil causes and in criminal cases other than capital ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State roads, on the petition of inhabitants of Grant Isle, for aid in building bridges in said plantation, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James Timoney and others, for aid in building a State road in Oakfield plantation in Aroostook county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of William F. Moody and others, to have town line straightened between Kennebunkport and Biddeford, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others, for an appropriation

to open a road from Presque Isle to Molunkus, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of William H. Hemenway and others, for an act to legalize their wharf on the north bank of the Machias river, that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to amend chapter 50 of the public laws of 1866, entitled "an act relating to hawkers and peddlers," that the same ought not to pass.

These reports were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Change of Names, on the petition of Rufus P. Fuller, with bill "an act to change the name of Edward Warren and for his adoption."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Jesse A. Meader and others, with bill "an act to change the names of certain persons."

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Kenduskeag, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Kenduskeag."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Samuel Staples, with bill "an act to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Moulton and others, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Porter in voting a bounty to George W. Ridlon."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of school district number 17, in Bristol, with bill "an act making valid the doings of school district number 17 in the town of Bristol."

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Selectmen of Oldtown, with bill "an act authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater Bridge in said town."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Howard Slate Company, with bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein," that the same ought to pass.

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

Bill "an act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1, 1869," passed to be engrossed by 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 amend section 1 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Dearborn of Falmouth, Green of Wiltón, and Brackett of Cumberland, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted upon its vote indefinitely postponing the bill, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Reed of Cumberland, French of Franklin, and Talbot of Washington, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act additional further regulating probate courts and proceedings," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries, approved March 12, 1869," was read once.

Mr. LANG proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted, and the bill laid on the table on motion of Mr. REED.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of increasing the salary of the Superintendent of Common Schools.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so far extending the remedial agencies of the laws as to protect the citizens of this State against the malfeasance, or

corruption of the Supreme Judicial Court in any civil suit whatever; and to forthwith institute such legislation as shall *stay at once*, and without delay, all suits, executions, and bills of costs unlawfully obtained and resulting from, or consequent on the judicial misfeasance, malfeasance, perfidy, ignorance or neglect of said Supreme Judicial Court or any member thereof, and to hear parties claiming to be aggrieved by judicial torts, and if they find that right and justice have not been administered, in any given case, by reason of judicial ignorance, laxity or corruption, in accordance with the provisions of the 19th section of our Bill of Rights, to forthwith report a bill of relief for any party so injured, making it mandatory on the court, or any member of the court, to forthwith issue a supersedias to stay any or all executions, costs or proceedings, wrongfully obtained, or obtained against law and evidence and in violation of right and justice, in any given case; at the request of the injured party, until all questions of law and fact are judicially determined and written opinions given thereon *seriatim*.

And further ordered, That if the Committee shall find that the Supreme Judicial Court, or any member thereof, have defeated or prevented justice, in any given case, contrary to the spirit and purposes of the 19th section of our Bill of Rights, or contrary to the sacred trusts and high purposes of their judicial functions:

3d, To forthwith report a bill providing for new trials in all such cases at the expense of the State; and also a bill providing a cogent and speedy remedy for the relief of any or all persons injured by such judicial torts, by an action on the case, against any judge, or any number of judges implicated in or accessory to such tort, providing adequate damage, and providing also that such suits may be prosecuted at the expense of the State; and further providing that the jury shall be the judges of the law and the facts.

And further ordered, That the Committee make a full report to this body of any judicial torts, or of any hardships that may have been occasioned by a neglect of judicial duty, and said Committee are authorized to send for such persons and papers, as may be needed to carry out the purposes of this order, or to obtain information upon this subject.

Mr. BUCK presented the remonstrance of Selectmen of South Thomaston, against the petition of E. C. Spaulding and others, to be set off from said town and annexed to the city of Rockland, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

On motion of Mr. REED, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act additional to chapter 36 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the taking of porgies," and on motion of the same Senator, the same was recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, requesting a return to that branch of bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank."

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be engrossed, and on motion of the same Senator, the Secretary was directed to return the same to the House.

The bill was accordingly sent to the House.

Mr. LANG, from the Joint Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the subject of Temperance, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

The same Senator, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of inhabitants of Carratunk and others, reported "resolve in aid of the Canada road."

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the same Committee, on the petition of Selectmen of Moscow, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Moscow in aid of repairing road in said town."

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was recommitted bill "an act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream, in the town of Columbia, county of Washington," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

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

"An act authorizing Charles H. Bartlett of Kittery, to build a wharf into tide waters of Piscataqua river";

"An act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association";

"An act allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society";

"An act authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads";

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 incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank";

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town and for other uses, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to establish a ferry across the Passamaquoddy river between the towns of Lubec and Eastport";

Which was read a second time.

Mr. BUCK proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act concerning the rate of interest";

Which was read a second time, House amendment "B" was adopted, and on motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the bill was laid on the table.

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

"An act to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association";

"An act to establish certain rules for the construction of statutes";

"An act to amend section 8 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to supervision of schools."

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Dennys river, approved Feb. 22d, 1865";

An act to change the name of Eugene W. Libbey";

"An act to change the names of certain persons";

"An act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to herring boxes";

“An act to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

•“Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in Island Falls plantation”;

“Resolve in aid of the Castle Hill road leading from Presque Isle to Ashland, in the county of Aroostook”;

“Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island Falls plantation”;

“Resolve in favor of Moses Perry”;

“Resolve in aid of opening road through parts of Crystal and Island Falls plantations to Sherman”;

“Resolve to aid in building a bridge in Plantation No. 11, Range 1, in the county of Aroostook”;

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.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court”;

Which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. REED.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That during the absence of the President, Hon. T. H. Cushing be President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Cushing was conducted to the chair by Mr. Lane of Cumberland, and Mr. Webb of Somerset, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

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 has made choice of Hon. T. H. Cushing as President *pro tempore*.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Papers from the House :

Petition of William P. Frye, for an increase of the salary of the Attorney General, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Remonstrance of the Portland Gas Company, against granting a charter to the Union Depot Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Robert P. Walker and others, for an amendment of chapter 70, public laws of 1869, relating to fisheries in Walker's pond, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on the recommendations of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Statutes, with bill "an act to amend chapter 81 of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions."

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to amending chapter 45 of resolves of 1869, with "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to exchange lots numbered 81 and 83 in township No. 6, R. 5, Aroostook county."

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of John C. Harriman and others, with bill "an act authorizing John C. Harriman and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river."

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company," that the same ought to pass.

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Isaac Sawyer and others, with bill "an act to set off a part of the town of Limington and annex the same to the town of Limerick."

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

Bill "an act establishing the number of pounds of coal which shall constitute a ton," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

A communication was received from the Governor, by the Secretary of State, transmitting the Report of the Trustees of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, with the Report of the Managers of the same.

Which was read, and on motion of Mr. LANE, was laid on the table and ordered to printed, with the accompanying reports.

A communication was received from the Governor, by the Secretary of State, returning in compliance with a request from the

Senate, bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said Company."

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be enacted, and the Secretary was directed to return the same to the House, in compliance with a request from that branch.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT, the report of the Committee on Reform School, with "resolve in favor of the State Reform School," was taken from the table and accepted.

The resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting a return to the Senate of resolve entitled "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently a communication was received from the Governor, by the Secretary of State, returning "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital," in compliance with the foregoing request from the Senate.

On motion of Mr. REED, the rules were suspended, and the votes were reconsidered, whereby the foregoing resolve was finally passed and passed to be engrossed.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Saw Manufacturing Corporation," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of J. H. Pullen and others, reported "resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis."

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

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

“An act authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater bridge in said town”;

“An act to change the name of Edward Warren and for his adoption”;

“An act to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company”

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

“An act to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company”;

“An act making valid the doings of School District No. 17, in the town of Bristol”;

“An act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company”;

“An act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein”;

“An act to make valid the doings of the town of Porter in voting a bounty to George W. Ridlon”;

“An act to change the names of certain persons”;

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 authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream in the town of Columbia, county of Washington”;

“An act additional further regulating Probate Courts and proceedings”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of Moscow, in aid of repairing road in said town”;

“Resolve in aid of the Canada road”;

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company,” which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. MAYO.

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

“An act to change the names of certain persons”;

“An act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society”;

“An act to authorize the County Treasurer of Cumberland county to pay Miltemore Watts for services”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of Houlton Academy,” which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MOOR of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any changes are necessary in the law (chapter 139 of the revised statutes,) in regard to the remuneration of coroners for time spent, and expenses incurred in cases of dead bodies found in the county, where it is found unnecessary to hold an inquest ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of so amending the law as to allow testimony taken for use in equity cases, to be taken orally before a Justice of the Supreme Court, sitting at *nisi prius*, in the same manner as is now provided for taking oral testimony before such justice, upon petition for a new trial of actions at law ;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation to aid in completing the road leading from Seven Islands, on the St. John river, to the Canada line ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

The following order :

That all resolves and other papers now on the table referring to an adjournment or recess of the Legislature, be referred to a Joint Special Committee, consisting of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, came from the House, passed by that branch, and Messrs. Hinks of Bucksport, Twitchell of Portland, Barker of Stetson, Humphrey of Bangor, McGilvery of Searsport, Kimball of Bethel, and Peavey of Whiting; appointed on its part ;

And was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Reed of Cumberland, Kingsbury of Penobscot, and Webb of Somerset, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Petition of George C. Pickering and others of Bangor, for act to incorporate the Bangor Merchants Mutual Marine Insurance Company, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Resolve relating to the State Arsenals at Bangor and Portland, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "an act to confirm the organization of the plantations of Hamlin, Cyr, Van Buren, St. John, St. Francis, Wallagrass and Eagle Lake, in Aroostook county," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Emery Sawyer and others, for enlargement of the jurisdiction of trial justices, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was recommitted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Samuel D. Reed, for a change in the law relating to practice and proceedings in court, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Selectmen of Dixfield and Mexico, with bill "an act authorizing the towns of Dixfield and Mexico to divide their ministerial and school fund";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the revision of the statutes, with "resolve concerning the revision of the public laws";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Wassataquoik Dam Company," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolve each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank," passed to be engrossed by 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 provide for the appointment and supervision of clerks of the judicial courts";

Bill "an act to amend section 65, chapter 4 of the revised statutes, relating to illegal voting";

Bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies";

Bill "an act additional to chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors";

Were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That the Committee on Public Buildings inquire into the expediency of providing additional accommodations for the State Library; also into the feasibility of constructing one or more fire proof vaults for the deposit of State documents.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to authorize railroad corporations to issue mortgage bonds," reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Railway Construction Company," reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on order relating to giving overseers of the poor more power over the personal and real estate of paupers, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. LANE, from the same Committee, on the petition of John J. Perry and others, for a Superior Court to be established in the counties of Oxford, Androscoggin and Franklin, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Greenlief M. Fogg and others, for aid in building a bridge across the Passadumkeag river at Rocky Rips, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of H. W. Hobbs and others, to be set off from Milo and annexed to the town of Brownville, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of William H. Hatch and others, for a change in the public laws relating to savings banks, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, bill "an act to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company," was taken from the table, read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the inhabitants of Brunswick and Topsham, reported bill "an act giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin bridge."

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to legalize the acts of Thomas W. Herrick, as a justice of the peace and quorum in and for Kennebec county," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MAYO, bill "an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company," was taken from the table, read once, and to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M., assigned for its second reading.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to amend section 2 of the 15th chapter of the special laws of 1861," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Joseph R. Bodwell and others, reported bill "an act to set off certain real estate from the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell."

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Samuel H. Dale and others, reported bill "an act to amend the city charter of Bangor."

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

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved February 3d, 1869," reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them, and asked to be discharged from further duty.

The same Senator, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them, and asked to be discharged from further duty.

These reports were each laid on the table, on motion of Mr. REED.

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

"An act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate";

"An act authorizing John C. Harriman, Alfred Lennox and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river";

"An act to amend chapter 81 of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions";

"An act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company";

"An act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company";

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to exchange lots numbered 81 and 83, in Township No. 6, Range 5, Aroostook county”;

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolve:

“An act to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Saw Manufacturing Corporation”;

“Resolve in aid of road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis”;

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

“An act establishing the number of pounds of coal which shall constitute a ton,” which was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. FRENCH.

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

“An act to set off a part of the town of Limington and annex the same to the town of Limerick”;

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

“An act to incorporate the North Anson Savings Bank”;

“An act to regulate the taking of pickerel from Pattee’s pond in the town of Winslow”;

“An act to amend an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water, approved March 1, 1869”;

“An act to authorize the Congregational Church in Kenduskeag to sell their title to the Baptist Meeting-House in said town”;

“An act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of the Mousam river in the town of Kennebunk”;

“An act to change the names of certain persons”;

“An act to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect fish weirs in tide waters of Jonesborough at Shorey’s Island”;

“An act to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company”;

“An act to establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland”;

“An act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company”;

“An act to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport”;
Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of the town of Bucksport,” which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. MORSE,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the necessity for legislation to authorize the employment of persons confined in county jails and in houses of correction in some useful labor, and to report such act as they may deem advisable in relation to the confinement of persons in jails and houses of correction ;

That the Secretary of State be directed to have prepared printed slips of “act to amend sections 2 and 12 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to highways,” and transmit one to each town and plantation as soon as practicable ;

Were read and passed in concurrence.

Bill “an act relating to schools in the Madawaska District,” was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill “an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company,” passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Remonstrance of William H. McCrillis and others, against the act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, and to amend the charter of said company, came from the House referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The Senate non-concurred with the House, and the foregoing bill and remonstrance were referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of W. A. Evans and others, for the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Aroostook county to be held at Presque Isle, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending the law relating to approval of bonds of town treasurers, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Thomas Desmond and others, for special legislation to authorize cattle to run at large, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to separating the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, who shall act on questions of law and jury trials, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending section 17, chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to contracts of deceased persons, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of George M. Weston, relating to resolve approved March 19, 1860, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Laura M. Nutt and others, for an amendment to the Constitution so as to allow women to vote, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorces," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Thomas Thompson and others, for an act regulating the taking of fish from Winnecook lake, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of J. D. Parker and others of Steuben, for a general fish law, or a special law for

propagation of fish in said town, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Francis M. Sampson and others, for an act regulating the taking of fish from Pappoose pond, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill "an act concerning banks," that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act in relation to savings institutions," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act relating to toll bridges and turnpikes," that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Committee on Public Buildings, on an order relating to making the city of Bangor the capital of the State, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Asa Smith and others, with "resolve to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and on motion of Mr. CUSHING, was laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, with "resolve to amend a resolve approved March 1st, 1869, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, relating to assignments," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of George M. Weston and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company";

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of C. T. Buzzell and others, with "resolve in aid of constructing road through Township No. 5, Range 3, in Aroostook county";

Report of the same Committee, on "resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the State for stumpage";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of citizens of Limestone and Hamlin plantations, with "resolve in aid of opening a road through Letters F and G, Range 1, Aroostook county";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Romain Michaud, with "resolve in favor of Romain Michaud";

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Beriah Brown, with "resolve in favor of Beriah Brown";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolves each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of William W. Quimby, with "resolve in favor of William W. Quimby," was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and refused a passage in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve in favor of the removal of obstructions from Penobscot river," that the same ought to pass, was accepted, and the resolve adopted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of the Agent of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, with "resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" rejected, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve making an appropriation for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

House amendment "A," was rejected.

"Resolve in aid of the road across Indian Township in the county of Washington," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

House amendment "A" was rejected.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The hour assigned for the consideration of bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," having arrived, the same was taken from the table.

Mr. MINOT proposed amendment "A."

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment "B" to amendment "A," which was adopted, and amendment "A," as amended, was adopted.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendments marked "C" and "D," which were adopted.

Mr. REED proposed amendments "E" and "F," which were adopted.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, the bill was laid on the table, ordered to be printed as amended, and Wednesday next was assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, bill "an act concerning the rate of interest," was taken from the table.

The question being on passing the bill to be engrossed, on that question, on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Buck, Buffum, Carvill, Cushing, French, Fuller, Gibbs, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Morse, Nealley, Reed, Roberts, Talbot and Webb—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Cleaves, Collins, Garcelon, Metcalf, Rolfe and Torrey—6.

So the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY, "resolve in favor of Wilton Academy," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. REED, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate," and the same was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY, "resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute," was taken from the table, and read a second time.

House amendment "A" was adopted.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, on

motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Buffum, French, Garcelon, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Minot, Morse, Nealley and Webb—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Buck, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, Cushing, Fuller, Gibbs, Mayo, Metcalf, Reed, Roberts, Rolfe, Talbot and Torrey—14.

So the resolve was refused a passage.

Mr. CUSHING moved to reconsider the foregoing vote, and on motion of the same Senator, that motion was laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. ROLFE presented bill "an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington";

Mr. BUCK presented bill "an act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the Court of the County Commissioners in the county of Hancock";

Which were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. WEBB,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve authorizing the Land Agent, by order of the Governor and Council, to sell for cash the remnant of land belonging to the State in Township No. 3, Range 1, north of Bingham's Purchase, known as "Long Pond plantation," in the county of Somerset.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That whereas, on this day, fifty years ago, the act admitting the State of Maine into the Union, became a law of the Congress of the United States of America, to take effect from and after the fifteenth day of the same month, a Committee be appointed consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, to take into consideration the propriety of a due observance by this body of the fiftieth anniversary of the sovereignty of this State, together with such arrangements as may be deemed pertinent to the occasion, and report thereon;

And Messrs. French of Franklin, Lindsey of Somerset, and Cushing of Waldo, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Concord," reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries," reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. BUCK, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on Library, on "resolve relating to an appropriation for the State Library," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend sections 32 and 34 of chapter 12, revised statutes," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee; on bill "an act to amend section 27 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in Supreme Judicial Court," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to amend the 22d section of the 11th chapter of the revised statutes," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on State Prison, on an order directing said Committee to visit that institution and report thereon, reported in detail, submitting "resolve in favor of the State Prison."

The report was read, and on motion of the same Senator, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed, with the accompanying resolve.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," reported the same amended as per sheet "A."

The report was accepted, and the bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill and resolve :

"An act authorizing the towns of Dixfield and Mexico to divide their ministerial and school fund";

"Resolve concerning the revision of the public laws";

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 Wassataquoik Dam Company," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

"An act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company";

"An act concerning Insurance and Insurance Companies";

"An act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston";

"An act to amend the city charter of Bangor";

"An act to promote navigation on Sebec lake";

"An act to amend section 65, chapter 4 of revised statutes, relating to penalty for illegal voting";

"An act to provide for the appointment and supervision of clerks of the judicial courts";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to set off certain real estate from the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell," which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANG.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act additional to chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors," which was read a second time.

Mr. LANG proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed as amended.

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

"An act to make valid the doings of the persons elected as Selectmen and Assessors of the town of Kennebunk in the year 1863";

"An act authorizing Charles H. Bartlett of Kittery, to build a wharf into tide waters of Piscataqua river";

"An act to change the name of Edward Warren and for his adoption";

"An act to establish the salary of the Register of Probate of Sagadahoc county";

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Kenduskeag";

"An act to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company";

"An act authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads";

"An act authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater bridge in said town";

"An act to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association";

"An act making valid the doings of School District No. 17, in the town of Bristol";

"An act allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society";

"An act to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company";

"An act to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Co.";

"An act to authorize the city of Rockland to raise and expend money for certain purposes";

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Porter in voting a bounty to George W. Ridlon";

"An act to change the names of certain persons";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve in favor of the State Reform School";

"Resolve concerning the printing of the Legislative Manual";

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. CARVILL,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Francis B. Lane, to be set off from Unity plantation in Kennebec county, and annexed to Unity in Waldo county, was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Renssellear Cram and others, against the petition of Charles E. Barrett and others, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Remonstrance of George W. Pickering and others ;

Remonstrance of Thomas J. Stewart and others—severally against an act for the consolidation of railroads ;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to jury trials, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on an order relating to exempting improvements in cultivated lands from taxation, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Buck and others, for a law for the protection of forest trees, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates, with bill "an act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Samuel Wilder and others, with "resolve to make valid certain acts of the town of Temple";

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the process of forcible entry and detainer, with bill "an act to amend chapter 94 of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison";

"Resolve in favor of A. J. Ray"—severally introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch;

Were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

The votes whereby the Senate referred bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company;" also remonstrance of William H. McCrillis against the same, to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, were reconsidered, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill and remonstrance were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved Feb. 3, 1869," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MORSE,

Communication from the Governor, with Reports of the Trustees and Managers of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, was taken from the table, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs

Mr. BUCK presented the remonstrance of L. C. Hatch and others of South Thomaston, against the petition of E. C. Spaulding and others, to be set off to the city of Rockland, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. REED, from the Joint Special Committee on an order relating to an adjournment or recess of the Legislature, reported the following :

Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committees of the Senate and House be directed to report finally to the Legislature on Wednesday, March 9, 1870, or if such report be impracticable, to inform the Legislature when they can so report.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to amend section 27, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. FRENCH, from the same Committee, on "resolve in favor of Patten Academy," reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the same Committee, on petition of Alexis Cyr and others of Grant Isle, for aid to schools in said Grant Isle, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on petition of Charles Sweron and others, that aid may be granted to schools in Dickeyville, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to the propriety of repealing chapter 142 of the acts and resolves of 1862, relating to the sale of swamp and meadow lands, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk," reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

These reports were severally accepted.

On motion of Mr. REED, bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate," was taken from the table, and on motion of the same Senator was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. BUCK, "resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to Feb. 25, 1862, was taken from the table.

On the question of concurring with the House in giving the resolve a final passage, on motion of Mr. WEBB, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, Gibbs, Holland, Reed, Talbot and Torrey—6.

NAYS—Messrs. Bolster, Buck, Buffum, Cleaves, Collins, French,

Fuller, Garcelon, Gray, Hanson, Lang, Metcalf, Morse, Nealley, Roberts, Rolfe and Webb—17.

So the resolve was refused a passage.

On motion of Mr. BUCK, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FULLER, from the Committee on Pensions, on an order relating to the repeal of certain pension laws, reported "resolve providing for the repeal of certain resolves relating to pensions."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Frederick Spofford, reported bill "an act to authorize Frederic Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport."

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Claims, on "resolve in favor of Grant Isle plantation in Aroostook county," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the Court of the County Commissioners in the County of Hancock," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act relating to schools in the Madawaska District," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. LANG, from the Committee on Agriculture, on an order directing said Committee to visit the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, in company with a Joint Select Committee of the Legislature appointed for that purpose, and report thereon, reported in detail, submitting "resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts."

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

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Division of Counties, on an order relating to the Registry District of Aroostook county, reported bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 7 of the revised statutes, relating to changing the Registry District of Aroostook county."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the vote was reconsidered whereby Wednesday next was assigned for the consideration of bill "an

act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," and the same was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the votes whereby the Senate adopted amendments "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F," were severally reconsidered.

Mr. MINOT proposed amendment marked "G."

Mr. NEALLEY proposed amendment marked "H."

On motion of Mr. LANE, the bill and amendments were laid on the table, and Wednesday next assigned for their further consideration, and the amendments ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill and resolves :

"An act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, relating to assignments."

"Resolve to amend resolve approved March 1st, 1869, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments."

"Resolve in favor of Beriah Brown";

"Resolve in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt";

"Resolve in favor of Romain Michaud";

"Resolve in aid of opening a road through Letters F and G, Range 1, Aroostook county";

"Resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the State for stumpage";

"Resolve in aid of constructing a road through Township No. 5, Range 3, in Aroostook county";

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

"Resolve relating to an appropriation for the State Library," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company," which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANE.

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

"An act to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Corporation,";

"An act to legalize the doings of the First Parish in Bethel";

"An act to incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company";

"An act to amend chapter 81 of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions";

"An act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank";

"An act to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company";

"An act to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company";

"An act to establish a ferry across the Passamaquoddy river between the towns of Lubec and Eastport";

"An act to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to exchange lots numbered 81 and 83 in Township No. 6, Range 5, Aroostook county," 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.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act authorizing John C. Harriman, Alfred Lennox and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river," which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. METCALF.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1870.

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 propriety of appropriating a sum of money to assist the plantation of Long Island to maintain a school ;

That the Committee on Education inquire and report upon the expediency of providing an increase of money for the purpose of aiding the cause of common schools in the several cities, towns and plantations in the State, to take the place of that which was formerly derived from the bank tax ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of George Johnson," was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Bill "an act to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden, to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Frederick W. Fales, for authority to maintain a ferry between Elwell's Point and Spruce Head, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Benjamin M. Royal and others, for amendment to section 2, chapter 316 of private laws of 1867, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to building roads in unincorporated places, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to appointing sheriffs, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to making appropriation on the road from Seven Islands on the St. John river, to the Canada line, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to an appropriation on the roads from Caribou to Van Buren, and from Dalton to Fort Kent, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of E. S. Winter and others, for aid to build a road in Township No. 3, Range 2, in Franklin county; that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of S. T. Williams and others, for an appropriation to build a turnpike road from Kingsbury to Abbot, in Piscataquis county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Paradis and others, for grant to build a road in Dickeyville, Aroostook county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, for an appropriation to finish the bridge over the Aroostook river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the inhabitants of No. 2, Range 5, Aroostook county, for an appropriation to aid in building road in said No. 2, Range 5, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to division of towns into school districts, and a uniform system of graded schools, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the citizens of Charleston, for a change in the school laws, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of inhabitants of Bowdoinham, with bill "an act to authorize the town of Bowdoinham to raise money for certain purposes";

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

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Marine Insurance Company," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act providing for the organization of plantations," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company, with bill "an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company," was accepted in concurrence, and the bill laid on the table on motion of Mr. HOLLAND.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to authorizing Superintending School Committees and Supervisors to employ teachers, with bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers," was accepted in concurrence, and the bill was laid on the table on motion of Mr. FRENCH.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors," amended and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, Senate amendment "A" amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire what amendment is necessary to render efficient chapter 21 of resolves of 1869.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing "an act to amend chapter 321 of the laws of 1865, relating to railroads."

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing "an act granting additional powers to the Kennebec Company, approved January 25, 1867."

On motion of Mr. LANG, bill "an act to set off certain real estate from the town of Manchester and annex the same to the

city of Hallowell," was taken from the table, and recommitted to the Committee on Division of Towns.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act additional to chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on an order, reported bill "an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river."

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

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of citizens of Norway, for an appropriation in aid of the Norway Liberal Institute, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on bill "an act to incorporate Townships G, L and M, into a town by the name of Van Buren," reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. COLLINS, from the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Maysville and Presque Isle, reported bill "an act to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle."

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Joint Select Committee on Maine General Hospital, on the petition of A. D. Lockwood and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital."

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

On motion of Mr. FRENCH, bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers," was taken from the table, and read a second time.

House amendment "A" was adopted, and on motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the bill was laid on the table.

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

“An act to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company”;

“An act to amend chapter 94 of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer”;

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 additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved Feb. 3, 1869”;

“An act to authorize Frederic Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport”;

“An act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory”;

“An act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the Court of County Commissioners of Hancock county”;

“Resolve in favor Grant Isle plantation”;

“Resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts”;

“Resolve providing for the repeal of certain resolves relating to pensions”;

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates,” which was read a second time, House amendment “A” adopted, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve to make valid certain acts of the town of Temple,” which was read a second time.

Mr. CLEAVES proposed amendments marked “A” and “B,” which were adopted, and the bill 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 Wassataquoik Dam Company”;

“An act additional to and amendatory of an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the Supreme Judicial Court, approved Feb. 28th, 1867”;

“An act authorizing the towns of Dixfield and Mexico to divide their ministerial and school fund”;

“An act additional further regulating Probate Courts and proceedings”;

“An act to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream in the town of Columbia”;

“An act to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School”;

“Resolve in favor of Wilton Academy”;

“Resolve concerning revision of public laws”;

“Resolve abating a portion of the State tax of the town of Castine, in the county of Hancock”;

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. FRENCH,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Moor of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire and report by bill or otherwise what legislation is necessary, if any, to authorize Veazie Bank, Eastern Bank and Mercantile Bank, all in Bangor, and all other State banks now in existence, to continue their business as banks of discount and deposit, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Brighton and others, for aid in building a road in said town, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of the Stetson High School," was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend sections 1 and 15 of chapter 218 of the special laws of 1869, entitled an act to incorporate the Saco River Railroad Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Joshua Chamberlain and others, for authority to erect piers and booms at Eddington Bend, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Lynch and others, for charter for a canal from Richardson's lake to Black brook, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 100 of public laws of 1862, relating to trustee process, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to making executors and administrators criminally liable in certain cases, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to a change in chapter 249, public laws of 1864, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending the Constitution so as to allow paupers the right to vote, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of Bridgton Academy, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending the law relative to sale of land for taxes, with bill "an act to amend section 157 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes," and bill "an act to amend section 145 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes";

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill "an act to amend section 20, chapter 143 of the revised statutes";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 65 of the revised statutes," that the same ought to pass";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to survival of actions," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Helen A. Gilman, with bill "an act to change the name of the Association for the Relief of Aged Indigent Women";

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton in Aroostook county," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolve each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Baker of Augusta, Bonney of Portland, and Barton of Benton, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted on its vote indefinitely postponing the bill, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Reed of Cumberland, Cleaves of Oxford, and Rolfe of Washington, conferees on its part.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden, to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of citizens of Byron, with "resolve in favor of the town of Byron";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Selectmen of Madrid, with "resolve in favor of the town of Madrid";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of citizens of Grafton, with "resolve in favor of the town of Grafton";

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to an appropriation in aid of roads and bridges in town of Roxbury, with "resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury";

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to regulate the taking of porgies and menhaden in the waters of Maine," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted, the bills and resolves each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 27 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in the Supreme Judicial Court";

Bill "an act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands, and funds arising therefrom";

Bill "an act to amend the 22d section of the 11th chapter of the revised statutes";

Were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 7 of revised statutes, relating to changing the Registry District of Aroostook county," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. COLLINS,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads

inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain lots of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughn.

On motion of Mr. GRAY, the report of the Committee on State Prison, with "resolve in favor of the State Prison," was taken from the table and accepted.

The resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Merchants Warehouse Company";

"An act to authorize the town of Bowdoinham to raise money for certain purposes";

"An act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Marine Insurance 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 providing for the organization of plantations," which was read a second time, House amendments "A," "B" and "C," were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital," which was read twice 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 giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin bridge";

"An act to amend chapter 70 of the revised statutes, relating to assignments";

"An act to legalize the acts of Thomas W. Herrick as a Justice of the Peace and Quorum for Kennebec county";

"An act to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Saw Manufacturing Company";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

“Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians for the year 1870”;

“Resolve in favor of Romain Michaud”;

“Resolve in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt”;

“Resolve making an appropriation for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians”;

“Resolve in favor of Beriah Brown”;

“Resolve in aid of the road across Indian Township in the county of Washington”;

“Resolve to amend a resolve approved March 1st, 1869, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments”;

“Resolve in favor of A. J. Ray”;

“Resolve in aid of opening a road through Letters F and G, Range 1, Aroostook county”;

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on the State Prison”;

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, bill “an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court,” was taken from the table, and passed to be enacted 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. CLEAVES,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the necessity of making an appropriation to aid in opening the road leading from Caribou Village to Fish River road, in Aroostook county, was read and passed in concurrence.

The order appointing a Committee to take into consideration the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the State, passed by the Senate, came from the House, indefinitely postponed by that branch.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to a change in the laws in relation to paupers, with bill "an act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to confirm the organization of certain plantations in Aroostook county";

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to actions against executors and administrators, with bill "an act to amend chapter 230 of the public laws of 1864, relating to evidence";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of O. B. Dwinal and others, with bill "an act to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Emery Sawyer and others, with bill "an act to repeal section 2 of chapter 264 of

the acts of 1863, entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast”;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill “an act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company,” that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of H. B. Record and others, with bill “an act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner”;

Report of the Committee on County Estimates, with “resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State”;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolve each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

Ordered, That the Commissioners on State Valuation are hereby directed to furnish for distribution to the Legislature, seven hundred printed copies of their reports on the “Valuation Lists of the State of Maine,” submitted by them in pursuance to an order of the Legislature of February 21, 1870.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, asking him to return to the Senate bill “an act entitled an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court.”

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, who subsequently reported that he had attended to the duty assigned him, and that the Governor in response to the message had transmitted the bill to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the vote whereby the Senate passed the bill to be enacted, was reconsidered, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. REED presented “resolve relating to the postal telegraph system,” which was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. CUSHING presented bill “an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company, approved Feb. 28, 1867,” which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. METCALF, bill “an act authorizing John C.

Harriman, Alfred Lennox and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river," was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the vote whereby the Senate passed the bill to be engrossed, was reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, bill "an act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Railroad Company," was taken from the table, read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

"An act to amend section 20, chapter 143 of the revised statutes";

"An act to amend section 17 of chapter 65 of the revised statutes";

"An act to change the name of the Association for the Relief of Aged Indigent Women";

"An act to amend section 10 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to survival of actions";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton, in Aroostook county";

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 amend section 27 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in Supreme Judicial Court";

"An act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands, and funds arising therefrom";

"An act to amend the 22d section of the 11th chapter of the revised statutes";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to amend section 145 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes," which was read a second time.

Mr. CLEAVES proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to amend section 157 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes," which was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. CLEAVES, was indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to amend section 65, chapter 4 of the revised statutes";

"An act to amend section 2 of the 15th chapter of the special laws of 1861, relating to the Sebec Lake Steamboat Company";

"An act additional to chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors";

"An act to amend chapter 264 of the public laws of 1864, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates";

"An act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company";

"An act to amend the city charter of Bangor";

"An act to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company";

"An act to amend chapter 94 of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer";

"An act to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston";

"An act to amend section 1 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, relative to the sale of milk";

"An act to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company";

"An act to amend section 1 of an act to aid the minor children of William J. Dean, approved Feb. 22d, 1869";

"An act additional to chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors";

"An act to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden, to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the State for stumpage";

"Resolve in aid of constructing road through Township No. 5, Range 3, Aroostook county";

Which were each 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. NEALLEY,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Petition of William McLeon, for renewal of charter of Lime Rock Bank of Rockland ;

Petition of A. J. Bird, for renewal of charter of North Bank of Rockland ;

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

Communication from Commissioners on State Valuation, transmitting a partial report of said Commissioners, was read, and referred to the Committee on State Valuation in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," that the same ought to pass, was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and recommitted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to provide for the appointment and supervision of clerks of the judicial courts," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy, for an appropriation, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. REED.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture, on bill "an act to prohibit the destruction of water fowl by traps, &c.," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to receipts of warehousemen and commission merchants, with bill "an act additional to chapter 126 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds";

Report of the same Committee, on the recommendations of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Public Laws, with bill "an act to amend section 40 of chapter 4, section 11 of chapter 5, section 74 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, and chapter 40 of the public laws of 1866, relating to elections, public lands and ways";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the collection of taxes, with bill "an act to amend section 88 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Hancock street in said city to Kenduskeag stream," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to repeal chapter 87 of the public laws of 1862, relating to appeals from decision of County Commissioners," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. ROLFE,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to pay James Ripley the amount due him.

Mr. WEBB presented bill "an act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad," which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company, approved Feb. 28, 1867," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Amos M. Roberts and others, reported bill "an act to renew the charters of certain banks."

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, on "resolve in favor of the Stetson High School and Library Association," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, to which was recommitted bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the bill referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. REED, by leave, presented "resolve relating to the revision of the statutes," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of E. C. Spaulding and others, that a portion of South Thomaston, be set off and annexed to the city of Rockland, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Reform School, made a similar report.

Mr. HANSON, from the Committee on Manufactures, made a similar report.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to recording "Holmes' notes," so called, reported bill "an act to provide for the recording of certain contracts."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to the conveyance of certain lots of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughn, reported "resolve authorizing the conveyance of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughn of Lyndon."

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

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Education, on the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported bill "an act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of John H. Eveleth and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the North Piscataquis Dam Company."

The reported was accepted, and on motion of Mr. MAYO, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, "resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute," was taken from the table.

The vote whereby the Senate refused the resolve a passage, was reconsidered, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

• On motion of Mr. CUSHING, bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," was taken from the table.

Mr. MINOT, by leave, withdrew proposed amendments "A" and "G."

Mr. CUSHING, by leave, withdrew proposed amendment "B."

Mr. FRENCH, by leave, withdrew proposed amendments "C" and "D."

Mr. NEALLEY, by leave, withdrew proposed amendment "H."

Mr. MINOT proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendment marked "C," which was adopted.

On the question of adopting amendment marked "E" as printed, proposed by Mr. REED, on motion of that Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buck, Carleton, Carvill, Collins, Garcelon, Gibbs, Hanson, Holland, Mayo, Metcalf, Reed, Roberts, Rolfe, Talbot, Torrey and Webb—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Buffum, Cleaves, Cushing, French, Fuller, Gray, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Minot, Morse and Nealley—12.

So the amendment was adopted.

Amendment "F," proposed by Mr. REED, was adopted.

Mr. WEBB moved the indefinite postponement of the bill; and on that question, on motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buck, Carleton, Carvill, Collins, Gibbs, Hanson, Holland, Mayo, Metcalf, Reed, Rolfe, Talbot, Torrey and Webb—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Bolster, Buffum, Cleaves, Cushing, French, Fuller, Garcelon, Gray, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Minot, Morse and Nealley—14.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

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

"An act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water";

"An act to confirm the organizations of certain plantations in Aroostook county";

"An act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks";

"An act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner";

"An act to amend chapter 230 of the public laws of 1864, relating to evidence";

"An act to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund";

"An act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company";

"An act to repeal section 2 of chapter 264 of the acts of 1863, entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast";

"Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State";

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 chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

"An act to regulate the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine";

"An act to authorize the town of Bowdoinham to raise money for certain purposes";

"An act to incorporate the Merchants Warehouse Company";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve in favor of the town of Byron";

"Resolve in favor of the town of Madrid, in aid of repairing road in said town";

"Resolve in favor of the town of Grafton";

"Resolve in favor of the town of Roxbury";

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. LANG,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MASON of Thomaston.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

"Resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine";

"Resolve in favor of Mt. Desert as a naval and military station of the United States";

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

Petition of G. W. Berry, for authority to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, to which was recommitted bill "an act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company and to amend the charter of said company," that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, recommitted to the Committee on Education.

The Senate recessed, and recommitted the same in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, to which was recommitted with instructions an order relating to granting a pension to Lewis Selbing, with "resolve granting a pension to Lewis Selbing," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" adopted, and the resolve refused a passage in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to providing an income for the purpose of aiding the cause of common schools in the several cities, towns and plantations in this

State, to take the place of that which was formerly derived from the bank tax, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the repeal of a "resolve in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, approved Feb. 5th, 1870," that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to an appropriation to open a road from Caribou village to Fish river, in Aroostook county, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to an appropriation to build a bridge over Swift river, in the county of Oxford, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Charles E. Barrett, and others, for authority to use water of the Cumberland and Oxford canal for manufacturing purposes, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Phippsburg," that the same ought not to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on petition of Samuel D. Reed and others, with bill "an act to establish the Phippsburg Ice Company";

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of E. S. Higgins and others, with bill "an act to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale, and annex the same to the town of Manchester";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of B. S. Kelley and others, with bill "an act to amend section 1 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers";

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on petition of Jesse Smith, with "resolve in favor of Jesse Smith";

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to an appropriation to complete the bridge over Molunkus stream, with "resolve for an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over Molunkus stream on the Maine Military road";

Report of the Committee on Claims, on "resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Isle plantation, in the county of Lincoln," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolves each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Preston Fisher, with "resolve for the relief of Preston Fisher, late Assistant Surgeon of 31st Maine Volunteers, was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town and for other uses, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CARVILL.

On motion of Mr. MAYO, the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed bill "an act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations," was reconsidered, and on motion of Mr. LANG the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. CARVILL, by leave, presented bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mount Ararat Memorial Cemetery Association," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. TALBOT presented the petition of the Selectmen of Scarborough, for repeal of an act giving a portion of money paid by State, under chapter 225, laws of 1868, to inhabitants of Scarborough set off from Gorham," which was referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to authorizing the Land Agent to sell the remnant of land belonging to the State in Township No. 3, Range 1, Somerset county, known as Long Pond plantation, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands in the county of Somerset."

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on report of the Trustees of the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, reported "resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Orphan Asylum of Bath."

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of G. W. Berry, reported bill "an act to authorize G. W.

Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy into the tide waters of Owl's Head bay in the city of Rockland."

These reports were severally accepted, the bill and resolves each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy, for an appropriation, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. FULLER, from the Committee on Pensions, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made a similar report.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on Legal Reform, made a similar report, except so far as relates to the revision of the statutes.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to paying the amount due James Ripley, reported "resolve in favor of James Ripley."

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Education, on the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported bill "an act to amend sections 1 and 3, chapter 11 of the revised statutes."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

On motion of Mr. WEBB, bill "an act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland," was taken from the table, and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator, a message was sent to the House of Representatives, requesting a return to the Senate of bill "an act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, who subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and that in response thereto, the bill had been returned to the Senate.

On motion Mr. WEBB, the vote whereby the said bill was referred to the next Legislature, was reconsidered, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. CUSHING submitted Minority Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," that the same be referred to the next Legislature, and moved its substitution for the Majority Report, pending which, on motion of the same Senator, the reports were laid on the table, and the Minority Report ordered to be printed.

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

"An act additional to chapter 126 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds";

"An act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Hancock street in said city to Kenduskeag stream";

"An act to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water fowl by traps, etc.";

"An act to amend section 40 of chapter 4, section 11 of chapter 5, section 74 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, and chapter 40 of the public laws of 1866, relating to elections, public lands and ways";

"An act to amend section 88 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes";

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 provide for the recording of certain contracts";

"An act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington";

“Resolve authorizing the conveyance of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughn of Lyndon”;

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

“An act to amend section 14 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes,” which was read a second time, House amendment “A” adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

“An act to repeal chapter 87 of the laws of 1862, relating to appeals from decisions of County Commissioners,” which was read a second time, House amendment “A” adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

“An act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the Court of County Commissioners in the county of Hancock”;

“An act to change the name of the Association for the Relief of Aged and Indigent Women”;

“An act providing for the organization of plantations”;

“An act to amend section 17 of chapter 65 of the revised statutes, relating to the distribution of personal estate”;

“An act concerning the rate of interest”;

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

“An act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage”;

“An act to amend section 20, chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to expense of supporting the insane at the hospital”;

“An act to authorize Frederick Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport”;

“An act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river”;

“An act additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company”;

“An act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to survival of actions”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“ Resolve providing for the repeal of certain resolves relating to pensions”;

“ Resolve in aid of the Insane Hospital”;

“ Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton in Aroostook county”;

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. WEBB,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any change in the laws is required respecting the fees of notaries public in this State, was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of H. H. Staples, for the passage of a resolve authorizing the Land Agent to convey him a lot of land, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on petition of Selectmen of Brighton and others, for an appropriation for building road in said town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to amendment of law in relation to taking testimony in equity cases, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on petition of S. L. Milliken and others, with bill "an act in relation to a certain claim of Bickford C. Mathews";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Waldoborough Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on "resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn," that the same ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolve each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to reducing poll taxes, with bill "an act relating to the reduction of poll taxes," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and refused a passage in concurrence.

Bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," amended and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, Senate amendment "A" adopted, further amended as per sheet "C," and refused a passage.

The Senate rejected House amendment "C."

Mr. REED moved that the Senate insist upon its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and propose a Committee of Conference; and on that question, on motion of Mr. NEALLEY, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, Cushing, French, Fuller, Garcelon, Gray, Hanson, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Reed, Rolfe and Torrey—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Bolster, Gibbs, Holland, Metcalf, Morse, Nealley and Talbot—7.

So the Senate insisted on its former vote, and proposed a conference, and Messrs. Reed of Cumberland, Collins of Aroostook, and Minot of Kennebec, were appointed conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Marine Insurance Company," passed to be engrossed by 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 increase the compensation of members of the Legislature, introduced in the House and indefinitely postponed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended.

On the question of concurring with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill, on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buck, Buffum, Carvill, Cushing, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lang, Metcalf, Minot, and Talbot—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Cleaves, Collins, French, Fuller, Mayo, Morse, Nealley, Reed, Rolfe and Torrey—10.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend sections 1 and 3, chapter 11 of revised statutes";

Bill "an act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools";

Were each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. METCALF presented the petition of Albert Holton and others, for an act of incorporation as the Bangor Bank, which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. NEALLEY, by leave, presented bill "an act to legalize the official acts of John E. Hobbs of North Berwick, as Trial Justice," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. REED, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, on bill "an act additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate," reported the same amended as per sheet "A," and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted, the Senate receded, amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town

and for other uses and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," was taken from the table.

House amendments "A" and "B" were adopted.

Mr. CARVILL proposed amendment marked "C," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers," was taken from the table.

Same Senator moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of Mr. MINOT, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buck, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, Cushing, Garcelon, Gibbs, Gray, Holland, Lang, Metcalf, Morse, Nealley, Rolfe, Talbot and Torrey—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Buffum, French, Fuller, Kingsbury, Minot and Reed—6.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. NEALLEY, at his request, was excused from serving on the Joint Special Committee on Naval Commission Men, Paper Credits, &c., and Mr. Cleaves was appointed to the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, the Majority and Minority Reports of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," were taken from the table; and on motion of the same Senator, the reports were laid on the table, and Tuesday next assigned for their further consideration.

Mr. LANG, by leave, presented "resolve in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The same Senator, from the Joint Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to temperance, reported bill "an act to regulate the agencies for and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors."

The report was accepted, and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

The same Senator, from the Committee on Agriculture, on "resolve in aid of the St. John Agricultural Society," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, to which was recommitted bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

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

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

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, seventy-five copies of which shall be bound; and cause three copies of the same to be distributed to each of the members of this Senate, one copy to each of the Senators for 1871, the Governor and Council, Heads of Departments and Collegiate Institutions, and deposit the remaining copies in the State Library.

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

"An act to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale and annex the same to the town of Manchester";

"An act to amend section 1 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctioneers";

"Resolve in favor of Muscongus Isle plantation, in the county of Lincoln";

"Resolve in favor of Jesse Smith";

"Resolve for an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Maine Military road";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolve:

"An act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad";

"Resolve in favor of John Ripley";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to establish the Phippsburg Ice Company," which was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to amend section 9, chapter 7 of the revised statutes, relative to changing the Registry District of Aroostook county";

"An act additional to chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to banks";

"An act to supply the people of Augusta with pure water";

"An act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company";

"An act to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner";

"An act to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund";

"An act to repeal section 2, chapter 264 of the laws of 1863, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Belfast";

"An act to amend chapter 24 of the revised statutes, relating to paupers";

"An act to confirm the organization of certain plantations";

"An act to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital";

"An act to amend sections 145 and 157 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes";

"An act to amend chapter 230 of the public laws of 1864, relating to evidence";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

"Resolve in favor of the Maine Central Institute," which was 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. BUCK,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

"Resolve in favor of Charles F. Stevens," was referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital in concurrence.

"Resolve relating to National Military Asylums," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Selectmen of Roxbury and others, for abatement of State tax, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on petition of Benjamin L. Kelley and others, for the amount due to the town of Trescott from equalization of war debts, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on petition of Willard Glidden, for authority to control public lots in plantations, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on petition of citizens of Moro plantation, for the conveyance of lot of land to William Darling, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on petition of Sylvanus Poor and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company";

Report of the same Committee, on petition of Oliver Moses, with bill "an act additional to and to amend the acts incorporating the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to renew the charters of certain banks," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of P. M. Edmunds and others, with bill "an act to change the line dividing the towns of Mexico and Rumford," was accepted, the bill read twice the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on petition of the Trustees of the Fort Fairfield High School, with "resolve in favor of the Fort Fairfield High School," was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and refused a passage in concurrence.

The following communication from the Governor was read :

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

The bill entitled "an act additional to chapter 33 of the public laws of 1858, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors," has been laid before me for approval. Some of its provisions appear to be of so extraordinary a character as to suggest grave doubts of their propriety or good effects. But considering the remarkable circumstance that the bill has passed both Houses without opposition, I have given it my official signature.

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town, and for other uses, and to issue bonds to raise money therefor," was reconsidered, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Joint Special Committee on the Maine General Hospital, on the petition of the Trustees of that institution and others, reported "resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital."

Mr. METCALF, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Albert Holton and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Bank."

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Education, to which was recommitted bill "an act relating to habitual truants," reported the same without amendment, and that it ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, the bills each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. LINDSEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Winslow Bates and others, for an amendment to section 2, chapter 23 of revised statutes, providing for a lien on beasts, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of citizens of Rumford, for an act to legalize the doings of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. COLLINS, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of William Woodbury and others, for abatement of State tax of the town of Mexico, for the year 1869, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. KINGSBURY, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. BUFFUM, from the Committee on Education, made a similar report.

On motion of Mr. METCALF, the final report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, was taken from the table and accepted.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY, the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed, bill "an act to increase the compensation of members of the legislature," was reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve in favor of Mount Desert as a Naval and Military Station of the United States," reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on "resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That after this day, Lorenzo Garcelon, Senator from Waldo county, be excused from attendance, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

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

"An act in relation to a certain claim of Bickford C. Mathews";

"An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company";

"An act to incorporate the Waldoboro' Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company";

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves:

"An act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools";

"An act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory";

"An act to amend sections 1 and 3, chapter 11 of the revised statutes";

"Resolve in aid of the St. John Agricultural Society";

"Resolve in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society";

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 the following bills:

"An act to amend section 27 of chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in the Supreme Judicial Court";

"An act to amend chapter 12 of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands and funds arising therefrom";

"An act to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water fowls by traps, etc.";

"An act additional to chapter 126 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds";

"An act to amend section 40 of chapter 4, section 11 of chapter 5, section 74 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, and chapter 40 of the public laws of 1866, relating to elections, public lands and ways";

"An act to amend section 88 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes";

"An act to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Hancock street in said city to Kenduskeag stream";

"An act to repeal section 1 of chapter 87 of the public laws of 1862, relating to appeals from decisions of County Commissioners";

"An act to amend chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou";

"An act to authorize John C. Harriman and others, to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis";

"Resolve in favor of the town of Moscow";

"Resolve relating to an appropriation for the State Library";

"Resolve in aid of the Canada road";

"Resolve for the relief of Preston Fisher, late Assistant Surgeon of the 31st Regiment Maine Volunteers";

"Resolve laying a State tax on the several counties in the State";

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. METCALF,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Bill "an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve relating to the postal telegraph system," that the same ought to pass, was accepted, the resolve read once, and recommitted to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes," relating to the employment of teachers," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Spaulding of Richmond, Daggett of Strong, and Bonney of Portland, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its former vote, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, Talbot of Washington, and Torrey of Knox, conferees on its part.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 59, section 15 of revised statutes, relating to returns of persons solemnizing marriages, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company, with bill "an act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad," was accepted in concurrence, and the bill laid on the table on motion of Mr. REED.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Bucksport and other towns, with bill "an act to authorize certain

towns and the city of Ellsworth, to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad";

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to the Land Agent's report, with "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to obtain proposals for the purchase of certain lands, or to cause partition thereof";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bill and resolve each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company";

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company, chapter 215 of Acts and Resolves of 1858";

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.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court," indefinitely postponed by 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 annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle," passed to be engrossed by 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 agencies for, and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. REED presented bill "an act relating to injunctions, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The same Senator, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending section 19, chapter 46 of the revised statutes, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending chapter 11 of laws of 1869, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to amending chapter 207 of Acts and Resolves of 1868, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to suspending the statutes of limitations in certain case in bankruptcy, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize the Treasurer of State to issue registered bonds," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. LANG, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on bill "an act to prevent the destruction of bridges by driving lumber in rivers and streams," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

A message was received from the House by Mr. Mildram of Wells, informing the Senate that in the absence of the Speaker the House had made choice of Harrison Hume, Esq., of Cherryfield, as Speaker *pro tem*.

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

"An act additional to and to amend the acts incorporating the Knox & Lincoln Railroad Company";

"An act to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company";

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

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine";

"Resolve in favor of Mt. Desert as a naval and military station of the United States";

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 the following bills:

"An act to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale and annex the same to the town of Manchester";

"An act to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company";

“An act additional to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company”;

“An act to amend section 1 of chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of Jesse Smith”;

“Resolve relating to the revision of the statutes”;

“Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Isle plantation, in the county of Lincoln”;

“Resolve for an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over the Molunkus stream on the Maine Military road”;

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. WEBB,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McCULLY of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That all new matters offered after this day proposing legislation be referred to the next Legislature, was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill “an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln,” was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill “An act to amend section 44 of chapter 6 of the revised

statutes, relating to taxes on land in places not incorporated," was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on petition of Albert Emerson and others, for authority to build a toll bridge across Piscataquis river in Howland, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad," 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 bill "an act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Bank," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to authorize the Treasurer of State to issue registered bonds," was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to prevent the destruction of bridges by driving of lumber in rivers and streams," was read once and laid on the table on motion of Mr. GRAY.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on an order relating to protecting winter travel upon the waters within this State, reported bill "an act to prevent the destruction of roads on the ice."

The report was accepted and the bill laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of a public lot in Castle Hill plantation, Aroostook county"; and

"Resolve to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge";

Were taken from the table, read a second time, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Public Buildings, on a communication from the Governor relative to heating the State House by steam, and to needed repairs, reported in detail, submitting resolve making an appropriation for repairs of the State House.

On motion of the same Senator, the report and resolve were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Brunswick to erect a building for the use of said town, and for other uses, and to issue bonds therefor," was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the vote whereby the Senate adopted amendment "C," was reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed amendments marked "D," "E," "F" and "G," to amendment "C," which were adopted, amendment "C" as amended was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. REED, bill "an act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad," was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MORSE presented, bill "an act to incorporate the Bath Sugar House Company."

Mr. LANE presented, bill "an act to incorporate the Sebago Steamboat Company."

These bills were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. LANG, 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.

The same Senator, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made a similar report.

The same Senator, from the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, made a similar report.

The same Senator, from the Joint Select Committee on so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the subject of temperance, made a similar report.

Mr. TALBOT, from the Committee on Interior Waters, made a similar report.

Mr. FRENCH, from the Committee on Public Buildings, made a similar report.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Division of Counties, made a similar report.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," that the same ought to pass, was taken from the table, amended by substituting the Minority Report, that the same be referred to the next legislature, and accepted.

Mr. LANG moved to reconsider the foregoing votes, and that question was laid on the table, and assigned for to-morrow, at 11 A. M., on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

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

"An act to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company";

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company, chapter 215 of acts and resolves of 1858";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to obtain proposals for the purchase of certain lands or to cause partition thereof";

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 authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad," which was read a second time, House amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to regulate the agencies for and to prevent imposition in the sale of intoxicating liquors," which was read a second time.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company";

"An act to incorporate the Waldoborough Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company";

"An act in relation to certain claims of Bickford C. Matthews";

"An act to renew the charters of certain banks";

"An act to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell certain lands in the county of Somerset";

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. MORSE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CORTISS of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on an order relating to amending section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes, with bill "an act to amend section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coroners," was accepted, the bill read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Education on an order relating to the salary of the Superintendent of Common Schools, with bill "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 221 of the public laws of 1868,

relating to the State supervision of common schools," was accepted, the bill read once and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, the bill was laid on the table and Friday next assigned for its further consideration.

Bill "an act relating to habitual truants," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate recessed and concurred with the House.

"Resolve making appropriations for repairs of State House," was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed bill "an act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad," was reconsidered, and the same was laid on the table.

Mr. LANE, by leave, presented bill "an act additional to section 52 of chapter 80 of revised statutes, relating to sheriffs," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

On motion of Mr. MAYO, bill "an act in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company," was taken from the table, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. GRAY, bill "an act to prevent the destruction of bridges by driving of lumber in rivers and streams," was taken from the table, and read a second time; and on motion of Mr. LANG, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. METCALF, by leave, presented "resolve granting a pension to widow Betsey Reynolds of Burnham," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The hour assigned for consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate adopted the Minority Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to

incorporate the Union Depot Company," having arrived, the same was taken from the table; and on motion of Mr. LANG, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. LANG, bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad, to Bingham Village," was taken from the table, and read a second time.

The same Senator moved that the bill be referred to the next Legislature, and on that question, on motion of the same Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Buffum, Collins, Cushing, French, Fuller, Gray, Hanson, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Mayo, Metcalf, Minot, Morse, Nealley, Reed and Rolfe.—17.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Carvill, Cleaves, Gibbs, Holland, Talbot and Webb.—8.

So the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, bill "an act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company," was taken from the table.

Amendments "A," "B" and "C," proposed by Mr. MAYO, were adopted.

Mr. BUFFUM proposed amendment marked "D," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. REED, bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries, approved March 12, 1869," was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

Mr. REED proposed amendments marked "C," "D" and "E," which were adopted, and the bill, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

Mr. LANE, by leave, presented bill "an act to repeal an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of W. S. Kimball and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company."

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad”;

“An act to amend section 61, chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways”;

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 authorize the Treasurer of State to issue registered bonds,” 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 additional to chapter 90 of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate”;

“An act to legalize the official acts of John C. Hobbs of North Berwick, as Trial Justice”;

“An act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad”;

“An act to provide for the recording of certain contracts”;

“An act to incorporate the Maine Mutual Marine Insurance Company”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of the Stetson High School and Library Association”;

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. MAYO,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HERRIN of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That two hundred and nine thousand dollars be deducted from the valuation of the town of Veazie for the year 1870, and that the same be added to the valuation of the city of Bangor, was read and referred to the Penobscot County Delegation in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus”;

“Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen & Nash”;

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.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on petition of Selectmen of the town of Surry, with “resolve to reimburse the town of Surry”;

Report of the same Committee, on petition of George Johnson, with “resolve in favor of George Johnson”;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to the employment of persons confined in the county jails, with “resolve providing a commission to inquire into the jail system of the State”;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order in relation to an appropriation for a school in Long Island plantation, with “resolve in favor of a common school in Long Island plantation”;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the resolves each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of William Rogers, with “resolve in favor of William Rogers,” was accepted in concurrence, and the resolve was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CARVILL.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill “an act to amend chapter 11 of the

revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers," that the Committee are unable to agree, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

Mr. LANG moved that a second Committee of Conference be appointed, and on that question, on motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Buffum, French, Fuller, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Metcalf, Minot, Nealley, Reed and Rolfe.—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, Gibbs, Talbot, Torrey and Webb.—8.

So the Senate proposed a Second Conference, and Messrs. Lang of Kennebec, Carvill of Cumberland, and Nealley of York, were appointed conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act concerning insurance and insurance companies," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A," "B," "C," "D" and "E," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, House amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D," were adopted, House amendment "E" was rejected, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and adopted amendment "A."

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed as amended, on motion of Mr. Holland, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buffum, Carvill, Collins, Cushing, French, Fuller, Garcelon, Gray, Hanson, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Nealley, Reed, Rolfe and Webb—19.

NAYS—Messrs. Carleton, Cleaves, Gibbs, Holland, Metcalf, Talbot, and Torrey—7.

So the resolve, as amended, passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath,"

passed to be engrossed by 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 prevent the destruction of roads on the ice";

Bill "an act additional to section 52 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs";

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. REED moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate referred to the next Legislature bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village";

And on that question, on motion of Mr. WEBB, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Cleaves, Fuller, Holland, Metcalf, Reed, Rolfe, Torrey and Webb—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Collins, French, Gibbs, Gray, Hanson, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Morse, Nealley and Talbot—13.

So the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, bill "an act to incorporate the North Piscataquis Dam Company," was taken from the table and read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. TALBOT proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

Mr. WEBB proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "C."

Mr. FRENCH proposed an amendment to amendment "C," marked "D," which was adopted.

On the question of adopting amendment "C," as amended by amendment "D," on motion of Mr. WEBB, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Cleaves, Collins, Cushing, French, Fuller, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Metcalf, Minot, Morse, Reed, Torrey and Webb—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Buffum, Carvill, Nealley, Rolfe and Talbot—5.

So the amendment was adopted.

Mr. BUFFUM proposed amendment marked "E," which was adopted.

Mr. LANG moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of Mr. WEBB, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Carleton, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, French, Fuller, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Morse Nealley, Reed, Torrey and Webb—19.

NAYS—Messrs. Buffum, Gibbs, Kingsbury, Metcalf, Rolfe and Talbot—6.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. LANG presented "resolve in favor of paying expense of Joint Special Committee to visit the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Claims, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on State Prison, made a similar report.

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, made a similar report.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That Hon. S. W. Collins, Senator from Aroostook county, be excused from attendance after Friday next, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

Ordered, That Hon. Luther H. Webb, Senator from Somerset county, be excused from attendance after this day, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

Mr. REED, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to injunctions," reported that the same ought to pass.

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

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

"An act to amend section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coronors," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

"Resolve granting a pension to widow Betsey Reynolds of Burnham," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

"Resolve making appropriations for repairs of State House," which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. REED.

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

"An act additional to and to amend an act incorporating the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company";

"An act to authorize the town of Brunswick to loan money to build a town building, to issue bonds, and provide a sinking fund in payment therefor";

"An act to amend sections 1 and 3 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to school districts";

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the St. Croix Gas Light Company";

"An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Company";

"An act to authorize G. W. Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy into the tide waters of Owl's Head bay in the city of Rockland";

"An act to amend section 61 chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways";

"An act for the protection of trout and pickerel in certain waters in Hiram and Porter";

"An act to incorporate the Bangor Bank";

"An act to authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad";

"An act to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company";

"An act to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to obtain proposals for the purchase of certain lands or to cause partition thereof";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to change the location of a public lot in Castle Hill plantation, in Aroostook county";

"Resolve in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine";

"Resolve authorizing the conveyance of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughn of Lyndon";

"Resolve in favor of Grant Isle plantation";

"Resolve to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge";

"Resolve in favor of Mt. Desert as a Naval and Military Station of the United States";

"Resolve in favor of James Ripley";

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. FRENCH,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet this afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,

The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Insane Hospital, on "resolve in favor of Charles F. Stevens," that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on an order, with bill "an act to amend section 1, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, and to repeal chapter 186 of the public laws of the year 1868, relating to railroads."

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve relating to National Military Asylums," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was re-committed, bill "an act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington," with the same, without amendment, and that it ought to pass.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the courts in Lincoln county, with bill "an act to change the time of holding the April term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln."

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William P. Frye, with bill "an act to increase the pay of the Attorney General."

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

"Resolve in relation to the publication of the revised statutes";

"Resolve to replace certain books destroyed by fire in the office of the Judge of Probate of Hancock county";

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.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on "resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," that the same ought to pass, was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and refused a passage in concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, referred to the next Legislature.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

"Resolve in favor of Waldo Agricultural Society," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per

sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed. The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

"Resolve in aid of the St. John Agricultural Society," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company."

The question being on reconsidering the vote, whereby the Senate amended the report by substituting the Minority for the Majority Report, the same was reconsidered.

The amendment was rejected, and the report was accepted, and the bill read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment marked "A."

Mr. REED proposed amendment marked "B" to amendment "A."

On the question of adopting amendment "B," on motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Collins, Gibbs, Gray, Hanson, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Morse, Nealley and Reed—10.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carleton, Carvill, Cleaves, Cushing, French, Fuller, Holland, Kingsbury, Metcalf, Rolfe, Talbot and Torrey—14.

So amendment "B" was rejected.

Amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill as amended passed to be engrossed.

Mr. FULLER, from the Penobscot County Delegation, on an order relating to the valuation of the town of Veazie, reported recommending the passage of the following order :

"That the Joint Standing Committee on State Valuation be instructed to take the sum of one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars from the valuation of the town of Veazie in the county of Penobscot, and add the same to the valuation of the city of Bangor, in said county."

The report was accepted and the order passed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries, approved March 12, 1869”;

“An act to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad”;

“An act to incorporate the Sebago Steamboat Company”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Commissioners on State Valuation, was referred to the Committee on State Valuation in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of John Hopkins and others, with bill “an act to amend chapter 338 of the special laws of 1850, relating to ways in Vinalhaven,” was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

“An act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington”;

“An act to increase the pay of the Attorney General”;

“An act to change the time of holding the April Term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln”;

"An act to amend section 1, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, and to repeal chapter 186 of the public laws of the year 1868, relating to railroads";

"Resolve in relation to the publication of the revised statutes";

"Resolve to replace certain books destroyed by fire in the office of the Judge of Probate of Hancock county";

"Resolve in favor of the proprietor of the Eastern Argus";

"Resolve providing a Commission to inquire in the Jail System of this State";

"Resolve in favor of a common school in Long Island plantation";

"Resolve in favor of George Johnson";

"Resolve relating to National Military Asylums";

"Resolve to reimburse the town of Surry";

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen & Nash";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act additional to section 52 of chapter 80 of revised statutes, relating to Sheriffs," which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to prevent the destruction of roads on the ice," which was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," which was read a second time.

Mr. CARLETON proposed amendment marked "A," pending which, on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. FRENCH, by leave, presented bill "an act amendatory of an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society, approved March 1st, 1870, which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANG, from the second Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on bill "an act to amend

chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers," reported recommending that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

The question being on accepting the report of the Conference, on motion of Mr. MINOT, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bolster, Buffum, Cushing, French, Garcelon, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Morse, Nealley and Reed—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Carleton, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, Fuller, Gibbs, Metcalf, Rolfe, Talbot and Torrey—11.

So the report was accepted.

The Senate receded from its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

The question being on passing the bill to be engrossed,

Mr. CLEAVES proposed amendment marked "A," and on the question of its adoption, on motion of the same Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Carleton, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, Fuller, Garcelon, Gibbs, Metcalf, Rolfe, Talbot and Torrey—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bolster, Buffum, Cushing, French, Gray, Hanson, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Morse, Nealley and Reed—14.

So the amendment was rejected.

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That on and after this day, Saturday excepted, the Senate hold two sessions each day, commencing at nine o'clock in the forenoon and two and a half o'clock in the afternoon.

The same Senator, from the Joint Select Committee on State Valuation, on the valuation lists of the State as prepared and completed by the Commissioners on State Valuation, appointed under resolve approved February 9, 1869, reported said lists, recommending their adoption, and submitting "resolve establishing a valuation of the State of Maine."

The report was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

Pending the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. LANG, the resolve was laid on the table, and

three o'clock this afternoon assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,
The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Manufactures on bill "an act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on the petition of Sarah M. Cunningham, that the same be referred to the Governor and Council, and also submitting "resolve for the payment of lost bonds, coupons and other State securities."

The report was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANE.

Bill "an act to authorize Daniel Tillson and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Hurricane Island harbor," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve granting a pension to widow Betsey Reynolds of Burnham," passed to be engrossed by 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 concerning insurance and insurance companies," passed to be engrossed by the Senate as amended by the House per sheets "A," "B," "C" and "D," and House amendment "E" rejected by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote adopting amendment "E," the bill further amended as per sheet "F," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, "resolve in favor of William Rogers," was taken from the table, and read a second time.

On motion of the same Senator, the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

The hour assigned for the consideration of "resolve establishing a Valuation of the State of Maine," having arrived, the same was taken from the table.

Mr. LANG moved to recommit the same to the Committee on State Valuation, with certain instructions "to value all townships and plantations not organized plantations, but organized for election purposes only, as wild lands," and on that question, on motion of the same Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Collins, French, Gray, Kingsbury, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Morse and Nealley—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buffum, Carleton, Carvill, Cleaves, Cushing, Fuller, Garcelon, Gibbs, Hanson, Holland, Lane, Metcalf, Reed, Rolfe, Talbot and Torrey—18.

So the motion was lost.

The resolve passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the vote whereby the Senate refused a passage to "resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator, the Senate non-concurred with the House in refusing the resolve a passage, House amendment "A" was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CUSHING presented "resolve in relation to pay of Commissioners," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

Ordered, That Hon. Ruggles S. Torrey, Senator from Knox county, be excused from attendance on and after to-morrow, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, bill "an act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company," was taken from the table.

The question being on the adoption of amendment "A," proposed by Mr. CARLETON,

On motion of that Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Carleton, French, Holland, Kingsbury, Lane, Mayo, Nealley and Talbot—8.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Cleaves, Cushing, Fuller, Gibbs, Gray, Hanson, Lang, Metcalf, Minot, Morse, Reed, Rolfe and Torrey—14.

So the amendment was rejected.

The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. REED moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed, bill “an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company.”

And on that question, on motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bolster, Buffum, Cleaves, French, Fuller, Gibbs, Gray, Hanson, Lane, Lang, Mayo, Morse, Nealley, Reed, Rolfe and Talbot—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Carleton, Carvill, Cushing, Garcelon, Holland, Kingsbury, Metcalf, Minot and Torrey—10.

So the vote was reconsidered.

Mr. REED proposed amendments marked “B,” “C” and “D,” which were adopted.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, as amended, on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Bolster, Cleaves, French, Fuller, Gibbs, Hanson, Lane, Lang, Minot, Morse, Nealley, Reed, Rolfe and Talbot—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carleton, Carvill, Cushing, Holland, Kingsbury, Mayo, Metcalf and Torrey—10.

So the bill passed to be engrossed as amended.

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

“An act to incorporate the Bath Sugar House Company”;

“An act to authorize the Treasurer of State to issue registered bonds”;

“An act to amend section 11, chapter 139 of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coroners”;

“An act to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company”;

“An act to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners for the county of Washington”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital”;

“Resolve in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath”;

“Resolve in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts”;

“Resolve in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society”;

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.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein,” which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. REED.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY MARCH 19, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

Papers from the House :

Bill "act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and Monday assigned for its second reading.

Order directing the Committee on State Valuation to take \$175,000 from the valuation of Veazie and add the same to the valuation of Bangor, passed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A" and "B" and passed to be engrossed.

On the question of receding and concurring with the House in adopting amendments "A" and "B," on motion of Mr. LANE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carleton, Collins, French, Fuller, Kingsbury and Torrey—6.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Cushing, Gibbs, Hanson, Holland, Lane, Lang, Mayo, Metcalf, Minot, Morse, Nealley, Reed, Rolfe and Talbot—18.

So the Senate refused to recede and the amendments were rejected.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to injunctions";

Bill "an act additional to an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage";

Were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. REED,

A message was sent to the Governor by the Secretary requesting a return to the Senate of bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries, approved March 12, 1869.

The Secretary subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and that the Governor in response thereto had transmitted the bill to the Senate.

It appearing that the bill was not truly and strictly engrossed, amendments "A," "B," "C," "D" and "E" adopted by both Houses not being incorporated in the bill as engrossed, on motion Mr. REED, the vote whereby the Senate passed the bill to be enacted was reconsidered.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," was taken from the table.

Pending the question of receding and concurring with the House in the adoption of amendment "A," on motion of Mr. LANG, the bill was laid on the table, and three o'clock this afternoon assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,

Ordered, That the Secretary make up fifteen dollars additional to the pay of the Assistant Secretary, the same being for extra services.

On motion of Mr. REED,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

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

"An act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures," which was read a second time and refused a passage in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to authorize David Tillson and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Hurricane Island harbor," which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in relation to pay of commissioners,” which was read a second time.

Mr. GARCELON proposed amendment marked “A,” pending which, on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the resolve was laid on the table and this afternoon assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, “resolve making appropriations for repairs of State House,” was taken from the table.

The question being on passing the resolve to be engrossed,

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment marked “A,” pending which, on motion of Mr. FRENCH, the resolve was laid on the table, and half past two o’clock this afternoon assigned for its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,

The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns on the petition of David Townsend and others, with bill “an act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington,” was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended.

On the question of concurring with the House in refusing the bill a passage, on motion of Mr. MINOT, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Holland, Kingsbury, Lane, Metcalf, Rolfe and Talbot—6.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Carleton, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, French, Fuller, Lang, Mayo, Minot, Nealley, Reed and Torrey—14.

So the Senate refused to concur with the House and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges on bill “an act to amend sections 1 and 15 of chapter 218 of the

special laws of 1869, entitled an act to incorporate the Saco River Railroad Company, approved March 5, 1869," that the same ought to pass, was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Building Association";

"Resolve amending the report of the State Valuation Commissioners";

"Resolve concerning the State valuation of certain towns in York county";

Severally introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the method of empannelling juries, with bill "an act relative to the selection and empannelling of juries for the trial of civil causes and criminal cases, other than capital, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to amend chapter 33 of the private and special laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on bill, "an act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest, that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act for the preservation of certain birds," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of "resolve making appropriations for repairs of State House, specially assigned for half past two o'clock.

The question being on the adoption of amendment "A," under consideration at adjournment,

Mr. TALBOT, proposed amendment "B" as a substitute for amendment "A."

The substitute was adopted and the resolve as amended passed to be engrossed.

Mr. CARVILL, by leave, presented "resolve in favor of Albert W. Paine," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed.

The hour assigned for the consideration of bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," having arrived the same was taken from the table.

The Senate receded from its former vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

On the question of concurring with the House in the adoption of amendment "A," on motion of Mr. FRENCH, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bartlett, Fuller, Kingsbury, Minot and Talbot—5.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bolster, Carleton, Carvill, Cleaves, Collins, French, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Nealley, Reed and Torrey—12.

So the amendment was rejected.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendments marked "B," "C" and "D," which were adopted.

Mr. MINOT proposed amendment marked "E," which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. REED, the vote whereby the Senate rejected House amendment "A" was reconsidered; and

On motion of the same Senator, the bill as amended was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed with amendment "A."

Mr. REED presented "resolve for the collection and publication of industrial statistics of the State," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of William Rogers," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch receding from its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed and referring the same to the Governor and Council.

On motion of Mr. REED, the Senate insisted on its former vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

On motion of Mr. LANE,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That all errors or grievances of any city, town or plantation, growing out of the Report of the Valuation Commissioners and presented to this House for its action, be referred to the next Legislature without debate, was read and passed in concurrence.

Order : That twenty thousand dollars be taken from the valuation of Mapleton in Aroostook county, and added to the valuation of Westfield plantation in said county, was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on "resolve relating to the State arsenals at Bangor and Portland," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Grant Isle and School District No. 2 therein, relating to assessment of taxes," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company," amended as per sheets "A" and "B," and passed to be engrossed by the House, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate with House amendments "A" and "B" rejected, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote adopting amend-

ments "A" and "B," and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle, Holbrook of Freeport, and Hinks of Bucksport, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote rejecting said amendments, concurred in the proposed Conference, and appointed Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Holland of Androscoggin, and Cleaves of Oxford, conferees on its part.

"Resolve in favor of William Rogers," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote referring the same to the Governor and Council, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Gannett of Bath, Humphrey of Bangor, and Waterhouse of Portland, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted on its vote and concurred in the proposed Conference, and appointed Messrs. Reed of Cumberland, Minot of Kennebec, and Bartlett of Hancock, conferees on its part.

"Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House further amended as per sheet "B," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court," passed to be engrossed by 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 additional to chapter 17 of the revised statutes," was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

"Resolve to correct a mistake in the report of the State Valuation Commissioners," was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Mr. REED, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two houses, on bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," reported that the Committee were unable to agree and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. LANG, the Senate proposed a second Conference, and appointed Messrs. Lang of Kennebec, Cushing of Waldo, and French of Franklin, conferees on its part.

Mr. LINDSEY presented bill "an act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes," relating to railroad fences, which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. REED presented bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Warehouse Company," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to February 25th, 1862," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Farwell of Augusta, Burgess of Portland, and Reed of Waldoborough, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its vote indefinitely postponing the bill, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Cushing of Waldo, Cleaves of Oxford, and Metcalf of Lincoln, conferees on its part.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,

Ordered, That F. Loring Talbot, Senator from Washington county, be excused from attendance after this day, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That Hon. P. J. Carleton, Senator from Knox county, be excused from further attendance, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve in favor of a postal telegraph system," reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, reported that said Committee had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to amend chapter 33 of the private and special laws of 1869, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Co.";

"An act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest";

"An act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations";

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 Sebois Dam Company," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act for the preservation of certain birds," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

"An act additional to an act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors";

"An act to increase the salary of the Attorney General";

"An act concerning insurance and insurance companies";

"An act to change the time of the April Term of Supreme Judicial Court for the county of Lincoln";

"An act to amend section 1, chapter 51 of the revised statutes, and to repeal chapter 186 of the public laws of 1868, relating to railroads";

"An act to amend chapter 338 of the special laws of 1850, relating to ways in Vinalhaven";

"An act additional to an act to amend chapter 101 of the laws of 1859, relating to drainage";

"An act to amend the 22d sec. of the 11th chap. of the revised statutes, relating to powers and obligations of school districts";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen & Nash";

"Resolve relating to National Military Asylums";

“Resolve to replace certain books destroyed by fire at the office of the Judge of Probate of Hancock county”;

“Resolve in favor of George Johnson”;

“Resolve in relation to the publication of the revised statutes”;

“Resolve providing a Commission to inquire into the Jail System of this State”;

“Resolve in favor of a common school in Long Island plantation”;

“Resolve to reimburse the town of Surry”;

“Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus”;

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. REED,
The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Settlement of the Public Lands, on so much of the Governor's Message as relates thereto, with bill “an act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands,” was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

Bill “an act to increase the compensation of members of the Legislature,” amended and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote indefinitely postponing the bill, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Hume of Cherryfield, Irish of Sherman, and Bonney of Portland, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

The Senate insisted on its former vote, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. French of Franklin, Mayo of Piscataquis, and Rolfe of Washington, conferees on its part.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on “resolve in favor of William Rogers,” that the same be indefinitely postponed, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance on an order relating to the Granger Turnpike Company, with "resolve appropriating the proceeds of the sale of certain lands to the use of the Granger Turnpike Company," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY presented bill "an act to authorize the town of Norridgewock to take stock in the Norridgewock Bridge," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANG, by leave, presented bill "an act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association," which was read once and tomorrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That Hon. John B. Nealley, Senator from York county, be excused from attendance after this day, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following bill: "An act to legalize the doings of the town of Grant Isle and school district No. 2 therein, relating the assessment of taxes," which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve: "Resolve relating to the State arsenals at Bangor and Portland," which was read a second time, House amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company";

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries, approved March 12, 1869";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve amending the report of the State Valuation Commissioners";

"Resolve concerning the State valuation of certain towns in York county";

“Resolve granting a pension to widow Betsey Reynolds of Burnham”;

“Resolve establishing a valuation of the State of Maine”;

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. TALBOT,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That sixty-two polls be stricken from the valuation of the town of Corinna as having been put there by mistake ;

That the Committee on State Valuation inquire into the expediency of reducing the valuation of the town of New Vineyard, Franklin county, by deducting therefrom the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, it appearing, on comparison of its valuation with that of other towns, to be greatly overestimated ;

Were severally referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of James Devine, with “resolve in favor of James Devine,” was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendment marked “A,” which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the resolve was referred to the Governor and Council.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference on the the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill “an act to increase the compen-

sation of members of the Legislature," that the House recede and concur with the Senate, was rejected in concurrence.

"Resolve concerning the valuation of certain towns in the county of Kennebec";

"Bill "an act to change the time of holding the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Knox, and to establish another term of said court therein";

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve concerning the State valuation of Bluehill";

"Resolve concerning the State valuation of Dedham";

Were severally referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

"Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CUSHING.

A communication was received from Hon. Parker P. Burleigh, Land Agent, in response to an order of the Senate, transmitting schedule exhibiting the quantity of selling lands remaining unsold in each of the townships set apart and designated for settlement; the quantity contracted to settlers; the number of acres of land in each of said townships, reserved and located for public uses; the quantity of timber lands owned by State; and the quantity of land embraced in the townships, the timber and lumber upon which were reserved for the permanent school fund, which was read, and on motion of Mr. CUSHING, was laid on the table and one thousand copies ordered to be printed.

"Resolve for the collection and publication of industrial statistics of the State," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House referred to the next Legislature.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, "resolve in relation to pay of Commissioners," was taken from the table.

Amendment "A," proposed by Mr. GARCELON, (pending when the resolve was laid on the table,) was adopted.

Mr. CUSHING proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. REED, bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory," was taken from the table.

The question being on the adoption of House amendment "A,"

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendment marked "F" to amendment "A," which was adopted.

Mr. REED proposed amendment marked "G" to amendment "A," which was adopted.

House amendment "A" was adopted as amended, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. LANE, "resolve for the payment of lost bonds, coupons, and other State securities," was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. REED, the resolve was referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. GRAY, by leave, presented bill "an act relating to the Hallowell and Chelsea Bridge," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY, by leave, presented bill "an act to authorize one railroad company to guarantee the bonds of another," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANG.

The hour assigned for the consideration of bill "an act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands," having arrived, the same was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. TALBOT,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be instructed to furnish each officer and member of the Senate and House of Representatives with one copy of the acts and resolves of the year 1870.

Mr. CUSHING, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to incorporate the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

On motion of Mr. FULLER, bill "an act to prevent the destruc-

tion of bridges by driving of lumber in rivers and streams," was taken from the table.

Mr. FULLER proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

Mr. LANE proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. LANG, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association," 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 sections 1 and 5 of chapter 218 of the special laws of 1869, entitled an act to incorporate the Saco river Railroad Company, approved March 5, 1869";

"An act to authorize David Tillson and others, to extend a wharf into tide waters of Hurricane Island harbor";

"An act amendatory of an act to amend chapter 224 of the laws of 1856, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society, approved March 1st, 1870";

"An act to set off part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell";

"An act to incorporate the Kennebunk Building Association";

"An act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to employment of teachers";

"An act relating to injunctions";

"An act relative to the selection and empanelling of juries for the trial of civil cases and criminal cases other than capital";

"An act additional to an act respecting actions against executors and administrators, approved February 3d, 1869";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

"Resolve in favor of paying expense of Joint Special Committee to visit College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," 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. CUSHING,
The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Orders from the House :

The Senate concurring, That this Legislature finally adjourn on Thursday, March 24, at ten o'clock A. M., was read and passed in concurrence.

That the Committee on State Valuation inquire into the expediency of deducting the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) from the valuation of the several towns in Madawaska district, and adding it to such other place as they shall think proper, was read and referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

“Resolve relating to the valuation of the town of Gouldsborough,” was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Bill “an act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington,” passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its former vote refusing the bill a passage.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Gibbs of Cumberland, Bartlett of Hancock, and Torrey of Knox, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANG, bill “an act to authorize one railroad company to guarantee the bonds of another,” was taken from the table.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bolster, Buffum, Cleaves, Cushing, Fuller, Gibbs, Gray, Kingsbury, Lane, Lang, Lindsey, Mayo, Metcalf, Minot, Nealley, Roberts, Rolfe and Talbot—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Hanson, Holland and Torrey—5.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANG, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two houses on bill "an act to abolish capital punishment," reported that they were unable to agree and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

"Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate non-concurred in the action of the House, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Gray of Kennebec, Carvill of Cumberland, and Kingsbury of Penobscot, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That Hon. Charles E. Gibbs, Senator from Cumberland county, be excused from attendance after this date, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries on petition of A. H. Whitmore and others, with bill "an act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendments "A" and "B" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANG,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Root of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Joint Special Committee, on the communication of the Adjutant General of January 20, 1870, and so much of the Report of the Commissioners on the Equalization of Municipal War Debts, as relates to "Paper Credits" and Naval Commission Men, as follows :

REPORT.

After the appointment and organization of the Committee, there was an unavoidable delay in obtaining the necessary abstracts from the Adjutant General's Office, as much time and labor were required in making them, so that the end of the session drew near before the Committee could fairly get at work. On account of the various duties of the members of the Committee, that could not be disregarded, they have found it almost impossible to find time for this investigation.

Your Committee first investigated the charges against towns, as they appear by the books of the Adjutant General's Office, for deficiency of men under the call of October 17, 1863. Charges were found against one hundred and twenty-five towns of the State, varying from two hundred to seven thousand dollars. Your Committee found that on account of these charges, these towns were unable to draw the whole or any part of the bonds awarded them by the Commissioners on Equalization.

These charges are said to have occurred late in the year 1863 and in 1864, of which during the past six or seven years, many if not all of the towns had received no notice. During this time, a committee had been raised by the Legislature to inquire into the financial conditions of towns, in relation to war matters. This committee knew nothing of these charges, as we have been assured by one of its members. We have been assured by the author of the bill for the Assumption of the War Debts, that the bill was

drawn without any reference to those charges. The Commissioners on said Assumption were in session a year, and they knew nothing of them. And considering the important fact that they did not appear on the State Treasurer's books as assets of the State, and further the fact being patent to all, that it was the intention of the Legislature when they provided for the Assumption of the War Debt, to relieve the towns of a part, at least, of the burdens that were weighing them down, it is not to be wondered at that towns viewed those charges with distrust and refused to pay them, and that they demanded an investigation of them. The theory in explanation of those charges offered by Adjutant General Hodsdon, is substantially as follows: That under the October call of 1863, the State paid a bounty of \$100, and that \$200 was about the established bounty paid by towns. Under this call some towns filled their quotas, some more than filled them, and others did not fill them at all. In February of the following year, another call was made, into which the October call was merged. There was also another call in March, and another in July, and one in December. During the month of February a law was passed giving to recruits \$300 State bounty.

This law was in force until cut off by General Order No. 32, under date of November 4, 1864, which order it is stated was a positive necessity though in violation of the existing law. After the passage of this law, the State paid the bounty of \$300 without discriminating between those men that were put upon the October quotas when only \$100 was paid, and those that were put upon subsequent calls when \$300 was paid. They then called upon the towns to return the number of men to whom they had paid town bounty under the October call, and whatever deficiency there was, was charged on the books to the towns, at the rate of \$200 per man. But in making up the accounts it is not pretended that they were made up from the pay rolls, where all the men had receipted. But whenever a deficiency was found in the October quotas, it "was presumed" that the State had paid the bounty, and it was accordingly charged, thus throwing the burden of proof on the towns. That is to say, instead of the State showing why and for what the towns were thus charged, the authorities then in power, threw the burden on the towns to show that they did not owe the sums charged. It is not claimed that this course was supported

by authority of then existing law, except inferentially. So much for the explanation of the authorities then in power. Your Committee have examined the cases of as many towns as their time would permit. In the case of the first town they examined, they found the State had charged it with \$3,400 for a deficiency of seventeen men, under the October call of 1863; and that the State had paid \$200 each, on the town's account.

On examination of the Pay Rolls in the Adjutant General's Office, they found that the State had paid but \$100, and the town produced receipts for fifteen of the men, and assured the Committee that they could account for the other two. Thus it was shown that the claim of the State was without foundation. In the case of another town they found charged with \$4,400, it was ascertained that the State paid \$300 each, and that the town paid brokers \$450 each. A case of very great hardship, for this town raised more than sixteen per cent. of its valuation to pay its war debt. Your Committee were led to scrutinize this case carefully, and the evidence showed that they put in the latter months of 1864, fifty-six men to fill preceding calls; twenty-two of these men were taken to fill the October 1863 call, for which the town is charged \$4,400. All but six of these men were enlisted and paid after the General Order of November 4th, 1864, had been issued expressly stating that but \$100 State bounty would be paid on quotas filled under existing calls.

The orders for the payment of State bounty, were presented by a well known firm of substitute brokers. Now, while these orders were paid to substitute brokers in defiance of Order No. 32, it has been shown to your Committee that town agents were held to the strict letter of the order. The explanation of this was that the call of October 17, 1863, and the call in the early part of 1864, were not considered existing calls. Your Committee examined the case of another town charged \$7,200 for a deficiency of thirty-six men. Your Committee think that the State has no claim in this case. There were other cases where the towns did not dispute that the State had paid the bounty for men deficient, but the authorities of those towns testified that they had never been notified of their indebtedness for such bounty paid.

A large class of towns remote from the State capital was brought to the notice of the Committee, which had responded until every

available man had been sent forward and their pecuniary resources exhausted. A number of these towns now find that they are indebted to the State more than the bonds awarded them. These seem to be cases of peculiar hardship, and if the theory of the former officers of the State is carried out, it will work very great injustice. In order to do justice to this class of towns, and in view of the fact that these deficiencies were for men and not for money, and that these claims had lain dormant for so many years, a majority of the Committee were at first in favor of canceling all these charges at once. But, fearing that injustice might be done to many towns which have already responded and paid these charges, and possibly that the interests of the State might suffer, your Committee have concluded to recommend a method of adjustment embodied in the resolves which are herewith submitted.

Your Committee were also to take into consideration so much of the Report of the Commissioners on the Assumption of Municipal War Debts as relates to "Paper Credit" Naval Commission Men, and other matters therein mentioned. This part of the investigation your Committee did not reach before it was nearly time to end their labors and report. In this matter it was in evidence before your Committee that more than two hundred towns purchased "Paper men," for which they paid about a million of dollars. As to Naval Credits, it was shown to the Committee that towns bought what no man had a right to sell,—the fact being that these credits should have been deducted from the quota of the State; but instead of this, they were sold to towns and the State paid a bounty of \$300 each. It was further shown us that the same men that had once enlisted and been paid State and town bounty, were, by being transferred to other regiments, sold for large sums of money. It was also shown to your Committee that the "sham substitute" business was indeed very profitable—to individuals but not to the United States Government, nor to the State of Maine; for the Government did not receive its men and the State lost the bounty. All these matters we should have investigated, but want of time prevented.

Very many persons have applied to your Committee to testify in regard to these things, but we have had no opportunity to examine them. And your Committee are of the opinion that if this matter is to be investigated further, a commission of three persons be

appointed by the Governor and Council to examine the same and report to the next Legislature.

M. D. L. LANE.
THOMAS P. CLEAVES.
H. HUME.
S. F. HUMPHREY.
S. WASSON.
DANIEL STICKNEY.
J. W. SPAULDING.
ORRICK HAWES.
L. H. STOVER.

With "resolve relating to certain charges against towns, and to credits for men not put into the service."

The report was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. REED proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted.

Mr. CLEAVES proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed as amended, on motion of Mr. CUSHING, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Bolster, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Cushing, French, Fuller, Gray, Hanson, Holland, Lane, Lang, Lindsey, Mayo, Metcalf, Minot, Morse, Reed, Roberts, Rolfe, and Torrey—22.

NAY—Mr. Kingsbury—1.

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize one railroad company to guarantee the bonds of another," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House referred to the next Legislature, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. LINDSEY.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, requesting the return to that branch of bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein."

On motion of Mr. MINOT, the Secretary was directed to return the bill to the House.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to the survival of actions, approved March 11, 1870";

"Resolve on the pay roll of the House";

Severally introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in relation to the State valuation of Richmond," was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

"Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LINDSEY presented "resolve in relation to the State valuation of the town of Norridgewock," which was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

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 authorize the town of Norridgewock to take stock in the Norridgewock bridge";

"An act to incorporate the Maine Warehouse Company";

"An act additional to section 52 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes, relating to sheriffs";

"An act to incorporate the Sebois Dam Company";

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Grant Isle and school district No. 2 therein, relating to assessment of taxes";

"An act additional to chapter 46 of the revised statutes, concerning corporations";

"An act for the preservation of certain birds";

"An act to amend chapter 33 of the private and special laws of 1869, relating to Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Co.";

"An act additional to chapter 82 of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court";

"An act to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools";

"An act to repeal chapter 45 of the revised statutes, relating to interest";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

"Resolve making appropriations for repairs of State House";

"Resolve appropriating the proceeds of the sale of certain lands to the use of the Granger Turnpike Company";

"Resolve relating to the State Arsenals at Bangor and Portland";

"Resolve concerning debts of this State contracted prior to February 25, 1862";

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. LINDSEY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to prepare a Legislative Manual for 1870, under the direction of the Governor and Council, to contain such statistical matter as they may determine; and that three hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate, and the usual number for the use of the House; *provided*, that a contract is not made for the "Maine State Political Manual and Annual Register," in conformity with the provisions of a resolve approved March 3, 1870.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING,

The Senate adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That Hon. Joseph C. Roberts, Senator from York county, be excused from attendance after this day, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the vote giving the foregoing order a passage was reconsidered.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn it be to meet this evening at half-past eight o'clock.

Report of the Committee on Finance on an order relating to the assessment of a State tax, with bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1870, amounting to thirteen hundred fifty thousand four hundred thirteen dollars and one cent," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to change the location of the Granger Turnpike," introduced in the House and indefinitely postponed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. BUFFUM proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve to pay the expenses of the Joint Special Committee on Investigation of paper credits";

Bill "an act additional to chapter 225 of the public laws of 1868, relating to equalization of municipal war debts";

Severally introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

"An act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands";

"An act to incorporate the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company";

Which were each 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. CARVILL, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on "resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river," reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the vote whereby the Senate accepted the foregoing report, was reconsidered, and the same was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH,
The Senate adjourned.

EVENING.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Bill "an act to incorporate the Union Depot Company," amended and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, Senate amendments rejected, further amended as per sheets "H" and "I," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to amend section 11 of chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate," 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 Legal Reform, on the Report of the Commissioners on the Revision of the Statutes, with bill "an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. GIBBS, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses, on bill "an act to set off a part of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington, reported that they were unable to agree, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. BUFFUM, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be engrossed was reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

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 1870, amounting to thirteen hundred fifty thousand four hundred thirteen dollars and one cent";

"An act additional to chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, to regulate the river and interior fisheries";

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 10 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to the survival of actions, approved March 11, 1870";

"An act to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association";

"An act to change the time of holding the September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Knox, and to establish another term of said court therein";

"An act to continue in force an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory";

"An act to change the location of the Granger Turnpike";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in relation to pay of Commissioners";

"Resolve concerning the valuation of certain towns in the county of Kennebec";

"Resolve to pay the expenses of the Joint Special Committee on Investigation of Paper Credits";

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. METCALF,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns, it be to meet to-morrow morning at eight o'clock.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1870.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Finance, on bill "an act concerning specie payments," that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to set off a part of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington," amended and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote refusing the bill a passage.

On motion of Mr. KINGSBURY, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the revision of the statutes, reported that they have thoroughly examined the same, as revised by the Commissioners, including the laws passed during the present session of the Legislature, and submit "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State."

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator, from same Committee, reported that they had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act concerning specie payments," 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.

The resignation of Hon. T. B. Reed, Senator from Cumberland county, was read and accepted.

A communication was received from Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Attorney General elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council, informing them of the election and acceptance of Franklin M. Drew as Secretary of State, Thomas B. Reed as Attorney General, Benjamin B. Murray jr. as Adjutant General, and Parker P. Burleigh as Land Agent.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

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

"An act to incorporate the Union Depot Company";

"An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government";

"An act to amend section 11 of chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate";

"An act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870";

"An act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State";

"An act concerning specie payment";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve relating to certain charges against towns and to credits for men not put into the service and providing a commission to investigate the same";

"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.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Vose of Winterport, 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. FRENCH,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representa-

tives, informing that body that the Senate has disposed of all business before it, and is now ready to adjourn without day.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that both branches of the Legislature, having acted on all matters before them, are now ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

And Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Holland of Androscoggin, and Minot of Kennebec, 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. Farwell of Augusta, Ham of Lewiston, Humphrey of Bangor, Lane of Hollis, Tobey of Athens, Libbey of Limerick, and Bean of Corinth, joined on the part of the House.

Mr. LANE, from the foregoing Committee, subsequently reported that the Committee had waited upon the Governor and discharged the duty assigned them, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he would communicate to the two Houses forthwith through the Secretary of State.

Thereupon the Secretary of State, Hon. Franklin M. Drew, came in, and laid before the Senate the following message from the Governor :

"I transmit herewith a list of the Acts and Resolves passed during the present session of the Legislature, and approved by me, numbering 336 acts and 105 resolves. I have no further communication to make."

Mr. MINOT presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to George E. Brackett, Reporter, for the faithful manner in which he has reported the proceedings of the Senate, and for his uniform courtesy.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. LANE presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to Jabez Marriner, Messenger, James H. Banks, Assistant Messenger, and Allan C. Rutherford, Page, for the alacrity and courtesy with which they have performed their duties.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to Samuel W. Lane, Esq., Secretary of the Senate, and Herbert M. Heath, Assistant Secretary, for the able and impartial manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective offices.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. LINDSEY then rose and said :

Mr. PRESIDENT : This session of the Legislature, protracted beyond the usual length, has reached its closing hour. The importance of the work done, including a revision of the entire body of our Statutes, together with a new valuation of the State, can hardly be overestimated. Whether well done an intelligent people will determine. One thing, I think, may safely be affirmed, that the members of this Senate have performed their work with an earnest purpose to represent the public will ; and whether we have succeeded or not, you, Mr. President, may have the satisfaction of knowing that in the discharge of the somewhat delicate duties of the Chair, the wishes of the Senate have been reflected and the fullest opportunity afforded for the expression of its deliberate judgment.

I cannot forbear alluding to the uniform courtesy and good fellowship which has characterized the intercourse between all the members of this Board, an intercourse which makes this separation painful, and to which we all may look back, I trust, with only agreeable recollections. I beg leave to send to the Secretary's table the resolution I hold in my hand, and desire the expression of the Senate thereon may be taken by rising.

The SECRETARY read the following resolve :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are tendered to Hon. William W. Bolster, for the courtesy, fidelity and impartiality with which he has presided over its deliberations.

Mr. LANG said :

Mr. SECRETARY :—I esteem it a privilege to endorse the sentiments expressed in the resolve submitted by the honorable Senator from Somerset, (Mr. Lindsey.) We have assembled here as representatives of different localities and interests, in a joint body, to exercise the highest power known to civil government—the power of enacting laws, the power of “*commanding what is right and prohibiting what is wrong.*”

We have considered questions of much importance to the State, which admitted of varied and opposing local interests. It has also been our duty to consider measures upon which the public are widely divided in opinion, "contested questions" of social and individual rights; but I trust that undue earnestness in personal convictions may not have led any of us to utter that which will rest unpleasantly in the heart of an associate. And I congratulate the Senate on the enactment of important measures tending to the advancement and welfare of society. Your action upon the subject of temperance must meet the approbation of the public.

You have held out your hand to the pilgrim of industry by offering practical educational advantages to all classes. The retrospect of these labors shall, as you see their blessings in the future, bring a comfort that you too have been useful in your generation.

I believe I express the sentiments of the majority and minority of the Senate when I cordially thank the Hon. William W. Bolster for his courtesy and uniform fairness in his rulings, as well as for the faithful discharge of his duties as presiding officer of the Senate. I heartily second the resolution of the honorable Senator from Somerset.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by rising.

Mr. BOLSTER, President of the Senate, responded as follows:

SENATORS—For this token of your approval of my official conduct, so kindly and sincerely signified by the resolve just adopted, I tender to each of you my warmest thanks and lasting gratitude.

It has been my purpose in the discharge of my duties to pursue the regular course of procedure; to act impartially in the delicate and difficult duties of the Chair; to subserve the will of the Senate, and to facilitate the expression of its deliberations.

The session has been long and laborious. I have witnessed with pleasure the patience and diligence with which you have investigated all matters committed to your charge, and the harmony that has attended your action. Let us cherish the hope that the record we have here made may stand the scrutiny of time.

In completing our duties as Senators, and returning to our several homes where we shall receive the warm greetings of our families, and I trust the commendation of our constituency, yet it will be with feelings of regret and sadness that we shall soon bid

each other good bye. This feeling is overcome while we are conscious that we have acted with an earnest desire to discharge our duties, to promote equal justice, the public good, and the welfare of the people of the State ; that no political antipathies or rivalries have been allowed to bias our judgments ; that with confidence we feel we can submit our doings to the ordeal of an impartial and intelligent public criticism.

Senators, I should do injustice to my own feelings if I should allow this last opportunity of our meeting at this board to pass without expressing my heart-felt gratitude to you, and all connected with the Senate, for the ability, integrity, and zeal each of you has exercised in despatching business, and for the uniform kindness, courtesy, and generous confidence you have given me as presiding officer.

Senators, In closing the labors of the session, let us not be unmindful that God, in his kind Providence, has spared us all in health to participate in this final adjournment. Hoping you may have a safe and happy return to your several families, I bid you each good bye, with my best wishes for your future usefulness, success and happiness, assured that we carry for each other, from this Chamber, here formed, that bond in man, true friendship, so noble in the development of character, when bestowed without view of recompense.

On motion Mr. HOLLAND,
The Senate adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1870.

PUBLIC LAWS.

An act relating to evidence.

to increase the salary of the judge of probate for the county of Waldo.

to amend section one, chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, relating to the continuance of actions against parties filing petitions in bankruptcy.

additional to chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to licenses of innholders and victualers.

additional to an act entitled "an act authorizing any city or town in this state to raise money to aid in the construction of any railroad in this state," approved February twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

to amend section twenty-four of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to trespasses on adjoining land.

to repeal chapter fifty-three of the acts of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, and sections thirty-two, thirty-three and thirty-four of chapter eighty-four of the revised statutes, and to amend section thirty-one of the same chapter, relating to levy of executions against towns.

additional to "an act to provide for the restoration of the records of the court of probate for the county of Cumberland."

establishing the school week and month.

to amend the eighth section of chapter one hundred and ninety-one of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight, relating to roads in unincorporated townships and tracts of land.

An act to provide for the payment of counsel assigned to persons charged with capital offences.

to amend section one of chapter thirty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to the inspection of lime.

to continue in force the provisions of chapter one hundred and seventy of laws of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

relative to reversal of final judgments in criminal cases on account of error in the sentence.

to establish the salary of the register of probate of the county of Waldo.

to amend chapter sixty-three of the revised statutes, relating to notices in probate courts.

to provide for the formation of manufacturing and other corporations.

relating to penalties of selectmen or assessors for malfeasance in office.

for the incorporation of public cemeteries.

to amend section three, chapter one hundred and thirty-two of the revised statutes, relating to jurisdiction of justices of the peace.

to repeal an act entitled "an act providing for reviews in criminal cases," approved March third, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

to amend sections ten and twelve of chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to choice of highway surveyors.

to amend chapter fifty-one, section forty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to railroads.

in relation to the supreme judicial court and to pay certain expenses of the justices thereof.

to amend section twenty-one of chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, relating to offers to be defaulted.

amendatory of "an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the supreme judicial court in the county of Hancock," approved February twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

to establish the fees of the county commissioners of Washington county.

An act to amend chapter forty of the revised statutes, relating to herring boxes.

to amend section eight of chapter eleven of the revised statutes relating to supervision of schools.

to amend chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society.

to establish the salaries of certain county officers in the county of Cumberland.

allowing an annual stipend to the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society.

to establish certain rules for the construction of statutes.

to establish the salary of the register of probate of Sagadahoc county.

to amend chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, concerning the commencement of civil actions.

additional to and amendatory of "an act establishing the times of holding the several terms of the supreme judicial court," approved February twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

additional further regulating probate courts and proceedings.

to amend chapter ninety-four of the revised statutes, concerning forcible entry and detainer.

to amend section sixty-five, chapter four of the revised statutes, relating to penalty for illegal voting.

to amend section one of chapter twenty-five of the public laws of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, relative to the sale of milk.

to amend chapter one hundred and one of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, relating to drainage.

to amend chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to the distribution of lists of magistrates.

additional to chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to town treasurers and collectors.

to regulate the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine.

to provide for the organization of plantations.

An act to change the time of holding the April and October terms of the court of county commissioners in the county of Hancock.

to amend chapter seventy of the revised statutes, relating to assignments.

concerning the rate of interest.

additional to chapter thirty-three of the public laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

to amend section seventeen of chapter sixty-five of the revised statutes, relating to the distribution of personal estate.

to amend section twenty, chapter one hundred forty-three of the revised statutes, relating to expense of supporting the insane at the hospital.

to amend section ten of chapter eighty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to survival of actions.

to amend section nine of chapter seven of the revised statutes, relating to changing the registry district of Aroostook county.

to amend sections one hundred and forty-five and one hundred and fifty-seven of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to land sold for taxes.

to amend chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes, relating to paupers.

to amend chapter two hundred and thirty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, relating to evidence.

to prohibit the wholesale destruction of water-fowl by traps, etc.

to amend chapter thirty of the revised statutes, relating to killing moose, deer and caribou.

to amend section forty of chapter four, section eleven of chapter five, section seventy-four of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, and chapter forty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-six, relating to elections, public lands and ways.

to amend section twenty-seven of chapter seventy-seven of the revised statutes, relating to exceptions in supreme judicial court.

An act to amend chapter twelve of the revised statutes, relating to parishes, meeting-houses, ministerial and school lands and funds arising therefrom.

to amend section one of chapter eighty-seven of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-two, relating to appeals from decision of county commissioners.

to amend section one of chapter thirty-four of the revised statutes, relating to licensing auctioneers.

additional to chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to banks.

additional to chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the revised statutes, concerning frauds.

additional to chapter ninety of the revised statutes, concerning mortgages of real estate.

to provide for the recording of certain contracts.

to amend section eighty-eight of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to collection of taxes.

to renew the charters of certain banks.

to amend sections one and three, chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to school districts.

to amend section sixty-one, chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, relating to damages from defective highways.

to authorize the treasurer of state to issue registered bonds.

to regulate the times and places of holding the sessions of the county commissioners for the county of Washington.

to amend section eleven, chapter one hundred and thirty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to fees of coroners.

to amend the twenty-second section of the eleventh chapter of the revised statutes, relating to powers and obligations of school districts.

additional to "an act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors."

to change the time of holding the April term of the supreme judicial court for the county of Lincoln.

to increase the pay of the attorney general.

to amend section one, chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, and to repeal chapter one hundred eighty-six of the public laws of the year eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, relating to railroads.

concerning insurance and insurance companies.

An act additional to "an act to amend chapter one hundred and one of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-nine, relating to drainage."

to amend an act entitled "an act to regulate the river and interior fisheries," approved March twelfth, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

to amend chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers.

amendatory of "an act to amend chapter two hundred and twenty-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, relating to the charter of the State Agricultural Society, approved March first, eighteen hundred and seventy.

relative to the selection and empaneling of juries for the trial of civil causes and criminal cases other than capital.

additional to "an act respecting actions against executors and administrators," approved February third, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

relating to injunctions.

additional to chapter forty-six of the revised statutes, concerning corporations.

for the preservation of certain birds.

additional to chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes, relating to proceedings in court.

additional to section fifty-two of chapter eighty of revised statutes, relating to sheriffs.

to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools.

to repeal chapter forty-five of the statutes, relating to interest.

to change the time of holding the September term of the supreme judicial court in the county of Knox, and to establish another term of said court therein.

additional to chapter seventy of the public laws of eighteen hundred sixty-nine, to regulate the river and interior fisheries.

to amend an act entitled "an act to amend section ten of chapter eighty-seven of the revised statutes," relating to the survival of actions, approved March eleventh, eighteen hundred and seventy.

- An act to promote immigration and to facilitate the settlement of the public lands.
- to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy.
- to amend section eleven of chapter seventy-one of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate.
- concerning specie payments.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

- An act additional to "an act to incorporate the Lewiston Bleachery Company," approved March twenty-ninth, eighteen hundred fifty-three.
- to increase the capital stock of the Bates Manufacturing Company in Lewiston.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Eureka Milling Company."
- to increase the capital stock of the Portland Glass Company.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Gardiner."
- to incorporate the Presumpscot Iron Company.
- to make valid the doings of William Caldwell as a justice of the peace.
- to authorize the county commissioners of Kennebec county to lay out a highway across Kennebec river, between the towns of Waterville and Winslow, and apportion the expense of erecting and maintaining a bridge across said river, upon said towns in proportion to their respective valuations.
- to incorporate the Algæ Fertilizer Company.
- to provide in part for the expenditures of government.
- to amend chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the private laws for eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to annex the city of Auburn to the city of Lewiston."
- to incorporate the Missionary Society of the York and Cumberland Christian Conference.
- to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to lease their road and for other purposes.

An act to authorize Dyer P. Jordan to extend his wharf in the city of Ellsworth.

to incorporate the Stetson Manufacturing Company.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Waterville Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

to authorize the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad.

to authorize the Farmington Village Corporation to raise money to aid in the extension of the railroad terminating at Farmington, known as the Androscoggin Railroad, and to contract for said extension.

to authorize John A. Buck to extend his wharf into tide water in the town of Bucksport.

to incorporate the proprietors of Solon Village Cemetery.

to authorize Robert Crockett to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor.

additional to an act entitled "an act for the extension of the charter of the Bangor Boom Company."

to incorporate the Baptist Meeting-House Society in Belgrade.

to incorporate the East Livermore Campmeeting Association.

to incorporate the Thomaston Savings Bank.

to incorporate the Bangor Ice and Coal Company.

to incorporate the Merchants' Marine Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Blanchard Maine State Boiler Company.

to set off certain lands from Silver Ridge plantation and annex the same to the town of Sherman.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Baring bridge," approved February twenty-six, eighteen hundred and thirty-three.

to authorize William McGilvery to extend his railway wharf in the town of Brewer, and also to build a marine railway.

authorizing Samuel E. Smullen and Sylvanus C. Prince to extend a wharf into tide waters at Harpswell.

to incorporate the Riverside Echo Publishing Association.

authorizing John C. Condon to extend and maintain his wharf in the city of Belfast.

An act to make valid the doings of the pew holders of the Freewill Baptist Meeting House at Richmond.

for the preservation of fish in Webb's pond, situated in Franklin county.

to incorporate the Oquossoc Angling Association.

to repeal chapter two hundred and thirteen of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to protect smelts in the Kennebec and Androscoggin rivers."

to incorporate the Rocky Pond Dam and Sluice Company.

to set off certain estates, with the inhabitants thereon, from the Norway Village Corporation.

to incorporate the Whiton Carriage Manufacturing Company.

to prohibit the taking of pickerel in Swan pond, in the town of Hartford.

to amend the act of incorporation of the Cumberland Bone Company, approved February twenty-two, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.

to authorize Albert F. Ames to place a dolphin or spar buoy near the head of his wharf.

to set off part of the town of Trenton, and incorporate the same into a town by the name of Lamoine.

to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of Pleasant river.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Bangor Water Power Company."

further defining the powers of the Ocean Insurance Company of Portland.

to amend section one of chapter one hundred and seventy of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, authorizing Union School District in Cherryfield to raise money.

to prevent the use of narrow rimmed wheels for the hauling of lumber over the streets of Cherryfield.

for the preservation of trout and other fish in Gross pond in the town of Waldoborough.

to authorize George W. McLellan to construct and maintain fish weirs and wharves in the tide waters of Herring cove in the town of Trescott.

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- An act to incorporate the Sherman Steel Company.
to incorporate the Howard Slate Company.
authorizing Nathaniel Perkins and J. M. Perkins to build a
wharf into tide waters of Kennebec river at Phippsburg.
to authorize Leonard McCobb to extend his wharf into the
tide waters of Boothbay harbor.
to authorize Edward Swazey, B. F. Farnham and others,
to extend their wharf in the town of Bucksport.
amendatory of and additional to an act to amend "an act
to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into
the Penobscot river," approved March fifth, one thou-
sand eight hundred and sixty-nine.
to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of
Rockland."
to authorize Charles B. Sanford to build a wharf in the
town of Winterport.
to incorporate the Penobscot Valley Steamship Company.
for the preservation of fish in Ossipee Lake and its tributa-
ries.
to authorize Erastus C. Simpson, Alpheus P. Simpson and
George L. Garland, to extend their wharf into tide waters
at West Harpswell.
to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into
the waters of the Medomak river, in the town of Waldo-
borough.
to incorporate the Shin Brook Dam Company.
for the preservation of fish in Sand pond in the town of
Parsonsfeld.
giving authority to Oliver Emery and others of Eastport,
to build wharves and fish weirs below low water mark
in said town.
to amend "an act to incorporate the Maine General Hos-
pital."
to incorporate the Annebescook Steamboat Company.
to authorize William Godfrey, Franklin Brown and Handy
Hinkley to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of
Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben, also one in the
tide waters of Dyer's bay in same town.
to incorporate the Searsport Manufacturing Company.

An act to regulate the gathering of cranberries in the town of Lubec.

to change the name of the Gardiner District Campmeeting Association.

additional to chapter two hundred and seventy-five, private and special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland.

to authorize Rufus Fickett to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Pinkham's island, in the town of Millbridge.

to authorize the town of Wayne to appropriate money to encourage manufactures.

to make valid the organization of the Somerset Hall Corporation.

to incorporate the Goose Pond Dam Company.

to incorporate the Lincoln Woolen and Cotton Manufacturing Company.

to authorize the First Freewill Baptist Parish of Augusta, to borrow money to pay its debt, and mortgage its church and lot in Augusta to secure the same.

to amend "an act to incorporate the city of Bangor," passed February twelve, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

to authorize the sale of the Christian Meeting-House in Albion.

to incorporate the Lewiston and Auburn Ice Company.

to incorporate the Highland Slate Company.

to set off a part of plantation number seven and annex the same to the town of Gouldsborough.

authorizing the town of Stetson to take stock in the Stetson Manufacturing Company.

to incorporate the Dresden Ice Company.

to authorize A. L. Frohock and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot bay, in the town of Lincolnville.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Calais Railway Company," and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof.

to authorize Richmond L. Williams to navigate Moose pond.

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- An act to authorize David Rodick to construct a fish weir in Frenchman's bay, in the town of Eden.
- to make valid the doings of the town of Dalton.
- to authorize George L. Snow to extend his wharf into the tide waters of Rockland harbor.
- to amend "an act amendatory of and additional to an act to incorporate the city of Calais," approved February twenty-six, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.
- to amend "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Calais," approved February eighteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.
- to incorporate the Sagadahoc Ice Company of Richmond.
- to incorporate the Mayfield Slate Company.
- relating to the extension of the wharf of Joshua and Benjamin C. Adams in Camden.
- to incorporate the Bangor Milling Company.
- to authorize Samuel D. Carleton, Joshua G. Norwood and P. J. Carleton, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Rockport harbor, in the town of Camden.
- to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society.
- to incorporate the Aurora Mills.
- to incorporate the Damariscotta Village Cemetery Corporation.
- giving to the inhabitants of that part of Scarborough annexed to Gorham by act of eighteen hundred and sixty-four, chapter three hundred and forty-one, their portion of the money paid by the state to Scarborough, under act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter two hundred and twenty-five.
- to authorize the city of Rockland to aid in the construction of the Lime Rock Railroad.
- to incorporate the Hartland Savings Bank.
- to enable the city of Bangor to extend further aid to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company.
- to establish the Ridge School District from the towns of Dexter and Corinna.
- to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company.
- to incorporate the Casco Bay Steamboat Company.
- to incorporate the Russell Stream Dam Company.

- An act to authorize Edward Hilton to build a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben.
- to incorporate the Sebec Lake Slate Company.
 - to promote the improvement of the navigation of the Kennebec river.
 - to incorporate the Mechanic Falls Savings Bank.
 - authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Water Power Company.
 - to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Branch stream in Addison, in the county of Washington.
 - to incorporate the Madison Manufacturing Company.
 - to regulate the taking of fish from Alder stream in Corinna.
 - to make valid the acts of the parish of the High Street Church in the city of Portland.
 - to incorporate the Penobscot and Union River Railroad Company.
 - to amend an act entitled "an act to prevent the destruction of alewives in Dennys river," approved February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.
 - to change the names of certain persons.
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 - to establish the Stetson High School and Library Association.
 - to change the name of Eugene W. Libbey.
 - to authorize the county treasurer of Cumberland county to pay Miltimore Watts for services.
 - to set off a part of the town of Limington and annex the same to the town of Limerick.
 - to change the names of certain persons.
 - to authorize the Congregational church in Kenduskeag, to sell their title to the Baptist meeting-house in said town.
 - to incorporate the Gardiner Ice Company.
 - to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of the Mousam rievrr in the town of Kennebunk.
 - to incorporate the North Anson Savings Bank.
 - to authorize Gilbert Longfellow to erect fish weirs in the tide waters of Jonesborough, at Shorey's Island.
 - to incorporate the Bangor Mutual Life Insurance Company.
 - to make valid the doings of the town of Farmingdale.

An act to amend "an act to supply the people of Bangor with pure water," approved March first, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

to make valid the doings of the town of Bucksport.

to authorize the city of Rockland to raise and expend money for certain purposes.

to incorporate the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Biddeford.

to make valid the official doings of the persons elected as selectmen and as assessors of the town of Kennebunk, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

authorizing Charles H. Bartlett of Kittery, to build a wharf into tide waters of Piscataqua river.

to incorporate the Corinthian Hall Association.

authorizing the municipal officers of Winthrop to lay out winter roads.

to incorporate the Ocean Telegraph Company.

authorizing the town of Oldtown to lay out and maintain a town way across the Upper Stillwater bridge in said town.

making valid the doings of school district number seventeen, in the town of Bristol.

to change the name of Edward Warren, and for his adoption.

to incorporate the Weld Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to make valid the doings of the town of Kenduskeag.

to incorporate the Lubec Hotel Company.

to make valid the doings of the town of Porter in voting a bounty to George W. Ridlon.

to regulate the taking of pickerel from Pattee's pond in the town of Winslow.

to change the names of certain persons.

to incorporate the Corinna Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Bucksport Savings Bank.

to establish a ferry across the Passamaquoddy river between the towns of Lubec and Eastport.

to legalize the doings of the first parish in Bethel.

to change the name of the Skowhegan and Bloomfield Village Corporation.

to incorporate the Canada Falls Dam Company.

- An act to incorporate the Androscoggin County Savings Bank.
to incorporate the Calais Branch Railroad Company.
to incorporate the Kennebec Savings Bank.
to incorporate the Wassataquoik Dam Company.
authorizing the towns of Dixfield and Mexico to divide their ministerial and school fund.
to authorize the building of a dyke or dam across Dyke Branch stream, in the town of Columbia, county of Washington.
to legalize the acts of Thomas W. Herrick as a justice of the peace and quorum, in and for Kennebec county.
giving further authority to the towns of Brunswick and Topsham to purchase the Androscoggin Bridge.
to incorporate the Schwartz Machine and Saw Manufacturing Corporation.
to amend section two of the fifteenth chapter of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-one, relating to Sebec Lake Steamboat Company,
to incorporate the Masonic Trustees of Lewiston.
to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company.
to amend the city charter of Bangor.
to enable the towns of Winterport, Frankfort and Hampden to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad.
to amend section one of "an act to aid the minor children of William J. Dean," approved February twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.
to incorporate the Androscoggin Valley Railroad Company.
to incorporate the Cumberland Dyking Company.
to incorporate the Merchants Warehouse Company.
to authorize the town of Bowdoinham to raise money for certain purposes.
additional to the acts which constitute the charter of the Portland and Oxford Central Railroad Company.
to authorize Frederic Spofford to build a wharf in the tide waters of Bucksport.
to procure the enforcement of "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river."
to make valid the doings of the town of Temple.
to change the name of the Association for the Relief of Aged Indigent Women.

An act to incorporate the Knickerbocker Steam Towage Company.

to repeal section two of chapter two hundred and sixty-four of the acts of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, entitled "an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Belfast.

to authorize the town of Minot to create a sinking fund.

to confirm the organizations of certain plantations in Aroostook county.

to supply the people of Augusta with pure water.

to incorporate the Lewiston General Hospital.

to authorize the city of Bangor to lay out and extend Hancock street in said city to Kenduskeag stream.

authorizing John C. Harriman, Alfred Lennox, and others to erect and maintain a fish weir in Sheepscot river.

additional to an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Winterport Railroad Company," approved February twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

to incorporate the Ship Pond Valley Railroad Company.

to set off certain lands from Hallowell and Farmingdale and annex the same to the town of Manchester.

to incorporate the Maine Mutual Marine Insurance Company.

in relation to a certain claim of Bickford C. Mathews.

in addition to "an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company."

to incorporate the Waldoborough Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company.

to annex the town of Maysville to the town of Presque Isle.

to legalize the official acts of John E. Hobbs of North Berwick, trial justice.

to prevent the destruction of trout and pickerel in the town of Turner.

to authorize G. W. Berry to extend a wharf and place a buoy into the tide waters of Owl's Head bay, in the city of Rockland.

additional to and to amend the acts incorporating the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company.

to incorporate the Andover Railroad Company.

An act authorizing the town of Concord to aid in the construction of the Somerset Railroad.

to authorize certain towns and the city of Ellsworth to aid in the construction of the Penobscot and Union River Railroad.

to renew the charters of certain banks.

to incorporate the Bangor Bank.

to incorporate the Arctic Ice Company.

additional to "an act to incorporate the Saint Croix Gas Light Company," chapter two hundred and fifteen of acts and resolves of eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

in addition to an act to incorporate the Howard Slate Co. for the protection of trout and pickerel in certain waters in Hiram and Porter.

to authorize the town of Brunswick to loan money to build a town building, to issue bonds, and provide for a sinking fund in payment therefor.

to incorporate the Sebago Steamboat Company.

to incorporate the Bath Sugar House Company.

to authorize the city of Bangor to aid in the construction of the Winterport Railroad.

to incorporate the Ship Pond Stream Navigation Company.

to amend chapter three hundred and thirty-eight of the special laws of eighteen hundred and fifty, relating to ways in Vinalhaven.

to incorporate the Georges Valley Railroad Company.

to incorporate the Kennebunk Building Association.

to amend sections one and fifteen of chapter two hundred and eighteen of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, entitled "an act to incorporate the Saco River Railroad Company," approved March fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

to authorize Davis Tillson and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Hurricane Island harbor.

to set off a part of the town of Manchester and annex the same to the city of Hallowell.

to incorporate the Seboois Dam Company.

to amend chapter thirty-three of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred sixty-nine, relating to the Lime Rock Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

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- An act to legalize the doings of the town of Grant Isle relating to assessment of taxes.
- to incorporate the Maine Warehouse Company.
- to authorize the town of Norridgewock to take stock in the Norridgewock bridge.
- to incorporate the Bridgton Branch Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Presumpscot Park Association.
- to continue in force "an act to establish schools in Madawaska territory."
- for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, amounting to thirteen hundred fifty thousand four hundred thirteen dollars and one cent.
- to change the location of the Granger Turnpike.
- to provide in part for the expenditures of government.
- to incorporate the Union Depot Company.

TITLES OF RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1870.

Resolve in favor of clerks to the valuation commission.

Resolves in commemoration of the character and services of Edwin M. Stanton.

Resolve in favor of Sarah Jane Caldwell.

for the purpose of carrying into effect chapter three hundred and thirty of the resolves of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, in favor of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College.

in favor of Louis Bennewit.

to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan.

in favor of Joseph M. Soccalexis.

Resolves relating to the claims of Maine against the United States for interest on advances made by Massachusetts in the war of eighteen hundred and twelve—fifteen.

Resolve providing for the purchase and distribution of a supplemental digest of the Maine reports.

directing the land agent to designate and set apart certain lots of land in aid of mills in Moro plantation, in the county of Aroostook.

in favor of Bachelor H. Huston.

in favor of John G. Kelso.

authorizing the land agent to change the location of public lots in plantation number eleven, range one, Aroostook county.

for perfecting a State deed given by the land agent to Isaac Hacker in eighteen hundred and sixty-six.

in favor of Joseph L. Young.

in favor of John Hanscom.

in favor of Charles W. Cobb.

Resolves in relation of the shipping interest of Maine.

Resolve in favor of Paul Taber.

granting a lot of land to Francis Albert, junior.

in aid of building a bridge over Beaver Dam brook in Island Falls plantation.

in aid of the Castle Hill road, leading from Presque Isle to Ashland, in the county of Aroostook.

in favor of opening a road through parts of Crystal and Island Falls plantation to Sherman.

in favor of Moses Perry.

to aid in building a bridge in plantation number eleven, range one, in the county of Aroostook.

in aid of building a bridge over Fish stream in Island Falls plantation.

in aid of Houlton Academy.

in favor of the town of Bucksport.

in favor of the state reform school.

concerning the printing of the legislative manual.

authorizing the land agent to exchange lots numbered eighty-one and eighty-three, in township number six, range five, Aroostook county.

in favor of the joint standing committee on state reform school.

in favor of Wilton Academy.

abating a portion of the state tax of the town of Castine, in the county of Hancock.

making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians for eighteen hundred seventy.

in favor of the joint standing committee on the state prison.

in favor of A. J. Ray.

in favor of Romain Michaud.

in favor of Beriah Brown.

in favor of the widow of Samuel B. Holt.

to amend a resolve approved March first, eighteen hundred sixty-nine, regulating the number and pay of clerks in the several departments.

Resolves making an appropriation for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

Resolve in aid of constructing road through township number five, range three, in Aroostook county.

Resolve to refund money to William Brown paid the state for stumpage.

in favor of the town of Grafton.

in favor of the town of Byron.

in favor of the town of Roxbury.

in favor of the town of Madrid, in aid of repairing road in said town.

providing for the repeal of certain resolves relating to pensions.

concerning the revision of the public laws.

in aid of the road across Indian township, in the county of Washington.

in aid of opening a road through letters F and G, range one, Aroostook county.

in aid of the insane hospital.

authorizing the land agent to sell certain sections of land in Mapleton, in Aroostook county.

in favor of the Maine Central Institute.

in favor of the town of Moscow, in aid of repairing road in said town.

in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis.

relating to an appropriation for the state library.

in aid of the Canada road.

for the relief of Preston Fisher, late assistant surgeon of thirty-first regiment Maine volunteers.

in favor of Jesse Smith.

Resolves relating to the revision of the statutes.

Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Muscongus Isle plantation, in the county of Lincoln.

for an additional appropriation to complete the bridge over the Molunkus stream, on the Maine military road.

laying a tax on the several counties in the state.

authorizing the conveyance of the armory in Auburn.

authorizing the land agent to sell certain lands in the county of Somerset.

in favor of Stetson High School and Library Association.

authorizing the land agent to obtain proposals for the purchase of certain lands, or to cause partition thereof.

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- Resolve authorizing the land agent to change the location of a public lot in Castle Hill plantation, Aroostook county.
to repair the Mattawamkeag bridge.
- Resolves in favor of Mount Desert as a naval and military station of the United States.
- Resolve in favor of the state prison.
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authorizing the conveyance of land to S. W. Collins and W. A. Vaughan of Lyndon.
- Resolves in favor of the preservation of the harbors of the State of Maine.
- Resolve in favor of James Ripley.
in favor of the Military and Naval Asylum at Bath.
in favor of the Waldo Agricultural Society.
in favor of the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.
- Resolves in favor of the Maine General Hospital.
- Resolve in favor of George Johnson.
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	4	“ “ uniform system of graded schools.
	5	“ “ abolishing County Supervisors of Schools.

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	7	“ “ school fund to take the place of the bank tax formerly supplied.
	8	“ “ repealing resolve in favor of Maine Wesleyan Seminary, approved 1870.
Indian Affairs	9	“ “ leasing the shores of the Penobscot Indians.
	10	“ “ purchasing wood lot for Penobscot tribe of Indians.
Judiciary	11	“ “ amending section 2, chapter 97 of the revised statutes.
	12	“ “ amending chapter 100 of public laws of 1862, relating to trustee process.
	13	“ “ making executors and administrators criminally liable in certain cases.
	14	“ “ allowing paupers to vote.
	15	“ “ change in chapter 249, public laws of 1864.
	16	“ “ building roads in unincorporated places.
	17	“ “ making sheriffs elective.
	18	“ “ separating the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court who shall act on questions of law and hold jury trials.
	19	“ “ amending the law relating to contracts of deceased persons.
	20	“ “ approval of bonds of town treasurers and collectors.
	21	“ “ giving overseers of the poor more power over the personal and real estate of paupers.
	22	“ “ fee bill of officers serving legal precepts.
	23	“ “ amending chapter 14 laws of 1869.
	24	“ “ fixing definite time for which bondsmen of collectors of taxes shall be holden.
	25	“ “ amending law relative to the duties of assessors.
	26	“ “ providing a commission to decide all cases of division of towns.
	27	“ “ endowments to literary institutions.
	28	“ “ liability of railroad corporations for injuries to employees.
	29	“ “ amending section 6, chapter 225 laws of 1868.
	30	“ “ protecting bridges against fire-arms.
	31	“ “ providing that personal property shall be holden for taxes.
	32	“ “ power of city marshals in civil cases.
	33	“ “ rendering more effective chapter 6 of laws of 1869.
	34	“ “ reimbursing towns for aid to paupers not residents of the State.
	35	“ “ requiring purchasers of land sold for taxes to account for all timber cut thereon.
	36	“ “ bonds of Inspector General of Lime.
	37	“ “ amending section 9, chapter 74 of the revised statutes.
	38	“ “ amending chapter 18 of the revised statutes, relating to ways.
	39	“ “ amending section 21, chapter 23 of the revised statutes.
	40	“ “ amending section 15, chapter 59 of the revised statutes.

Legislation Inexpedient, (Continued.)

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	42	“ “ interest on commutation notes.
	43	“ “ suspending the statute of limitation in certain cases.
	44	“ “ amending chapter 207 laws of 1868.
	45	“ “ amending section 19, chapter 46 of the revised statutes.
	46	On petition of Thomas Desmond and others, for special act to authorize cattle to run at large.
Legal Reform.....	47	On order relating to taking testimony in equity cases.
	48	“ “ amending section 1, chapter 41 of the revised statutes.
	49	“ “ authorizing towns to compensate engine men for services.
	50	“ “ furnishing judges of police and municipal courts with copies of acts and resolves.
	51	“ “ testimony of persons in civil causes who have since deceased.
Manufactures	52	“ “ distribution of copies of “Water Power of Maine.”
Merc. Affairs and Ins..	53	“ “ taxing foreign insurance companies.
Pensions	54	“ “ exempting certain discharged soldiers from paying a poll tax.
Printing and Binding.	55	“ “ manner of engrossing acts and resolves.
	56	On proposition of P. O. Vickery to engross and print the revised statutes
St. Lands and St. Rds.	57	On order relating to opening a road from Caribou village to Fish river, Arrostook county.
	58	“ “ an appropriation on road from Caribou to Van Buren and from Dalton to Fort Kent.
	59	“ “ an appropriation on road from Seven Islands to the Canada line.
	60	“ “ repealing chapter 142 of laws of 1862, relating to sale of swamp lands.

PACKAGE NUMBER THREE.

Ought Not to Pass.

Banks and Banking...	1	An act in relation to savings institutions.
	2	“ to amend an act in relation to savings banks and savings institutions.
	3	“ for the amendment of section 27 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses.
	4	“ to amend section 10 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes.
	5	Resolve in favor of Patten Academy.
Judiciary	6	An act to incorporate the Mount Ararat Cemetery Association.
	7	“ additional to chapter 63 of the revised statutes.
	8	“ relating to collection of debts when no administration has been taken out.
	9	“ additional to chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorces.
	10	“ to close a certain guardianship.
	11	“ to amend section 17 of chapter 174 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbances of religious meetings.

Ought Not to Pass, (Continued.)

Committee.	No.	
Judiciary	12	An act to amend chapter 77 of the revised statutes, relating to the supreme judicial court.
	13	“ to amend chapter 111 of the revised statutes, concerning frauds and perjuries.
	14	“ to authorize railroad corporations to issue mortgage bonds.
	15	“ to make valid the doings of the town of Concord.
	16	“ to incorporate the Railway Construction Company.
	17	“ making valid the doings of the town of Phippsburg in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes for the year 1869.
Merc. Affairs and Ins..	18	“ additional to chapter 34 of the revised statutes, relating to auctioneers.
	19	“ to amend chapter 50 of the public laws of 1866, entitled “an act relating to hawkers and peddlers.”

PACKAGE NUMBER FOUR.

Indefinitely Postponed.

Agriculture.....	1	Resolve in aid of the St. John Agricultural Society.
Claims	2	Resolve in favor of William Rogers.
Division of Towns....	3	An act to change the line dividing the towns of Mexico and Rumford.
Education.....	4	An act to establish State uniformity of text books.
	5	An act relating to habitual truants.
	6	An act to amend section four of chapter 221 of the public laws of 1868, relating to the State supervision of common schools.
Fisheries.....	7	An act to repeal chapter 59 of the special laws of 1857, relating to trout in Schoodiac waters.
Interior Waters.....	8	An act to prevent the destruction of roads on the ice.
	9	An act to establish the Phippsburg Ice Company.
Judiciary	10	An act to incorporate the North Piscataquis Dam Company.
	11	An act to provide for the appointment and supervision of Clerk of the Judicial Courts.
	12	An act to establish the number of pounds of coal which shall constitute a ton.
Manufactures	13	An act to authorize cities and towns to aid in promoting manufactures therein.
Penobscot Co. Deleg'n	14	Order relating to the State valuation of Veazie and Bangor.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	15	An act to prevent the destruction of bridges by driving of lumber in rivers and streams.
No Committee.....	16	An act to amend section 24 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes.
	17	Resolve in favor of Albert W. Paine.
	18	Order relating to the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the sovereignty of the State.

PACKAGE NUMBER FIVE.

Next Legislature.

Agriculture.....	1	Order relating to exempting from taxation improvements on cultivated lands.
Banks and Banking ..	2	Petition of John Buck and others.
	3	An act concerning banks.
Division of Counties..	4	Petition of inhabitants of Palermo, Somerville and Washington.
Division of Towns....	5	Petition of inhabitants of Veazie.

Next Legislature, (Continued.)

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	7	Petition of D. Harmon and others.
Education	8	Petition of Trustees of Bridgton Academy.
	9	Petition of citizens of Norway.
Federal Relations	10	Resolve in favor of a postal telegraph system.
Finance	11	Petition of Sarah M. Cunningham.
Fisheries	12	Petition of Erastus Cole and others.
	13	Petition of D. Parker and others.
	14	Petition of Thomas Thompson and others.
	15	Petition of Archie S. Downs and others.
Incorporat'n of Towns	16	An act to incorporate the town of Van Buren in the county of Aroostook.
Insane Hospital	17	Resolve in favor of Charles F. Stevens.
Interior Waters	18	An act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation.
	19	Petition of Wm. H. Hemenway and others.
Judiciary	20	An act conferring additional powers on the city of Portland.
	21	An act to provide for enforcing liens on logs and lumber.
	22	Petition of W. A. Evans and others.
	23	Petition of Woodbury Davis and others.
Legal Reform	24	Order relating to jury trials.
Manufactures	25	Petition of Harris Grant and others.
Public Buildings	26	Order relating to making the city of Bangor the capital of the State.
R. R., W. and Bridges.	27	An act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations.
	28	An act relating to toll bridges and turnpikes.
	29	Petition of Albert Emerson and others.
	30	Petition of Directors of the Somerset Railroad Company.
	31	Petition of J. D. Wyer and others.
	32	Petition of Charles Campbell and others.
	33	Petition of James Anderson and others.
	34	Petition of Hiram Gardiner and others.
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	37	Petition of inhabitants of Sherman and others.
	38	Petition of Daniel Everett and others.
	39	Petition of O. R. Sirvis and others.
	40	Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others.
	41	Petition of W. H. Staples.
	42	An act to change the name of the Moosehead Lake Railway Company, and to amend the charter of said company.
No Committee	43	An act to amend section 44 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes on lands in places not incorporated.
	44	An act additional to chapter 17 of the revised statutes.
	45	Order relating to the State valuation of New Vineyard.
	46	Order relating to the State valuation of Corinna.
	47	Order relating to the State valuation of Madawaska.
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	49	Petition of Selectmen of Scarborough.
	50	Petition of Francis B. Lane.
	51	Resolve for the collection and publication of industrial statistics of the State.
	52	Resolve correcting the State valuation.
	53	Resolve to correct a mistake in the report of the State Valuation Commissioners.
	54	Resolve relating to the town of Gouldsborough.
	55	Resolve in relation to the State Valuation of Norridgewock.
	56	Resolve in relation to the State valuation of Richmond.
	57	Resolve concerning the State valuation.

PACKAGE NUMBER SIX.

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Judiciary	2	An act relating to the reduction of poll taxes.
Manufactures	3	An act additional to chapter 48 of the revised statutes, concerning manufactures.
Pensions	4	Resolve granting a pension to Lewis Selbing.
	5	Resolve in favor of William W. Quimby.

PACKAGE NUMBER SEVEN.

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- 1 An act to set off part of the town of Somerville and annex the same to the town of Washington.
- 2 An act to authorize the city of Portland to aid the construction of the Portland and Rutland Railroad.
- 3 Communication from the State Treasurer relating to claims against certain towns in Hancock county.
- 4 Communication from the Land Agent, (Senate Doc. No. 67.)
- 5 Order providing for a Joint Standing Committee on State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.
- 6 Order relating to the age at which children shall be permitted to enter public schools.
- 7 Order relating to the funeral ceremonies of the late George Peabody.
- 8 Resolve in aid of building mills at the mouth of the Madawaska river.
- 9 Final Report of the Committee on Fisheries.
- 10 An act to authorize the consolidation of railroad corporations.

Lost by Adherence.

- 11 An act to increase the compensation of members of the Legislature.
- 12 An act to abolish capital punishment.

PACKAGE NUMBER EIGHT.

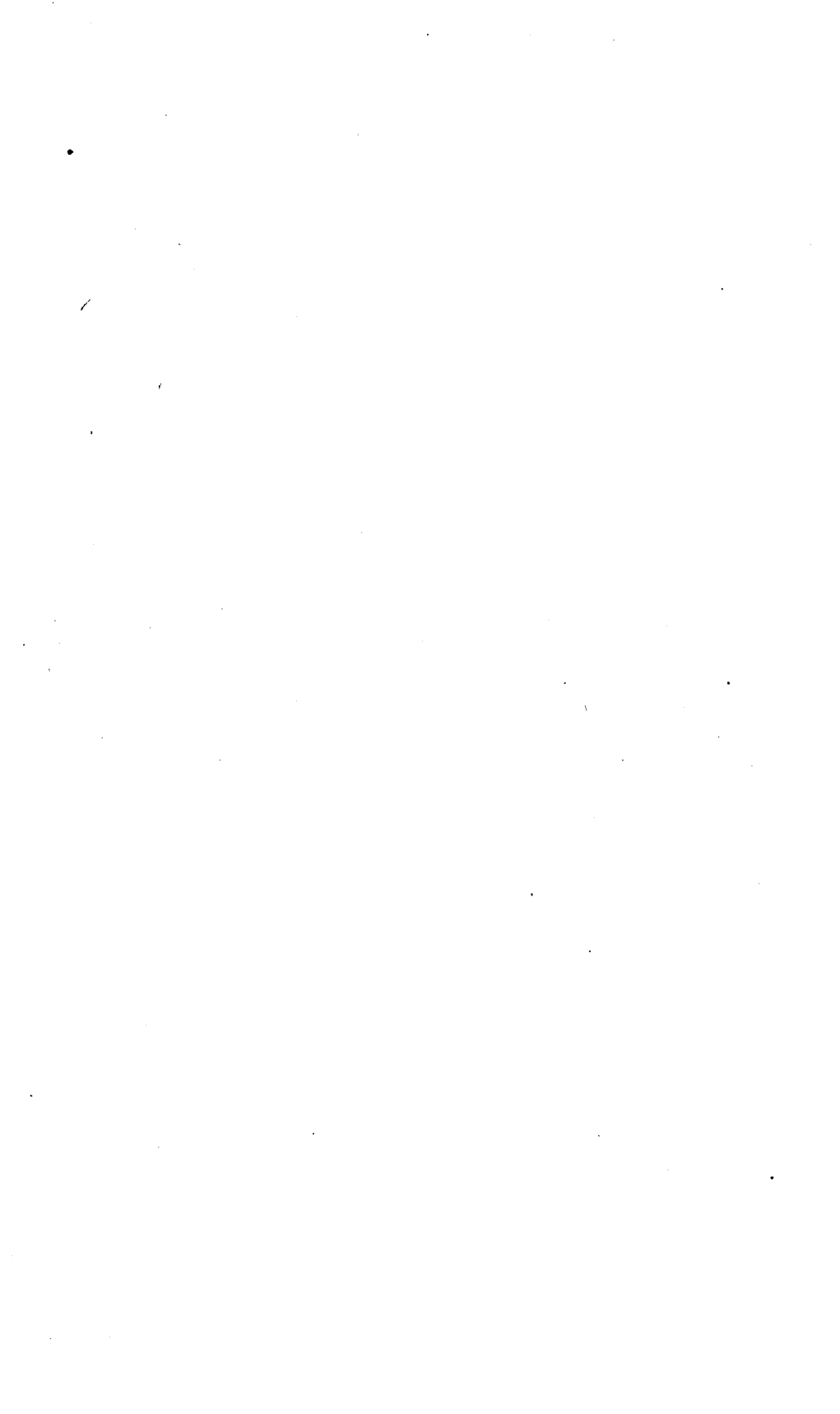
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- 2 " " Senatorial Votes.
- 3 " " Treasurer's Accounts.
- 4 " " Governor's Message.
- 5 " " Printing and Binding.
- 6 Report of the Commissioners on Revision of the Statutes.
- 7 Report of Joint Special Committee on final adjournment.
- 8 Report of Joint Special Committee on an order relating to the funeral of the late George Peabody.
- 9 Communications from the Governor.
- 10 Communications from State officers signifying their acceptance.
- 11 Communications from the Secretary of State.
- 12 Communication from Commissioners on State Valuation.
- 13 Communication from William P. Frye resigning the office of Attorney General.
- 14 Communication from T. B. Reed resigning the office of Senator.

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	16	Resolve tendering the thanks of the Legislature to Hon. Richard D. Rice.
	17	Preamble and resolve commemorative of the services of the late William Pitt Fessenden.
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