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IN SENATE, February 18, 1871.

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 1872, 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 4, 1871. }

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 SAMUEL W. LANE, Esq., Secretary of the Senate of 1870.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. UPJOHN 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.

JOSEPH C. ROBERTS of Lyman,
JOHN B. NEALLEY of South Berwick,
JOSEPH HOBSON of Saco.

SECOND DISTRICT—CUMBERLAND.

MARQUIS D. L. LANE of Standish,
HENRY CARVILL of Brunswick,
SAMUEL F. PERLEY of Naples,
CHARLES J. MORRIS of Portland.

THIRD DISTRICT—OXFORD.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES of Brownfield,
OTIS HAYFORD, JR., of Canton.

FOURTH DISTRICT—ANDROSCOGGIN.

DANIEL HOLLAND of Lewiston.

FIFTH DISTRICT—FRANKLIN.
EDWIN R. FRENCH of Chesterville.

SIXTH DISTRICT—SAGADAHOC.
JOSEPH W. SPAULDING of Richmond.

SEVENTH DISTRICT—KENNEBEC.
JOSHUA GRAY of Gardiner,
GEORGE E. MINOT of Belgrade,
REUBEN FOSTER of Waterville.

EIGHTH DISTRICT—SOMERSET.
FRANKLIN R. WEBBER of St. Albans,
MOSES FRENCH of Solon.

NINTH DISTRICT—PISCATAQUIS.
JOHN G. MAYO of Dover.

TENTH DISTRICT—PENOBSCOT.
TIMOTHY FULLER of Lincoln,
CHARLES BUFFUM of Orono,
JOHN B. NICKELS of Kenduskeag.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT—LINCOLN.
SAMUEL E. SMITH of Wiscasset.

TWELFTH DISTRICT—KNOX.
EDWIN SMITH, Jr., of Warren,
RUGGLES S. TORREY of St. George.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT—WALDO.
THOMAS W. VOSE of Winterport,
NEHEMIAH SMART of Searsmont.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT—HANCOCK.
HIRAM S. BARTLETT of Trenton,
SYLVANUS T. HINKS of Bucksport.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT—WASHINGTON.
DANIEL J. SAWYER of Jonesport,
PUTNAM ROLFE of Princeton.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT—AROSTOOK.
DAVID DUDLEY of Presque Isle.

And Messrs. Roberts, Nealley, Hobson, Lane, Carvill, Perley, Morris, Cleaves, Hayford, Holland, French of Franklin, Spaulding, Gray, Minot, Foster, Webber, French of Somerset, Mayo, Fuller, Buffum, Nickels, Smith of Lincoln, Vose, Smart, Bartlett, Hinks, Sawyer, Rolfe, and Dudley, a quorum of Senators elect, responded to their names.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

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. Lane 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 Dudley of Aroostook, who was qualified by affirmation.

The Governor and his attendants then withdrew.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Messrs. Minot of Kennebec, French of Franklin, and Smith of Lincoln, 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.....	28
Necessary for a choice.....	15
Charles Buffum has.....	27
Ruggles S. Torrey.....	1

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

Mr. Buffum was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Lane of Cumberland, and Mr. Cleaves of Oxford, and thereupon addressed the Senate as follows :

SENATORS :—I accept the responsibility to which you have called me, and for this distinguished honor I tender to you my warmest

thanks, believing that the same kindness which has placed me here will sustain me, and that I can with confidence rely upon your assistance and coöperation in the proper discharge of my official duties. It will be my purpose to give effect to the will of the Senate, and to see that the rights of each Senator are properly respected. We are assembled here to enact laws; let us see to it, that we do our duty, keeping in mind, that obedience is the end and object of the law. The penalty is annexed to it, not as the aim and end for which the law is established, but to secure the end. In all of our deliberations let us be true to ourselves and it will follow, as the night the day, that we cannot be false to the people. Once more thanking you for the honor conferred, I await your pleasure in completing the organization of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Messrs. Carvill of Cumberland, Smart of Waldo, and Dudley of Aroostook, 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.....	26
Necessary for a choice	14
Samuel W. Lane has	26

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. CLEAVES, 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. Cleaves 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 the discharge of his official duties.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and Nealley of York, 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	22
Necessary for a choice.	12
Herbert M. Heath has	22

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

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin,

Messrs. French of Franklin, Fuller of Penobscot, and Rolfe of Washington, 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 is.	22
Necessary for a choice.	12
Jabez Marriner has	22

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

On motion of Mr. WEBBER,

Messrs. Webber of Somerset, Foster of Kennebec, and Mayo of Piscataquis, 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 is.	24
Necessary for a choice.	13
James H. Banks has.	24

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

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY,

Ordered, That the Rules and Orders of 1870, be and continue to be the Rules and Orders of this Senate, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. FULLER,

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

On motion of Mr. ROLFE,

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. MORRIS,

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 present session.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY, the vote whereby the foregoing order was passed, was reconsidered.

Mr. LANE proposed amendment marked "A."

Mr. VOSE proposed amendment marked "B" to amend "A," pending which, on motion of the same Senator, the order and amendments were laid on the table.

The same Senator presented the following :

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish to each Senator and each officer of the Senate, one copy of the Daily Kennebec Journal during the present session.

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by adding the following:—"And one other daily paper published in this State, such as each Senator or officer may select."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, 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. Charles Buffum as President, and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, 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. Charles Buffum as President, and Samuel W. Lane, Esq., as Secretary.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Carleton of Whitefield, informing the Senate that the House is duly organized by the choice of Hon. Edwin B. Smith of Saco, as Speaker, Sumner J. Chadbourne, Esq., of Dixmont, as Clerk, and Z. A. Smith of Skowhegan, as Assistant 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. FRENCH of Franklin,

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. French of Franklin, Vose of Waldo, Roberts of York, Hinks of Hancock, Sawyer of Washington, Morris of Cumberland, and French of Somerset, 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. MINOT,

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. Minot of Kennebec, Holland of Androscoggin, Bartlett of Hancock, Hobson of York, Hayford of Oxford, and Perley of Cumberland, 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. Stickney of Presque Isle, Knapp of East Livermore, Cobb of Windham, Perkins of Farmington, Snow of Winthrop, Whitney of Ellsworth, Wilson of Thomaston, Mahoney of Newcastle, Knight of Sweden, Hutchins of Brewer, Thompson of Dover, Minot of Phipsburg, Taylor of Norridgewock, White of Winterport, Hobart of Dennysville, and Jenkins of Eliot.

Mr. NEALLEY presented the following:

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; which was read, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. HINKS.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, announced the attendance of Hon. Edwin Smith, Jr., Senator elect from the Twelfth Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

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

Mr. MORRIS presented the following:

Ordered, That the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be and they hereby are requested to give their opinions upon the following question:

Was the agreement entered into on the 12th day of May, 1870, by the Maine Central Railroad of the first part, and the Portland and Kennebec Railroad of the second part, whereby the Portland and Kennebec Railroad with its franchise and other property was let and leased, and their lease of the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad was assigned and transferred to the Maine Central Railroad, in accordance with the laws of this State in force at that date?

And be it further ordered, That a copy of this order, signed by the President, and attested by the Secretary of the Senate, be forwarded without delay to each of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, respectfully requesting an early answer to the foregoing question, (Senate Doc. No. 1,) which was read, and on motion of the same Senator, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The same Senator also presented "resolve providing for amendment of the Constitution," which was laid on the table to be printed under the Joint Rule.

The following communication was received:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in Legislature assembled:

The undersigned, a Commission appointed under Resolves of the Legislature of Maine approved March 24th, 1870, "to investigate

in a thorough manner all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and General Government, for men not actually put into the service," and required by the said Resolves to report the result of their investigations to the next Legislature on the first day of the session, respectfully report that they have not been able to complete the investigation of the matters committed to them on account of the great delay attending the procuring of certain record evidence from the departments at Washington; that they are still awaiting the receipt of certain official records pertinent to the subject matter of their inquiries, and that they require a few days' further time to prepare, examine and arrange the testimony preliminary to making their final report.

Respectfully submitted for such action as the Legislature may deem necessary and proper.

GEORGE F. TALBOT,
A. SANBORN,
SELDEN CONNOR.

The foregoing communication was accompanied with "resolve relating to the Commission to investigate all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and General Government for men not actually put into the service."

The communication was read, and on motion of Mr. LANE, the resolve was read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. FRENCH proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FULLER,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Moor of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

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 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.

Mr. MINOT, from the Joint Select Committee on Gubernatorial Votes, submitted the following report—

The Committee to which was referred the Gubernatorial Votes of 1870, for examination and report, have attended to that duty and ask leave to report:

Whole number of votes returned is.....	99,801
Necessary for a choice.....	49,901
Sidney Perham has.....	54,019
Charles W. Roberts.....	45,733
Joshua L. Chamberlain.....	22
Samuel F. Hersey.....	6
Charles P. Kimball.....	1
C. W. Roberts.....	1
George H. Smith.....	1
F. P. Haviland.....	1
Scattering.....	6

There were irregularities in the returns from several towns and plantations, but your Committee did not feel authorized to reject them, consequently they were counted.

There was no return from the town of Harrison, in Cumberland county.

The town of Franklin, Hancock county, sent a blank return properly signed by the town officers.

And Sidney Perham having a majority of all the votes returned, is elected Governor for the current political year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. E. MINOT, *Chairman.*

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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. CLEAVES of the Senate,

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, and Hobson of York, of the Senate, and Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle, Taber of Unity, Dingley of Auburn, Jones of Norway, and Bragdon of York, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Secretary of State.

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

Whole number of votes is.....	170
Necessary for a choice.....	86
Franklin M. Drew has.....	134
Samuel R. Carter.....	36

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

On motion of Mr. LANE of the Senate,

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, and Fuller of Penobscot, of the Senate, and Messrs. Harriman of Belfast, Bonney of Portland, Hathaway of Skowhegan, Bird of Rockland, and Adams of Biddeford, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Attorney General.

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

Whole number of votes is.....	158
Necessary for a choice.....	80
Thomas B. Reed has.....	121
William L. Putnam.....	33
John M. Goodwin.....	3
Benjamin B. Reed.....	1

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

On motion of Mr. ROLFE of the Senate,

Messrs. Rolfe of Washington, Foster of Kennebec, of the Senate, and Messrs. Patten of Bath, Robie of Gorham, Thompson of Dover, Wilson of Thomaston, and Hacker of Fort Fairfield, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Adjutant General.

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

Whole number of votes is.....	161
Necessary for a choice.....	81
Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., has.....	129
John W. Freese.....	31
F. M. Drew.....	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. DUDLEY of the Senate,

Messrs. Dudley of Aroostook, Smith of Lincoln, of the Senate, and Messrs. Woodbury of Houlton, Sewall of Oldtown, Hutchins of Brewer, Foster of Bethel, and Talbot of East Machias, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Land Agent.

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

Whole number of votes is.....	165
Necessary for a choice.....	83
Parker P. Burleigh has.....	129
James Walker Moore.....	36

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

On motion of Mr. MINOT of the Senate,

Messrs. Minot of Kennebec, French of Somerset, of the Senate, and Messrs. Rawson of Bangor, Hopkins of Mt. Vernon, Goodwin of Berwick, Snowman of Penobscot, and Stewart of Belgrade, 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	167
Necessary for a choice.....	84
Uranus O. Brackett.....	131
William Deering.....	131
John R. Pulsifer.....	131
Hiram Knowlton.....	131
Ebenezer Choate, 2d	131
Silas C. Hatch.....	131
William Grindle, Jr.....	131
Trafton Hatch.....	36
Charles E. Morrill.....	36
H. H. Dickey	36
Albert Moore.....	36
Cyrus McKown.....	36
William S. Pierson.....	36
Erastus Redman.....	36

The report was accepted, and Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, John R. Pulsifer, Hiram Knowlton, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, Silas C. Hatch and William Grindle, Jr., were declared duly elected Executive Councillors for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. VOSE of the Senate,

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, Benjamin B. Murray, Jr., of his election as Adjutant General, Parker P. Burleigh of his election as Land Agent, and Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, John R. Pulsifer, Hiram Knowlton, Ebenezer Choate, 2d., Silas C. Hatch and William Grindle, Jr., of their election as Executive Councillors for the current political year.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY,

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, one copy of Lippincott's Pronouncing Gazetteer, and one copy each of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary and Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary, and one copy of Cushing's Manual.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

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. CARVILL,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be instructed to furnish each member of the Senate, one copy of the Acts and Resolves of 1870.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

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. Sidney Perham, and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political year ;

And Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Fuller of Penobscot, and Mayo of Piscataquis, 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. Johnson of Augusta, Sanborn of Bangor, Hammond of Paris, Reed of Waldoborough, Lord of Alfred, Martin of Rumford, and Carleton of Whitefield.

Mr. VOSE, 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 Representa-

tives, proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature, in the Representatives' Hall, this day, at half-past twelve o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Sidney Perham, 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.

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

On Bills in the Second Reading.

Messrs. Nealley of York,
 Carvill of Cumberland,
 Smith of Lincoln,
 Nickels of Penobscot,
 French of Somerset,
 Smart of Waldo,
 Bartlett of Hancock,
 Sawyer of Washington,
 Hayford of Oxford,
 Dudley of Aroostook,
 Minot of Kennebec,
 Morris of Cumberland.

On Engrossed Bills.

Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford,
 Vose of Waldo,
 Webber of Somerset,
 Foster of Kennebec,
 Smith of Knox,
 Spaulding of Sagadahoc,
 Hobson of York,
 Perley of Cumberland,
 French of Franklin,
 Hinks of Hancock,
 Roberts of York,
 Mayo of Piscataquis.

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. FOSTER of the Senate,

That Senator was charged with a message to Hon. Sidney Perham, 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. Foster 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 Governor Chamberlain, 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 Sidney Perham, 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 SIDNEY PERHAM 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 obedience to constitutional requirement and the people's summons, we have met to consider the condition and interests of the State, and to consecrate our best efforts to her service. It is fitting, that on the threshold of our duties, we acknowledge with devout and reverent hearts the merciful Providence that has vouchsafed to us, as a people, so many blessings, and humbly implore the guidance of Him whose wisdom is alone sufficient to direct, and without whose blessing our labors cannot be crowned with success.

CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY.

We have cause for congratulation in the general prosperity of the country.

We are at peace with all nations. The waste and devastation of the war are being rapidly repaired. The memories of those who fell in defence of the country are treasured in the grateful hearts of the loyal people. Their sacred dust is being watched over and protected by the assiduous care of the nation's deepest devotion. Their dependents, and those who were maimed or otherwise disabled, are receiving the pledges of the people's inexpressible gratitude.

The determination of our people to allow no repudiation, but to pay honestly every dollar of our honest debts, has been fully affirmed, resulting in the establishment of more confidence in our national securities, and the way for the exchange of outstanding bonds for others bearing a lower rate of interest. The average price of gold, as compared with currency for the year just closed, has been twenty per cent. lower than the previous year, and the tendency is still downward. This indicates that, without any financial embarrassment, we may soon touch solid bottom, financially, and be free from the evils of a depreciated and fluctuating currency. More honesty and efficiency in the collection of the revenues, and greater economy in the administration of national affairs, have enabled Congress within the last year to reduce the taxes collected from the people, eighty millions of dollars annually.

We are assured that a further reduction will be made, and that soon the tax on spirits and tobacco, with the tariff on imported luxuries, and on such other articles as may be necessary to protect our own industries, will be sufficient to meet all our national obligations. Since March 1st, 1869, the public debt has been reduced at the rate of one hundred millions annually, diminishing our annual interest account, in twenty-two months, nearly twelve millions.

FINANCIAL.

The report of the State Treasurer will present a detailed statement of the condition of our finances.

Our receipts during the past year have been \$4,924,164.12; our expenditures, \$5,041,846.64. Our public debt is \$8,067,900.00. Of this debt \$840,000 becomes due the present year, \$567,000 of which is payable in gold or its equivalent. To pay this we have the sinking fund of 1865, amounting to \$1,178,677.61. This will pay the debt becoming due, and leave a balance of the sinking fund in the treasury of about \$281,677.61. The sinking fund of 1868 amounts to \$92,048.55. The trust funds held by the State, including the sinking funds, amount to \$2,017,043.08; exclusive of sinking fund, \$746,316.92.

The people of the State expect and will require at our hands the most rigid economy in all our expenditures. Our taxes are necessarily heavy, but should be made as light as possible. No heavy burden should be added. I am not unmindful of the truth of the proverb that "There is, that scattereth and yet increaseth; and there is, that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." Governments, like individuals, may, in the exercise of a wise forecast, make liberal advances, and thereby reap large gains, while withholding would tend to poverty. This is especially true in regard to such judicious expenditures as tend to educate and elevate the people, and increase the facilities for industrial and commercial prosperity. What I desire especially to urge is, that we should carefully scrutinize every channel through which the people's money goes, reform excesses or abuses in our expenses, stop all leaks in the treasury, if any such there are, see that every appropriation is wisely applied and secures the benefits intended, and that no useless expenditures are made. With your efforts in this direction, I pledge my earnest coöperation.

The reports of the State officers, including those of the officers

of public institutions and of the Commissioners of various State interests, will be laid before you at the earliest practicable moment. I have only been able to examine a part of them. You are referred to these reports for statements of the condition and wants of the several offices and institutions included therein.

The law allows insurance companies the month of January within which to make their reports to the Insurance Commissioner. The report of that officer, therefore, cannot be made until late in the session.

The term of one of our United States senators will expire on the third day of March next. It will become your duty to elect his successor.

It will also become your duty to make an apportionment of the State for Senators, and Members of the House of Representatives, and perhaps for Representatives to Congress.

MILITARY.

The organization of the ten companies of infantry authorized by law has been completed. These organizations will tend to keep alive, to some extent, the military spirit of the people, and, being largely made up of men who have seen active service in the field, they are believed to be sufficient to meet any ordinary emergency. These companies can readily be expanded into as many regiments in case of necessity.

The report of the Adjutant General will contain a statement of the expenditures for military purposes during the last year, and the military property in the possession of the State.

I call your attention especially to his suggestions in regard to the preservation of the flags that were carried by the Maine troops in the war, which are now exposed in the rotunda of the Capitol.

These flags should be carefully preserved as mementoes of the nation's great conflict, and as constant reminders of the terrible struggle which perpetuated our National Union.

STATE PENSIONS.

The Adjutant General's report will show the transactions of that office in regard to State Pensions.

You will only give practical expression to the wishes of your constituents by continuing such aid to our disabled soldiers and the widows and orphans of those who lost their lives in the ser-

vice, as will, with the national pensions, and what they can do themselves, prevent their becoming paupers, or otherwise subjects of charity. The disbursements for this purpose have fallen off from \$106,000, in 1867, to about one-fourth of that sum in 1870.

The Adjutant General is of the opinion that the appropriation for this purpose may be reduced from \$40,000 to \$35,000.

EDUCATIONAL.

If there is one thing above another that commends our institutions to the approval of the civilized world, it is our common school system, by which the means of education are brought within the reach of all the people. Its creation was the crowning act of the wise men who laid the foundations of the Republic. It is our surest guarantee of national prosperity and progress, and a pledge of the increasing grandeur of our republican form of government.

We are paying about three-fourths of a million dollars annually to support our common schools, which is about eight dollars per scholar, counting the average attendance. This sum is generously and willingly paid by the tax-payers of the State, who only demand, as they have a right to expect, that this large sum be honestly and wisely appropriated.

Our Normal Schools, Teachers' Institutes, efficient supervision, and other improved instrumentalities, cannot fail to produce good results.

We are already beginning to realize the benefits of our Normal Schools in the general efficiency of the teachers who have enjoyed the advantages of these institutions. Not that the graduates of the Normal Schools are always the best teachers, for no system of education or training can make a good teacher of unfit material. I only assert, what all experience proves, that, other things being equal, the teacher who has had special training for the duties of his profession, will be more likely to succeed than one who has had no such advantages.

Some of the measures recently adopted to promote the efficiency of our public schools may be regarded as experiments, to be continued or modified as the result of experience may dictate. The friends of these measures are confident that they will be of great practical benefit; others doubt it. Since they have been put in practice, it is best to allow the question of their utility to be settled by actual demonstration. No very serious consequences can

result from giving them a fair trial. If, after such trial, they are not satisfactory, they will, of course, be repealed.

I commend this important interest with the report of the State Superintendent to your careful consideration.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

The advantages of combining intellectual training with physical exercise in some productive industry in institutions for the education of young men, have not, in my estimation, been fully appreciated. Such institutions are especially desirable for the large class of young men who propose to engage in industrial pursuits, and who cannot afford the time and expense necessary to complete a course of study beyond what is required to prepare them for the intelligent performance of the practical business and duties of life. They need a knowledge and practice of what pertains to the living activities of the present, rather than the dead languages of the past.

The tuition being free, and the opportunity to pay part of the expense of board, are, to many of our most promising young men, important advantages. To meet this general want, the national legislature made the appropriation which enabled each State in the Union to establish a "College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts." Maine has, I believe, done wisely in accepting the grant, and pledging herself to conform to the terms prescribed.

In this institution the students are expected to apply in practice, to some extent at least, the principles taught in the books. The combination of actual practice with theoretical instruction, secures a more valuable knowledge of any science than the mere study of theories, however thorough it may be.

Many young men, after devoting their time and means for several years to preparation for some chosen profession, prove, on actual trial, utterly unfit for such profession, and without business, lacking physical strength as well as disposition necessary for success in any business requiring manual labor, they become thoroughly discouraged, and less able to obtain a livelihood by their own exertions than their most illiterate neighbor, who has learned to use his hands in some remunerative employment. Educate such young men in a well managed industrial college, and the additional physical force and mental activity acquired would greatly improve their chances for professional success, and, failing in that, they

have, in their ability to labor, a sure means of support and usefulness.

This College will, I trust, perform another important mission. The disposition to shun manual labor under the false impression that it is incompatible with respectability and good social position is becoming alarmingly prevalent, and requires correction. That labor, intelligently directed, is not inconsistent with the highest intellectual culture and the most honorable attainments, is one of the most important facts to be learned by young persons of both sexes. This College, if properly conducted, will do much towards the creation of a more desirable public sentiment on this subject. Young men educated here, and becoming familiar with agricultural and mechanical employments, will be more likely to engage in such pursuits. This is a result greatly to be desired, when we remember that this field is suffering for more workers, while many of the professions are crowded almost to starvation.

In these suggestions, I would detract nothing from the acknowledged merits of our other colleges, or their invaluable services in the great educational work of the country. They will continue to receive, as they deserve, the confidence and patronage of the people.

I am confident that the establishment of the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts is a step in the right direction. Certainly, as the work has been commenced and a large amount of money invested in it, and as the condition of the grant made by the General Government was the promise on our part to carry forward the work in good faith, it is our duty to give the institution our fostering care. The report of the Trustees will show the present condition and needs of the College.

ORPHANS' HOME.

About forty orphans of deceased soldiers and seamen are being cared for in the Home for Soldiers' Orphans in the city of Bath. Judging from what I saw in a brief visit recently made to this institution, its affairs are managed economically and well. The ladies connected with the Home are entitled to the gratitude of the people for their devotion to the children of our fallen heroes. The lives of those on whom these unfortunate children depended for support were given for us. The most we can do for them is but little compared with the debt we owe them.

TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITION.

The evils resulting from the use of intoxicating drinks are so destructive to all the highest interests of the State, and so promotive of all that we most deplore, that neither the philanthropist nor the statesman can ignore the demand for their suppression. To grapple effectively with an evil so interwoven with the love of gain, the appetite, the prejudices, and the social habits of the people, and to which so many in high social standing are wedded, is, in some respects, an unwelcome duty, and requires courage and devotion which many good people shrink from exercising.

The work necessary to restrict this evil to the smallest possible limits, belongs primarily, and perhaps chiefly, to the domain of what is termed moral effort. Still experience shows, and all, or nearly all, the people of this State concede that in this, as well as in our efforts against all other vices and crimes, the aid of legislative enactments is indispensable. The only question is as to the kind of legislation best calculated to produce the desired result.

For centuries the traffic in intoxicating drinks has been the subject of restrictive legislation in every Christian nation—the laws being more or less stringent according to the public opinion of the times. Sometimes communities and governments have sought to protect themselves from the evils of the traffic by licensing only such persons as possessed moral character, which, in the opinion of the authorities, qualified them for the trade. Sometimes a large sum has been required as a license fee for the purpose of reducing the number of places where liquors were to be sold; thus discouraging their use by higher prices, and greater inconvenience in obtaining them. Sometimes relief and protection have been sought by the entire prohibition of the traffic, except for certain specified purposes. For more than forty years the attention of the people of this country has been given to the traffic and the long train of evils inseparably connected with it.

Many laws have been passed by all the States upon this subject, all intended to prevent or limit the sale. In many of these States the laws are very stringent against it. In two or three, a clause in their constitution forbids the licensing of the trade; and, in as many more, liquor sellers are held responsible for all damages to individuals and society resulting from it.

After years of discussion, Maine adopted the policy of prohibi-

tion in 1851, and with the exception of one or two years, it has been continued with remarkable unanimity.

This legislation is not intended to interfere improperly with the personal habits of individuals. It only seeks to prohibit a public trade, which in the opinion of a large portion of our people—perhaps all—is a public mischief. Nor does it attempt to dictate what we shall drink more than the laws against the sale of diseased, poisonous, or otherwise unhealthy articles of food, dictate what we shall eat. In both cases the laws are against the sale, not the drinking or eating. The laws of prohibition upon gambling houses, impure books and pictures, houses of ill-fame and tippling shops, all rest upon the same principle, viz: that these trades are inconsistent with the public welfare, which it is not only the right but the duty of the government to provide against in all legitimate ways. There is, and can be, no difference of opinion amongst intelligent men as to the effect of the liquor traffic upon the prosperity of the State, and the happiness and welfare of the people. It is in direct hostility to all the interests of the country. No man can rightfully claim that a trade so injurious in its effect should be permitted to exist for his profit or accommodation. Every man is bound by his duty to society and the State to subordinate his personal preference and interests for the general good.

If the principles I have thus briefly stated are correct, it follows that it is the duty of the State to enact and enforce, and of all good citizens to obey and sustain, such laws as will most effectually prevent the traffic. It is not necessary to argue this question further before a body of intelligent, thinking men like this. If any have doubts on this subject, they would, I am confident, be removed by a careful comparison of the localities in this State where the law is enforced, with places having a similar population in States where prohibitory legislation does not exist.

The present law, where it is enforced, is, so far as I can judge, as effective in the suppression of the traffic as are our other criminal laws against the crimes they are intended to prevent. In a majority of counties the law appears to be well executed with very favorable results. Whether any further legislation in regard to the law or its execution is necessary or expedient, is for the Legislature to determine. I commend the whole subject to your careful consideration; reminding you and the people of the State that while recognizing the law as a necessary auxiliary in our

efforts against intemperance, we should not neglect to use all the moral influence within our reach to create and maintain a correct public sentiment on this subject; for on this the existence and enforcement of the laws and the good we hope to see accomplished through these efforts depend.

POPULATION AND EMIGRATION.

The census just taken discloses some unwelcome facts which demand your serious consideration. The increase of our population during the last decade was very small, and compares unfavorably with that of preceding decades. This may be accounted for in part, by our losses in the war, and the decrease in the average number of children in each family; but chiefly by the large emigration to other parts of the country. It has been estimated—with how much accuracy I do not know—that five thousand young men, and an equal number of young women, leave Maine annually to seek in other States more satisfactory fields of effort than they can find at home. These are generally the most energetic portion of our population, and their emigration constitutes a drain upon the productive capacity of the State we can ill afford. While the distinction to which many of the sons of Maine have attained in other States is exceedingly complimentary to “The men we raise,” it shows what we should gain by a policy that would give ample opportunity for the development and exercise of such talent at home. Have we the resources? and can we open avenues of sufficient business to retain this portion of our population in the State? are questions which deeply concern us. And on their successful solution our future largely depends. We certainly have resources, the development of which would require a large increase of population. Whether this development is to be made, depends largely on the policy the State shall adopt. The extension of our railroads, the cultivation of our unoccupied farming lands, and the occupation and utilization of our water-power, will do very much in the right direction.

NATURAL ADVANTAGES.

In a climate favorable to health and the development and exercise of the greatest physical and mental powers—in our soil, favorable to agricultural pursuits, some of it equal to any in the country—in our forests of wood and timber—in our extensive sea coast,

and safe and capacious harbors, furnishing unlimited capacity for ship-building and commercial pursuits—in our ability to make the very rigor of our climate and the sterility of our coast contribute to our wealth by furnishing unlimited supply of ice and granite, unsurpassed in quality by any in the country; and in our water power, unrivalled in extent and adaptation to manufacturing operations, we have resources which, if properly developed, will furnish profitable employment for all the increase of our own population and large immigration for centuries to come. That the labor and capital necessary for such development would be advantageously employed there can be no doubt.

AGRICULTURE.

The idea entertained by some that farming is not a paying business, and that farmers are obliged to work harder and for less compensation than persons engaged in other pursuits, is incorrect. It is true that fortunes are sometimes made more rapidly in other kinds of business. It is also true that they are oftener lost. There is no business among us that is so sure to furnish an abundance of all that is necessary to ensure real independence and happiness as farming. Nor is it necessary for farmers to go out of the State to find desirable localities for this business. Some western farmers do better than ours; others not so well. On the whole, it is probable that our Maine farmers make nearly, and perhaps quite as much money according to the amount invested, as they would in the west, and enjoy very much more of all the comforts and conveniences of life.

Between three and four hundred townships, equal to seven or eight millions of acres, comprising some of the best soil in the State, are still untouched by the hand of cultivation. Increased facilities for communication and transportation will soon make portions at least of these lands especially desirable for farming purposes, while the increase of manufactures and commerce will secure a ready home market for all farm products at fair prices. We are furnishing some good horses and other stock for the market. These sell at prices indicating that, with greater care and attention this branch of business may be pursued with advantage, and become a source of large income. There is no reason why the agricultural operations of this State may not be very largely and profitably increased.

WATER-POWER AND MANUFACTURES.

One of our greatest sources of prosperity lies in our immense water-power, a large amount of which is still unoccupied. The development of this waiting agency through the establishment of manufactures, will add largely to the success of all other branches of business. The facts recently laid before people through the Hydrographic survey, cannot fail to attract attention to our wonderful capacity for manufacturing pursuits. In this respect, Nature has dealt liberally with us, and given us advantages unrivalled by any State in the Union. Much of this unoccupied power is already accessible by water and rail, and the extension of our railroad system will reach the balance as rapidly as it can be occupied.

We cannot afford to ignore the conditions of success. The achievement of our grand possibilities will not come unbidden. If we would win the crown we must run the race. The State that adopts a stand-still policy in this day of great enterprises, and rapid development, will, as she deserves, be out-stripped by her more enterprising neighbors.

It is a reason for congratulation, that these advantages are beginning to be appreciated by business men and capitalists, and that, encouraged by the liberality of our laws, a large amount of capital and labor has, within the last few years, been attracted to us, which has found profitable employment in a variety of manufacturing pursuits. Be it ours, by wise legislation and judicious use of the advantages at hand, to foster and encourage this important interest.

It is believed that the law authorizing towns to exempt, for a limited number of years, manufacturing property from taxation, and the special acts authorizing them to aid such enterprises by gift of money or loan of credit, have contributed to the benefit of the towns exercising such authority, and the State. I suggest that it would be well to authorize towns by general law, to encourage the establishment of manufactures by subscription or loan of credit. Under certain limitations, I see no reason why this authority may not safely be given. Any intelligent community may safely be trusted with what relates to its own interests. Instances often occur in which the aid of a few thousand dollars will secure the investment of capital, and the establishment of business that would attract population and capital, and increase the taxable property

of the place so as to re-imburse, in a few years, many times over the amount originally given.

PROTECTION TO INDUSTRY.

In this connection I deem it not inappropriate to advert to the subject of protection to our industrial pursuits. I do not advocate what is termed a high tariff. The present tariff, except as it has been recently modified, was made to correspond with heavy internal taxation, and should now, as it undoubtedly will be, materially reduced.

“Revenue reform,” in its practical sense, cannot be too strongly urged upon those who make and administer the laws. But the term, when used to express the views of some of its most demonstrative advocates, is somewhat vague and indefinite. It is made the watchword of men who entertain all shades of opinions on revenue questions, and especially of those who advocate absolute free trade. A revenue reform securing the strictest economy in all our expenditures, and providing for the removal of national taxation from the necessaries of life, and the productive industry of the country, the reduction or entire removal of duties on such needful imported articles as do not come into injurious competition with our own productions, should receive our earnest support. It is delusive to suppose that the necessary expenses of the Government and the interest on the public debt can be paid, and a moderate reduction of the debt provided for without heavy taxation of some kind. A policy that will bring the products of European labor that may be had for fifteen to fifty cents per day into competition in our markets on equal terms with our own labor, should and will be repudiated by the American people. What we need is a policy that will secure, not less, but more pay to our own laborers.

The laboring man in this country occupies a position in society entirely different from the working men of Europe. They are the equals of their countrymen who are engaged in other pursuits. We cannot afford to allow their degradation through the influence of half paid labor.

We now consume too much of the products of foreign labor and too little of our own. A nation's wealth is in its laboring men and women, and labor enriches the nation and the individual in proportion to its productive value.

The country is the most prosperous financially that approximates the nearest to supplying its demands for home consumption, and exports the most of the products of its industries.

While, therefore, I would coöperate in every measure tending to reduce the expense of living and lighten the burdens of taxation, I earnestly hope no policy will be adopted that will degrade American labor or lessen its rewards.

RAILROADS.

The enterprise manifested by our people in the construction of railroads evinces a disposition to appropriate the advantages which nature has placed within our reach, and inspires lively hope for the future of the State.

From the Railroad Commissioners' report it appears that 694½ miles of railroad are now in operation in the State, of which 78 have been built the past year, and that there are 186 miles under construction. The Commissioners recommend more stringent enactment for the prevention of accidents. It is gratifying to learn from the report of the Commissioners that the railroad companies in the State are generally raising the character of their respective roads to a higher level of durability and safety.

The claim of this State and Massachusetts against the General Government, which had been assigned for the benefit of the European and North American Railway, has been allowed, and secures the early completion of that road. This will open direct railroad communication with St. John, and by a road already built, with the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and at an early day by a line rapidly approaching completion, with Halifax. We shall then have a continuous line of railway extending the whole length of the continent and connecting the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The great thoroughfare between Europe and the most of the American continent and the Pacific coast will then be through this State.

While this work has been going on in the East, an enterprise which originated in Portland has been rapidly pushing its way westward, and will soon secure more direct communication between that enterprising city and the great grain growing State of the West; and at no distant day by the Northern Pacific Railroad to the Pacific ocean on the coast of Oregon. These grand enterprises, and several other roads of much local importance that are being built, with the projection of others that are sure to be com-

pleted at an early day, are the best evidences of a determination to make our railroad system equal to the demand of the growing interest of the State. Let this spirit be encouraged and it will develop resources which would otherwise remain useless. The unoccupied farming lands in Aroostook county, with a soil equal if not superior to that of any other section of New England, are being settled very slowly. This is because immigration keeps pace with the iron rail, and will not in any considerable numbers settle far beyond. Build a railroad to this fertile region, and lands which cannot now be given away to settlers will be eagerly sought after at fair prices. And in a few years that country would contain a population and a tax-paying capacity that, with the increased value of the products of the soil and forests would soon pay the cost of the road and become a source of wealth to the State. The importance of a system of railway communication that will make accessible the timber and farming lands and develop the other resources of this section of the State has long been felt by our wisest men, and frequently and forcibly discussed by my predecessors. The European and North American Railway so shortens the length of new road necessary to make the immense resources of this part of the State accessible, that we may well inquire whether some practical means may not be devised to accomplish a work so desirable. I am convinced that the best way to reduce the burden of the debt is to develop our resources, give the people better facilities to make money and increase the taxable property of the State.

I have deemed it my duty to call attention to this subject, and invoke the wisdom of the Legislature upon its consideration.

The men who have furnished the means to build railroads in Maine have relied upon the indirect advantages they in common with others would receive rather than any direct income from the investment. The interests of the masses of the people and the stockholders and managers of railroads are not necessarily antagonistic, and it would be a great misfortune to the State if a spirit of antagonism should spring up between them. We should avoid a railroad war in Maine if possible.

Railroads are essential promoters of individual prosperity and national progress; and are entitled to every facility not inconsistent with the public good. It would not be wise for the State to grant unlimited powers, or permit the consolidation of railroads or

any other corporations to an extent that would, in any event, allow such consolidated interests to control the legislation of the State. For in such event, every other interest might be rendered subservient, and all guarantees useless.

A proper appreciation of, and a just regard for the rights of each and the interests of all, will, I trust, prevent any serious trouble in this regard.

IMMIGRATION.

The Report of the Commissioner of Immigration presents an interesting account of the work accomplished through his agency. A colony of one hundred and two Swedish immigrants has been established on a township in Aroostook county, known as New Sweden. The Commissioner is confident that this has opened the way for a large immigration of this hardy and industrious race. These people evidently possess the characteristics necessary for pioneer work in this State, and they will be a valuable acquisition in the settlement of our unoccupied lands. Such of these immigrants as would prefer other pursuits, would find, in other parts of the State, desirable employment and good compensation. Such laborers, male and female, are greatly needed, especially as household servants, for whom there is great demand.

Many of these people are excellent mechanics, others excel as family servants. Their religion, education, general intelligence, and industrious habits, with our need of their services, will create a mutual friendship and sympathy between them and our people wherever in the State they may go. I therefore suggest that whatever plan you adopt to aid immigration in the future, it be not confined to immigrants who prefer agricultural pursuits, but that it include those who desire to engage in other employments in any part of the State. Other States are adding largely to their population and wealth by their immigration efforts. I see no reason why we may not do the same.

Trusting that you will deem it wise to continue this work in some economical way, I commend the recommendations of the Commissioner with these brief suggestions to your early consideration.

OUR SHIPPING INTERESTS.

I regret to say that the burdens which the war and the legislation incident thereto placed upon our shipping interests, have not

been removed. It is extremely humiliating to see the business formerly carried on under our flag, monopolized by, and bearing the flag of the nation that contributed the most, in our time of trouble, to sweep our commerce from the ocean. Maine may be expected to feel somewhat intensely, and allowed to speak with some earnestness on this subject, because she has very much at stake. She has in some years of the past furnished fifty per cent. of all the sea-going vessels of the country. In the building and sailing of vessels, employment has been given to twenty thousand and support to one hundred thousand of her citizens.

If this was a subject in which any portion of the country or the Government has adverse interests, the opposition it receives might reasonably be expected. But the relief we ask, while it would help us and others immediately interested, would through increase of business, contribute to the prosperity of the whole country, and add to the revenue of the Government immeasurably more than would be lost, by unfettering these interests, and allowing them to fulfil their important mission.

No man who remembers the efficient aid received from our ship-yards and merchant marine in furnishing vessels and experienced seamen for the creation of a navy in the beginning of the war, can fail to appreciate the importance of this subject to the national defence. It is vastly cheaper and better every way to encourage and sustain interests, which, in addition to their means of prosperity in time of peace, will furnish a navy in time of war, than to maintain permanently such a naval force as would otherwise be required. There is no adequate reason for continuing this unfriendly legislation, which is paralyzing business of such importance.

I earnestly hope Congress will at an early day remove the burdens of which we complain. This would allow our ships and our commerce to compete under more favorable circumstances, with those of other nations in the markets of the world. Let this be done, and we may reasonably hope that the sounds of busy industry will soon be heard in our ship-yards; that the sails of our commerce will again be allowed to whiten every sea, and that the sight of our flag will gladden the hearts of our countrymen in all lands.

BIENNIAL ELECTIONS AND SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

My predecessor, in one of his addresses to the Legislature called attention to the subject of biennial elections of State officers and sessions of the Legislature. The suggestion appeared to me timely, and worthy of careful consideration. If a saving of forty or fifty thousand dollars, which is about the cost of a session of the Legislature, can be made to the tax-payers of the State every two years, besides an important reduction in time and expenses incident to the elections, without serious detriment to other interests, it should be done. A revision of the statutes has just been made. They should undergo no useless changes. The history of the State and country show that the tendency is to too much legislation. I am of the opinion that biennial sessions would furnish ample opportunity for all the legislation the interests of the people and the State would require.

CHANGE OF THE DAY FOR THE ANNUAL ELECTION.

If you should deem the subject just referred to of sufficient importance to submit to the people the question of such amendment to the constitution as the change would require, I suggest that with it you submit the question of changing the day of our annual election to the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, being the day fixed by law for the Presidential Election. There are some important advantages to be gained by this change. Every four years it would save the time and expense of one election, as the Presidential and State elections would occur on the same day. It would be more favorable to a fair and full expression of the wishes of the people. The present time of election makes it necessary to hold the preliminary caucusses and conventions at a time when in a large part of the State, the people employed in agricultural pursuits are more busily engaged than in any other part of the year. As parties are now organized, the character of our public servants is generally determined at these primary meetings. Unless there is unusual interest in the nominations many of the most intelligent voters who are busily engaged, stay at home. This makes it easy for a few men, who may have private or other interests adverse to the public good, to control the nominations, and if in the majority party, the elections. I submit whether the interests of the State will not be better subserved by holding the preliminary meetings and the elections at a time when the largest

number of the people can attend with the least sacrifice. It is generally believed that a better understanding of our duties as voters may be obtained by intelligent and thorough public discussion of the questions at issue and the merits of candidates. Here we find again in the busy season that precedes the present day of election, the same difficulty. Many of the working people cannot leave their business to attend such discussions. Two months later the longer evenings would be more favorable to reading and public meetings, and laboring men could better attend to both. All would be as well accommodated, and many whose honest votes are greatly needed much better.

OUR JAIL SYSTEM.

In our treatment of criminals, the chief object should be the reformation of the criminal and the diminution of crime. Neither of these can be expected as the result of crowding together in inconvenient, unhealthy jails, like many in this State, without employment, persons who have only taken their first step in crime, with hardened criminals of both sexes. The opposite result is sure to follow. The person accused of, or under sentence for his first offence against the law should not be confined with, or placed under the tuition of professional offenders hardened by a life of crime. We cannot afford to ignore the laws of common propriety and decency in our treatment of criminals and those accused of crime. They should be supplied with suitable reading matter, moral and religious instruction, and constant employment.

The report of the Commissioners recently appointed to consider this subject, may be expected at an early day, and will, I trust, suggest some practical plan of reform.

FISHERIES.

The course pursued by our neighbors of the Dominion in regard to the rights of our fishermen, is exceedingly damaging to a business in which many citizens of this State are engaged, and calls for immediate action by the proper authorities. It is gratifying to know that the President of the United States is not unmindful of our interests in this regard. Whatever aid we can give him in determining at an early day the rights of American citizens on the waters where they have so long pursued this business, should not be withheld. We earnestly desire to continue friendly relations

with our neighbors. If, however, the indignities that have been offered should be repeated, it will become the duty of the government to adopt such measures as may be necessary to enforce our rights.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

The idea of an Industrial School for Girls should not be abandoned. All the arguments in favor of reformatory institutions for boys apply with equal, and in some respects, greater force to the establishment of similar institutions for girls.

I earnestly hope the finances of the State, or the munificence of men of means, who desire to aid such an enterprise, or both combined, will, at an early day, allow the establishment of an institution so essential to the moral well being of the State.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I pledge you my earnest coöperation in all measures calculated to promote the prosperity of the State and the happiness of the people, and express the hope that your councils will be harmonious, and result in lasting benefits and blessings to your constituents.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

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

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

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

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FRENCH of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Paper from the House :

Bill "an act to authorize certain cities and towns to aid in the construction and equipment of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

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

Communications were received from Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Hiram Knowlton, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, and Silas C. Hatch, Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance ;

Which were severally read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

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 the same Senator,

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.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

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

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish each member of the Senate with one copy of the State valuation of the plantations and wild lands of the State for 1870.

On motion of Mr. HINKS, the order providing that all petitions for private legislation, except "petitions for redress of wrongs and grievances," which shall be presented after February first, be referred to the next Legislature, was taken from the table.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by inserting after the words "Kennebec Journal," the words "the Bangor Daily Whig and Courier and the Portland Daily Press."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

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 eleven o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, and Silas C. Hatch, 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. MINOT of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to notify Uranus O. Brackett, William Deering, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, and Silas C. Hatch, 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, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, and Silas C. Hatch, 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. FOSTER, 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, William Deering, Ebenezer Choate, 2d, and Silas C. Hatch, 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. WEBBER, the vote was reconsidered whereby *three* thousand copies of the Governor's Address were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "two."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Mr. MORRIS presented "resolve providing for furnishing the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register for the use of the Legislature and several Departments," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Journal of Friday's proceedings read and approved.

The following communication was received from the Governor by the Secretary of State :

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

In pursuance of resolves of the Legislature entitled "resolves in relation to the publication of the revised statutes." approved March 21, 1870, the revised statutes of the State, adopted to take effect on the first day of February next, has been printed, but with changes of phraseology in many sections of chapter 82, to chapter 113 inclusive. A copy of the whole work, as thus printed, is herewith submitted for your consideration.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed, to which shall be referred the message of the Governor concerning the revision of the statutes, said Committee to examine the subject matter therein referred to and report by bill or otherwise at an early day.

And Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and Foster of Kennebec, were appointed on the part of 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, 1870.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

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. Minot of Kennebec, Lane of Cumberland, and Hinks of Hancock, 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. Burgess of Portland, Reed of Waldoborough, Gannett of Bath, Whiting of Ellsworth, Rawson of Bangor, Wadsworth of Pembroke, and Haskell of Portland.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State, in response to an order of the Senate in relation to Valuation lists of the State, informing the Senate that the information called for may be found in the report of the Treasurer of State, this day laid before the Legislature.

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. Lane of Cumberland,
Foster of Kennebec,
Vose of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Pike of Calais,
Bliss of Washington,
Bonney of Portland,
Wilson of Thomaston,
Sanborn of Bangor,
Lord of Alfred,
Hutchings of Brewer, *of the House.*

On Federal Relations. .

Messrs. Foster of Kennebec,
Morris of Cumberland,
Sawyer of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
Messrs. Hagar of Richmond,
Reed of Waldoborough,
Rawson of Bangor,
Hobart of Dennysville,
Woodbury of Houlton,
Cousens of Kennebunkport,
Perkins of Farmington, *of the House.*

On Military Affairs.

- Messrs. Spaulding of Sagadahoc,
Smart of Waldo,
French of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Robie of Gorham,
Atwell of Orono,
Thompson of Dover,
Cobb of Windham,
Goodwin of Berwick,
Hinckley of Phillips,
White of Greenfield, *of the House.*

On Coast and Frontier Defences.

- Messrs. Sawyer of Washington,
Dudley of Aroostook,
Lane of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Bartlett of Harmony,
Googins of Millbridge,
Erving of Bristol,
Wass of Addison,
Parsons of Franklin,
Thompson of Trenton,
Gray of Harrison, *of the House.*

On Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

- Messrs. Holland of Androscoggin,
Nealley of York,
French of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Patten of Bath,
Robie of Gorham,
Sewall of Oldtown,
Woodbury of Houlton,
Harriman of Belfast,
Burgess of Portland,
Bird of Rockland, *of the House.*

On Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

- Messrs. Carvill of Cumberland,
 Webber of Somerset,
 Smith of Knox, *of the Senate*;
- Messrs. Sanborn of Kittery,
 Gannett of Bath,
 Whiting of Ellsworth,
 Blossom of Monmouth,
 Cousens of Kennebunkport,
 Hopkins of Mt. Vernon,
 Goodwin of Berwick, *of the House.*

On Legal Reform.

- Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford,
 Spaulding of Sagadahoc,
 Smith of Lincoln, *of the Senate*;
- Messrs. Carleton of Whitefield,
 Heath of Waterville,
 Cleaves of Portland,
 Knapp of East Livermore,
 Adams of Biddeford,
 Cobb of Windham,
 Lamb of Clinton, *of the House.*

On Education.

- Messrs. French of Franklin,
 Smith of Lincoln,
 Carvill of Cumberland, *of the Senate*;
- Messrs. Norcross of Charleston,
 Hathaway of Skowhegan,
 Keegan of Madawaska,
 Potter of Topsham,
 Bragdon of York,
 Holt of New Sharon,
 Colburn of Windsor, *of the House.*

On Banks and Banking.

- Messrs. Gray of Kennebec,
 Morris of Cumberland,
 Hobson of York, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Cram of Brunswick,
 Johnson of Augusta,
 Reed of Waldoborough,
 Wyman of Newport,
 Palmer of Gardiner,
 Wadsworth of Pembroke,
 Haskell of Portland, *of the House.*

On Agriculture, and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

- Messrs. Perley of Cumberland,
 Bartlett of Hancock,
 Hayford of Oxford, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Green of Wilton,
 Bean of Denmark,
 Deering of Waterborough,
 Osgood of Durham,
 Willard of Mercer,
 Stackpole of Acton,
 Lane of Raymond, *of the House.*

On Manufactures.

- Messrs. Mayo of Piscataquis,
 Hinks of Hancock,
 Minot of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Dingley of Auburn,
 Burnham of Biddeford,
 Tibbetts of Sanford,
 Chase of Augusta,
 Osgood of Lewiston,
 Nutter of Cape Elizabeth,
 Bishop of Milo, *of the House.*

On Interior Waters.

- Messrs. Nickels of Penobscot,
 Hobson of York,
 Gray of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hobson of Wiscasset,
 Talbot of East Machias,
 Atwell of Orono,
 Bliss of Washington,
 Fitch of Sebago,
 Carver of Searsport,
 Getchell of Baldwin, *of the House.*

On State Lands and State Roads.

- Messrs. Dudley of Aroostook,
 Rolfe of Washington,
 Webber of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Martin of Rumford,
 Hacker of Fort Fairfield,
 Chapin of Monson,
 Strickland of Bangor,
 Buswell of Etna,
 Moore of Machiasport,
 Moores of Dalton, *of the House.*

On Division of Towns.

- Messrs. Hinks of Hancock,
 Smith of Knox,
 Mayo of Piscataquis, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Smith of Parsonsfield,
 Hopkins of Bluehill,
 Taylor of Norridgewock,
 Rawson of Bangor,
 Knight of Sweden,
 Crehore of Lincolnville,
 Foster of Bethel, *of the House.*

On Division of Counties.

- Messrs. Webber of Somerset,
 Torrey of Knox,
 French of Franklin, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle,
 Wagg of Danville,
 Berry of Buxton,
 Haskell of Garland,
 Brewer of Freeport,
 Hastings of Union,
 Severance of Searsmont, *of the House.*

On Incorporation of Towns.

- Messrs. Nealley of York,
 Smart of Waldo,
 French of Franklin, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hacker of Fort Fairfield,
 Clark of Lincoln,
 Andrews of Otisfield,
 Mayo of Monroe,
 Stuart of Belgrade,
 Jenkins of Elliot,
 Goodrich of Moscow, *of the House.*

On Fisheries.

- Messrs. Bartlett of Hancock,
 Torrey of Knox,
 Sawyer of Washington, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Minot of Phipsburg,
 Whitmore of Bucksport,
 Rodick of Eden,
 Anderson of Eastport,
 Moore of Machiasport,
 Heal of Westport,
 Snowman of Penobscot, *of the House.*

On Indian Affairs.

- Messrs. Rolfe of Washington,
Fuller of Penobscot,
Nickels of Penobscot, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Hobart of Dennysville,
Reed of No. 11, Range 1,
Andrews of Palmyra,
Taber of Unity,
Ellis of Canton,
Blanchard of Corinth,
Clook of Topsfield, *of the House.*

On Claims.

- Messrs. Minot of Kennebec,
Cleaves of Oxford,
Perley of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Comins of Eddington,
Hagar of Richmond,
Whitehouse of St. George,
Stover of Morrill,
Drisco of Columbia,
Hayden of Madison,
White of Winterport, *of the House.*

On Pensions.

- Messrs. Fuller of Penobscot,
Roberts of York,
Smart of Waldo, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Gannett of Bath,
Stickney of Presque Isle,
Cushing of Camden,
Hill of Brownfield,
Winter of New Portland,
Simpson of Gray,
Raynes of Deer Isle, *of the House.*

On Insane Hospital.

- Messrs. Hobson of York,
 Perley of Cumberland,
 Hinks of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Wall of Hallowell,
 Jones of Norway,
 Thompson of Dover,
 Bradbury of Limington,
 Snow of Winthrop,
 Ray of Westbrook,
 Weed of Veazie, *of the House.*

On Reform School.

- Messrs. Hayford of Oxford,
 Smith of Lincoln,
 Minot of Kennebec, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Robinson of Carmel,
 Knight of Sweden,
 Perkins of Poland,
 Rodick of Eden,
 Moore of Buckfield,
 Jones of Springfield,
 Fish of Turner, *of the House.*

On State Prison.

- Messrs. Roberts of York,
 Gray of Kennebec,
 Bartlett of Hancock, *of the Senate* ;
- Messrs. Wyman of Newport,
 Tibbetts of Sanford,
 Dustin of Dexter,
 Reynolds of Lewiston,
 Martin of Rumford,
 Berry of Damariscotta,
 Bragdon of York, *of the House.*

On Public Buildings.

Messrs. Morris of Cumberland,
 Holland of Androscoggin,
 French of Somerset, *of the Senate* ;

Messrs. Chase of Augusta,
 Foster of Bethel,
 Skillin of North Yarmouth,
 Partridge of Orland,
 Brown of Falmouth,
 Hammond of Paris,
 Clark of China, *of the House.*

On Library.

Messrs. Vose of Waldo,
 Foster of Kennebec,
 Carvill of Cumberland, *of the Senate* ;

Messrs. Ray of Westbrook,
 Cleaves of Portland,
 Hodgdon of West Gardiner,
 Emery of South Thomaston,
 Simonton of Rockland,
 Sayward of Thorndike,
 Greene of Temple *of the House.*

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee on Senatorial Votes, submitted the following report :

The Committee to which was 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.....	10,796
Necessary for a choice.....	5,399
John B. Nealley has.....	5,879
Joseph C. Roberts.....	5,767
Joseph Hobson.....	5,960
Edward Eastman.....	5,233
Ephraim C. Spring.....	4,584
George Bragdon.....	5,052

Ephraim Spring.....	280
George S. Bragdon	27
John Lord.....	24
Harvey Small.....	2
Robert H. Brackett.....	2
Arthur McArthur	1

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

In the Second District—

Whole number of ballots was	12,480
Necessary for a choice.....	6,241
Marquis D. L. Lane has.....	6,553
Henry Carvill.....	6,809
Samuel F. Perley.....	6,911
Charles J. Morris	6,848
Bion Bradbury.....	5,553
Joshua Howard.....	5,536
Paul G. Blanchard.....	5,234
Daniel C. Emery	5,551
Samuel F. Perry.....	236
Marquis D. Lane.....	271
Paul Blanchard.....	191
Paul C. Blanchard.....	117
Ezra Tobie.....	100
Ezekiel Strout.....	98
E. H. Starbird.....	97
R. S. Smart	94
R. D. Smart.....	2
Thomas Hancock.....	2
Samuel A. Holbrook.....	2
S. M. Smart.....	2
Henry K. Starbird.....	1
Reuben S. Smart.....	1
Harris C. Barnes.....	1
Caleb A. Chapin	1

And Marquis D. L. Lane, Henry Carvill, Samuel F. Perley and Charles J. Morris, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Third District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	7,244
Necessary for a choice.....	3,623
Thomas P. Cleaves has.....	3,899
Otis Hayford, Jr.....	3,735
William Gordon, Jr.....	3,055
Jeremiah Bartlett.....	3,158
Otis Hayford.....	185
William Gordon.....	161

And Thomas P. Cleaves and Otis Hayford, Jr., having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Fourth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	5,108
Necessary for a choice.....	2,555
Daniel Holland has.....	2,593
Alonzo Garcelon.....	2,514
Sam. Crash.....	1

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

In the Fifth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	3,483
Necessary for a choice.....	1,742
Edwin R. French has.....	1,905
Francis G. Butler.....	1,578

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

In the Sixth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	2,355
Necessary for a choice.....	1,178
Joseph W. Spaulding has.....	1,457
Samuel D. Bailey.....	897
Jim Whitney.....	1

And Joseph W. Spaulding, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

In the Seventh District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	8,831
Necessary for a choice.....	4,416
Joshua Gray has.....	5,225

George E. Minot.....	5,238
Reuben Foster.....	5,162
Thomas L. Stanton.....	3,401
John W. Freese.....	3,402
George C. Getchell.....	3,395
Joshua A. Gray.....	127
John Freese.....	9
Joshua Nye.....	1
E. R. Drummond.....	1
John S. Minot.....	1

And Joshua Gray, George E. Minot and Reuben Foster, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Eighth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	6,040
Necessary for a choice.....	3,021
Frank R. Webber has.....	3,468
Moses French.....	3,464
James Fuller.....	2,553
Beriah C. Goodwin.....	2,551
Hiram Knowlton.....	1

And Frank R. Webber and Moses French, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Ninth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	2,439
Necessary for a choice.....	1,220
John G. Mayo has.....	1,413
James S. Wiley.....	1,025
Caleb O. Palmer.....	1

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

In the Tenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	11,758
Necessary for a choice.....	5,880
Timothy Fuller has.....	6,510
Charles Buffum.....	6,395
John B. Nickels.....	6,409
John A. Larrabee.....	5,227
Daniel S. Stone.....	5,225

Bradbury Robinson.....	5,200
Charles Shaw.....	54
John B. Jackerson.....	22
Charles Spencer.....	20
Daniel Stone.....	6
E. P. Lansil.....	1
John M. Gilman.....	1

And Timothy Fuller, Charles Buffum and John B. Nickels, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Eleventh District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	4,374
Necessary for a choice.....	2,188
Samuel E. Smith has.....	2,205
Edwin Flye.....	2,168
B. D. Metcalf.....	1

And Samuel E. Smith, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

In the Twelfth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	4,895
Necessary for a choice.....	2,448
Ruggles S. Torrey has.....	2,558
Edwin Smith, Jr.....	2,493
Timothy Williams.....	2,370
William J. McCullum.....	2,262
William J. Cullum.....	114
Edwin Smith.....	75

And Ruggles S. Torrey and Edwin Smith, Jr., having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Thirteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	5,643
Necessary for a choice.....	2,822
Thomas W. Vose has.....	2,963
Nehemiah Smart.....	3,038
Ezra Cox.....	2,530
Crawford S. Fletcher.....	2,595
Blank.....	4

And Thomas W. Vose and Nehemiah Smart, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Fourteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	5,036
Necessary for a choice.....	2,519
Hiram S. Bartlett has.....	2,722
Sylvanus T. Hinks.....	2,714
Hosea B. Wardwell.....	2,289
Peletiah Moore.....	2,289

And Hiram S. Bartlett and Sylvanus T. Hinks, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Fifteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	5,762
Necessary for a choice.....	2,882
Daniel J. Sawyer has.....	3,015
Putnam Rolfe.....	2,977
Giles M. Wentworth.....	2,818
Ezekiel Dyer.....	2,697
Daniel Sawyer.....	14
R. B. Clark.....	3

And Daniel J. Sawyer and Putnam Rolfe, having a majority of all the votes cast, are elected.

In the Sixteenth District—

Whole number of ballots was.....	3,469
Necessary for a choice.....	1,735
David Dudley has.....	2,082
William Dickey.....	1,182
William Irish.....	164
John A. Peters.....	28
Marcellus Emery.....	12
Sumner Whitney.....	1

And David Dudley, having a majority of all the votes cast, is elected.

The town of Berwick, in the First District, failed to make a return of votes for either candidate. In the Sixteenth District, returns from some of the towns and plantations have not been received at the office of Secretary of State.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. FULLER,

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. Fuller of Penobscot, Smart of Waldo, and Smith of Knox, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin,

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. French of Franklin, Cleaves of Oxford, and Spaulding of Sagadahoc, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. NICKELS,

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. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to the employment of school teachers, so as to vest that power in school district agents.

Mr. CARVILL presented the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for authority to extend its road to Portland and connect with the Portland and Rochester Railroad, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing petition and orders were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, The House concurring, that the Joint Rules and Orders of 1870, be adopted as the Joint Rules and Orders of this Legislature, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. WEBBER,

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 twelve o'clock, for the purpose of administering to Hiram Knowlton, 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.

The hour assigned for the Convention, for the purpose of administering to Hon. Hiram Knowlton, 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. FOSTER of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to notify Hiram Knowlton, 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. Hiram Knowlton, Councillor elect, was pleased to say, that he would attend upon the Convention forthwith, for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon, Hiram Knowlton, 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. WEBBER,

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

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

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

“An act to authorize certain cities and towns to aid in the construction and equipment of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad,” which was passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve relating to the Commission to investigate all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quota of towns by the State and general government for men not actually put into the service,” 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. CLEAVES,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Treasurer of State be authorized to deliver the bonds of equalization of the war debts of the town of Crawford to the town treasurer or his order, was read and passed in concurrence.

The following order : That a Joint Select Committee of one from each county on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed, to whom shall be referred all petitions and orders for amendments to the State valuation of 1870, came from the House read and passed, and Messrs. Stickney of Presque Isle, Osgood of Lewiston, Haskell of Portland, Perkins of Farmington, Chase of Augusta, Cushing of Camden, Reed of Waldoborough, Whiting of Ellsworth, Jones of Norway, Chapin of Monson, Atwell of Orono, Hagar of Richmond, Taylor of Norridgewock, Crehore of Lincolnville, Wadsworth of Pembroke, and Bragdon of York, appointed on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the order was read and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of James B. Lislle, for remuneration for betterments on lot No. 25 in the town of Mt. Chase, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of P. S. J. Talbot and others of East Machias, that their wharf extending into tide waters in said town may be legalized, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Ebenezer Choate, 2d, Executive Councillor, tendering his resignation of said office, which was read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

Ordered, That a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed, to see what measures shall be taken to obtain titles of the lands, or quiet the claims of settlers who under authority of Land Agents, and certificates from the same, have improved certain lots of land, paid the price thereof as the statutes provide, in road labor, and which lands to the great injustice of these settlers, have subsequently been conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company, and that they report by bill or otherwise as early as practicable.

And Messrs. Dudley of Aroostook, Foster of Kennebec, and Lane of Cumberland, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. ROLFE,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to rebuild the bridge from Princeton to Indian township, in Washington county.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented the petition of John Hanson and others of Jay, that the doings of said town, in loaning its credit to Messrs. Hutchins and Lane, may be legalized, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing orders and petition were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

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 eleven o'clock,

for the purpose of electing an Executive Councillor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Ebenezer Choate, 2d.

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. LANE of the Senate,

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, and Smart of Waldo, of the Senate, and Messrs. Bird of Rockland, Hobart of Dennysville, Burnham of Biddeford, Jones of Norway, and Stuart of Belgrade, of the House, were appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for Executive Councillor, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Hon. Ebenezer Choate, 2d.

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

Whole number of votes is	129
Necessary for a choice.....	65
George Weeks has.....	108
Cyrus McKown.....	20
Jason Carleton	1

The report was accepted, and George Weeks was declared duly elected Executive Councillor for the current political year.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to inform George Weeks of his election as Executive Councillor for the current political year.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

Communications were received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Attorney General for the year 1870 ; also the Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital for the year 1870, which were severally read.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That the report of the Attorney General, this day laid before the Legislature, be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital, this day laid before the Legislature, be referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin,

Ordered, That until otherwise ordered, the hour of meeting of the Senate be at ten o'clock A. M., on each secular day, except that on Mondays it be at 11, and on Saturdays at 9 o'clock A. M.

Mr. HAYFORD, at his request, was excused from serving on the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, and Mr. French of Franklin, was appointed to the vacancy.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, at his request, was excused from serving on the Committee on Division of Counties, and Mr. Hayford was appointed to the vacancy.

The order providing for a Joint Select Committee on the message of the Governor relating to the revision of the statutes, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined on the part of the House as follows :

Messrs. Harriman of Belfast, Bonney of Portland, Cleaves of Portland, Hutchings of Brewer, and Lord of Alfred.

The order providing for a Joint Select Committee on the Governor's message, for the purpose of reporting a reference of its several subjects to appropriate Committees, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined by that branch as follows :

Messrs. Dingley of Auburn, Woodbury of Houlton, Wilson of Thomaston, Strickland of Bangor, Hobson of Wiscasset, Hodgdon of West Gardiner, and Hobart of Dennysville.

The order providing for a Joint Select Committee 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 Legis-

lature, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined by that branch as follows :

Messrs. Cram of Brunswick, Stickney of Presque Isle, Hammond of Paris, Chase of Augusta, Pike of Calais, Gannett of Bath, and Smith of Parsonsfield.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1871.

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 a new apportionment of the State for Senators and Representatives to the Legislature is expedient, and that a Joint Select Committee of one from each county on the part of the House, to be selected by the several county delegations, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to take into consideration the enumeration of the inhabitants of this State as a basis for such apportionment ;

Was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Foster of Kennebec, Nealley of York, Perley of Cumberland, Holland of Androscoggin, Smith of Knox, Fuller of Penobscot, and Hinks of Hancock, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

That the matter of apportioning the State into Congressional districts, under the census of 1870, be referred to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, with instructions to report such action thereon as they may deem expedient.

This order came from the House read and passed, and Messrs. Bonney of Portland, Moore of Buckfield, Wilson of Thomaston, Hacker of Fort Fairfield, Pike of Calais, Simonton of Rockland,

and Cousens of Kennebunkport, appointed on the part of that branch ;

And was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Morris of Cumberland, Nickels of Penobscot, and Smith of Lincoln, were joined on the part of the Senate.

Petition of E. P. Ingalls and others of Denmark, for an act legalizing the doings of said town ;

Petition of Francis Bacon and others, for change of law relative to election of Clerks of Courts ;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company";

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

Petition of the Assessors and others of Castle Hill, to have the doings of said town legalized ;

Petition of the town of Clinton, to have the doings of said town legalized ;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company";

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

Petition of Walter Foss and others of Leeds, for repeal of the law establishing County Supervisors of Schools, and for repeal of the law authorizing Superintending School Committees to employ teachers ;

Bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of B. F. Hinckley and others of Bluehill, for repeal of act approved March 10, 1870, regulating the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine ;

Bill "an act authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs, to construct a fish weir in Johnson's bay, Lubec";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph A. Chambers, for relief for expenses incurred, and for bounty for his son, who enlisted and died in the service ;

Petition of George W. Ayer, for State aid ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of John F. Goodsoe and others of Kittery and York, for a charter for a railroad from the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad in Wells, through Sanford, to the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Alfred ;

Petition of Ira F. Drew and others of Alfred, for the same ;

Petition of Oliver Nutter and others of Alfred, in aid of the same ;

Petition of Francis Milliken and others, for an act of incorporation as the " Old Orchard Railroad Company " ;

Bill " an act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company " ;

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

Petition of John Walker of Paris, to be set off from South Paris Village Corporation, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Robert Norton and others, for authority to erect and maintain a dam across the Pemaquid river in Bristol ;

Petition of Seth Scamman and others, for an act to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company ;

Bill " an act to prevent the throwing of edgings, &c., into the waters of the Narraguagus river " ;

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

Petition of Freeman L. Ball and others of Mapleton plantation, for an amendment of the State valuation of 1870 ;

Petition of Assessors of Mapleton plantation, for the same ;

Petition of John Hoffses and others of Castle Hill, for the same ;

Severally came from the House referred to a Joint Select Committee on State Valuation.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the Senate non-concurred in said reference, and the said petitions were referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Sent down for concurrence.

Communications were received from George Weeks and William Grindle, Jr., Executive Councillors elect, signifying their acceptance, which were read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. ROLFE,

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 eleven o'clock, for the purpose of administering to George Weeks and William Grindle, Jr., 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.

Mr. SMITH of Knox, announced the attendance of Hon. Ruggles S. Torrey, Senator elect from the Twelfth Senatorial District, and that he was ready to be qualified.

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

Mr. LANE presented the petition of S. O. Brown and others, for an act of incorporation as the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. SPAULDING presented the petition of the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond, for authority to increase their capital stock, which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. MINOT presented bill "an act to make valid the doings of Josiah True as a Justice of the Peace," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. LANE presented the petition of J. S. Ricker and others,

for a division of the town of Westbrook, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. CARVILL presented the petition of the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company, for an extension of time in which to locate and construct its railroad, and for an increase of the number of its directors, with bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The order providing for a Joint Select Committee, to take into consideration what measures shall be taken to quiet the claims of settlers who have improved certain lots of land, which have subsequently been conveyed to the European and North American Railway, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined by that branch as follows:

Messrs. Reed of No. 11, R. 1, Hammond of Paris, Clark of Lincoln, Ray of Westbrook, Hobart of Dennysville, White of Winterport, and Goodrich of Moscow.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish the Maine Standard to those members of the Senate who may prefer it to a daily paper published in the State; other than the Kennebec Journal.

The hour assigned for the Convention, for the purpose of administering to George Weeks and William Grindle, Jr., Councillors 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. VOSE of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to notify George Weeks and William Grindle, Jr., 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 George Weeks and William Grindle,

Jr., Councillors elect, were pleased to say, that they would attend upon the Convention forthwith, for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon, George Weeks and William Grindle, Jr., 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. HINKS of the Senate,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, by the Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of George Weeks and William Grindle, Jr., 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. VOSE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Thomas S. Jones and others ;

Petition of E. K. Clark and others—severally for a law to prevent the throwing of edgings, sawdust and waste lumber into the waters of Damariscotta river ;

Petition of I. J. Carr and others, for "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company" ;

Remonstrance of Richard Stevens and others, against the erection of a dam in Pemaquid river to obstruct tide waters ;

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

Bill "an act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Eastport Hotel Company, for authority to raise money by a mortgage on said hotel property ;

Petition of Daniel Butters and others, for an act legalizing the doings of the town of Prentiss ;

Petition of Leander Weeks and others, for an act to incorporate the Masonic Temple Company ;

Bill "an act empowering towns, cities and village corporations, to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases" ;

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

Petition of Cyrus Cole and others of Cape Elizabeth, for repeal of the school laws of 1870 ;

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Wayne, against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Petition of the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy, for an appropriation ;

Petition of G. A. Wilson and others, for an appropriation for Oxford Normal Institute ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of C. D. Stevens and others, for the incorporation of township No. 1, R. 4, Franklin county, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Abigail Davis and others of Amity, for a deed of a lot of land ;

Petition of the officers of the towns and plantations in the Madawaska District, for abatement of taxes and reduction of valuation ;

Petition of J. S. Arnold and another, for a grant of land for building mills on Madawaska river ;

Petition of Salmon Jones, that the Land Agent be authorized to convey him a lot of land ;

Petition of inhabitants of Plantation No. 11, R. 1, Aroostook county, for an appropriation for a road ;

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

Petition of Walker Darling, to be restored to the pension rolls, and for a pension for the year 1870 ;

Bill "an act to revive and continue in force chapter 170, public laws of 1868, entitled an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen" ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of John E. Colewell and another, for authority to construct fish weir in Pigeon Hill bay in Steuben ;

Petition of J. B. Swanton and another, for authority to construct a fish weir in tide waters of Stover's cove at Millbridge ;

Petition of Joshua M. Leighton, for authority to construct a fish weir in Pigeon Hill bay in Millbridge ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel F. Hersey and others, for a charter for a railroad from some point on the European and North American Railroad, northerly through Aroostook county to the river St. John, with branches to Houlton, Portage Lake, and through to Fort Kent ;

Petition of Joseph Nickerson and others, for an act of incorporation as the Boothbay Marine Railway Company;

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

Petition of James Atkins and others of Hallowell, for authority to said city to aid in the erection of a steam saw-mill;

Bill "an act to increase the stock of the Laconia Company";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of J. T. Berry, for extension of time to the Lime Rock Bank in which to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. John R. Pulsifer, Executive Councillor elect, signifying his acceptance, which was read and sent down.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

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 eleven o'clock, for the purpose of administering to John R. Pulsifer, 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.

Mr. BARTLETT asked to be and was excused from serving on the Committee on State Prison, and Mr. PERLEY of Cumberland was appointed to the vacancy.

Mr. PERLEY asked to be and was excused from serving on the Committee on Insane Hospital, and Mr. BARTLETT of Hancock was appointed to the vacancy.

Mr. ROLFE presented the petition of the County Commissioners of Washington county, for a reconstruction of the act of 1870, relating to an increase of their fees, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DUDLEY presented the petition of Louis Cormier, to be set off from Grant Isle and annexed to Madawaska ;

Also the petition of Xavier Cyr and others, in aid of the same ;

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

The same Senator presented the petition of Jackson Dockendorff, for a lot of land in Maysville ;

Also the petition of M. H. Stuart and others, for an appropriation for a road through Castle Hill plantation ;

Mr. LANE presented the petition of James A. Drew, to be refunded money erroneously paid to the State in 1859 ;

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

Mr. HOBSON presented the petition of Rufus P. Tapley and others of Saco, for an act of incorporation as the Saco Water Supply Company.

Mr. FULLER presented the petition of A. C. Page and others of Madagascal, for an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The same Senator presented the petition of S. H. Dale and others, for a charter for a railroad from Greenbush or Passadumkeag to Grand Falls on the Passadumkeag river ;

Mr. HOLLAND presented the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for amendment of charter ;

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FULLER,

Ordered, That the Senate proceed to vote for United States Senator on Tuesday, January 17th, at half-past eleven o'clock, A. M.

The hour assigned for the Convention, for the purpose of administering to Hon John R. Pulsifer, 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. HOLLAND of the Senate,

Ordered, That the Secretary be directed to notify John R. Pulsifer, 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. John R. Pulsifer, Councillor elect, was pleased to say, that he would attend upon the Convention forthwith for the purposes indicated in the message.

Thereupon, John R. Pulsifer, 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. SPAULDING of the Senate,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, by the Secretary, informing him of the election and qualification of John R. Pulsifer 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. VOSE,

The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. SARGENT of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 60, section 5 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the investment of deposits in saving banks ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of taxing all undivided surplus profits remaining in banks in excess of five per cent. of their capital stock ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if legislation be necessary to further protect the rights and interests of joint owners of personal property ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing a lien in favor of persons cutting, peeling, making or hauling hemlock bark for their personal service thereon ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending section 47 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes of 1857, that any personal property attached which cannot be kept without great expense may be sold before judgment ;

That the same Committee inquire what legislation, if any, is necessary to enable soldiers to maintain actions against plantations organized for school and election purposes, for the recovery of such portions of State scrip or avails thereof issued under the act equalizing municipal war debts, as may have been voted them by such plantations ;

That the Committee on Education report as soon as practicable upon the petitions asking for repeal of the school laws of 1870 ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending or repealing the fifth section of chapter 159 of the law which gives power to the superintending school committees to employ school teachers for the several towns and plantations of the State ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the municipal officers of plantation No. 11, R. 1, for a reduction of State valuation;

Petition of inhabitants of Oakfield, for a reduction of State valuation;

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

Bill "an act to authorize railroad corporations to fix the number of directors," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg," was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in concurrence.

Petition of William F. Lovejoy and others of Gray, for a charter for a railroad from the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Gorham to the Grand Trunk Railroad near Danville Junction, or continue the same to Lewiston;

Petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for extension of its charter, with bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Androscoggin Railroad";

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

Petition of J. K. Allen and others of West Gardiner, for repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers;

Petition of A. D. Campbell and others, for the same;

Petition of the Trustees of Fort Fairfield High School, for aid from the State;

Petition of Jesse Drew and others, in aid of the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of J. L. Bartlett and others, for a law regulating the taking of eels in Damariscotta river;

Petition of E. L. Jones and others, in aid of the same;

Remonstrance of E. W. Stetson and others, against the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on an order relating to the pay of Charles E. Avery, Messenger of the House for 1870,

with "resolve in favor of Charles E. Avery," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

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 1870, which was read and sent down.

Information was received from the House that said branch had appointed the Committee on its part, under the order providing for a Joint Select Committee of one from each county on the part of the House, with such as the Senate should join, to take into consideration a new apportionment of the State for Senators and Representatives to the Legislature, as follows:

Messrs. Johnson of Augusta, Dingley of Auburn, Stickney of Presque Isle, Robie of Gorham, Perkins of Farmington, Hopkins of Bluehill, Bird of Rockland, Moore of Buckfield, Thompson of Dover, Weed of Veazie, Hobson of Wiscasset, Patten of Bath, Hathaway of Skowhegan, Harriman of Belfast, Hobart of Dennysville, and Sanborn of Kittery.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any legislation is necessary in relation to giving power of sale in mortgages on real estate.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending the laws relating to laying out, altering, or widening town and private ways, so that the time may be limited within which the town meeting provided for shall be called.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 93 of the public laws of 1870, in relation to the formation of corporations, so that the provisions of section 14, chapter 48, in relation to corporations organized under special acts, may apply to corporations organized under said chapter 93 of the public laws of 1870.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts inquire into the utility and

feasibility of a system of storm signals, by means of the telegraph and signals; and if deemed advisable, to report a resolution requesting Congress to test the plan in this State for the benefit of agriculture and commerce.

Mr. DUDLEY presented the petition of Samuel Hall, for title to a lot of land, which was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Claims of Settlers to Lands conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company.

Mr. HINKS presented the petition of Alonzo Colby and others, for an act incorporating Bucksport Village, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. HOBSON presented the petition of Benjamin F. Bennett and others of Lyman, for repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. FOSTER presented bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and other refuse into the Kennebec river and its tributaries," which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. MORRIS presented bill "an act to prohibit the consolidation of parallel or competing lines of railways," which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. EMERICK of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House:

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of repealing the law establishing county supervisors of schools, and report at as early a day as practicable, was read and passed in concurrence.

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of making provisions for calling a Constitutional Convention for the purpose of revising the Constitution of the State, was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. MORRIS.

Petition of Joseph Granger and others, for an increase of salary of the County Attorney of Washington county;

Petition of County Commissioners of Penobscot county, for authority to procure a loan for the completion of the jail and house of correction in said county;

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

Petition of inhabitants of Madawaska;

Petition of inhabitants of Grant Isle;

Petition of inhabitants of Dickeyville—severally for the State to secure to the settlers the title to lands occupied by them and claimed by proprietors;

Petition of Vital Daigle and others, for a tract of land in aid of building a saw mill and grist mill in township No. 16, R. 6, W. E. L. S., in Aroostook county;

Petition of Moses Rose and others, for an appropriation for a road from the west line of Presque Isle to Ireland's mills in Chapman plantation;

Petition of H. Blackstone and others, for an abatement of taxes of Perham plantation;

Petition of Daniel Everet and others, for an abatement of taxes of Woodland plantation ;

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

Petition of Tobias Roberts and others, for authority to construct a telegraph line from Somesville in Mt. Desert, to Bar Harbor in Eden ;

Petition of James P. White and others, for a charter for a branch railroad from Webb's ledge in Brooks to Bangor ;

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

Petition of A. P. Atherton, for authority to extend a fish weir into tide waters at Moose island in Tremont ;

Petition of Ezra D. Reed and others, for authority to extend a fish weir into tide waters at Moose island in Tremont ;

Petition of Simeon Ryerson and others ;

Petition of E. C. Long and others of Addison ;

Petition of D. Morgan and others of Sedgwick ;

Petition of G. R. Allen and others ;

Petition of A. J. Tibbetts and others—severally for repeal of the act regulating the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of David Wing and others, for an act incorporating the Somerset Boom Company, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Frederic A. Wood and others, for an act incorporating the East Lebanon Academy, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Assessors of Independence plantation and others, for an act of incorporation, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of towns in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Limington, to have certain territory set off from Limerick and annexed to Limington, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of David Townsend and others, to be set off from Somerville and annexed to Washington, came from the House referred to the Committee on Division of Towns, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. VOSE.

Bill "an act to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

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. HINKS,

Ordered, That the Governor be requested to furnish the Senate a statement in detail of all the expenses attending the immigration of the colony of Swedes into Aroostook county, including the salary and expenses of the Commissioner of Immigration, the number of adults, male and female, in said colony, its prospects as to additional immigration and permanent residence, and the probable additional expense to the State in carrying out the provisions of chapter 173 of the public laws of 1870.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law relating to laying out and constructing highways, that County Commissioners shall have authority to order the grading down of hills, or filling up of ravines, on petition, the same as for laying out new roads.

On motion of Mr. FULLER,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by a general law that cities and towns may loan their credit in aid of manufactures.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MORRIS presented bill "an act to provide for calling a convention to revise or amend the Constitution of the State of Maine", which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

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

"Resolve in favor of Charles E. Avery";

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

On motion of Mr. CARVILL;
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 1871.

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 so amending the public laws relating to highways, as to oblige surveyors of highways to lay down fences on the north and westerly sides of highways, in exposed places, in winter, to prevent the snow from drifting ;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of having a uniformity of text-books in our common schools throughout the State ;

That any Committee to whom shall be referred any petition or act of incorporation for any company which is authorized to incorporate under the existing laws, shall report the same back to the House or Senate with "leave to withdraw," and that this order be published in the Daily Kennebec Journal until February 1st ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Israel Michaud and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the waters of Violette brook ;

Petition of Orin McFadden and others, for an act to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company ;

Petition of R. A. and W. A. Friend, for authority to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Centre harbor ;

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

Petition of inhabitants of Whitneyville, for repeal of the act approved March 12, 1869, changing the time and place of holding

the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, came from the House referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

On motion of Mr. ROLFE, the Senate non-concurred in said reference, and the petition was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of A. White and others ;

Petition of W. T. Emerson and others—severally for repeal of the act regulating the taking of porgies ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Van Buren and Grant Isle, for aid in completing the road leading from Van Buren to Grant Isle ;

Petition of Augustine Daigle and others of Fort Kent, for aid in building a bridge in said town ;

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

Bill "an act additional to an act incorporating the Calais Railway Company and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, informing the Senate, that in the absence of the Speaker, the House had made choice of Hon. Percival Bonney of Portland, as Speaker *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, inquire into the expediency of repealing the law which prevents the seller's recovering the price of pressed hay not branded.

Mr. HINKS presented the petition of E. P. Hill and others, for an act of incorporation as the Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company of Bucksport, which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

The same Senator presented the petition of Hatcil Delano, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of Penobscot river at Verona, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

“Resolve in favor of Charles E. Avery,” which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. WEBBER,
The Senate adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1871.

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 State Printing ascertain as far as practicable the amount and cost of printing done for the several State departments; also consider what, if any, reduction it is expedient to make;

That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire into the current expenses of the Adjutant General's department, and report if any reduction thereof is expedient;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill “an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money,” was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of the legal voters of Clinton, that the doings of said town in voting to loan its credit may be legalized;

Remonstrance of Daniel Wells and others;

Remonstrance of Fred W. Runnels and others;

Remonstrance of George W. Farnham and others—severally against the foregoing petition, came from the House severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING, the Senate non-concurred in said reference, and the petition and remonstrances were each referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Madawaska Agricultural Society," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Petition of Thomas Taylor, for authority to use steam power for transporting goods, merchandise and passengers over certain highways, with accompanying bill, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Charles A. White and others, for "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company," was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of John B. Coyle and others, that a portion of Westbrook be set off from said town and annexed to the city of Portland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others of Presque Isle and Maysville, for a union of said towns, under the name of Presque Isle, came from the House referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY, the Senate non-concurred in said reference, and the petition was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of C. Sweron and others of Dickeyville, that the name of said town be changed to Frenchville, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Isaac J. Carr and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of P. S. J. Talbot and others, with bill "an act authorizing P. S. J. Talbot to maintain a wharf in tide waters in East Machias";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That the Committee on Pensions examine the claim of the widow of the late William M. Jordan to the payment of the pension granted to the said William M. Jordan, by resolve of 1859, chapter 219.

The same Senator presented the petition of A. K. P. Lord and others, for a branch railroad from the Portland and Rochester Railroad to Bonny Eagle falls, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of F. E. Shaw, Treasurer of Oxford county, for an act authorizing the re-assessment of certain taxes by the County Commissioners of said county ;

Mr. HOLLAND presented bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbing religious assemblies ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond, reported bill "an act to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond, to increase their capital stock and to legalize the wharf built by said company into the tide waters of the Kennebec river."

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

The hour fixed by an order of the Senate to vote for a Senator in Congress from this State for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next, in place of Hon. Lot M. Morrill, 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, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, Foster,

French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hinks, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nealley, Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Spaulding, Vose and Webber,

Voted for Lot M. Morrill.

The following Senator, to wit: Mr. Torrey, voted for Abraham Sanborn.

Whole number of votes27

Lot M. Morrill had.....26

Abraham Sanborn..... 1

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

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,
The Senate adjourned at 11.45 A. M.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. UPHORN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Petition of N. B. Nutt and others, for repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, changing the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county ;

Bill "an act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society, and to incorporate said society";

Bill "an act relating to reviews and new trials";

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

Petition of Richard Mace and others, for an act incorporating the Maine Eclectic Medical Infirmary, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of the assessors of the Universalist Society of Portland for change of name, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Isaiah Stetson and others of Bangor, for aid from the State in alterations and improvements of the highway from Monson village to Moosehead lake;

Petition of J. A. Flint and others of Dalton and vicinity, for an appropriation in aid of building a road between Castle Hill and Dalton;

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

Petition of G. L. Boynton and others, for an act of incorporation as the West Branch Dam and Improvement Company;

Petition of William H. Danforth, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters at New Harbor in Bristol;

Petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, for an act of incorporation as the East Branch Company, with authority to make improvements between the mouth of the Sebois and Nickatow;

Petition of C. G. Sterns, president of the Bangor Boom Company, for authority to extend the limits of said corporation to Gardner's Falls;

Petition of William F. Garcelon and others, for an amendment of the charter of the Auburn Aqueduct Company;

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

Petition of Isaac Beane, to be set off from Meddybemps and annexed to Baring;

Petition of Francis Mulliken, to have Wood and Tappen's Island set off from Biddeford and annexed to Saco;

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

Petition of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians, for an appropriation, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Albert Noyes and others, for an act of incorporation as the Penobscot County Poultry Society;

Petition of citizens of Charleston and vicinity;

Petition of citizens of Lagrange;

Petition of citizens of Bradford and others—severally for an act incorporating the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society;

Were each referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Petition of Orrin Gilpatrick and others, for a division of Somerville, and annexation to Windsor, Jefferson and Washington, was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties in concurrence.

Petition of George Fickett and others of Cape Elizabeth, for authority to construct a railroad from Simonton's cove along the south bank of Fore river to a point of connection with the lines of railroads approaching Portland harbor in Cape Elizabeth or Westbrook ;

Petition of the Piscataquis Railroad Company, for an extension of time for the location and construction of its road, and for an extension of its charter ;

Petition of G. E. R. Burpee and others, for an act of incorporation as the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company ;

Petition of Chandler Noyes and others, that the County Commissioners of Kennebec county, and the town of Burnham, be authorized to repair the bridge across the Sebesticook, between the Gore in Kennebec county and Burnham village ;

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of the town of Clinton, to have the doings of said town legalized, that the same be referred to the Committee on Manufactures ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to laying down fences on the north and westerly sides of highways to prevent the snow from drifting, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to provide for calling a Convention to revise or amend the Constitution of the State of Maine," (Senate Doc. No. 3,) was read once, and referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, on motion of Mr. MORRIS.

A communication was received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Bank Commissioner for the year 1870, which was read.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Carleton of Whitefield, informing the Senate, that in the absence of the Speaker, the House had made choice of Hon. Percival Bonney of Portland, as Speaker *pro tempore*.

A communication was received from George F. Talbot and Selden Connor, Commissioners under resolves approved March 24, 1870, to examine certain charges against towns and "to investigate in a thorough manner all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and General Government, for men not actually put into the service," transmitting the report of said Commission.

Mr. LANE presented the following :

Ordered, That the report of the Commissioners on "paper credits," be referred to a Joint Select Committee, consisting of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, who shall examine the same, and the documents connected with said report, and superintend the printing of the same.

The order was refused a passage, nine voting for its passage, and sixteen against the same.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the following :

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the report on "paper credits," with the evidence and accompanying documents referred to therein, be printed for the use of the Senate, pending which, on motion of Mr. FOSTER, the order and report were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, petition of David Townsend and others, to be set off from Somerville and annexed to Washington, was taken from the table.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, moved that the Senate non-concur with the House in the reference of said petition to the Committee on Division of Towns, and that the same be referred to the Committee on Division of Counties; pending which, the petition was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. FOSTER.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing that the Joint Convention of the Legislature required by act of Congress approved July 25, 1866, to be convened this day at 12 o'clock, meridian, for the purpose of completing and declaring the election of United States Senator, be held in the Hall of the House of Representatives, 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.

Mr. DUDLEY presented the petition of Jesse Smith of Silver Ridge plantation, for State aid, which was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

The same Senator presented the petition of Jesse Smith, for authority to the Land Agent to sell him a lot of land, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented the petition of F. M. Lufkin for the protection of fish in Lufkin pond in Phillips, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. FULLER presented the petition of the Penobscot Indians for the appointment of an Agent at Lincoln, and for an appropriation for a school-house, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order of the Legislature, relating to power of sale in mortgages of real estate, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted.

The foregoing petitions and report were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FOSTER, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of Josiah True as a Justice of the Peace," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to increase the stock of the Laconia Company," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. MINOT, from the same Committee, on the petition of James Atkins, Jr., and others of Hallowell, reported bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw mill in said city."

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 bill:

"An act to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond to

increase their capital stock, and to legalize the wharf built by said company, into the tide waters of the Kennebec river";

Which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act authorizing P. S. J. Talbot and Company to maintain a wharf in tide waters in East Machias";

"An act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company";

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

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 for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER 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, for the term of six years, commencing on the fourth day of March next.

The Convention then dissolved.

IN SENATE.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the report of the Commissioners on "paper credits" was taken from the table.

The question being on the motion of Mr. CLEAVES that one thousand copies of the report, evidence and accompanying documents referred to therein, be printed for the use of the Senate,

Mr. VOSE called for the reading of the report and documents accompanying.

Pending the reading, on motion of Mr. NEALLEY,

The Senate at one o'clock P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HEATH of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if any legislation is necessary to provide suitable remedies for sale of the property and franchises of corporations on execution ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of legislation on the notice to be given on petitions to county commissioners, for assessment of amount of damages on account of railroads passing over lands ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of establishing by law a lien upon the franchises and other property of railroad companies, whereby compensation shall be secured to persons doing work and services in the construction of the roads of such companies ;

That whereas the Legislature of this State by an act incorporating the Maine General Hospital, approved February 24, 1868, chartered an institution, which by its charter is to all intents and purposes a private corporation, and by resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital, approved March 19, 1870, donated in lands and money to that institution an amount nearly or quite \$40,000 ; and to the end that the benefits of that institution may be made more certain to the people of this State, the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if legislation is necessary to secure such a result ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of so amending the tax law that all over ——— deposited by any person in any savings bank in this State shall be taxed ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that all blanks for election and other purposes shall be sent directly by the Secretary of State to the several towns in the State, instead of as now provided through the sheriff;

That the papers and records of the last session, relating to the subject of warming the State House by means of steam, be taken from the files, and referred with the subject which they embrace, to the Committee on Public Buildings;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the law of 1870, in relation to the employment of teachers, so that any town at its annual meeting may decide that its school teachers shall be employed by school agents;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Houlton, for the State to refund money paid by said town to the State Treasurer in 1864, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in the town of Monson," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Edward Gray and others, for the State to arrange with the proprietors so as to enable the inhabitants of Dickeyville to obtain titles to their lands;

Petition of Edward Gray and others of Dickeyville, for aid in repairing the highways in said town;

Petition of G. M. Burleigh and others of Dexter, for an appropriation to repair the highway from Monson village to Moosehead lake, in the towns of Monson and Shirley;

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

Petition of Gov. Saul Neptune and others, members of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, for an appropriation in aid of the priest of said tribe;

Petition of Saul Neptune and others, Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation for the support of schools for said tribe;

Petition of the same parties, for an appropriation to pay the salary of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of said tribe;

Credentials of Newell Neptune, Representative of the Penobscot tribe of Indians;

Credentials of John Gaubriel, Representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians ;

Petition of Newell Neptune and others, for an appropriation for the Passamaquoddy Indians ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of William M. Clark and others, for a change of the location of the bridge leading to Rutherford's Island in Bristol ;

Petition of Enoch Cousens and others, for an act incorporating the Portland and York Shore Line Railroad Company ;

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

Petition of Trustees of Lee Normal Academy, for an appropriation ;

Petition of Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy, for an appropriation ;

Remonstrance of M. B. Pinkham and others, against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Remonstrance of Charles Wentworth and others of Clinton, against the same ;

Bill "an act relating to the Literary Fraternity and Philomathean Society";

Bill "an act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel B. Farnsworth and others, that the Selectmen of Wells be authorized to locate and build a way across the Webhannet river in said town ;

Petition of Zenas F. Yates and others, for an act to authorize Zenas F. Yates, Joseph S. Woodbury and their associates, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus Harbor ;

Petition of Edgar Day and others, for amendment of chapter 338 of private and special laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of refuse into the Medomak river ;

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

Petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield, to have the doings of said town legalized ;

Petition of Thomas S. Dexter and others, in aid of the foregoing petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield ;

Petition of W. R. Ayer and others of Lincoln, for an act authorizing cities and towns to loan their credit in aid of manufactures ;

Bill "an act in addition to the acts incorporating the European and North American Railway Company";

Bill "an act authorizing towns to hold money in trust for certain useful purposes";

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

Remonstrance of Leander Staples and others, against the petition of inhabitants of Limington, to have certain territory set off from Limerick to Limington ;

Remonstrance of inhabitants of Limerick, against the same ;

Remonstrance of George W. Hammond and others, against the division of the town of Westbrook ;

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

Petition of Cyrus Cook and others, for repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers, and for the repeal of the law relating to the appointment of highway surveyors, came from the House referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the Senate non-concurred with the House in said reference and referred the petition to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the County Commissioners of Washington county, for reconstruction of the act of 1870 relating to their fees, that the same be referred to the Washington County Delegation ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Francis Bacon and others, for a change in the law relating to the election of clerks of courts, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to furnish the Senate for the use of the Legislature, the total expense to the

State, incurred by reason or on account of any and all investigations of "paper credits," made prior to this date.

On motion of Mr. GRAY,

Ordered, That the Report of the Bank Examiner be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

On motion of Mr. NEALLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of prohibiting by law private bankers in this State taking the name of savings banks or advertising themselves as such.

Mr. GRAY presented bill "an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company," which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. CARVILL presented the petition of inhabitants of Brunswick, for repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. LANE presented the remonstrance of the Selectmen of Westbrook, against the annexation of any part of said town to Portland, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

Mr. WEBBER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Jackson Dockendorff, for a lot of land in Maysville, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. ROLFE, from the same Committee, on the petition of James A. Drew, to be refunded money erroneously paid the State in 1859, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. MINOT, 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-three thousand dollars, and of the latter four hundred fifty-two thousand nine hundred ninety-one dollars.

A record of the same has been made upon the books of the Treasurer. These reports were severally accepted.

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

“An act to make valid the doings of Josiah True, as a Justice of the Peace”;

“An act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw mill in said city”;

“An act to increase the stock of the Laconia Company”;

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the report of the Commissioners on “Paper Credits,” which was under consideration at adjournment.

The question being on the motion of Mr. CLEAVES, that one thousand copies of the report, evidence and accompanying documents referred to therein, be printed for the use of the Senate,

On motion of Mr. HINKS, the division of the question was ordered.

On the division of the question, the Senate ordered that one thousand copies of the report be printed for the use of the Senate.

On the question of printing one thousand copies of the evidence and accompanying documents,

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Dudley, Hayford, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Torrey and Vose—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nealley, Nickels, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer and Webber—21.

So the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. HINKS,

Ordered, That the evidence and documents accompanying, referred to in the report of the Commissioners on “Paper Credits,” be referred to a Select Committee of three, with instructions to report what part of the evidence and documents referred to it is proper and expedient to print ;

And Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Hinks of Hancock, and Smith of Lincoln were appointed said Committee.

Mr. LANE, at his request, was excused from serving on the foregoing Committee, and Mr. Dudley of Aroostook was appointed to the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,
The Senate at 0.25 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1871.

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 Committees of the Legislature be directed to report finally on or before the tenth day of February ;

That the Secretary of State furnish the Committee on the Judiciary with copies of the proposed revised statutes for their use ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire as to what further legislation is necessary to compel railroad corporations to keep their crossings safe and convenient for the public travel, and to make them responsible to the towns that have been obliged to pay damages to individuals in consequence of their defective crossings ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of repealing the law of 1870, relating to the appointment of highway surveyors ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to bounties on wolves and bears ;

That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 70, section 12, of the acts and resolves of 1869 ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of William W. Virgin and others of Norway, for authority to the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation ;

Bill "an act regulating the transfer of actions from the State courts to the courts of the United States";

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

Petition of Jonathan Haskell and others, for a change in the law in relation to division fences;

Petition of John F. Randall and others, for an act to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company, and increase the capital stock of said company;

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

Petition of the Wiscasset Bridge Company, for authority to remove part of the Wiscasset bridge;

Petition of Jotham Allen and others of Alfred, for a charter for a railroad from the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad in Wells, through Sanford to the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Alfred;

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company";

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

Petition of citizens of Hudson;

Petition of citizens of Bradford;

Petition of Cyrus P. Church and others of Bradford—severally for the incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society;

Were each referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie, and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of the city of Bangor"; was referred to the Penobscot County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin Lowell, for aid from the State, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of R. Cornforth and others, for the repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Luther Fitch, to have certain lots of land set off from Baldwin and annexed to Sebago, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Joshua Chamberlain of Brewer, that the Land Agent be authorized to locate certain certificates of land issued under resolves of 1838;

Petition of James C. Madigan, for a correction of the valuation of township B., Range 2, W. E. L. S., Aroostook county;

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

Petition of M. S. Drummond and others, for an act of incorporation as the Katahdin Company;

Petition of A. L. Frohock and others, for authority to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot bay at Lincolnville;

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

Petition of the Penobscot Indians, for an appropriation in aid of furnishing seed and plowing for said tribe, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money," with the same in a new draft, that it ought to pass, was accepted; the bill read once and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," (House Doc. No. 3,) with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HOLLAND.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of E. P. Ingalls and others, with bill "an act to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Orrin McFadden and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of rail-

road corporations," (Senate Doc. No. 4,) was read once and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate gave a passage to the following order:

That the Secretary of State furnish the Committee on the Judiciary with copies of the proposed revised statutes for their use.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by inserting after the word "Judiciary" the words "and the Committee on Legal Reform";

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

The foregoing bill and order were sent down for concurrence.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of State:

To the President of the Senate:

In response to an order of the Senate this day passed, directing the Secretary of State "to furnish the Senate for the use of the Legislature the total expense to the State incurred by reason or on account of any and all investigations of "Paper Credits" made prior to this date," I have the honor to inform you, that the first investigation made by a Committee of the Legislature in 1865 was unattended with expense; the second, made by a Committee of the Legislature in 1866, incurred for witnesses and advertising an expense of \$231.00; the third, made by a Committee of the Legislature in 1870, was at the expense of \$85.00; the fourth, made the past year by a Commission appointed by the Governor, incurred the following expenses:

Compensation of Commission.....	\$2,976 68
Compensation of Clerk	1,105 00
Fees of witnesses.....	942 20
Advertising	29 25
Stationery	25 00
Postage.....	22 50
Printing	23 58
Estimated bills not paid.....	300 00
Making the aggregate expense as follows:	
Investigation in 1866.....	231 00
" in 1870 (Committee).....	85 00
" in 1870 (Commission).....	5,401 71
Total.....	\$5,719 71

Very Respectfully,

FRANKLIN M. DREW, *Secretary of State.*

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Ordered, That the foregoing communication from the Secretary of State be printed in connection with the Report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits";

The same Senator presented the following:

WHEREAS, many petitions for authority to take stock in or loan their credit to aid or encourage manufacturing corporations have been in times past, before the Legislature from various towns—and now a general law authorizing towns in their corporate capacity to aid in the building of manufactures is prayed for of this Legislature; and whereas, in a few cases heretofore the Legislature has granted the prayer of petitioners, and many other cases equally feasible have been denied; and whereas, a want of uniformity in such legislation tends to impair the public confidence in legislative acts; therefore

Ordered, That the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be requested to submit to the Senate at the earliest day practicable, their several opinions upon the following question:

Has the Legislature constitutional authority to enact laws empowering municipal corporations to subscribe for stock in manufacturing corporations, or to aid or encourage manufactures by any appropriation of municipal funds, or pledge of municipal credit?

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

On motion of Mr. HAYFORD,

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.

On motion of Mr. ROLFE,

Ordered, That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire what amount will be required to repair the Houlton road across the Indian township in Washington county.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the petition of David Townsend and others, to be set off from Somerville and annexed to Washington, was taken from the table.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the reference of said petition to the Committee on Division of Towns, and on motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, the petition was referred to the Committee on Division of Counties.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of David Dudley, that the Land Agent be authorized to sell him certain timber lands convenient to his mills in Mapleton plantation;

Mr. WEBBER presented the petition of the Assessors of St. Albans, for a reduction of the State valuation of said town;

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

Mr. VOSE presented the petition of N. G. Highborn, for an amendment of section 15, chapter 617 of the acts and resolves of 1868, relating to aid in the construction of railroads by cities and towns, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. HOLLAND presented the petition of E. H. Hill and others, for an act incorporating the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction, which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. PERLEY presented bill "an act additional to chapter 58 of the public laws of 1869, relating to true meridian lines," which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on an order relating to the sellers recovering the price of pressed hay not branded, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending the law relative to laying out, altering or widening town and private ways, so that the time may be limited within which the town meeting provided for shall be called, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to sending all blanks for election and other purposes direct by the Secretary of State to the several towns in the State, instead of as now provided, through the sheriffs, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. FULLER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the credentials of Newell Neptune, Representative of the Penobscot Indians, reported "resolve in favor of Newell Neptune."

Mr. ROLFE, from the same Committee, on the credentials of John Gaubriel, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Indians, reported "resolve in favor of John Gaubriel."

These reports were severally accepted, the resolves each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of F. E. Shaw, Treasurer of Oxford county, reported bill "an act authorizing the County Commissioners of the county of Oxford to reassess certain taxes."

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

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the following order, that the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of making provision for calling a constitutional convention, for the purpose of revising the Constitution of the State, was taken from the table, read and passed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, bill "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," (House Doc. No. 3,) was taken from the table, read a second time, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

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 eleven o'clock, for the purpose of electing a State Treasurer for the current fiscal year, 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 the Convention having arrived, the Senate proceeded to the Representatives' Hall, where a Convention was formed.

IN CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. LANE of the Senate,

Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, and Rolfe of Washington, of the Senate, and Messrs. Atwell of Orono, Hammond of Paris, Skillin of North Yarmouth, Haskell of Portland, and Rawson of Bangor,

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.....	72
William Caldwell has.....	115
John M. Goodwin.....	26

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

On motion of Mr. FULLER 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.

On motion of Mr. GRAY,

The Senate at 12 M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of enacting a law defining the time within which all private acts of incorporation shall be null and void, unless said corporation shall have organized and commenced actual business under its charter, was read and passed in concurrence.

The Senate concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, report a list of the following subject matter : Members of the Executive Department ; Members of the Senate ; Members of the House ; Committees of the Senate ; Committees of the House ; Joint Standing Committees ; Rules and Orders of the Senate and of the House ; Joint Rules and Orders ; State Valuation of 1870, and the Census of 1870 ; Vote for Governor and Members of Congress for 1870 ; Census and State Valuation of 1860, and no other subject matter—which list shall be printed and stitched in the usual manner, and five hundred copies printed for the use of the Legislature ; was read, and on motion of Mr. CARVILL, laid on the table.

That the Committee on Printing and Binding inquire into the expediency of reporting a resolve fixing the number to be printed of reports of all public officers, and public institutions, which are printed at the expense of the State, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," by adding the words, "and prescribing what reports shall be printed," and passed.

Amendment "A" was adopted, and the order read and passed in concurrence.

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, by adding to the exemptions made by sections 29 and 30, "the Kennebec river within the limits of Augusta."

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the word "Judiciary" and inserting the word "Fisheries."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of the Directors of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, for amendment of charter, with bill "an act additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company," was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of N. B. Beal and others, for an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company;

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company";

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

Petition of inhabitants of the Madawaska district for an appropriation to complete the road leading through the first range of townships in Aroostook county;

Petition of Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, for an abatement of taxes;

Petition of E. J. Thompson and others, for an appropriation from the State in aid of rebuilding bridges in the town of Phillips;

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

Petition of J. H. Whittier and others of Etna, for the repeal of the school laws of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Eliphalet Clark and others, in aid of petition of John B. Coyle and others, to be set off from Westbrook and annexed to Portland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of O. W. Means and others, for repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, changing the time and place of holding the term of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of the directors of Alfred Bank, for a continuance of corporate powers to enable said bank to close its affairs, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of David Fernald and others, for an act amendatory of chapter forty of the revised statutes, in relation to the inspection of fish;

Petition of A. R. Spear and others, for the repeal of the law to regulate the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine;

Petition of E. C. Chatto and others, in aid of same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of the municipal officers of the town of Kingsbury, to have the doings of said town since 1866 legalized.

Bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved February 14, 1865";

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

Petition of George W. Hammond and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of Presumpscot river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relating to taxing surplus profits in banks, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to providing a lien in favor of persons cutting, peeling, making or hauling hemlock bark, for their personal services therefor, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to giving liens on railroads, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors," (House Doc. No. 4.) that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the

petition of Charles Sweron and others, with bill "an act to change the name of the town of Dickeyville";

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of John Walker, with bill "an act to set off John Walker and his estates from the South Paris Village Corporation";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve providing for furnishing the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register for the use of the Legislature and several departments," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, the resolve was laid on the table.

Petition of Cyrus Cook and others, for repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers, and for the repeal of the law relating to the appointment of highway surveyors, referred by the Senate to the Committee on Legal Reform, came from the House, that branch insisting on its former vote referring said petition to the Committee on Education.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on an order, reported "resolve in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine."

The report was accepted, the resolve read once, and on motion of Mr. VOSE laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

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

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

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 make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark," 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 incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company";

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

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,
The Senate at 10.10 A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. MINOT,
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. Minot of Kennebec and Mr. Vose of Waldo, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CORTIS of Gardiner.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. HINKS,
Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives informing that branch that in the absence of the President the Senate has made choice of Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves as President *pro tempore*.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,
Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor and Council, informing the Executive Department that in the absence of the President the Senate has made choice of Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves as President *pro tempore*.

These messages were conveyed by the Secretary.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of further legislation in order to empower overseers of the poor of any town to restrain the husband and father of a family from

mispending his earnings, and secure the same to his family who are paupers, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of John Hodsdon and others, inmates of the Eastern Branch of the National Military Asylum, for the right to vote in all town, county, state and national elections;

Petition of I. W. Johnson, that his doings as a Justice of the Peace and Quorum may be legalized;

Petition of Solomon B. Foster and others, to have the doings of the Free Baptist Society of Gray legalized;

Petition of inhabitants of Deblois, for repeal of the act approved March 12, 1869, changing the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county;

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

Petition of Lewis Davis and others of Readfield, for an amendment of the law relating to division fences, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of J. H. Bradford and others, for an act of incorporation as the Aroostook Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of Sharon Robinson, Jr., and others, for repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of citizens of Garland and Exeter, for an act of incorporation as the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society;

Petition of B. W. Blanchard and others, for an act to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel G. Marshall for authority to extend a wharf into the tide waters of York river;

Petition of I. F. McClench and others, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of the Kennebec river at Sheppard's point in Hallowell;

Petition of Lucy Delano and others, for the repeal of an act prohibiting the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river;

Petition of Martin Delano and others, for the same;

Petition of Thomas F. Rowe and others, for amendment of acts of February 5, 1868, and March 5, 1869, prohibiting the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river;

Bill, "an act extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete its works, as per charter granted by Legislature of 1868";

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society, and to incorporate said society," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of William T. Jones and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of S. H. Dale and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company";

Report of the same Committee on the petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, with bill "an act granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to complete their road";

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act additional to an act incorporating the Calais Railroad Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of E. R. Burpee and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw-mill in said city," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed, and was laid on the table on motion of Mr. MINOT.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the vote was reconsidered, whereby

the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to providing a lien in favor of persons cutting, peeling, making or hauling hemlock bark, for their personal services therefor, that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

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

Mr. HINKS presented the petition of Alonzo Colby and others, for change of the law relating to the taking of smelts, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. VOSE presented bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VOSE, from the Joint Select Committee on communication of the Governor, concerning the revision and publication of the revised statutes, reported bill "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State."

On motion of the same Senator, the report (Senate Doc. No. 6) was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of John E. Colewell and others, reported bill "an act to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of said Colewell's land in Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben "

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of J. B. Swanton and others, reported bill "an act to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in tide waters at the lower side of Stover's cove in the town of Mill-bridge."

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Joshua M. Leighton, reported bill "an act to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clark's island in the the town of Milbridge."

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

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Governor's message, relating to the revision and publication of the revised

statutes, (Senate Doc. No. 6,) with bill "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State," was taken from the table.

The report was accepted, the bill 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 change the name of the town of Dickeyville";

"An act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors," (House Doc. No. 4);

"An act to set off John Walker and his estates from the South Paris Village Corporation";

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 authorizing P. S. J. Talbot and Company to maintain a wharf in tide waters in East Machias";

"An act to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice 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. MINOT,

The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HERRING of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Interior Waters inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws relating to interior waters as to allow manufacturing corporations to flow the flats and marshes of salt water rivers, referring the question of land damages to County Commissioners, as in cases of railroads, highways, etc.;

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of exempting town insurance companies from taxation ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of protecting by law bridges over the Aroostook river ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of passing a law requiring the same judge to preside at least at two successive terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in any county, unless prevented by sickness or otherwise ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of providing by law that no person shall recover damages on account of defective highways who has his residence in a place where no such liabilities on the part of towns and parishes exist ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence:

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of authorizing the clerks of courts to furnish all trial justices in their respective counties blank writs and mittimus, was read.

Mr. VOSE proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by inserting after the word "writs" the words "complaints, warrants."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Petition of citizens of Corinth for an act incorporating the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society, was referred to the Com-

mittee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Petition of Trustees of Presque Isle Academy, for aid in building a new academy building, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Whitney and others of Ellsworth, for repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies ;

Remonstrance of E. C. Simpson and others of Harpswell, against the repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies ;

Petition of Isaac West of Steuben, for authority to construct a fish weir in the tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay in said town ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Cherryfield, for an act authorizing said town to take stock in or loan its credit to manufacturing or industrial enterprises, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Petition of M. E. Pierce and Company of Boothbay, for authority to extend and maintain their wharf into tide waters of Boothbay harbor in said town, with accompanying bill, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate St. Mark's Home for Poor and Indigent Women, in the city of Augusta," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of John T. Berry, with bill "an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, approved March 17, 1870";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Israel Michaud and others, with bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber, into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren plantation";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Zenas F. Yates and others, with bill "an act to authorize Zenas F. Yates, Joseph S. Woodbury and their associates, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on

the petition of Francis Milliken and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

The following order: That the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court be requested to submit to the Senate at the earliest day practicable, their several opinions upon the following question:

"Has the Legislature constitutional authority to enact laws empowering municipal corporations to subscribe for stock in manufacturing corporations, or to aid or encourage manufactures by any appropriation of municipal funds, or pledge of municipal credit?" (Senate Doc. No. 5,) was taken from the table.

On the question of giving the order a passage, on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Dudley, Lane, Morris, Perley, Rolfe, Smart, Torrey and Vose—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hinks, Holland, Mayo, Minot, Nealley, Nickels, Spaulding and Webber—16.

So the order was refused a passage.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, The House concurring, that fifteen hundred copies of the Report of the Insurance Commissioner, be printed.

Mr. WEBBER presented the petition of George W. Whitney and others of Newport, for reduction of State valuation of said town, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Mr. SPAULDING presented bill "an act to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson, as a Notary Public," which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. HOLLAND presented bill "an act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANE presented bill "an act to authorize the Treasurer of the County of Cumberland to pay the Judge and Register of Pro-

bate for said county certain sums of money," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of E. H. Hill and others, for "an act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction," reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of A. C. Page and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company";

Mr. PERLEY, from the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on bill "an act to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Penobscot County Poultry Society," 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 to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor";

"An act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society, and to incorporate said society";

"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 Passadumkeag Railroad Company";

"An act granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to complete their road";

"An act to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad 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 incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat 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 bills:

"An act to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct

a fish weir in tide waters in front of said Colewell's land in Pigeon Hill bay in the town of Steuben";

"An act to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in tide waters at the lower side of Stover's cove in the town of Millbridge";

"An act to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clark's island in the town of Millbridge";

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 revise and consolidate the public laws of the State";

"An act to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond to increase their capital stock and to legalize the wharf built by said company into the tide waters of the Kennebec river";

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. VOSE,

The Senate at 0.25 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1871.

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 the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of so amending the law as to exempt by law all women from arrest and imprisonment for debt ;

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of a law limiting savings banks in their semi-annual dividends to three per cent., and that no savings bank shall declare any extra dividend within five years after they organize and commence business, and not oftener than once in three years thereafter ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 106 of the revised statutes of 1857, by striking out the word "seventy," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixty," so that jurors shall be under the age of sixty years ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, for authority to construct and maintain a ferry landing ;

Remonstrance of Joseph P. Chamberlain and others ;

Remonstrance of Reuben Higgins and others—severally against the foregoing petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth ;

Petition of Arno Wiswell and others, for "an act to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company";

Petition of Thomas McSorley and others, for an act to incorporate the Hibernian Mutual Benevolent Society ;

Petition of Horace Harmon and others, for repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, changing the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county ;

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

Petition of Ira A. Philbrook and others, for an appropriation in aid of Parsonsfield Seminary ;

Petition of Levi Hicks and others, for repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers, and for the abolition of the office of county supervisors of schools ;

Petition of John Treat and others ;

Petition of Moses Perkins and others—severally for repeal of the law authorizing superintending school committees to employ teachers ;

Bill “act to increase the common school tax and to establish select free schools” ;

Bill “an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska territory” ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of E. K. Harding and others, for an act to legalize the construction of a wharf at Small Point harbor in the town of Phippsburg ;

Petition of Zina H. Hodgdon and others, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters of Sheepscot river in Boothbay ;

Remonstrance of John C. Hamor and others of Tremont, against the petition of H. H. Clark, for authority to construct a dam across Norwood’s cove in Tremont ;

Remonstrance of Jotham Works, against the incorporation of the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company ;

Petition of Joseph Granger and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries ;

Bill “an act to prevent obstructions in Union river” ;

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

Petition of the Selectmen of New Portland, for a new law library for said town, was referred to the Committee on Library in concurrence.

Petition of John Lynch and others, for a charter for a railroad from Alfred to South Berwick, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of William T. Hall and others, for an act to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of George L. Hall and others, for a law to secure the protection of the alewife fishery at Damariscotta mills, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Lyman Lee and others, for an appropriation in aid of repairing the road from Monson to Greenville;

Petition of Daniel Getchell and others, for an appropriation to complete the State road through township F;

Petition of Ausburn F. Hoffses, for authority to the Land Agent to convey him a lot of land;

Petition of Lewis Scott of Maysville, for authority to the Land Agent to convey him a lot of land;

Petition of Daniel Libbey and others, for an abatement of the State tax of Limestone;

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

Remonstrance of Alfred Stevens and others;

Remonstrance of John Newman and others—severally against the division of the town of Westbrook;

Petition of Asa Strickland and others, to be set off from Embden and annexed to New Portland;

Remonstrance of E. H. Banks and others, against setting off Wood and Tappen's island from Biddeford to Saco;

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

Petition of George W. Whitney and others of Newport, for reduction of State valuation of said town, referred by the Senate to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, came from the House referred to the Penobscot County Delegation.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on bill "an act to revive and continue in force sections one to six, inclusive, of chapter 170, public laws of 1868, entitled an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," (House Doc. No. 5,) with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass, was accepted, the bill read once and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to the repeal of the law of 1870, relative to the appointment of highway surveyors, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of same Committee, on an order relating to repealing sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, of chapter 30 of the revised statutes, relating to bounties on wolves and bears, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Richard Mace and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Maine Medical Eclectic Infirmary";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the assessors of Castle Hill and others, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the plantation of Castle Hill in the county of Aroostook";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company, (House Doc. No. 1,) that the same ought to pass";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of William H. Danforth, with bill "an act authorizing William H. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters in Bristol";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Little River 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.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That the Oxford County Delegation inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 18, special laws of 1869, so as to authorize any Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court to audit and order payment from the county treasury of said county the expenses incurred, and not already audited and allowed, in the pursuit and arrest of one Truman F. Young, who robbed the Norway Savings Bank, September 21, 1867.

On motion of Mr. PERLEY,

Ordered, That the Committee on Agriculture and State College

of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, be authorized to visit said college, and report thereon during the present session.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of prohibiting savings banks from loaning their funds out of the State.

Mr. ROLFE presented the petition of Selectmen of Princeton, for repayment of money paid for damages caused by the breaking down of a bridge ;

Mr. FULLER presented the petition of G. W. Pickering, for correction of error in the State valuation of township No. 7, Range 3, W. E. L. S., in the county of Aroostook ;

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

Mr. HINKS presented the petition of William W. Quimby, for renewal of pension, which was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented the petition of Timothy Downing, for compensation for imprisonment, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. LANE presented the petition of Archelaus Lewis and others, for the division of the town of Westbrook, which was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns.

The same Senator presented bill "an act to provide for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of title to lands for sites of light-stations on the coasts and waters of this State";

Also bill "an act giving the consent of the Legislature of the State of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes";

Mr. VOSE presented bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 24, 1871";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. WEBBER presented bill "an act additional to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands," which was referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of John Locke and others, for authority to maintain a dam and sluice across the Ballard brook

in the town of Fryeburg, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The same Senator presented bill "an act in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield," which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, the order passed by the House, directing the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House to report and publish certain statistics, was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of the same Senator, "resolve providing for furnishing the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register for the use of the Legislature and several departments," was taken from the table.

The vote whereby the Senate passed the foregoing resolve to be engrossed was reconsidered.

The same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending the law relative to laying out highways so as to authorize County Commissioners to direct the grading down of hills and the filling of ravines, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The report was accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish, for the use of the Senate, two hundred copies of the census of the several cities, towns, plantations and other inhabited places in this State.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, reported bill "an act fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void."

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

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of R. A. and W. A. Friend, reported bill "an act to au-

thorize R. A. and W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Center harbor."

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 incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company";

"An act to authorize the Treasurer of the county of Cumberland to pay the Judge and Register of Probate for said county certain sums of money";

"An act to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Penobscot County Poultry Society";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, approved March 17, 1870";

"An act to authorize Zenas F. Yates, James S. Woodbury and their associates, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor";

"An act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook, in Van Buren plantation";

"An act to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company";

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 Cobb Lime Company," (House Doc. No. 3);

"An act to increase the stock of the Laconia Company";

"An act to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark";

"An act to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company";

"An act to make valid the doings of Josiah True as a Justice of the Peace";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of John Gaubriel”;

“Resolve in favor of Newell Neptune”;

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. SMITH of Lincoln,

The Senate at 12 M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL 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 law as to allow appeals to be taken to the Supreme Judicial Court from the decisions of Joint Boards of County Commissioners relating to ways in two or more counties”;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of extending the time for the revised statutes to take effect to the first day of April next ;

That the same Committee inquire what, if any, legislation is necessary to protect the rights of creditors of insolvent estates against any unadjusted or exorbitant claims of mortgages ;

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of amending the law regulating the investment of the funds in savings banks, so that investments shall not be made in securities outside of this State, except government, state, county, and city bonds ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform consider the expediency of exempting cows from taxation, and taxing carriages, harnesses, musical instruments, watches, and gold and silver plate ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Oxford, that property released from taxation under the provisions of the act of 1864 to "encourage manufactures," be excluded from the general State valuation ;

Petition of John E. Donnell and others, for change of the name of the Portland Tenement House Company, and for a grant of further powers to the same, with accompanying bill ;

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

Petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, for authority to the city of Bangor to loan its credit to aid the construction of said company's road from Foxcroft towards Moosehead lake ;

Memorial of George M. Weston, for repeal of resolve passed in 1860, in respect to his accounts with the State, (that nothing be adjudged against his estate except after trial and by due process of law) ;

Remonstrance of Joshua Allen of Jay, against the petition of John Hanson and others, to have the doings of said town in loaning its credit legalized ;

Bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes" ;

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

Petition of Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, for an appropriation to build a bridge across Long creek, near the Reform School in said town ;

Petition of A. B. Huff and others of Kennebunkport, for charter to extend the Boston and Maine Railroad to Portland by a shore line, also for a charter for the Portland and York Shore Line Railroad Company ;

Petition of A. W. Dam and others, for charter for a railroad from Springvale in Sanford through Lebanon and Berwick to the Boston and Maine Railroad ;

Resolve in favor of a post road and national highway from Portland to Chicago ;

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

Petition of Hiram A. Balch, for authority to build and maintain a fish weir in Bailey's Mistake harbor in Lubec ;

Petition of E. A. Davis and others of Lubec, for the repeal of the law imposing an inspection fee to be paid upon each box of herring taken and cured in this State;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Air Power Company," was referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Titcomb and others, for an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Remonstrance of J. O. Smith and others, against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers;

Bill "an act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and Philomathean Society";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of A. M. Robinson and others of Dover, in aid of the petition for the incorporation of Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company;

Petition of Abner Stetson and others, for an act authorizing corporations to flow flats and marshes on salt water rivers;

Remonstrance of C. G. Totman and others, against any law prohibiting the throwing of edgings into the Kennebec river;

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

Petition of Jane A. Weeks, for exchange of a lot of land;

Petition of John F. Hoffses and others, for an appropriation to aid in making a road laid out by the County Commissioners from Castle Hill to Dalton;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery," that the same be printed and recommitted;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to requiring the same judge to preside at two successive terms of the

Supreme Judicial Court in any county, unless prevented by sickness or otherwise, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to enabling soldiers to maintain actions against plantations, organized for school and election purposes, for the money or such portion of the State scrip, or the avails thereof, issued under the act equalizing municipal war debts, as may have been voted to them by such plantations, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of G. A. Wilson and others, for an appropriation in aid of the Oxford Normal Institute, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Joseph Nickerson and others, for an act incorporating the Boothbay Marine Railway Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Leander Weeks and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Company";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Directors of the Eastport Hotel Company, with bill "an act to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money, and secure the payment of the same by a mortgage of the company property";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The following order: The House concurring, that fifteen hundred copies of the Report of the Insurance Commissioner be printed, passed by the Senate, came from the House amended by striking out the word "fifteen" and inserting the words "twenty-five," and passed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

On motion of Mr. FULLER,

Ordered, That the several county delegations, to whom are referred matters relating to State valuation, be instructed to make no alterations in the aggregate valuations of their counties.

Mr. NEALLEY presented the remonstrance of Edward Parker, Jr., and others ;

Also the remonstrance of Mason Seavey and others—severally against the repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers ;

Which were each referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented the petition of the Assessors of Perkins plantation, for a reduction of State valuation, which was referred to the Franklin County Delegation.

Same Senator presented the petition of James E. Thompson and others, for an act to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank, which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. WEBBER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the Assessors of St. Albans, for a reduction of State valuation of said town, reported that the same be referred to the Somerset County Delegation.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Selectmen of Fort Fairfield, and the towns and plantations in Aroostook county, for abatement of taxes of said towns and plantations, reported that the same be referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

These reports were severally accepted.

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

“An act to authorize R. A. and W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Centre harbor”;

“An act to repeal an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State”;

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act to incorporate the Maine Medical Eclectic Infirmary”;

“An act to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company”;

“An act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the plantation of Castle Hill, in the County of Aroostook”;

“An act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company,” (House Doc. No. 1) ;

“An act to authorize William H. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters in Bristol”;

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 set off John Walker and his estates from the South Paris Village Corporation”;

“An act to change the name of the town of Dickeyville”;

“An act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors,” (House Doc. No. 4);

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 at 11.40 A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PAINE 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 requiring orders for payment of wages to be recorded ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of passing a law limiting the time that judges shall be allowed to confine juries after notice that they are unable to agree ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 119 of the laws of 1867, authorizing cities and towns to raise money to aid in the construction of railroads in this State ;

That the same Committee examine chapter 51, section 28 of the revised statutes, and report such alteration as they may deem

proper, to make it conform to the legislation of 1870, in relation to the rate of interest;

That the same Committee inquire if legislation be necessary to prevent spendthrifts from wasting their estates;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 81, sections 29 to 37 inclusive, of the revised statutes of 1871, as to authorize the sale on mesne process of logs and other lumber attached under section 34, chapter 91, of said statutes;

That the same Committee inquire if legislation is necessary or expedient as to process for partition of real estate;

That the Committee on Military Affairs be authorized to visit the Bath Military and Naval Orphan Asylum, and report on the condition of that institution;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of legislation on the rights and powers of railroad companies to take burrows and gravel pits for the construction and repairs of their several roads;

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so amending section 5 of chapter 60 of the acts of 1869, that savings banks may make loans to their trustees in amounts not exceeding five thousand dollars;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of amending section 94 of chapter 82 of the revised statutes, so that if a party receives a verdict in his favor by a jury, and shall carry the case into the law court, and the opinion of the court shall be against him there, he shall recover no costs subsequent to the verdict, but the party prevailing in the law court shall recover costs accruing after the verdict;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society," was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Petition of David Stevens and others, for an act imposing a tax on the owners and keepers of dogs;

Petition of Bickford C. Mathews and others, for amendment of chapter 471, special laws of 1870, relating to a certain claim of the petitioner;

Bill "an act to amend chapter 348 of the private and special laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland";

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

Petition of Charles Sweron and others, for an appropriation in aid of the Frenchville High School;

Petition of Trustees of Limerick Academy, for an appropriation in aid of said academy;

Petition of citizens of Corinth, for the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers;

Petition of E. J. Dyer and others, for the same;

Remonstrance of L. S. Judd and others of Presque Isle, against the same;

Remonstrance of J. M. Richardson and others of Maysville, against the same;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of S. Robinson and others, for an act of incorporation as the Sherman Steam and Water Manufacturing Company;

Bill "an act to secure a lien on bricks";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel L. Thompson and others of Kennebunkport;

Petition of Charles E. Perkins and others—severally for a charter to the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to extend their road by a shore line to Portland;

Petition of E. H. Banks and others of Biddeford, in aid of the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company;

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

Petition of E. B. Patten and others, for an act of incorporation as the Co-operative Store and Loan Company;

Petition of Hugh Ross and another, for an act to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company;

Bill "an act to enable women to whom a divorce is granted upon their own libels to resume their maiden names";

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

Petition of George F. Whidden and others of Presque Isle and Maysville, for the union of said towns, was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Charles V. Lord and others, for an act of incorporation as a manufacturing and water-power company of Oldtown;

Petition of Charles B. Sanford and another, for an act to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross to extend their wharf into Penobscot river at Stockton;

Petition of J. A. Johnson and others, for an act to prevent the cutting of ice on ponds;

Remonstrance of Silas Bates and others, against the passage of a law prohibiting the throwing of edgings into the Kennebec river;

Remonstrance of D. R. Stockwell & Co. and others, against the petition of the Bangor Boom Company for authority to extend said boom to Gardner's falls;

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

Remonstrance of John J. Chenery and others of Westbrook, against the annexation of any portion of said town to Portland, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph E. Shorey and others of Bancroft plantation, for an act of incorporation by the name of Bancroft;

Petition of James Farmer and others of Benedicta plantation, for an act incorporating the town of Benedicta;

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

Bill "an act additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor," was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Petition of York County Five Cent Savings Institution, for change of corporate name, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of C. Wasgatt, for authority to extend a fish weir into tide waters of Old Harbor, at Swan's Island, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of Zepheniah B. Starbird,” was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on an order relating to a reduction of the current expenses of the Adjutant General’s department, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of G. W. Ayer, for State aid, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Paris Hill Academy, for an appropriation in aid of said academy, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Francis Milliken, to have Wood and Tappan’s island set off from Biddeford and annexed to Saco, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill “an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company, in the town of Monson,” that the same ought to pass, was accepted, the bill read twice, rules being suspended, and recommitted in concurrence.

Bill “an act to amend the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor,” on its passage to be enacted, 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 Tobias Roberts and others, with bill “an act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company”;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “an act to incorporate St. Mark’s Home for Poor and Indigent Women in the city of Augusta,” that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill “an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation,” that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, to which was recommitted bill “an act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money,” with the same without amendment, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of the County

Commissioners of Penobscot county, with "resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of M. E. Pierce and Company of Boothbay, with bill "an act authorizing M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works, as per charter granted by Legislature of 1868," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot bay in the town of Lincolnville," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to authorize the Selectmen of the town of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town," 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 fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void," (Senate Doc. No. 8,) was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire whether legislation is necessary to provide for notices to towns on petitions for increased damages by reason of laying out, widening or altering town ways.

Mr. FOSTER presented bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars," which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DUDLEY presented the petition of inhabitants of Alva, for reduction of State valuation, which was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Same Senator presented the petition of Zebulon Michaud and others of Wallagrass, for title to their farms;

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented the petition of John Ware and others, for an appropriation in aid of completing the county road between Brighton and Kingsbury in Somerset county;

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

Mr. HOLLAND presented bill "an act to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders," which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. FULLER presented bill "an act to incorporate the North Penobscot Fire Insurance Company," which was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance.

Mr. SPAULDING presented bill "an act to incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons of Bath," which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VOSE presented "resolve in relation to the completion of the publication of the revised statutes," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of A. K. P. Lord and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the West Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company."

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. WEBBER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of David Dudley, reported "resolve in favor of David Dudley."

Same Senator, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of E. P. Hill and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company."

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 bills:

"An act to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Company";

“An act to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money, and to secure the payment of the same by a mortgage on the company property”;

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 incorporate the Calais Railway Company and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof”;

“An act granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Company to complete their road”;

“An act to incorporate the Peak’s Island Steamboat Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company”;

“An act to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society and to incorporate the said society”;

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. SPAULDING,

The Senate at 11.50 A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PARK of Gárdiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of a law authorizing the payment by the State of a sum per head upon all scholars between the ages of four and twenty-one years, to such towns or school districts as maintain an effectual system of graded schools, as an inducement to all the towns in the State to adopt the system ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of making the chairman of the superintending school committee in each town, the supervisor of schools in his town during his third year of service ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill repealing so much of section 54 of school laws as is found in part first, after the word "county," in the seventh line ; also of amending section 60 of same, after the fifth clause, by adding to sixth line, "mistresses and masters for their several districts," and to notify in writing the superintending school committee of the time when the schools are to begin and when to close, ten days at least beforehand ; also to notify the superintending school committee of the wages of the teachers by their employer ; also to amend said laws by striking out sections 75 to 82 inclusive ;

That the Committees on Education and Military Affairs in joint meeting or meetings inquire into the expediency of introducing military tactics into our common schools ;

That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire into the expediency of authorizing towns to take eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments therein, in the same manner that land is taken for ways, and with the same rights of appeal ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire if legislation be necessary to further define the rights of poor debtors ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Paul Curtis and others of Harrington, to have the doings of said town legalized ;

Petition of J. S. Benneck and others, for a change in the law that selectmen of towns may hold office for three years, one of whom shall be elected in each year ;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company";

Bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company";

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

Petition of H. B. Pike and others ;

Petition of Hatch Macomber and others ;

Petition of Peter Hill and others—severally for the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Remonstrance of E. R. Haynes and others, against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Petition of J. F. Brackett and others ;

Petition of William D. Hoar and others—severally for the repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers, and for the repeal of the law establishing county institutes and creating the office of county supervisor of schools ;

Petition of Mrs. William H. Shailer and others ;

Petition of J. M. Graham and others ;

Petition of J. J. Gilbert and others—severally for the establishment of a State Industrial School for Girls ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Milo, for reimbursement of bounty money paid to Joseph A. Burlingame in 1864 ;

Petition of overseers of the poor of the town of Gouldsboro', for aid to Mary McDonald, an Indian girl ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of Vital Dufour and others, for an appropriation to aid in building a bridge in Madawaska ;

Petition of inhabitants of St. John plantation, for aid in building a bridge ;

Petition of James M. Kempton and others, for an appropriation for building roads in Letter E plantation ;

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

Petition of Paine Brothers and others, for repeal of the law relating to the inspection of smoked herring, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of W. T. Hobart and others, for an act to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Petition of Joseph Titcomb and others of Kennebunk, for charter for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad to Portland by a shore line, also for a charter for the Portland and York Shore Line Railroad Company ;

Remonstrance of Oliver Gerrish and others of Portland, against any change in the law which requires the annual election of railroad directors ;

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

Petition of William Connor and others, for a law requiring that a sluice be kept and maintained at Great Works, for the passage of logs down the Penobscot river ;

Petition of the Birch Stream Dam Company, for increase of tolls ;

Petition of T. W. Baldwin and others, for an act of incorporation as the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company ;

Bill "an act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to maintain their wharf in Richmond";

Bill "an act to incorporate the Jay Boom Company";

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Thomas McSorley and others, for an act to incorporate the Hibernian Mutual Benevolent Society, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of I. W. Johnson, to have his doings as a Justice of the Peace legalized, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to so chang-

ing the law as to allow appeals to be taken to the Supreme Judicial Court from the decisions of joint board of county commissioners, relating to ways in two or more counties, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the necessity of legislation to secure to the people of the State the benefits of the Maine General Hospital, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to the age of jurors, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to exempting cows from taxation, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee, on an order relating to the reference of the several subjects of the Governor's Address to the appropriate Committees, as follows :

The Committee on the Governor's Address, to which was referred the order of the Legislature relating to the several subjects, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report :

That so much as relates to the condition of the country, be referred to the Committee on Federal Relations ;

So much as relates to financial affairs, to the Committee on Finance ;

So much as relates to military affairs, to Committee on Military Affairs ;

So much as relates to State pensions, to Committee on Pensions ;

So much as relates to education, to Committee on Education ;

So much as relates to agriculture, to Committee on Agriculture ;

So much as relates to Orphan's Home, to Committee on Military Affairs ;

So much as relates to temperance, to Committee on Legal Reform ;

So much as relates to population and immigration, to Committee on State Lands and State Roads ;

So much as relates to protection to industry, to Committee on Legal Reform ;

So much as relates to railroads, to Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges ;

So much as relates to our shipping interest, to Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance;

So much as relates to biennial elections and sessions of the Legislature, to Committee on the Judiciary;

So much as relates to fisheries, to Committee on Fisheries;

So much as relates to industrial school for girls, to Committee on Education;

So much as relates to our jail system, to Committee on Legal Reform;

Was accepted in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, ordered to be printed.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of William L. Clark and others, with bill "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading on to Rutherford's island, over tide waters, in said town";

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of William T. Hall and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the directors of the Alfred Bank, with bill "an act to continue the powers of the president, directors and company of the Alfred Bank";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to extending the time within which the revised statutes shall take effect, with the following bills:

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, 1871";

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870";

"An act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1871";

Was accepted in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. VOSE, the bills were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

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

On motion of Mr. NICKELS,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire what legislation is necessary to the further protection of our forests from destruction by fire.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, by leave, presented bill "an act to amend section 33 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

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

"An act to incorporate the Bucksport Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company";

"An act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association";

"An act in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield";

"An act to incorporate the West Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company";

"Resolve in favor of David Dudley";

"Resolve in relation to the completion of the publication 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 incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company";

Which was read a second time ; House amendment "A" was adopted.

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "B," which was 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 fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void," (Senate Doc. No. 8) ;

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table, on motion of Mr. FOSTER.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

"An act to authorize A. L. Frohock and others, to extend a

wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot bay, in the town of Lincolnville”;

“An act authorizing M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf”;

“An act extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works, as per charter granted by Legislature of 1868”;

“An act to authorize the Selectmen of the town of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town”;

“An act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money”;

“An act to incorporate St. Mark’s Home for poor and indigent women in the city of Augusta”;

“An act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation”;

“Resolve to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan”;

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 bill :

“An act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook, in Van Buren plantation”;

Which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. NICKELS.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, approved March 17, 1870”;

“An act to authorize Zenas F. Yates, Joseph S. Woodbury and their associates, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor”;

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 at 11 A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. STOCKBRIDGE of Gardiner.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws of the State that a certain amount of stock shall be subscribed for in good faith, and a certain per centage of said amount actually paid in to railroad corporations, before towns or cities shall be authorized to loan their credit, subscribe for stock, or in any way aid such corporations in any railroad enterprise ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether legislation is necessary in relation to the individual liabilities of stockholders in corporations ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen and others of South Thomaston, for reduction of State valuation of said town, was referred to the Knox County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of County Commissioners of York county, for authority to procure a loan to complete the jail and house of correction in said county, was referred to the York County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of A. W. Huntress and others, in aid of the petition of Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy for aid ;

Petition of William P. Morrill and others ;

Petition of Willis H. Wing and others—severally for the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

“Resolve in favor of the Etna High School” ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of W. G. Stone and others of Machias ;

Petition of Stephen A. Wilcox and others—severally for the

repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county;

Petition of the city government of Bangor, for restoration of the law relating to sewers;

Petition of N. C. Fletcher and others, for amendment of section 2 of an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation;

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

Petition of J. H. Pullen and others, for an appropriation in aid of repairing road from Monson to Greenville;

Petition of G. W. Knight, for deed of lot of land in Fort Fairfield;

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

Petition of Nathan Smart of Weston, for a charter for an express from Houlton to Danforth;

Petition of Joel Hills and others of Warren, for an act of incorporation as the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Warren;

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

Petition of Joseph Weeks and others of Durham, for an act for the protection of pickerel in Chandler Mill pond, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Charles King and others, against the passage of any law prohibiting the throwing of edgings and slabs into the Kennebec river, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Henry Kingsbury and others of Kennebunk, in aid of the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, for charter to extend their road by a shore line to Portland; also for charter for the Portland and York Shore Line Railroad Company, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Petition of A. W. Hoyt, for compensation for enlisting soldiers in 1861, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Petition of Stephen A. Wilcox and others, for an act authorizing towns to permit cattle to run at large, was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform 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 to Orr's island in the town of Harpswell, that petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of inhabitants of Oxford, to have certain property exempt from taxation under act of 1864, "to encourage manufactures," excluded from the general State valuation, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John E. Donald and others, with bill "an act to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company, and to grant further powers to the same";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Selectmen of Kingsbury, with bill "an act to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act authorizing towns, cities and village corporations to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases," (House Doc. No. 10,) that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Arno Wiswell and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company";

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of B. Beal and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company";

Report of the Committee on Pensions, to which was recommended bill "an act to revive and continue in force sections 1 to 6 inclusive, of chapter 170, public laws of 1868," with bill "an act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," (House Doc. No. 12);

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

A communication was received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report of the State Liquor Commissioner for the year 1870, which was read, and on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln,

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of establishing a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Lincoln, and of changing the time of holding the April term of said court.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether legislation is necessary to protect free bridges from injury by droves of cattle.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire as to the expediency of legislation allowing presidents of savings banks to receive compensation for official services.

Mr. GRAY presented the petition of Arnold Blaney and others, in aid of the petition of Robert Norton and others, for authority to construct a dam across Pemaquid river in Bristol, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. FOSTER presented bill "an act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect its railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville";

Mr. DUDLEY presented the petition of H. O. Perry and others, for a charter for a railroad from Bancroft northerly to Houlton and thence north through the first range of townships to the Aroostook river;

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

Same Senator presented the petition of James Holmes, for a title to his farm;

Also the petition of Charles Randall for a title to his farm;

Which were severally referred to the Joint Select Committee on Claims of Settlers to Lands conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company.

Same Senator presented "resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent," which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Same Senator presented the petition of Jesse Smith and others, for an appropriation on road in Silver Ridge plantation ;

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented the petition of Josiah Hilton and others, for an appropriation on the Canada road ;

Also the petition of Jonathan Hilton and others, for an act authorizing the taxation of certain wild lands in Somerset county ;

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

Mr. MORRIS presented the petition of Mrs. S. W. Hayden and others ;

Also the petition of Mrs. L. P. Barrett and others ;

Also the petition of Mrs. T. L. Small and others—severally for an Industrial School for Girls ;

Mr. FULLER presented the petition of O. N. Bradbury and others, for an appropriation in aid of the Springfield High School ;

Same Senator presented the remonstrance of O. N. Bradbury and others, against the repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers ;

Mr. DUDLEY presented the remonstrance of H. O. Perry and others, against the same ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented the petition of O. R. Bacheller and others ;

Also the petition of citizens of Fairfield—severally for a law requiring the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county to be held at Skowhegan ;

Mr. WEBBER presented the petition of citizens of Hartland ;

Also the petition of citizens of Canaan—severally for the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county to be held at Skowhegan ;

Which were each referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank";

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading on to Rutherford's island over tide waters in said town";

“An act to continue the powers of the president, directors and company of the Alfred Bank”;

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

On motion of Mr. VOSE,
The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MARTIN 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 enlarging the powers of constables in the service of civil process ;

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of requiring foreign fire insurance companies, having a place of business in cities or towns of this State, where there is an organized fire company or companies, to pay a small per centage of all premiums obtained from risks in those cities or towns to the municipal authorities thereof, to be by them added pro rata to the pay or compensation of the officers and men composing the fire companies of said cities or towns ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of David Bailey and others, for a law requiring the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county, to be held at Skowhegan, came from the House referred, with an order of notice to the town clerk in Norridgewock, to the Somerset County Delegation.

The Senate non-concurred in said reference, and on motion of Mr. WEBBER, the petition was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

Remonstrance of the County Commissioners of the county of York, against a grant of authority to said county to procure a loan, was referred to the York County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of J. G. Mosher and others, inhabitants of township No. 13, Range 5, and No. 12, Range 6, to be incorporated as a plantation;

Petition of James S. Higgins and others, for an act incorporating the town of Codyville;

Remonstrance of Robert Hinch and others of Bancroft, against the incorporation of the town of Bancroft;

Remonstrance of Shaw and Kingman and others, against the incorporation of the town of Independence;

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

Petition of Vital Tribideau and others of township K, range 2, W. E. L. S., for title to their lands;

Petition of L. R. King and others, in aid of petition of J. S. Arnold and others, for grant of land in aid of mills on the Madawaska river;

Petition of A. S. Wade and others;

Petition of A. J. W. Stevens and others—severally for an appropriation to repair the road from Monson to Greenville;

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

Petition of George Goodwin and others of Wells, in aid of the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for extension of its railroad to Portland;

Petition of W. B. Hayford and others, for a charter for a railroad from the European and North American Railway in Mattawamkeag, through township A, range 5, W. E. L. S., to the town of Medway;

Petition of George Goodwin and others, for a charter for a railroad from some point on the line of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad to the Portland and Rochester Railroad in the town of Alfred;

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

Petition of Sephroy Nadeau, for compensation for land taken for the use of the United States, was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of John F. Harris and others of East Machias, for repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county;

Petition of Greenleaf Emery and others;

Petition of Isaac Fuller and others—severally for the repeal of the act establishing the Superior Court for Cumberland county;

Petition of Lucius Denison and others of Norway, for the establishment of a superior court in the county of Oxford;

Petition of inhabitants of the town of Eastport, for an act enlarging the powers of constables;

Petition of Silas Mitchell and others, for "an act to incorporate the Buckfield and Turner Union Cemetery Company";

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

Petition of Nathan Cleaves and others, for an amendment of an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company;

Bill "an act to amend chapter 538 of the special laws of 1868, entitled an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river";

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

Petition of S. S. Smith and others of Oxford;

Petition of O. Royal and others of Harmony;

Petition of O. R. B. Hurd and others—severally for the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers;

Petition of Harriet L. Little and others;

Petition of Mrs. J. Higgins and others;

Petition of Mrs. A. Dalton and others;

Petition of Mrs. William P. Preble and others;

Petition of Mrs. John Neal and others;

Petition of Lydia W. Hackett and others;

Petition of Susan C. Milliken and others;

Petition of Mrs. H. A. Nealley and others—severally for the establishment of a State Industrial School for Girls;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Foster and others, for "an act to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company";

Petition of Newell M. Varney, in aid of the same;

Petition of J. E. Brown and others, for an act authorizing E. K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor;

Petition of Daniel Sargent and others of Brewer, for authority to construct and maintain dams on the Segeunkedunk streams;

Petition of William McGilvery of Searsport, for repeal of an act authorizing Charles E. Dole to build a wharf into tide waters at Brewer;

Petition of N. W. Hartwell and others, for the exclusive right to navigate Pushaw pond in Penobscot county for ten years;

Petition of Calvin Kingman and others, for charter to run a steam tow boat on Union river;

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

Remonstrance of citizens of Dexter, against the division of the West Penobscot Agricultural Society;

Bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Petition of the Mayor of Augusta, for an amendment of the public laws respecting fishways;

Petition of R. S. Small and others of Searsport, for repeal of the law regulating the taking of porgies;

Petition of Anthony Fernald and others, for an act for the protection of fish in the Penmaquan river;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of E. H. Hill and others, for an act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, accepted by the Senate, came from the House recommitted.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Communication from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State,

transmitting the Report of the Superintending School Committee of Greenbush, relating to the schools of the Penobscot tribe of Indians, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

The following communication :

“ To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

In response to the Order of the House of Representatives calling for the account of the Bath Military and Naval Asylum, I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the accounts of the trustees of that institution.

SIDNEY PERHAM.”

Was read, and referred with the accompanying account, to the Committee on Military Affairs in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of G. L. Boynton and others, with bill “an act to incorporate the West Branch Dam and Improvement Company”;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of F. G. Richards and others, with bill “an act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company”;

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 entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company,” 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.

On motion of Mr. NICKELS, bill “an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren plantation,” was taken from the table.

The question being on the passage of the bill to be enacted, on motion of Mr. NICKELS, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. WEBBER,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire if legislation is necessary to protect railroad companies from liability on account of personal injuries sustained by persons holding and using a free pass.

On motion of Mr. BARTLETT,

Ordered, That the Committee on Fisheries inquire into the expediency of increasing the number of the Commissioners of Fisheries and giving them exclusive jurisdiction over the construction of fishways.

Mr. HOBSON presented the petition of Thomas H. Cole and others of Biddeford ;

Also the petition of Charles Hill and others—severally in aid of the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, for the extension of said railroad to Portland ;

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

Mr. GRAY presented the petition of the mayor of the city of Augusta, for an amendment of the charter of said city ;

Mr. WEBBER presented the petition of citizens of St. Albans ;

Also the petition of citizens of Skowhegan and vicinity—severally for the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county to be held at Skowhegan ;

Mr. HOLLAND presented the petition of the city council of Lewiston, for an act establishing a municipal court in said city ;

Mr. SAWYER presented the petition of John Stewart and others ;

Also the petition of citizens of Northfield ;

Also the petition of citizens of Addison ;

Also the petition of citizens of Wesley—severally for the repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DUDLEY presented the petition of D. D. Thompson and another, for an act to incorporate the town of Haynesville, which was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns.

Same Senator presented the petition of Darius Wellington, for authority to construct a fish weir in Hancock harbor, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Same Senator presented the petition of H. O. Perry and others, for authority to the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Mary A. Bean ;

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented the petition of A. and P.

Coburn and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge over Moose river in Jackman township on the Canada road ;

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

Same Senator presented the petition of E. W. McFadden and others of Fairfield, for a charter for a savings bank in said town, which was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented the petition of John C. Wheeler and others of Chesterville, for repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. PERLEY presented the petition of Oliver D. Dike, for additional compensation as County Commissioner of the county of Cumberland, which was referred to the Cumberland County Delegation.

Same Senator presented the petition of G. W. Hammond and others, that the Attorney General be instructed to take the proper legal measures to vacate the charter of the Cumberland and Oxford Canal, which was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of the East Oxford Agricultural Society, for an amendment of the act incorporating said society, which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of Joseph A. Chambers, reported "resolve in favor of Joseph A. Chambers."

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

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to the formation of corporations, reported bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, in regard to the formation of corporations."

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill "an act additional to section 25 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways."

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson as a Notary Public," reported that the same ought to pass.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons at Bath," 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 to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom Company";

"An act to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross to extend their wharf into Penobscot river";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

"An act to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury";

"An act to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company, and to grant further powers to the same";

"An act authorizing towns, cities and village corporations to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases," (House Doc. No. 10);

"An act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen," (House Doc. No. 12);

"An act to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company";

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company";

"An act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company";

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 amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company”;

“An act to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in the tide waters at the south side of Stover's cove, in the town of Millbridge”;

“An act to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad to the European and North American Railway Company”;

“An act authorizing the County Commissioners of the county of Oxford to re-assess certain taxes”;

“An act to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company”;

“An act to authorize William H. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide waters in Bristol”;

“An act to incorporate the Maine Medical Eclectic Infirmary”;

“An act to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company”;

“An act to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct a fish weir in tide waters in front of their land in Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben”;

“An act to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clark's island, in the town of Millbridge”;

“An act to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the plantation of Castle Hill, in the county of Aroostook”;

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 of Franklin,

The Senate at 0.10 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRAM 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 reviving section 4, chapter 23 of the revised statutes of 1857, allowing towns to vote at their annual meetings to permit cows and other neat beasts to go at large in the whole or a specified part of the town, etc., repealed by chapter 216 of the laws of 1868;

That the same Committee inquire whether legislation is necessary to protect owners of land against the same being taken for the location of school-houses;

That the same Committee inquire if any amendments are necessary for the purpose of more clearly defining the meaning of chapter 11 of the laws of 1869, entitled an act in relation to conditional sales of personal property;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of so changing the law relating to county roads and bridges, that they shall be constructed and kept in repair by the several counties instead of by towns as at present;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of enlarging the fees of town clerks;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire if any change is necessary in the law, or any legislation defining or extending the powers and duties of the Railroad Commissioners, in regard to requiring railroad companies to maintain stations or depots for freight and passengers, when the public convenience and necessity in their opinion require it;

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of amending the school laws, so as to include mechanical drawing among the branches of learning required to be taught in the public schools;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of altering the laws in relation to the election of superintending school com-

mittees, so that they may be elected for only one year instead of three years;

That the report of the Trustees, Farm Superintendent and Treasurer of the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, be referred to the Committee on Agriculture;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of the Managers and Trustees of the Children's Home of Bangor and others, for an appropriation in aid of said institutions;

Petition of L. Morrison and others;

Petition of L. E. Judkins and others;

Petition of W. H. Evans and others—severally for a law providing that the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county be held at Skowhegan;

Petition of T. Seymour and others;

Petition of J. C. Duane and others;

Petition of William Curtis and others;

Petition of Charles Davis and others—severally in aid of the petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth for authority to lay out a way to the Ferry landing in said town;

Petition of G. M. Wentworth and others;

Petition of Elwell Lowell and others—severally for the repeal of the act establishing a Municipal Court in the city of Calais, and for an act establishing a Superior Court with increased jurisdiction;

Remonstrance of James Robbins and others, against the foregoing petition of G. M. Wentworth and others;

Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation in the County of Oxford;

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

Petition of citizens of Woolwich;

Petition of citizens of Arrowsic—severally for repeal of sections 12 and 13 of chapter 70 of the public laws of 1869, relating to the river and interior fisheries;

Petition of H. N. Wheelden and others;

Petition of Johnson G. Trask and others—severally for the repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the taking of smelts;

Petition of Stillman Look and others, for an act of incorporation as the Pleasant River Weir Company ;

Petition of D. N. Bray and others, for authority to construct a fish weir in Herrick's bay ;

Petition of Holden & Richardson, for authority to construct a fish weir into tide waters at Net Ledges in Cranberry Isles ;

Petition of R. T. Osgood and others, for a fishway at Eastern river dams ;

Remonstrance of Stewart McFadden and others, against the petition of Hiram A. Balch for authority to construct a fish weir at Bailey's Mistake Cove ;

Bill " an act to amend the inspection laws of 1857 " ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Mrs. T. R. Hayes and others, for an act establishing an Industrial School for Girls ;

Petition of William H. Meservey and others, for repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers and for the repeal of the law establishing county supervisors of schools ;

Petition of R. A. Spaulding and others ;

Petition of Superintending School Committee and others, of Limington ;

Petition of Dexter Smith and others ;

Petition of Ephraim Miller and others ;

Petition of Edward Freeman and others ;

Petition of A. Briant and others—severally for the repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Memorial of the municipal officers of the town of Whitefield, relating to the State valuation of said town, was referred to the Lincoln County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Richmond, for reduction of State valuation, was referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Selectmen of Greenbush ;

Petition of Samuel Taylor and others ;

Petition of Josiah Towle and others—severally for the correction of an error in the State valuation of Greenbush ;

Petition of Selectmen of Corinth, for reduction of the State valuation of said town ;

Were severally referred to the Penobscot County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of John E. Godfrey and others of Bangor, for an act establishing a Superior Court for the County of Penobscot ;

Petition of William B. Merrill and others of Auburn, for repeal of the law providing for a state commission for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

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

Petition of Albert A. Burleigh, for authority to the Land Agent to convey him a lot of land in township No. 5, Range 3, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of O. W. Whitten, to have certain territory set off from Alton and annexed to Oldtown, was referred to the Committee on Division of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, for authority to the Sebec Railroad Company to operate a branch railroad into the town of Brownville ;

Petition of E. T. Nutter and others ;

Petition of John Tuck and others ;

Petition of C. P. Kimball and others ;

Petition of John G. Hayes and others—severally in aid of the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for extension of said railroad to Portland ;

Petition of Jason Webb and others, for a charter for a railroad from Danville Junction through Gray, Windham and Gorham to connect with the Portland and Rochester Railroad ;

Petition of Nathaniel Wilson, for the renewal of the charter of the Penobscot Railroad Company, for the purpose of collecting a demand against said company ;

Petition of Joseph Howard and others, for an act concerning railroad corporations, relating to the regulation of fares ;

Petition of Jeremiah Foster and others of East Machias, for a charter for a railroad from Castine via Bluehill, Surry, Ellsworth, Franklin, Cherryfield, Harrington, Columbia, Machias, East Machias and Dennysville to Calais ;

Petition of James Morse and others ;

Petition of Israel R. Grant and others of Monroe—severally in aid of the petition of James P. White and others, for a branch railroad from Brooks through Monroe to Bangor ;

Remonstrance of John A. Montgomery and others, against any change in the law in relation to the annual election of railroad directors ;

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

Petition of Charles Fobes and others, for authority to extend Franklin wharf in Portland ;

Petition of Ira Masterman and another, for authority to construct artificial fish ponds in Weld and Phillips ;

Petition of John Appleton and others, for an act of incorporation for improving the north branch of Piscataquis river for driving logs ;

Petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, for an act, to incorporate the Cooper Brook Dam Company in township A, Range 10 ;

Petition of James L. Smith and others of Oldtown, in aid of the petition of Charles V. Lord and others, for an act of incorporation as a Manufacturing and Water-Power Company ;

Petition of N. R. Jellison and others ;

Petition of M. A. Roberts and others—severally in aid of the petition of Calvin Kingman and others, for a charter to run steam tow boats on Union river ;

Petition of A. Morse and others, for an act to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company ;

Petition of citizens of Phippsburg, in aid of the foregoing petition of A. Morse and others ;

Remonstrance of William W. Wallace and others ;

Remonstrance of Parker Duley and others—severally against a law authorizing a dam across Parker's bay in the town of Phippsburg ;

Remonstrance of George Warren and others, against the petition of George W. Hammond and others, for an act to prevent the

throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Pre-sumpscot river ;

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

Remonstrance of Jeremiah Dow and others ;

Remonstrance of Wellington Johnson and others—severally against the division of the town of Somerville ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Division of Counties in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, with bill “an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam Company,” was accepted, the bill read once and re-committed in concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of David Dudley,” passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House recommitted to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill “an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and refuse into the waters of Narraguagus river,” that the same be referred to the Committee on Legal Reform, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Stephen A. Willcox and others, for repeal of an act prohibiting cattle from running at large, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Daniel Stevens and others, for a tax on dogs, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill “an act authorizing towns and cities to hold money in trust for certain useful purposes,” (House Doc. No. 14,) that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Solomon B. Foster and others, with bill “an act to legalize the doings of the proprietors of the Free Baptist Society of the town of Gray” ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of A. P.

Atherton, with bill "an act authorizing A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Ezra D. Reed and others, with bill "an act authorizing Ezra D. Reed and George Reed to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Directors of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, with bill "an act additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of M. S. Drummond and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Katahdin Dam Company";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of I. F. McClinch and others, with bill "an act authorizing I. F. McClinch, Abbie E. McClinch and Sallie McClinch, and their associates, to extend a wharf at Sheppard's Point, Hallowell, into the tide waters of the Kennebec river";

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, on bill "an act to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of the city of Bangor," that the same 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. VOSE, the following bills:

"An act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1871," (Senate Doc. No. 10);

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, A. D. 1871," (Senate Doc. No. 12);

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870," (Senate Doc. No. 13);

Were severally taken from the table, read once, and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, bill "an act to amend section 33, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," (Senate Doc. No. 11,) was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented the petition of J. J. Parlin and others, for the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for

Somerset county to be held at Skowhegan, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CLEAVES presented the petition of inhabitants of Oxford, for correction of State valuation of said town, which was referred to the Oxford County Delegation.

Mr. SAWYER presented the petition of J. A. Milliken and others, for increase of salary of the Register of Probate of Washington county, which was referred to the Washington County Delegation.

The PRESIDENT presented the remonstrance of Lyndon Oak and others of Garland, against the division of the West Penobscot Agricultural Society, which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The PRESIDENT also presented bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity," which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed on motion of Mr. LANE.

Mr. VOSE presented the following :

Ordered, That all petitions received by the mails this day, to be presented to the Legislature, be presented to-morrow as of to-day.

On the question of giving the order a passage, on motion of Mr. LANE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Foster, Gray, Hinks, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Lincoln, and Vose—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Nealley, Perley, Spaulding, Torrey and Webber—14.

So the order was refused a passage.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act additional to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands," reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, 1871," reported that the same ought to pass ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Alonzo Colby and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation";

Mr. HOBSON, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Nathaniel G. Marshall, reported bill "an act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York";

Mr. NICKELS, from the same Committee, on the petition of S. O. Brown and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company."

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 incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons at Bath";

"An act to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson as a Notary Public";

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 West Branch Dam and Improvement Company";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company";

Which was read a second time.

Mr. GRAY proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate at 12 M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Education inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that whenever any town in the State shall provide a suitable free high school for the youth in said town, that the State shall encourage such efforts by appropriations of money, that the same shall be held in trust by the State, and the interest thereof be paid to said town so long as said free high school shall be properly maintained, and whenever the town shall fail to support said school the principal or appropriation thus guaranteed shall revert to the State ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 116, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, so that collectors of taxes may collect the tax upon goods, wares, merchandise, logs, timber, boards, and other lumber and stock in trade, including stock employed in the business of any of the mechanic arts, when such property is taxed to non-residents, in the same manner that the taxes upon horses, mules and neat cattle, when such animals are taxed to non-residents, are now collected ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of prohibiting registers of deeds and persons in their employ in their offices from acting as conveyancers ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 18 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes of 1857, so as to allow hearings to parties interested in laying out town ways ;

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire whether any legislation is necessary to protect insurance companies from embezzlement by sub-agents ;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation in aid of building the State road leading from Brighton to Moosehead lake ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire if any changes are necessary in the present school laws of the State, was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. VOSE.

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of repealing chapter 282 of the special laws of 1870, authorizing the county commissioners to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river between Waterville and Winslow, was read and laid on the table on motion of Mr. FOSTER.

“Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of No. 5, Range 1, in the County of Oxford,” was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Petition of William Berry of Burnham, for an act legalizing the doings of School District No. 9 in said town ;

Bill “an act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn”;

Bill “an act relating to the administration of oaths”;

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

Petition of citizens of Gorham, for a charter for a railroad from Danville Junction through Gray and Windham to the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Gorham ;

Petition of the Directors of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, for an amendment of the charter of said railroad ;

Petition of S. A. Dinsmore and others of Bingham, for extension of the charter of the Somerset Railroad ;

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

Petition of C. Sweron and others, for aid to the Frenchville Free High School ;

Petition of R. Fenderson and others, for repeal of the law establishing the office of County Supervisors of Schools ;

Petition of Taber Lyon and others, for the repeal of the law of 1870, relating the employment of teachers ;

Remonstrance of George W. Files and others ;

Remonstrance of O. R. Butler and others ;

Remonstrance of citizens of Lagrange—severally against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Fairbanks and others, for an act to protect the fish in his pond in Phillips, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Petition of Walter Clark and others, for a charter for an insurance company in Poland, was referred to the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Anson Fisher and others ;

Remonstrance of John Townsend and others ;

Remonstrance of Elijah P. Burton and others ;

Remonstrance of George S. Hill and others ;

Remonstrance of Hall Bagley and others—severally against the division of the West Penobscot Agricultural Society ;

Remonstrance of Sterret Patterson and others ;

Remonstrance of Eben S. Hunting and others ;

Remonstrance of J. P. Sinclair and others ;

Remonstrance of Charles Tate and others ;

Remonstrance of S. G. Jerrald and others—severally against the incorporation of the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society ;

Petition of S. G. Cummings and others, to be set off from the Waldo Agricultural Society and annexed to the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts in concurrence.

Petition of the County Commissioners of the county of Aroostook, to be refunded certain money paid by mistake to the State Treasurer, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Bradley, for money to be refunded paid to the State in 1864 ;

Petition of David W. Dinsmore, for compensation for damages by reason of imprisonment in the city of Lewiston ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of Nathan F. Houston, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters in Belfast ;

Petition of Edward L. Whittier and others, for authority to extend a wharf into tide waters in Belfast ;

Petition of John Neal and others, for an act to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company ;

Petition of James S. Barker and others, for an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company ;

Remonstrance of H. B. Hull and others, against the petition of Calvin Kingman and others, for a charter for a steam tow boat company for Union river ;

Remonstrance of W. C. Crosby and others, against the petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, for an act incorporating the East Branch Dam Company ;

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

Petition of Assessors of Topsham, for reduction of State valuation, was referred to the Sagadahoc County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel E. Smith and others, for a reduction of the State valuation of Wiscasset, was referred to the Lincoln County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Naples, for reduction of the State valuation of said town, was referred to the Cumberland County Delegation in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Salmon Jones, with "resolve in favor of Salmon Jones," was accepted, the resolve read once, and recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Warren Brown and others, for an act of incorporation as the Ellsworth Boom Company, that the same be referred to the Committee on Interior Waters ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of W. H. Heminway and others of Machias, to have their wharf legalized, (referred to this Legislature from the last) that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of S. Robinson and others, for an act of incorporation as the Sherman Steam and Water Manufacturing Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Greenlief Emery and others, for repeal of the act establishing a Superior Court in Cumberland county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of J. S. Bennock and others, for a law to enable towns to elect selectmen for three years so as to have one vacancy occur in each year, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to reviews and new trials," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to requiring orders for the payment of wages to be recorded, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the repeal of chapter 119 of laws of 1867, authorizing cities and towns to loan money in aid of railroads, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to limiting the time that judges of courts shall be allowed to confine jurors after notice that they are unable to agree, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Abigail Davis, with "resolve in favor of Abigail Davis";

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Eliza Morton and others, with bill "an act authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs to construct a fish weir in Johnson's bay, Lubec";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Isaac West, with bill "an act authorizing Isaac West to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolve each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That the report of the Board and Commissioners of Immigration be referred to a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join ;

And Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Dudley of Aroostook, and Foster of Kennebec, were appointed on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing that a certain number of copies of the revised statutes, for the use of the Legislature and the several county law libraries throughout the State, be bound with blank interleaves; and that it be made the duty of the proper officers at the close of each session of the Legislature, to note in such copies of the statutes so bound, and opposite the sections and chapters effected, all changes, alterations and amendments in the public laws.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the report of the Adjutant General be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. HOLLAND presented bill "an act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company," which, on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. SAWYER presented the remonstrance of D. W. Dinsmore and others, against the petition of Paul Curtis and others, for the legalization of the doings of the town of Harrington;

Mr. WEBBER presented the petition of Clark E. Smith, for an act requiring the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county to be held at Skowhegan;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Timothy Downing for aid, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of Joseph E. Shorey and others, for the incorporation of the town of Bancroft, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. NICKELS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of T. W. Baldwin and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company."

Mr. PERLEY, from the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on bill "an act additional to chapter 43 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to true meridian lines," 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 to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company";

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, 1871";

"An act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation";

"An act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

"An act additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company";

"An act to incorporate the Katahdin Dam Company";

"An act authorizing Ezra D. Reed and George Reed to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont";

"An act authorizing A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont";

"An act to legalize the doings of the proprietors of the Free Baptist Society of the town of Gray";

"An act authorizing I. F. McClinch, Abbie E. McClinch and Sally McClinch, and their associates, to extend a wharf at Shepard's point, Hallowell, into the tide waters of the Kennebec river";

"An act to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of the city of Bangor";

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

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the following :

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the

expediency of repealing chapter 282 of the special laws of 1870, authorizing the County Commissioners to lay out a highway across the Kennebec river between Waterville and Winslow;

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the foregoing order was laid on the table, and the first day of April next assigned for its further consideration.

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

“An act to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank”;

“An act to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money and secure the payment of the same by a mortgage on the company property”;

“An act to continue the powers of the President, Directors and Company of the Alfred Bank”;

“An act to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Penobscot County Poultry Society”;

“An act to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Company”;

“An act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading to Rutherford’s island over tide waters in said town”;

“An act to authorize the Treasurer of the county of Cumberland to pay the Judge and Register of Probate for said county certain sums of money”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

“Resolve providing for furnishing the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register for the use of the Legislature and several Departments”;

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 at 12 M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1871.

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 into the expediency of repealing all acts and resolves pledging the faith of this State to pay annual sums of money for the support of any school managed, kept, or conducted by any particular sect of christians ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending the law relating to the assignment of dower in woodlands to widows ;

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of repealing section 3 of chapter 25 of the public laws of 1869, entitled "an act regulating the sale of milk";

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending the law that the prevailing party in a suit may receive in his bill of costs, travel for his witnesses who have come from out of this State, for the number of miles actually traveled beyond the line of this State ;

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire into the expediency of so amending the tax law, as to make all sums of money deposited in savings banks above the sum of two hundred dollars, subject to taxation as any other property, except such as belongs to widows, orphans and minor children ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

That the State Treasurer be directed to deliver to the treasurer of the town of Alna, or his order, the bonds amounting to three hundred dollars with the coupons thereon as reimbursement in part of their municipal war debts, heretofore withheld on account of a supposed claim on the part of the State against said town, which said claim has been found incorrect and cancelled ;

Was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Mr. HINKS presented the following :

Ordered, That the rule relating to the reception and reference of petitions for private legislation, be suspended so as to authorize the reference of petitions, bills and resolves, introduced in the House and now on the table of the Senate, to the appropriate Committees in concurrence.

On the question of giving the order a passage, on motion of Mr. VOSE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Dudley, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Gray, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Nickels, Perley, Sawyer, Smart, Spaulding and Webber—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Fuller, Nealley, Torrey and Vose—6.

So the order was passed.

Remonstrance of William E. Moors and other members of Cumberland bar, against the enlargement of the powers of constables ;

Bill “an act authorizing jailers to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners”;

Bill “an act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company and for other purposes”;

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

Petition of G. W. S. Putnam and others of York and Kittery, for a charter for a Portland and York Shore Line Railroad ;

Petition of James A. Milliken and others of Cherryfield ;

Petition of Henry T. McDonald and others of Machias ;

Petition of George Walker and others of Machias ;

Petition of George Googins and others of Millbridge—severally for a charter for a railroad from Castine to Calais ;

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

Petition of Rufus G. Curtis, for a pension or aid from the State, was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Petition of A. J. Lane and others of plantation No. 2, Range 2, west of Kennebec river, for change of name of said plantation to

Highland, was referred to the Committee on Incorporation of Towns in concurrence.

Petition of Winslow Bates and others, for increase of salary of Register of Probate of Washington county;

Petition of the inhabitants of plantation No. 14, E. D., Washington county, for reduction of valuation;

Were severally referred to the Washington County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel W. Hoskins and others, for authority to lay out a way in Oldtown;

Petition of Joel S. Crooker and others of Norway, for a Superior Court in Oxford county;

Petition of N. S. Harlow and others, for authority to the city government of Bangor to aid the Mercantile Association of said city;

Petition of S. H. Bradbury and others;

Petition of Jotham G. Reynolds, Jr., and others—severally for the repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the terms of Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county;

Petition of Dinsmore Cleaveland and others, for an act requiring the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county to be held at Skowhegan;

Petition of J. S. Spaulding and others, for same;

Petition of William Macartney and others, for an act incorporating School District No. 5, in West Waterville, with powers as a fire department;

Remonstrance of George A. Fletcher, against the same;

Remonstrance of Samuel Bunker and others, against the same;

Remonstrance of Joseph Atkinson, against the same;

Remonstrance of Enoch Foster and others, against establishing a superior court in Oxford county;

Bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company";

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

Petition of R. B. Shepherd and others of Skowhegan, that said town may be authorized to aid in the erection of a woollen factory;

Petition of Albert Johnson and others, for an increase of the capital stock of the Warren Manufacturing Company ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Manufactures in concurrence.

Petition of H. L. K. Wiggin and others, in aid of petition of W. F. Garcelon, for authority to supply Lewiston and Auburn with pure water ;

Petition of J. H. Roak and others ;

Petition of John Read and others—severally in aid of the foregoing petition of H. L. K. Wiggin and others ;

Petition of Whitman A. Holt, for authority to run a steamboat on Webb's pond in the town of Weld ;

Petition of B. R. Rollins, in aid of same ;

Remonstrance of John G. Mayo and others, against the petition of George M. Weston, for authority to construct dams on the north branch of Piscataquis river ;

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

Petition of the city government of Portland, for an Industrial School for Girls ;

Petition of Mrs. M. F. S. Beals and another ;

Petition of Mrs. Annie W. Ruby and another—severally for same ;

Petition of William T. Hobart and others of Pembroke, for the repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers ;

Remonstrance of Thomas Henry and others of Hope, against the same ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of John W. Coffin and others of Cherryfield, for an act to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank, was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Gouldsbrough, for aid for Mary McDonald, an Indian girl, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was referred to the Governor and Council in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of J. L. Bartlett and others, for a law regulating the taking of eels in Damariscotta river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of the Assessors of Independence plantation, for an act of incorporation as a town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Calvin Kingman and others, for a charter for a steam tow boat company on Union river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Bridgton Academy, for an appropriation from the State, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Trustees of Lee Normal Academy, for an appropriation from the State, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of A. O. Noyes and others, for an appropriation in aid of the Norway Liberal Institute, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Trustees of Fort Fairfield High School and others, for aid for said school, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Ira A. Philbrick and others, for an appropriation in aid of Parsonsfield Seminary, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Trustees of Mattanawcook Academy, for aid from the State, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, to which was recommended the petition of E. H. Hill and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The order providing for a Joint Select Committee on the report

of the Board and Commissioner of Immigration, passed by the Senate, came from the House passed in concurrence, with the Committee joined by that branch as follows :

Messrs. Hacker of Fort Fairfield, Bonney of Portland, Reed of Waldoborough, Moore of Buckfield, Ray of Westbrook, Cousens of Kennebunkport, and Chapin of Monson.

A communication was received from Edwin B. Smith, Elbridge G. Harlow and John Benson, Commissioners appointed to inquire into the jail system of this State, transmitting the report of their investigations, and submitting bill "an act to improve the jail system of the State of Maine, and giving further powers to the courts and other officers in criminal cases."

The communication was read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER, the report was laid on the table, and two thousand copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. NEALLEY presented "resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The PRESIDENT presented the petition of D. R. Stockwell and others, for reimbursement of money paid to the State Treasurer, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee on Education, on the report of the Superintending School Committee of Greenbush, relating to the Penobscot tribe of Indians, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of O. N. Bradbury and others, for aid to the Springfield High School, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. FULLER, from the Penobscot County Delegation, on the petition of the inhabitants of Newport, for reduction of the State valuation of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same Senator, from the same Delegation, on the petition of the Selectmen of Corinth, for a reduction of the State valuation of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same Senator, from the same Delegation, on the petition of the Selectmen of Greenbush and others, for a reduction of the State valuation of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Washington County Delegation, on the petition of the County Commissioners of said county for a reconstruction of the act of 1870, relating to their fees, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same Senator, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of John Ware and others, for an appropriation on the county road between Brighton and Kingsbury in the County of Somerset, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to exempting town insurance companies from taxation, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of George Goodwin and others, for authority to locate and construct a railroad from the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad to the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Alfred, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Jotham Allen and others, for a charter for a railroad from some point on the line of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad in Wells, through Sanford, to some point on the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Alfred, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of titles to lands for sites of light-stations on the coast and waters of the State," reported that the same ought to pass.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act giving the consent of the Legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. FOSTER, from the same Committee, on an order relating to prohibiting private bankers from advertising as savings banks, reported bill "an act relative to pretended savings banks."

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

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth and others, reported bill "an act to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out, construct and maintain a highway into the tide waters of Portland harbor."

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and Philomathean Society," reported that the same ought to pass.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the petition of the Passamaquoddy Indians, reported "resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians."

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders," reported that the same ought to pass.

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 bills:

"An act additional to chapter 43 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to true meridian lines";

"An act to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve:

"An act authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs to construct a fish weir in Johnson's bay, Lubec";

"An act authorizing Isaac West to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay";

"Resolve in favor of Abigail Davis";

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 bill :

“An act to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury”;

Which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. WEBBER.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation”;

“An act to incorporate the St. Mark’s Home for poor and indigent women in the city of Augusta”;

“An act to repeal an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State”;

“An act to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company and to grant further powers to the same”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company”;

“An act to authorize the Selectmen of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town”;

“An act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company”;

“An act to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money”;

“An act to extend the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works, as per charter granted by the Legislature of 1868”;

“An act authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen”;

“An act to authorize R. A. and W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Center harbor”;

“An act empowering towns, cities and village corporations, to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases”;

“An act authorizing A. L. Frohock and others, to extend a wharf into the tide waters of the Penobscot bay in the town of Lincolnville”;

“An act to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association”;

“An act authorizing M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf”;

“An act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in relation to the completion of the publication of the revised statutes”;

“Resolve to authorize the County of Penobscot to procure a loan”;

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. WEBBER,

The Senate at 12 M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on Legal Reform consider what legislation, if any, be needed giving part owners, joint tenants or tenants in common, in any estates more speedy remedies than now exist for possession and enforcement of their individual rights ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Abbie D. Hersey and others of Portland, for an industrial school for girls ;

Petition of Usher B. Thompson and others, for repeal of the law establishing county supervisors and for the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Petition of F. A. Simpson and others ;

Petition of A. Milliken and others—severally for repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Remonstrance of J. Woodman and others of Leeds, against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Lucius Denison and others, for a superior court in the county of Oxford, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was recommended in concurrence.

Report of the Aroostook County Delegation, on the petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others, for the union of Presque Isle and Maysville, that the same be referred to the next Legislature with an order of notice ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of George W. Hammond and others, for an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Presumpscot river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Lewis Davis and others, for an amendment of the law relating to division fences, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Nathan Smart, for a charter for an express from Houlton to Danforth, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of George Fickett and others, for an act to incorporate Cape Elizabeth Railway Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of George W. Knight, for authority to the Land Agent to convey him a lot of land, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Silas Metcalf and others, for an act incorporating the Buckfield and Turner Union Cemetery Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to providing by law that persons shall not recover damages on account of defective highways, who reside in places where no such liability on the part of towns exists, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to allowing

overseers of the poor to restrain the husband and father of a family from misspending his earnings, and securing the same to his family who are paupers, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the annual elections of superintending school committees, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to requiring foreign insurance companies to contribute to the support of fire companies, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to enlarging the powers of constables, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren plantation," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of J. E. Brown and others, with bill "an act authorizing Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden Harbor";

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Second Universalist Society of Portland, with bill "an act to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland";

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution, with bill "an act to change the name of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Titcomb and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank," that the same ought to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once and Monday assigned for their second reading.

The following bills :

“An act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one,” (Senate Doc. No. 10);

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, A. D. 1871,” (Senate Doc. No. 12);

“An act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy,” (Senate Doc. No. 13);

Severally indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote passing said bills to be engrossed and proposing a conference, with Messrs Wilson of Thomaston, Bonney and Cleaves of Portland, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted on its former vote, concurred in the proposed conference, and joined Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Nealley of York, and Smith of Lincoln, conferees on its part.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary examine sections 44 and 47 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning intoxicating liquors, for the purpose of determining whether any amendment is necessary to render more certain its meaning.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the same Committee examine sections 11 and 13 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes, relating to actions by or against executors and administrators for the purpose of determining whether any amendment is necessary to render its meaning more certain.

Mr. FOSTER presented “resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State”;

Mr. SAWYER presented the remonstrance of Freeman Randall and others, against the petition of Paul Curtis and others, for an act legalizing the doings of the town of Harrington;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, by leave presented bill “an act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of the revised statutes, relating to

the repairs of highways," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. SMART presented bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," which was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the bill came from the House, that branch having non-concurred in the reference of the bill to the Committee on Legal Reform, and referred the same to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the school laws of 1870, reported bill "an act additional to section 54 of chapter 11 of the school laws, relating to the employment of teachers."

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

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on "resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. TORREY, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of C. Wasgatt, reported bill "an act authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan Island, to extend his fish weir into the tide waters of Old Harbor."

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

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Louis Cormier, to be set off from Grant Isle and annexed to Madawaska," reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders";

"An act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and the Philomathean Society";

“An act to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out, construct and maintain a highway into the tide waters of Portland harbor”;

“An act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary”;

“Resolve making an appropriation for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians”;

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes”;

“An act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company”;

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 bill :

“An act to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of the city of Bangor”;

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. FOSTER,

The Senate at 10.30 A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment, 11 A. M.

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. T. W. Vose be President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Vose was conducted to the chair by Mr. Carvill of Cumberland, and Mr. Bartlett of Hancock, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. RICKER of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. SAWYER,

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. W. Vose as President *pro tempore*.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation for the repair of that part of the military road which leads across lands owned by the State, was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Isaac Wilder and others;

Petition of inhabitants of Harrington—severally for repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county;

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

Remonstrance of Lewis Simpson and others of Milford, against the petition of the Birch Stream Dam Company for increase of tolls;

Remonstrance of J. C. Towle and Company and others, against the petition of D. Sargent and others, for an act of incorporation with authority to control the waters of Segeunkedunk stream ;

Remonstrance of Sharon Roberts and others, against the petition of Charles Foster and others, for authority to construct a dam across the outlet of Northeast pond ;

Remonstrance of B. W. Briggs and others, against the same ;

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Asa Stockwell and others, to be set off from Embden and annexed to New Portland, that the same be referred to the next Legislature with an order of notice ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Isaac Bearce, to be set off from the town of Meddybemps and annexed to the town of Baring, that the same be referred to the next Legislature with an order of notice ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and other refuse into the Kennebec river and its tributaries," that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Education, on "resolve in favor of the Etna High School," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to enable women to whom a divorce is granted upon their own libels to resume their maiden names," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to authorizing towns to permit cows and other beasts to run at large in highways, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

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

Report of the Committee on Division of Counties, on the petition of Orrin Gilpatrick and others, for the division of the town of Somerville, and the annexation thereof to the towns of Washington, Jefferson and Windsor, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of David Townsend and others, for a part of Somerville to be set off and annexed to Washington, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of N. B. Nutt and others, with bill "an act to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation, approved February 14, 1867," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to extend and maintain their wharf in Richmond," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Hatcil Delano, with bill "an act to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters at Verona";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William McGilvery, with bill "an act to amend an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer, approved February 17, 1869";

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on bill "an act additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Joshua Chamberlain, with "resolve in favor of Joshua Chamberlain," and "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to locate certificate No. 31, issued under resolves of the Legislature, approved March 20, 1838";

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of D. N. Bray and others, with bill "an act authorizing D. N. Bray to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolves each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

Ordered, That the Governor, the State Treasurer and the Land Agent, be requested, on or before the first day of June next, (or as soon thereafter as may be,) to designate for settlement two or more townships of land which have been conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company, and that they notify

said company of such designation, with directions that the same be at once surveyed and opened for settlement by said company, as provided in chapter 401, section 3 of the special laws of 1864, entitled "an act to provide means for the defence of the north-eastern frontier."

Mr. DUDLEY presented the petition of Charles Kidder and others of Bridgewater, for reduction of State valuation of said town, which was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation.

Same Senator presented the petition of J. H. Kidder and others, for a charter for a railroad from Bancroft, northerly to Houlton and the Aroostook river, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Same Senator presented the petition of Henry Rolfe of Maysville, for remuneration for a lot of his land conveyed by the Land Agent to another, which was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads.

Same Senator presented the petition of Henry Rolfe, for authority to the Land Agent to convey him a lot of land, which was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Education, on an order, reported bill "an act relating to instruction in industrial or mechanical drawing."

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

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on "resolve in favor of Zepheniah Starbird and others," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, the vote whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the school laws of 1870, submitting bill "an act additional to section 54 of chapter 11 of the school laws, relating to the employment of teachers," was reconsidered.

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

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

“An act authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan island to extend his fish weir into the tide waters of Old Harbor”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent”;

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay”;

“An act to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland”;

“An act authorizing Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor”;

“An act to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank”;

“An act to change the name of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution”;

“An act to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank”;

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 legalize the doings of the proprietors of the Free Baptist Meeting-house of the town of Gray”;

“An act authorizing I. F. McClench, Abbie E. McClench and Sally McClench, and their associates, to extend a wharf at Shepard's point, Hallowell, into the tide waters of Kennebec river”;

“An act to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross to extend their wharf into Penobscot river”;

“An act to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company”;

“An act to incorporate the West Branch Dam Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company”;

“An act authorizing Ezra D. Reed and George Reed to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont”;

“An act additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Bucksport Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company”;

“ An act to incorporate the Katahdin Dam Company”;

“ An act authorizing A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir at Moose island in Tremont ;

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. SMITH of Lincoln,

The Senate at 0.25 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire whether any legislation be necessary for the protection of the rights of mill owners ;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of requiring municipal officers to prepare and have printed an exhibit of the indebtedness of towns seven days before their annual meetings;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending the revised statutes by inserting after the word “ property” in the fourth line of section 5, chapter 6, the words “ by promissory notes or other written contracts for the payment of a certain sum of money wherein it is stipulated that the goods and chattles for which the note is given, shall remain the property of the payee until payment”;

That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of legislation upon removing prisoners from one county jail to another for their greater security ;

That the Committee on Education report as soon as convenient for the information of the legislature, the whole number of peti-

tions and whole number of names thereon asking the repeal of a law relating to the employment of teachers; also the whole number of remonstrances, and the whole number of names of persons thereon opposing said repeal;

That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of changing section 31 of chapter 51 of the revised statutes in relation to fencing railroads;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. P. Benjamin and others, against the incorporation of School District No. 5 at West Waterville, with powers as a fire department;

Remonstrance of J. H. Sawyer and others;

Remonstrance of Moses Winslow and others;

Remonstrance of Isaac W. Varney and others;

Remonstrance of J. W. Whittier and others;

Remonstrance of J. W. Hathaway and others;

Remonstrance of M. H. Brown and others;

Remonstrance of J. H. Pattee and others—severally against the passage of a law providing that the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for the County of Somerset be held at Skowhegan;

Bill “an act to amend section 13 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes”;

Bill “an act giving the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of 1863, chapter 226, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort under act of 1868, chapter 225”;

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

Petition of the Selectmen of Jefferson, for separate representation in the Legislature, was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Apportionment of the State for Senators and Representatives in concurrence.

Resolve of the City Council of Bath, in aid of the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company;

Petition of J. B. Coffin and others, for a charter for a railroad from Castine to Calais;

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

Report of the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on the petition of J. G. Cummings and others, to be set off from the Waldo Agricultural Society and annexed to the Eastern Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society, that the same be referred to the next legislature with an order of notice;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act regulating the transfer of actions from the State courts to courts of the United States," that the same ought not to pass;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on the petition of B. W. Blanchard and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association";

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of James T. Wiggin and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the town of Codyville";

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Daniel Butters and others, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company," that the same ought to pass;

Was accepted in concurrence, and the bill laid on the table on motion of Mr. DUDLEY.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Neal and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company";

Was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, in regard to the formation of corporations," (Senate Doc. No. 16);

Bill "an act additional to section 25 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways, (Senate Doc. No. 17);

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. HINKS,

The vote whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to uniformity of text books, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was reconsidered, and the report was recommitted with instructions to report a bill.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, bill "an act fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void," (Senate Doc. No. 8,) was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, "resolve in favor of Joseph A. Chambers," (Senate Doc. No. 18,) was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, bill "an act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company," (Senate Doc. No. 20,) was taken from the table.

This resolve and bill were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. DUDLEY presented bill "an act to promote immigration into this State";

Mr. WEBBER presented remonstrance of William Connor and others, against the change of the Kennebec and Somerset Railroad junction from Kendall's Mills to Waterville;

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

Mr. MORRIS presented the petition of Cyrus Sturdivant and others, for an act establishing the office of chaplain of the State Prison, which was referred to the Committee on State Prison.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of Luther Fitch, reported bill "an act to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago";

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

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee on Education, on the recommendations of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported bill "an act to amend section 54, item second, of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools";

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Public Buildings, on an order, reported "resolve providing for warming the State House by steam";

These reports were severally accepted, and the bill and resolve each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

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

"Resolve in favor of Zepheniah Starbird and others";

Which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves:

"An act additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor";

"An act to amend an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer, approved February 17, 1869";

"An act authorizing D. N. Bray to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin";

"An act additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor";

"An act to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation, approved February 14, 1867";

"An act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to extend and maintain their wharf in Richmond";

"An act to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters at Verona";

"Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to locate certificate No. 31, issued under resolves of the Legislature, approved March 20, 1838";

"Resolve in favor of Joshua Chamberlain";

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 authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs to construct a fish weir in Johnson bay, Lubec”;

“An act to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson as a Notary Public”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of Abigail Davis”;

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. SPAULDING,
The Senate at 11.45 A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CRAM of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Banks and Banking inquire what legislation is necessary to increase the bonds of treasurers of saving banks ;

That the same Committee inquire into the management of the affairs of the American Bank of Hallowell, by the receivers thereof, and report what legislation is necessary to facilitate the winding up of the affairs of said bank, and said Committee is hereby empowered to send for persons and papers relating thereto ;

That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of making the time of service of legal process on corporations the same as on individuals ;

That the Committee on State Lands and State Roads inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Land Agent to convey certain tracts of land in Oakfield plantation, Aroostook county, for burial grounds ;

That the Oxford County Delegation inquire into the expediency of reducing the State valuation of Buckfield ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to bills in equity";

Petition of George B. Burns and others, in aid of the petition of G. M. Wentworth, for repeal of the act establishing a municipal court in the city of Calais, and for a superior court of increased jurisdiction in said city ;

Petition of R. A. Frye and others ;

Petition of S. R. Carter and others—severally for a superior court for Oxford county ;

Petition of citizens of Athens, for an act providing that the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county be held at Skowhegan ;

Remonstrance of H. S. Tobey and others ;

Remonstrance of G. M. Tobey and others ;

Remonstrance of Franklin Danforth and others ;

Remonstrance of Charles H. Hussey and others ;

Remonstrance of Thomas M. Waugh and others ;

Remonstrance of Moses Williams and others ;

Remonstrance of B. F. Kimball and others ;

Remonstrance of C. M. Sawyer and others ;

Remonstrance of S. D. Knight and others—severally against the foregoing petition of citizens of Athens and others ;

Remonstrance of Robert Conforth and others ;

Remonstrance of Wm. Macartney and others—severally against the incorporation of school district number 5, at West Waterville, with powers as a fire department ;

Remonstrance of M. F. Marble and others ;

Remonstrance of Samuel F. Hersey and others—severally against the passage of bill an act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery ;

Bill "an act amendatory of section 14 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes";

Bill "an act amendatory of section 27, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes";

Bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes relating to railroads";

Bill "an act to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river";

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

Bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

"Resolve to correct the valuation of York county," was referred to the York County Delegation in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Samuel D. Reed, against the petition of Alden Morse and others, for authority to construct a dam at Parker's Head bay in Phippsburg, was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Nathaniel G. Marshall and others, for charter for a railroad by a shore route from Kittery to Portland;

Petition of D. H. Bisbee and others, for a law to prevent the consolidation of competing lines of railroads;

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

Petition of Aaron Haynes and others;

Petition of G. W. Pratt and others;

Petition of Thomas Thompson and others;

Petition of Samuel Gamage and others;

Petition of Samuel Wentworth and others;

Petition of Nathaniel Alford and others;

Petition of Simon C. Hewett and others;

Petition of Lewis Wyman and others—severally for the repeal of the school laws of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Thomas McSorley and others, for "an act to incorporate the Hibernian Mutual Benevolent Society," that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Hodgson and others, inmates of the eastern branch of the U. S. Military Asylum, for the right to vote in all town, county, State and National elections, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the partition of real estate, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Managers of the Children's Home of Bangor, for aid from the State, that the same be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs ; .

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to the assignment of dower in woodlands to widows, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to providing that county roads shall be kept in repair by the several counties instead of by towns, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to disturbing religious assemblies," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, with bill "an act to amend section 29 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of personal property," (House Doc. No. 19) ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved February 24, 1865," (House Doc. No. 16,) that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company, approved March 10, 1870," that the same ought to pass.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of E. K. Harding and others, with bill "an act to authorize E. K. Harding and others to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad 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.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Lynch, President of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, with bill "an act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company," (House Doc. No. 22,) was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in recommitting said bill, and the same passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Buxton and Bonney Eagle Branch Railroad Company," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House recommitment to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The Senate non-concurred with the House.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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. MINOT, the bond was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Treasurer's Report.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Ordered, That the report of the State Librarian be referred to the Committee on the Library.

Mr. LANE presented bill "an act further defining the jurisdiction of the Superior Court for the County of Cumberland";

Also bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868";

Mr. VOSE, by leave, presented bill "an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Woolen Mills";

Which were severally referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. FOSTER presented the remonstrance of B. P. Manley and others, against exempting the Kennebec Dam Company from liability to construct a fishway, which was referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Same Senator presented bill "an act to authorize the towns of

Benton and Fairfield to make free the Fairfield bridge," which was referred to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SPAULDING presented "resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Jesse Smith, for authority to the Land Agent to convey him a lot of land in Silver Ridge plantation, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the report of the superintending school committee of Greenbush, relating to the Penobscot Indians, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Select Committee appointed to examine the evidence and documents accompanying the report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," and report what portion thereof it is expedient to print, reported in detail, recommending the printing of the evidence and documents except certain specified schedules, depositions and affidavits.

The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

Mr. VOSE presented the following:

Ordered, That four thousand copies of the report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," the report of the Select Committee appointed to examine the evidence and documents accompanying the same, and the evidence and documents recommended to be printed by the said Committee, be printed and bound in one volume for the use of the Legislature.

On the question of giving the order a passage, on motion of Mr. MINOT, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Dudley, Hayford, Lane, Morris, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Torrey and Vose—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Foster, Fuller, Gray, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Minot, Nickels, Rolfe, Sawyer and Webber—13.

So the order was refused a passage.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, That two thousand copies of the report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," and such portion of the evidence and documents accompanying as is recommended to be printed in the report of the Select Committee appointed to examine the same, together with the report of the said Committee, be printed and bound in one volume for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized and directed to superintend the printing of the report on "Paper Credits" and accompanying documents, this day ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. SMITH of Knox, asked to be and was excused from serving on the Joint Select Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, and Mr. TORREY was appointed to the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY, bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company," was taken from the table;

Mr. NICKELS proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths, and the acknowledgement of deeds and other papers," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend section 47 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates," reported that the same ought to pass.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill "an act to amend section 116 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes."

Mr. FOSTER, from the same Committee, on "resolves in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State," reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on Library, on the report of the State Librarian, reported "resolve making an appropriation for the State Library."

These reports were severally accepted and the bills and resolves each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of David Wing and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company."

Mr. HOBSON, from the same Committee, on the petition of Charles Fobes and others, reported bill "an act to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland to extend its wharf."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of 1863, chapter 226, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort, under act of 1868, chapter 225," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Mayor of Augusta, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 204 of the special laws of 1867, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta."

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of F. M. Lufkin and others, reported bill "an act to further protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy River ponds and Lufkin pond."

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect its railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Jesse Smith and others, reported "resolve for an appropriation on a road in Silver Ridge plantation in the county of Aroostook."

Mr. WEBBER, from the same Committee, on the petition of Albert A. Burleigh, reported "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 129 in township No. 5, Range 3, in the County of Aroostook."

Mr. ROLFE, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Princeton, reported "resolve in favor of the town of Princeton."

●Mr. FULLER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, on the

petition of the Penobscot Indians, reported "resolves making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians."

These reports were severally accepted, the bills 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 resolve:

"An act additional to section 25 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of laying out, altering or widening of town ways," (Senate Doc. No. 17);

"An act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes, in regard to the formation of corporations, (Senate Doc. No. 16);

"An act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company," (Senate Doc. No. 20);

"An act to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago";

"Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Chambers," (Senate Doc. No. 18);
Which were each read a second time and passed to be engrossed.
Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

"An act to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association";

"An act to incorporate the town of Codyville";

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn";

"An act to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss";

"An act to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company";

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

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on Library, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them, and asked to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, made a similar report.

Mr. WEBBER, from the Committee on Division of Counties, made a similar report.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons at Bath”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company”;

“An act to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York”;

“An act to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska in voting money for school purposes”;

“An act to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, 1871”;

“An act authorizing Isaac West to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay”;

“An act to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom Company”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Prison”;

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. MINOT,

The Senate at 0.15 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. DREW of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 77 of the revised statutes, was read and passed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the city of Bangor";

"Resolve in aid of the widow of the late Major General Hiram G. Berry of Rockland";

Were severally referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Petition of the town of Harpswell, for separate representation in the Legislature, was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment in concurrence.

Petition of the Selectmen of Sherman, for reduction of the valuation of said town, was referred to the Aroostook County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of the town of Atkinson, for reduction of State valuation of said town, was referred to the Piscataquis County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of Hiram Watson and others, for an act to prevent the consolidation of competing lines of railroads ;

Petition of Cyrus Cole and others, for the same ;

Bill "an act to exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases";

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

Bill "an act relating to offers to be defaulted";

Bill "an act relating to divorce";

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club";

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to forms of actions";

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

Petition of M. P. Smith and others;

Petition of B. F. Fernald and others—severally for the repeal of the school laws of 1870;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act in addition to the acts incorporating the European and North American Railway Company," that the same ought to pass, was accepted, the bill read once, and referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Charles Deering and others, for a charter for a railroad from Castine to Calais, that the same be referred to the next Legislature with an order of notice;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Cape Elizabeth, for an appropriation to build a bridge across Long Creek in said town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Nathaniel Wilson, for revival of the charter of the Penobscot Railroad Company for a certain purpose, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Thomas S. Jones and others, for an act to prohibit the throwing of edgings, splints and sawdust into the waters of the Damariscotta river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of O. R. Bachelder and others, for a law providing that the March term of the Supreme Judicial Court for Somerset county be held at Skowhegan, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to costs to prevailing party for travel of witnesses from beyond the line of the State, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on "resolve in favor of the inhabitants of No. 5, Range 1, in the County of Oxford," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee on "resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation in the county of Oxford," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill "an act concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings," (House Doc. No. 25);

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order, with bill "an act to increase the fees of town clerks," (House Doc. No. 24);

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of E. McFadden and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of John S. Arnold and another, with "resolve in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren S. Dwinell";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolves each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The following bills and resolve :

"An act for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of title to lands for sites of light stations on the coast and waters of the State," (Senate Doc. No. 22);

"An act giving the consent of the Legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes," (Senate Doc. No. 23);

"An act relative to pretended savings banks," (Senate Doc. No. 24);

"An act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of the revised statutes, relating to the repairs of highways," (Senate Doc. No. 26);

“An act relating to instruction in industrial or mechanical drawing,” (Senate Doc. No. 27);

“Resolve providing for warming the State House by steam,” (Senate Doc. No. 29);

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill “an act to amend section 54, item second of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools,” (Senate Doc. No. 28,) was read once.

Mr. DUDLEY moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of Mr. HINKS, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Dudley and Torrey—2.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hayford, Hinks, Hobson, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nealley Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Spaulding, Vose and Webber—24.

So the motion was lost, and to-morrow was assigned for the second reading of the bill.

On motion of Mr. FULLER, the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire what changes are necessary in the present school laws of the State,

Was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING the order was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

Ordered, The House concurring, that the time allowed for committees to report finally be extended to the sixteenth day of the present month.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VOSE presented the following:

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed, with instructions to ascertain the amount of business now before the Legislature and the several committees, and systematize and arrange the same for the action of the Senate, in view of an adjournment of the Legislature on Saturday, February 18, 1871.

Which was laid on the table on motion of MINOT.

Mr. HINKS presented the remonstrance of J. P. Thomas and others of Sedgwick, against the consolidation of railroads, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented the remonstrance of O. Hawes and others of Vassalborough ;

Also the remonstrance of Eli Jones and others of China—severally against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Which were each referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. WEBBER presented “ resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh.”

Mr. SAWYER presented bill “ an act to amend chapter 408 of the private laws of 1870.”

This resolve and bill were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. NICKELS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of J. A. Johnson and others, for an act to prohibit the cutting of ice on ponds, reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Legal Reform.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending sections 11 and 13 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes relative to actions by or against executors and administrators, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to binding a certain number of copies of the revised statutes with blank interleaves, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relating to investment of deposits in savings banks, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on an order relating to authorizing the Treasurer of State to deliver certain bonds to the town of Alna, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. SAWYER, from the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Hiram A. Balch, for authority to construct a fish weir in Lubec, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. WEBBER, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Josiah Hilton and others, for an appropriation on the Canada road, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the

petition of John B. Coyle and others, to have certain territory set off from Westbrook and annexed to Portland, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

Mr. MINOT, 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.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of J. S. Ricker and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the town of Deering."

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, reported bill "an act to extend the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad."

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.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to amend section 33, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," (Senate Doc. No. 11,) reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, reported bill "an act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle."

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

Mr. HAYFORD, 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. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to incorporate the Vassalborough Woolen Mills," reported the same ought to pass.

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the report of the Bank Examiner, reported bill "an act to repeal sections 48 to 53 inclusive, of chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to bank returns."

Mr. NICKELS, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Joseph S. Smith and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power Company."

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 additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company";

"An act to amend section 29 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of personal property," (House Doc. No. 19);

"An act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved February 24, 1865," (House Doc. No. 16);

"An act to authorize E. K. Harding and others to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company, approved March 10, 1870";

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves :

"An act to amend chapter 204 of the special laws of 1867, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta";

"An act to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland to extend its wharf";

"An act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of 1863, chapter 226, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort, under act of 1868, chapter 225";

"An act to further protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy River ponds and Lufkin pond";

"An act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Com-

pany to connect its railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville”;

“An act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company”;

“Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians”;

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot number 129, in township No. 5, Range 3, in the County of Aroostook”;

“Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of Princeton”;

“Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Silver Ridge plantation in the county of Aroostook”;

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 additional to chapter 43 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to true meridian lines”;

“An act to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland”;

“An act to change the name of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution”;

“An act to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank”;

“An act to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank”;

“An act authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay”;

“An act to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company”;

“An act authorizing Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into tide waters of Camden harbor”;

“An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve making an appropriation for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians”;

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. FRENCH of Somerset,
The Senate at 0.40 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. QUINBY 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 for the purpose of building a bridge over the Molunkus stream on the military road.

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of Richard Harding and others ;

Petition of inhabitants of Fryeburg—severally for repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers ;

Remonstrance of Josiah Hobbs and others, against the same ;

Petition of John Robbins and others, for the repeal of the law establishing the office of County Supervisors of Schools ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of E. P. Blood and others, for reduction of the State valuation of the town of Chester ;

“Resolve abating State tax in part of the town of Veazie, and assessing the same upon the city of Bangor” ;

Were each referred to the Penobscot County Delegation in concurrence.

Petition of John B. Swanton and others of Bath, in aid of the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for extension of their road ;

Petition of Elbridge Gerry and others ;

Petition of John Ware and others ;

Petition of John A. Montgomery and others ;

Petition of T. Mayo and others ;

Petition of Jacob Colburn and others—severally for a law prohibiting the consolidation of railroad corporations ;

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

Petition of N. S. Allen and others, for repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, changing the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county ;

Petition of Charles M. Fletcher and others ;

Petition of Richard C. Hall and others ;

Petition of H. H. Woodcock and others ;

Petition of Edward Levenseler and others ;

Petition of Silas Stone and others ;

Petition of Elias Hawes and others ;

Petition of William O. Conner and others ;

Petition of E. G. Skidmore and others ;

Petition of Nathan Kallock and others ;

Petition of E. G. D. Beveridge and others ;

Petition of E. M. Butler and others ;

Petition of G. L. Snow and others—severally for the repeal of an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company ;

Bill “an act in aid of the Bangor Mercantile Association” ;

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

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to protecting the rights of mill-owners, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, was recommitted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to repealing the law regulating the sale of milk, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to securing the wages of spendthrifts to their families, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Samuel N. Hoskins and others, for authority to the town of Oldtown to lay out a highway (from Marsh island to Ebas point,) that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Paul Curtis of Harrington, to have the doings of said town legalized, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of inhabitants of Grant Isle, for title to their lands, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of citizens of Wallagrass plantation, for title to their farms, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Vital Dufour and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge in the town of Madawaska, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Walker Darling, to be restored to the pension rolls and for pension for 1870, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to so amending the tax laws that sums over a certain amount may be taxed, that the same be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Joseph Weeks and others, for a law to protect pickerel in the Chandler Mill pond, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Weeks and others, for an act to protect fish in Bunganaul pond in Lyman, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of A. W. Hoyt, for remuneration for enlisting soldiers in 1861, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of David W. Dinsmore, for damages by reason of imprisonment in Lewiston, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of inhabitants of Limington, to have certain territory set off from Limerick to Limington, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Library, on the petition of John P. Hodsdon and others, with "resolve in favor of the town of New Portland";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Hugh Ross and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, with bill "an act additional to an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Henry P. Dean and others, with bill "an act additional to the charter of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company authorizing the extension of its road in Portland";

Report of the Committee on Finance, on "resolve for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine, after the same shall have been registered," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Charles Foster and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company";

Report of the Committee on County Estimates, on the County Commissioners' estimates of the several counties, 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.

The following bill and resolve :

"An act to amend section 47 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates," (Senate Doc. No. 30);

"Resolve in relation to binding the acts and resolves of this State," (Senate Doc. No. 31);

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Mr. TORREY presented the petition of James Kellar and others, for repeal of an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. CARVILL presented the remonstrance of citizens of Harpswell, against the consolidation of railroads, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. HAYFORD presented "resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. FULLER, from the Committee on Pensions, on the petition

of William W. Quimby, for State pension, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order relating to granting a pension to the widow of William M. Jordan, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of Sephroy Nadeau, for compensation for land taken for the use of the United States government, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. PERLEY, from the Cumberland County Delegation, on the petition of the Selectmen of Naples, for reduction of State valuation of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of the town of Clinton, for an act to legalize the doings of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, from the Committee on Education, on an order relating to the school laws of 1870, presented minority report of said Committee, submitting bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes."

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

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, reported bill "an act for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, the bill was laid on the table, ordered to be printed, and Tuesday next assigned for its further consideration.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to form of actions," reported that the same ought to pass;

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to secure a lien on bricks," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

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

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of William Macartney and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate a fire department in West Waterville village";

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company and for other purposes," reported that the same ought to pass;

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Marshall Pierce and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company";

Mr. NICKELS, from the same Committee, on the petition of Daniel Sargent and others, reported bill "an act to incorporate the Segeunkedunk Water Power and Manufacturing Company";

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, reported bill "an act to amend an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad, approved February 4, 1867";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order reported bill "an act to exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases";

Mr. ROLFE, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order, reported "resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the county of Washington";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported "resolve in aid of rebuilding a bridge from Princeton to Indian township in the county of Washington";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of plantation No. 11, Range 1, reported "resolve in favor of plantation No. 11, Range 1, in aid of building new road."

Mr. WEBBER, from the same Committee, on the petition of A. and P. Coburn and others, reported "resolve to aid in building a bridge over Moose river."

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

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses, on bills:

"An act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1871," (Senate Doc. No. 10);

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consoli-

date the public laws of the State, approved January 25, A. D. 1871," (Senate Doc. No. 12);

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870," (Senate Doc. No. 13), reported that the Committee were unable to agree and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted, and the Senate adhered to its former vote indefinitely postponing said bills.

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

"An act to increase the fees of town clerks," which was read a second time.

Mr. VOSE proposed amendment marked "A."

Mr. SPAULDING proposed amendment "B" to amendment "A," which was adopted.

Pending the adoption of amendment "A," the bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary on motion of Mr. HINKS.

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

"An act for the relinquishment to the United States, in certain cases, of title to lands for sites of light stations on the coast and waters of the State," (Senate Doc. No. 22,) which was read a second time.

Mr. VOSE proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve:

"An act giving the consent of the Legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes," (Senate Doc. No. 23);

"An act to incorporate the Vassalborough Woollen Mills";

"An act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company";

"An act to repeal sections 48 to 53 inclusive, of chapter 47 of the revised statutes relating to bank returns";

"An act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of the revised statutes, relating to the repairs of highways," (Senate Doc. No. 26);

"An act to amend section 54, item second, of chapter 11 of the

revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools," (Senate Doc. No. 28);

"An act relative to pretended savings banks," (Senate Doc. No. 24);

"An act relating to instruction in industrial or mechanical drawing," (Senate Doc. No. 27);

"Resolve providing for warming the State House by steam," (Senate Doc. No. 29);

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

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves:

"An act concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings," (House Doc. No. 25);

"An act to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank";

"An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," (House Doc. No. 21);

"Resolve in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren S. Dwinell";

"Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of No. 5, Range 1, in Oxford county";

"Resolve in favor of Riley plantation";

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

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

"An act to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company";

"An act additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor";

"An act authorizing D. N. Bray to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin";

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation, approved February 14, 1867";

"An act to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out,

construct and maintain a highway into the tide waters of Portland harbor”;

“An act additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor”;

“An act to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders”;

“An act authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to maintain their wharf in Richmond”;

“An act to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport”;

“An act to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters at Verona”;

“An act to amend an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer, approved February 17, 1869”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to locate certificate No. 31, issued under resolves of the Legislature, approved March 20, 1838”;

“Resolve in favor of Joshua Chamberlain”;

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. NICKELS,

The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HEATH of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of limiting the number of times that loan bills for town and city credits in aid of corporations, and the right by towns to take stock in same, shall be submitted to the voters of said towns or cities when it has been once rejected ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of G. A. Harriman and others, for repeal of the law of 1870 relating to the employment of teachers ;

Remonstrance of Selectmen of Steuben, against the same ;

Were severally referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Remonstrance of George B. Allen and others ;

Remonstrance of E. H. Mayo and others ;

Remonstrance of D. W. Hussey and others ;

Remonstrance of Charles Moody and others ;

Remonstrance of Christopher Allen and others ;

Remonstrance of citizens of Wilton—severally against the consolidation of railroad corporations ;

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to protecting the bridges over the Aroostook river," that the same be referred to the Committee on Interior Waters ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery," (House Doc. No. 13), that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section

13 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of S. R. Carter and others, for a Superior Court in Oxford county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of N. B. Nutt and others, for repeal of an act approved March 12, 1869, relating to the time and place of holding the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court in Washington county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending section 5, chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relative to the recording of certain notes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, no an order relating to protecting insurance companies from embezzlement by sub-agents, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relating to allowing savings banks to make loans to their trustees to a certain extent, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on an order relating to selling certain lands in Oakfield plantation, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of inhabitants of St. Johns plantation, for an appropriation to build a bridge, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Augustine Daigle and others, for an appropriation to build a bridge in Fort Kent, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee on the petition of Vital Daigle and others, for a lot of land to aid in building a saw mill in township No. 16, Range 6, in Aroostook county, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of James Farmer and others, for the incorporation of the town of Benedicta, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. D. Thompson and others, for the incorporation of the town of Haynesville, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of J. G. Mosher

and others, for the incorporation of No. 13, R. 5, and No. 12, R. 6, into a town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of R. T. Osgood and others, for fishways in Eastern river dams in the town of Orland, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Benjamin Lowell of Winterport, for State aid, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Charles Fairbanks, for authority to construct artificial fish ponds in Welds, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William Conner and others, for a sluice for logs at Great Works, on the Penobscot river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of A. W. Dam and others, for a railroad from Springvale village to the Portsmouth and Conway Railroad, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Cumberland County Delegation, on the petition of Oliver D. Dike, for additional compensation as County Commissioner of said county, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the city council of Lewiston, with bill "an act to establish a municipal court in the city of Lewiston";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company"; that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to authorize jailors to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners," (House Doc. No. 31,) with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William Berry and others, with bill "an act to make valid the doings of School District No. 9, in the town of Burnham";

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Isaac H. Coffin, President of the Wiscasset Bridge Company, with bill "an act to amend the charter of the Wiscasset Bridge Company, approved January 30, 1846";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Warren Brown and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of James S. Barker and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company";

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of C. D. Stevens and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the town of Eustis";

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of James E. Thompson and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, with bill "an act to exempt females from arrest for debt," (House Doc. No. 38,) was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. WEBBER.

Bill "an act in relation to the time of holding sessions of the County Commissioners of the County of Penobscot," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once, and Monday assigned for its second reading.

The following bills and resolve :

"An act to amend section 116 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes," (Senate Doc. No. 32);

"An act relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgements of deeds and other papers," (Senate Doc. No. 33);

"An act to amend section thirty-three, chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," (Senate Doc. No. 35);

“An act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle,”
(Senate Doc. No. 36);

“Resolve making an appropriation for the State Library,”
(Senate Doc. No. 34);

Were each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER,

Ordered, That the copies of the report of the Commissioners on Paper Credits (Senate Doc. No. 14,) ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate, January 19, 1871, be distributed in the manner that documents ordered for the use of the Legislature are usually distributed.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, That the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges inquire into the expediency of repealing an act to authorize the consolidation of certain railroads, approved April 1, 1856.

Mr. WEBBER presented the remonstrance of Enoch E. Brown and others of Hartland, against authorizing the consolidation of railroad corporations, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented “resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society,” which, on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of R. B. Shephard and others, for authority to the town of Skowhegan to aid in the erection of a woollen factory in said town, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, on orders relating to limiting savings banks in their dividends; prohibiting savings banks from loaning their funds out of the State; amending the law regulating the investment of the funds of savings banks; allowing presidents of savings banks compensation for their services; taxing deposits in savings banks above a certain sum; increasing the bonds of treasurers of savings banks, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the Selectmen of Milo, for reimbursement of bounty paid to a soldier, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to provide for calling a Convention to revise or amend the Constitution of the State of Maine," reported that the same ought not to pass, there being no provision in the Constitution for the calling of such Convention.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868," reported that the same ought not to pass.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," reported that the same ought not to pass.

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

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act requiring blanks to be furnished to trial justices by the several counties," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. VOSE, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to increase the fees of town clerks and constables," reported bill "an act to increase the fees of constables for service and return of venirens."

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

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Manufactures, on the petition of Albert Johnson and others, reported bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company."

Mr. PERLEY, from the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on bill "an act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society," reported the same in a new draft and that it 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 resolves:

"An act to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company";

"An act to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company";

"An act additional to an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company";

“An act additional to the charter of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, authorizing the extension of its road in Portland”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of New Portland”;

“Resolve for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been registered”;

“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 authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, and for other purposes”;

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HINKS.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves :

“An act to incorporate the Segeunkedunk Water Power and Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to amend section 47 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates,” (Senate Doc. No. 30);

“An act to amend an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad, approved February 4, 1867”;

“An act to exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases”;

“An act to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company”;

“An act to incorporate a fire department in West Waterville village”;

“Resolve to aid in building a bridge over Moose river”;

“Resolve in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this State,” (Senate Doc. No. 31);

“Resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the county of Washington”;

“Resolve in aid of rebuilding a bridge from Princeton to Indian township in the county of Washington”;

“Resolve in favor of plantation No. 11, Range 1, in aid of building new road”;

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

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,
The Senate at 11.30 A. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment, 11 A. M.

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

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

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. Minot of Kennebec, and Mr. Nickels of Penobscot, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

No chaplain present.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

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.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of providing by law that inhabitants of towns at their annual meetings for choice of town officers, be authorized to elect one or more officers like police officers in cities, with power to maintain order and keep the peace, arrest and prosecute to conviction and sentence offenders against the laws and habitual truants from school during the session thereof; also that authority be given to such

inhabitants to assess and collect taxes for the payment of such officers, and for the erection and maintenance of watch houses ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

That a Committee of one from each county, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed, to inquire if any legislation is necessary for the arrangement of Councillor Districts, and if so, to arrange and report to the Legislature, Councillor Districts for the next decade, and also the assignment to each county in said districts, with Messrs. Hobart of Dennysville, Wagg of Danville, Ray of Westbrook, Green of Temple, Whitney of Ellsworth, Clark of China, Emery of South Thomaston, Berry of Damariscotta, Foster of Bethel, Jones of Springfield, Bishop of Milo, Minot of Phippsburg, Andrews of Palmyra, White of Winterport, Bradbury of Limington, and Woodbury of Houlton, appointed said Committee on the part of the House ;

Was read and passed in concurrence, and Messrs. Hobson of York, Carvill of Cumberland, Spaulding of Sagadahoe, Minot of Kennebec, Smart of Waldo, Nickels of Penobscot, and Rolfe of Washington, were joined on the part of the Senate.

Bill "an act additional to an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river," (House Doc. No. 29,) was referred to the Committee on Interior Waters in concurrence.

Petition of Samuel Small and others, for repeal of law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of John H. Eveleth, for authority to the Land Agent to sell him a lot of land, was referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads in concurrence.

Remonstrance of A. P. Haskell and others, against the consolidation of railroad corporations, was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

Bill "an act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company," was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Milo," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank," was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the city government of Bangor, with bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and common sewers," (House Doc. No. 36);

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Abner Stetson and others, with bill "an act authorizing manufacturing corporations to flow flats and marshes of salt water rivers";

Were severally accepted, the bills each read once and recommended in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the rights of poor debtors, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Claims, on "resolve in favor of the city of Bangor," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of George L. Hall and others, for the protection of alewife fishery at Damariscotta Mills, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Edward Guy and others, for aid to repair highway in Dickeyville, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of citizens of Gorham, for charter for a railroad from Danville Junction to the Portland and Rochester Railroad in Gorham, that the same be referred to the next legislature;

Report of the same Committee, on "resolve in support of the memorial to Congress for a post road and national highway from Portland to Chicago," that the same be referred to the next legislature;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to prohibit the consolidation of parallel or competing railroads," that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 538 of the special laws of 1868, entitled an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide waters in Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Edward L. Whittier and others, with bill "an act to authorize Edward S. Whittier and others to extend their wharf into tide waters in Belfast";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act authorizing John Locke, George W. Locke and Charles R. Locke, to maintain a dam and sluice across the Ballard brook in the town of Fryeburg," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Nathan F. Houston, with bill "an act to authorize Nathan F. Houston to build a wharf into tide water in Belfast";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of William F. Garcelon and others, with bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company";

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Stillman Look and others, with bill "an act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Pleasant river";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Holden and Richardson, with bill "an act to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isles";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Henry Whitney and others, with bill "an act to repeal section 1, chapter 120 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine," (House Doc. No. 27);

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Lewis Scott, with "resolve in favor of Lewis Scott and John Bishop";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Salmon Jones, with "resolve in favor of Salmon Jones";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Ausburn F. Hoffses, with "resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 143, in the plantation of Castle Hill, Aroostook county";

Report of the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance,

on bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland Air Power Company," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the North Penobscot Mutual Fire Insurance Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of John W. Coffin and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Manufactures, on bill "an act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in the town of Monson," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Division of Towns, on the petition of W. W. Whitten, with bill "an act to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown";

Report of the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, on the petition of A. J. Lane and others, with bill "an act to change the name of plantation No. 2, Range 2, west of the Kennebec river, to Highland";

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 Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Joel Hills and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Warren Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

A communication was received from Hon. Franklin M. Drew, Secretary of State, transmitting the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools for the year 1870, which was read and sent down.

The following bills :

- "An act to amend section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to form of actions," (Senate Doc. No. 40);
- "An act to secure a lien on bricks," (Senate Doc. No. 41);
- "An act requiring blanks to be furnished to trial justices by the several counties," (Senate Doc. No. 42);

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, That the Annual Report of the Superintendent of Common Schools for the year 1870, be referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. MORRIS presented the following :

Ordered, That the Committee on Legal Reform inquire into the expediency of requiring all railroad trains to be supplied with fog signals to be used in case of accidents.

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the words "Legal Reform," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words, "Railroads, Ways and Bridges."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Mr. MORRIS presented the remonstrance of Thomas H. Mead and others, against the consolidation of the Maine Central and the Portland and Kennebec railroads ;

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented the remonstrance of Samuel Taylor and others, against the consolidation of railroads ;

Mr. HINKS presented the remonstrance of C. J. Guptill and others, against the same ;

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

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Henry Rolfe of Maysville, for remuneration for land sold to another, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of M. H. Stuart and others, for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of Jonathan Hilton and others, that certain wild lands in Somerset county may be taxed, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Mr. MAYO, from the Piscataquis County Delegation, on the petition of the town of Atkinson for reduction of State valuation, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. ROLFE presented "resolve in favor of the heirs of the late Captain Lewey," which was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, on an order, reported bill "an act to increase the number of the Commissioners of Fisheries."

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the recommendations of the Commissioner of Fisheries, reported bill "an act to establish the right to fish in small ponds."

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

On motion of Mr. HINKS, bill "an act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, and for other purposes," was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to amend an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company";

"An act to authorize jailers to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners," (House Doc. No. 31);

"An act to amend the charter of Wiscasset Bridge Company, approved January 30, 1846";

"An act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company";

"An act to incorporate the town of Eustis";

"An act to make valid the doings of District No. 9, in the town of Burnham";

"An act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company";

"An act to establish a Municipal Court in the city of Lewiston";

"An act to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank";

"An act in relation to the times of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners of the County of Penobscot";

"An act to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club";

"An act to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of the year 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to pre-

vent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river”;

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 relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgment of deeds and other papers,” (Senate Doc. No. 33);

“An act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle,” (Senate Doc. No. 36);

“An act to amend section 116 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,” (Senate Doc. No. 32);

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society”;

“Resolve making an appropriation for the State Library,” (Senate Doc. No. 34);

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 33, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses,” (Senate Doc. No. 35);

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HINKS.

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

“An act to incorporate the town of Codyville”;

Which was referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice, in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills:

“An act to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Penobscot Log Driving Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company”;

“An act to authorize E. K. Harding and others to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor”;

“An act authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan Island, to extend his fish weir into the tide waters of Old Harbor”;

“An act to amend section 29 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of personal property”;

“An act to incorporate the Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company”;

“An act surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary”;

“An act fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company, approved March 10, 1870”;

“An act additional to and amendatory of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company”;

“An act in relation to the Literary Fraternity and the Philomathean Society”;

“An act to amend the charter of the city of Auburn”;

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

“An act in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield”;

“An act additional to an act entitled an act to enable the banks of this State to become banking associations under the laws of the United States, approved February 24, 1865”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve:

“Resolve in favor of the town of Fort Kent”;

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. VOSE,

The Senate at 1.15 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. FULLER of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance inquire into the expediency of so amending section 54 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes of 1871, that insurance companies shall report to the Insurance Commissioner on the 31st of December, instead of time now appointed ;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

That the Committee on Banks and Banking, in addition to the order heretofore referred, inquire into and report upon the following points in relation to the American Bank at Hallowell, and that they be authorized to send for persons and papers :

1. When said bank went into the hands of Receivers ;
2. The gross amount of assets which came into their hands, real and personal ;
3. The amount of money collected and actually received by them for such assets ;
4. The amount in gross charged by them to expenses incurred ;
5. Whether the Receivers have bought in any of their receipts for bills allowed, or debits proved, and what amounts and at what per cent., and whether the receipts so produced have been destroyed or cancelled in any way ;
6. Whether any claims or securities turned out by any of the debtors of the bank to be applied in any way to the pay of their indebtedness to the bank, has been bought in by said receivers or their attorneys for their own benefit, and the amount of said purchases and the amount paid therefor ;
7. Whether there is any sufficient legal remedies for the negligent and improper management of banks by receivers, and report a bill ;

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

Bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company";
Petition of H. H. Roades and others, for repeal of an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company;

Bill "an act relating to the powers of moderators of town meetings";

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

Bill "an act to authorize the owners of land adjoining railroads to build and maintain division fences";

Remonstrance of John McLain and others;

Remonstrance of Edmund Scamman and others;

Remonstrance of Wm. Atkinson and others—severally against the consolidation of railroad corporations;

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

Petition of A. W. Heath and others;

Petition of N. Bachellor and others—severally for the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers;

Were each referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Petition of Charles Donovan and others, for authority to construct a fish weir in Eastern harbor in Addison, was referred to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," was referred to the Committee on Legal Reform in concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House re-committed to the Committee on Interior Waters.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Whitman A. Holt, for a charter to run a steamboat on Webb's pond, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of G. W. Hammond and others, with "resolve authorizing the Attorney General to institute certain legal proceedings," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. LANE.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Cooper Brook Dam Company";

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 348 of the private laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act concerning wills in equity," (House Doc. No. 34,) that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Thomas Sherman and others, with bill "an act to prevent the destruction of fish in Penmaquon river in the town of Pembroke";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, requesting the Senate to transmit to that branch the report of the Commissioners on Paper Credits, with the accompanying documents.

On motion of Mr. HINKS,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House by the Secretary, informing that body that the report of the commissioners on investigation of "paper credits," with the documentary evidence, were submitted to the Senate on the 19th day of January, 1871, that said documents were referred to a Committee to examine and report what part of said documents were of sufficient importance to be printed with said report, a copy of the report of said Committee to be presented to the House by the Secretary. That the Senate thereupon ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature, 1,000 copies of the report proper, and 2,000 copies of report with the documents printed as an appendix; and further directed the Secretary of the Senate to superintend the printing and distribution of the same; that said report and documents are now in the hands of the printer and will not probably be ready to be returned.

before the first of May next, at which time they will be ready for distribution.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, requesting said branch to transmit to the Senate "resolves in relation to the war between Prussia and France," in order that the Senate may coöperate with the House in its efforts to stay the "avenging sword" of King William and the "fratricidal contest" now in progress between Prussia and France, and secure to said countries an honorable and lasting peace.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Subsequently a message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, informing the Senate that the House declined to take action in relation to the matter referred to in the foregoing message.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary inquire into the expediency of amending section 4, chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to offences.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of amending section 9, chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That the same Committee inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 48 of the revised statutes, as to allow corporations formed under its provisions to increase their capital stock, after being formed, within the limits therein prescribed, and to change the number of directors.

Mr. PERLEY presented "resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture and the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. DUDLEY presented the remonstrance of inhabitants of Alva and Bridgewater, against the consolidation of railroads, which was referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the report of the Commissioners

upon the Jail System of this State, was taken from the table, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Joint Select Committee on the claims of settlers to lands conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company, on the petition of Samuel Hall and others, reported that the lands referred to, having been designated and set apart for settlement *prior* to the act approved March 24, 1864, entitled "an act to provide means for the defence of the north-eastern frontier," and also of an act approved March 3, 1868, entitled "an act to aid in the construction of the European and North American Railway," were not intended by the condition of these acts, or by the *letter or spirit* thereof, as among the lands to be conveyed to said railway company, but on the contrary were by the express terms of said acts reserved for settlement, and that these lands having been diverted contrary to any authority conferred by said acts, are therefore void. On conferring with the directors of said railway company, they take the same view of their claims as stated above, and propose to quit-claim to the State their interest in these lands, (see Land Agent's report, page 11, dated November 30, 1870;) that these facts having been elicited, legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of Bickford C. Matthews, for compensation for building county road through the town of Liberty, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, from the same Committee, on bill "an act additional to chapter 92 of the revised statutes, relating to flowing lands," reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Androscoggin Railroad Company, for extension of road to Bath, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Same Senator, from the Committee on Incorporation of Towns, reported that they 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. PERLEY, from the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on an order author-

izing said Committee to visit said institution and report thereon, reported in detail, submitting "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

The report was accepted, and on motion of the same Senator, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed with the accompanying resolve.

On motion of Mr. LANE, bill "an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity," (Senate Doc. No. 19,) was taken from the table, read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HINKS, bill "an act to amend section 33 of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," (Senate Doc. No. 35,) was taken from the table.

Mr. SPAULDING proposed amendment marked "A," pending which, on motion of Mr. PERLEY, the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, bill "an act for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad," (Senate Doc. No. 38,) was taken from the table, read once, and on motion of Mr. LANE, to-morrow, at 11 A. M., was assigned for its second reading.

Mr. HOBSON, at his request, was excused from serving on the Joint Select Committee on Councillor Apportionment, and Mr. Nealley of York, was appointed to the vacancy.

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

"An act to secure a lien on bricks," (Senate Doc. No. 41) ;

"An act to amend section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to form of actions," (Senate Doc. No. 40) ;

"An act requiring blanks to be furnished to Trial Justices by the several counties," (Senate Doc. No. 42) ;

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of the late Capt. Lewey";

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

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves :

"An act to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank";

“An act to change the name of plantation No. 2, Range 2, west of the Kennebec river, to Highland”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company”;

An act to incorporate the Cumberland Air-Power Company”;

“An act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide waters in Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company, and for other purposes”;

“An act to authorize Nathan F. Houston to build a wharf into tide waters in Belfast”;

“An act to amend chapter 538 of the special laws of 1868, entitled an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society”;

“An act to authorize John Locke, George W. Locke and Charles R. Locke, to maintain a dam and sluice across the Ballard brook in the town of Fryeburg”;

“An act to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown”;

“An act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Pleasant river”;

“An act to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank”;

“An act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in the town of Monson”;

“An act to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters in Belfast”;

“An act to incorporate the North Penobscot Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

“Resolve in favor of Salmon Jones”;

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 143, in the plantation of Castle Hill, Aroostook county”;

“Resolve in favor of Lewis Scott and John Bishop”;

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 repeal section 1, chapter 120 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the taking of porgies and menhaden in the waters of Maine,” (House Doc. No. 27);

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isles”;

Which was read a second time and recommitted to the Committee on Fisheries in concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company”;

“An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government,” (House Doc. No. 21);

“An act to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company”;

“An act to amend chapter 204 of the special laws of 1867, entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta”;

“An act giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of 1863, chapter 226, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort under act of 1868, chapter 225”;

“An act additional to section 25 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways,” (Senate Doc. No. 17);

“An act to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago”;

“An act concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings,” (House Doc. No. 25);

“An act additional to and amendatory of chapter 48 of the revised statutes in regard to the formation of corporations,” (Senate Doc. No. 16);

“An act to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company”;

“An act to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect its railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville”;

“An act additional to the charter of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company authorizing the extension of its road in Portland”;

“An act to amend the 408th chapter of the private laws of 1870”;

“An act to extend the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves:

“Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State”;

“Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation, in the county of Oxford”;

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on State Reform School”;

“Resolve for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been registered”;

“Resolve in favor of the inhabitants of No. 5, Range 1, in the county of Oxford”;

“Resolve making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians”;

“Resolve in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren S. Dwinell”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of New Portland”;

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. LANE;

The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. CORTIS of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Orders from the House :

That the Committee on the Judiciary inquiry into the expediency of increasing the salary of the County Attorney of Penobscot county ;

That the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding be requested to report forthwith to the Legislature any and all proposals and accompanying documents received in answer to their advertisement, up to January 24th, at 12 o'clock meridian ;

Were severally read and passed in concurrence.

Petition of A. K. Wheeler and others, for repeal of "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company";

Bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk";

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

Petition of J. S. Hamilton and others, for amendment of chapter 362, special laws of 1867, relating to the appointment of trustees of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts";

Remonstrance of Samuel H. Dale and others, against the same;

Petition of Oliver Moses and others, for "an act to incorporate the Sagadahoc County Savings Bank";

Petition of the Selectmen of Grafton and others, for an act to legalize the doings of said town ;

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

Remonstrance of Oscar Woodward and others ;

Remonstrance of P. N. Blanchard and others ;

Remonstrance of S. C. Mason and others—severally against the consolidation of railroad corporations ;

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

Petition of inhabitants of Charlotte, for reduction of State valuation, was referred to the Washington County Delegation in concurrence.

Report of the Oxford County Delegation, on an order relating to auditing the expenses incurred in the arrest of one Truman F. Young, who robbed the Norway Savings Bank, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the memorial of George M. Weston, for repeal of resolve of 1850 relating to his account with the State, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

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

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to the protection of forests from destruction by fire, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of J. A. Johnson and others, for an act to prevent the cutting of ice on ponds, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Thomas F. Rowe and others, for repeal of the act approved February 5, 1868, to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into the Penobscot river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of citizens of Arrowsic and Woolwich, with bill "an act additional to chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to river fisheries," (House Doc. No. 43);

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order with bill "an act defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations," (House Doc. No. 40);

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads," (House Doc. No. 41,) that the same 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. SPAULDING,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Governor, requesting the return to the Senate of "resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State," if the same has not been approved by him.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, who subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged, and that the Governor in response thereto had transmitted the resolve to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING, the votes whereby the foregoing resolve was finally passed and passed to be engrossed, were reconsidered;

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANE presented bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Burlington."

Mr. HOLLAND presented bill "an act to incorporate the York Brick Company."

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

On motion of Mr. LANE, "resolve authorizing the Attorney General to institute certain legal proceedings," was taken from the table, read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. HAYFORD, the report of the Committee on Reform School, with resolve in favor of the State Reform School," (Senate Doc. No. 37,) was taken from the table.

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

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to repeal an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," that the same ought not to pass, was taken from the table and accepted.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on an order relating to requiring railroad trains to be supplied with fog signals, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order

relating to providing by a general law that cities and towns may loan their credit in aid of manufactures, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the Report of the Commissioners upon the Jail System of the State of Maine, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of W. R. Ayer and others, for an act to authorize cities and towns to loan their credit in aid of manufactures, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. LANE, from the same Committee, on the message of the Governor, relating to biennial sessions of the Legislature, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield for an act legalizing the doings of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Henry O. Perry and others, for authority to the Land Agent to convey a lot of land to Mary A. Bean, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of the Directors of the Somerset Railroad Company, reported bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village, and for the completion of the same to Carratunk falls."

Mr. NEALLEY, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend section 15 of chapter 617 of the acts of 1868, entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of D. R. Stockwell and another, reported "resolve in favor of D. R. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers."

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

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee on Education, on the message of the Governor, relating to an industrial school

for girls, reported "resolve relating to an industrial school for girls."

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, reported bill "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy."

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to promote immigration into this State," reported the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce";

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill "an act to amend chapter 48 of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies."

These reports were severally accepted, and the resolve and bills each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. LANE, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported that they had disposed of all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, made a similar report.

Mr. SAWYER, from the Committee on Coast and Frontier Defences, made a similar report.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, made a similar report.

These reports were severally accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to prevent the destruction of fish in Penmaquon river in the town of Pembroke";

"An an to incorporate the Cooper Brook Dam Company";

"An act to amend chapter 348 of the private laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland";

"An act concerning bills in equity," (House Doc. No. 34);

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 Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity,” (Senate Doc. No. 19);

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 bill:

“An act to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company,” (House Doc. No. 22);

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.

The hour assigned for the consideration of bill “an act for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad,” (Senate Doc. No. 38,) having arrived, the same was taken from the table, and read a second time.

Mr. MORRIS moved that the bill be referred to the next Legislature; and on that question, on motion of Mr. FOSTER, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Foster, Fuller, Hinks, Minot, Morris, Perley and Sawyer—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Gray, Hayford, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Nealley, Nickels, Roberts, Rolfe, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Torrey, Vose and Webber—22.

So the motion was lost.

The question returning on passing the bill to be engrossed,

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendments marked “A” and “B,” and on the question of their adoption, on motion of the same Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered.

Mr. CLEAVES moved a division of the question, which was ordered.

On the question of adopting amendment “A,” the yeas and being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Foster, Fuller, Minot and Sawyer—5.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Gray, Hayford, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Nealley, Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Torrey, Vose and Webber—24. So amendment “A” was rejected.

On the question of adopting amendment "B," the yeas and nays being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Foster, Fuller, Hayford, Hinks, Minot, Sawyer, Spaulding and Vose—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Gray, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Nealley, Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Torrey and Webber—20.

So amendment "B" was rejected.

The bill passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

The Senate at 1.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. HERRING of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Charles Wilbur and others, to be set off from Waltham and annexed to Eastbrook, was referred to the next Legislature, with an order of notice, in concurrence.

Remonstrance of J. C. Jewett and others, against the repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Remonstrance of Hiram Worthing and others ;

Remonstrance of R. P. Thompson and others—severally against the consolidation of railroads ;

Remonstrance of Charles W. Pike and others, against the invasion of the rights of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company ;

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

Bill "an act relating to the rules of evidence";

Bill "an act to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to the election of town officers";

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

Report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the Selectmen of Houlton, for the State to refund money paid into the State treasury in 1864, that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations," that the same be referred to the next Legislature;

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "an act to increase the common school tax and to establish select free schools," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to graded schools and making chairmen of superintending school committees, supervisors of schools during their third year in office, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on an order relating to protecting the bridges over the Arqostook river, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on an order relating to the American Bank of Hallowell, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to the election of police officers of towns, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to the rights of mill-owners, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to a lien in favor of persons cutting, peeling and hauling hemlock bark, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to claims against insolvent estates, that legislation thereon is inexpedient;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to offers to be defaulted," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act further defining the jurisdiction of the Superior Court for the County of Cumberland," that the same ought not to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act relating to the powers of moderators of town meetings," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, for an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam Company, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Hanson and others, for an act to legalize the doings of the town of Jay, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Vital Tribideau and others, for title to their farms, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of inhabitants of Van Buren and others, with "resolve in favor of the road leading from Van Buren plantation to Grant Isle," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and the same passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on "resolve in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to amend chapter 230, special laws of 1854, entitled an act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on an order, with "resolve relating to the military stores at Portland";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to interest on railroad bonds, with bill "an act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the issue of bonds by railroad corporations," (House Doc. No. 35) ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Darius Wellington, with bill "an act authorizing Darius Wellington to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to prevent obstructions in Union river," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to amend an act

entitled an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Water Power Company," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Jay Boom 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 Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing 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 exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded, concurred with the House in the adoption of amendment "A," and non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. HINKS, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Cleaves, Foster, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hinks, Holland, Morris, Perley, Smart, Spaulding, Vose and Webber—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, Hobson, Lane, Minot, Nickels, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Torrey—12.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following bills and resolve:

"An act to increase the fees of constables for service and return of venires," (Senate Doc. No. 44);

"An act to increase the number of the Commissioners of Fisheries," (Senate Doc. No. 45);

"An act to establish the right to fish in small ponds," (Senate Doc. No. 46);

"An act to promote immigration into this State," (Senate Doc. No. 48);

“An act to amend section 9 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce,” (Senate Doc. No. 50);

“Resolve’ relating to an industrial school for girls,” (Senate Doc. No. 49);

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. HINKS,

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, Parker P. Burleigh as Land Agent, and William Caldwell as State Treasurer.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. MINOT, the order presented by Mr. VOSE, providing for a Committee to systematize the business on the table of the Senate, was taken from the table.

Mr. VOSE, by unanimous consent, withdrew the order.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

Ordered, That a Committee of three be appointed, with instructions to ascertain the amount of business now before the Legislature and the several Committees, and systematize and arrange the same for the action of the Senate, in view of an early adjournment of the Legislature.

And Messrs. Spaulding of Sagadahoc, Holland of Androscoggin, and Cleaves of Oxford, were appointed said Committee.

Mr. VOSE presented the following :

Ordered, That on and after this day, the Senate hold two sessions each day, commencing in the forenoon at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock, until otherwise ordered ;

Which, on motion of Mr. SPAULDING, was laid on the table.

Mr. VOSE presented bill “an act additional to chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license.”

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, presented bill “an act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes.”

These bills were each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. HINKS presented the remonstrance of citizens of Orland and Bucksport, against the petition of R. S. Osgood and others,

for a fishway in the Eastern river dams, which was referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, presented "resolve directing the Superintendent of Common Schools to ascertain what school moneys may be due the State," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. CLEAVES, presented "resolve in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation in the county of Oxford," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committees on Education and Military Affairs, on an order relating to introducing military tactics into common schools, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. SMITH of Knox, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on an order relating to amending section 54, chapter 49 of the revised statutes, so as to require insurance companies to report on the 31st of December, instead of the time now required, reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the Selectmen of Bradley, for the State to refund money paid into the State Treasury in 1864, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. FULLER, from the Penobscot County Delegation, on the petition of the municipal officers of the town of Chester, for reduction of the State valuation of said town, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mr. NEALLEY, from the York County Delegation, on "resolve to correct the valuation of York county," reported that the same ought not to pass.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, 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.

The report was accepted and the contract read and approved.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. LANE, the vote whereby the Senate approved the foregoing contract, was reconsidered, and the same was laid on the table.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the same Committee, on an order, reported that they had entered into a contract with Messrs. Hartford and Smith to do the binding of the State for the current year, and submitting the contract.

The report was accepted and the contract read and approved.

On motion of Mr. NICKELS, the vote was reconsidered, whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters in Belfast."

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. WEBBER, bill "an act to exempt females from arrest for debt," (House Doc. No. 28,) was taken from the table.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in passing the bill to be engrossed, and the same was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of the year 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river," and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Federal Relations, on "resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on an order, reported bill "an act relating to fencing railroads."

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Common Schools, reported "resolve relating to certain literary institutions."

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the same Committee, on bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district," reported the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on the report of the Trustees and Superintendent of the Insane Hospital, reported "resolve in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the Insane Hospital."

Same Senator, from the same Committee, reported "resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital."

Mr. DUDLEY, from the Joint Select Committee on Immigration, on the report of the Board and Commissioner of Immigration, reported bill "an act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands."

These reports were severally accepted, and the bills and resolves each laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. HAYFORD, from the Oxford County Delegation, on the petition of the town of Oxford, reported "resolve in favor of the correction of an error in the State valuation of the town of Oxford."

Same Senator, from the same Delegation, on an order, reported "resolve in favor of reducing the State valuation of the town of Buckfield."

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

On motion of Mr. VOSE, "resolve in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine," (Senate Doc. No. 7,) was taken from the table, read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. PERLEY, report of the Committee on Agriculture and the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, with "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," (Senate Doc. No. 47,) was taken from the table, the resolve read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, the report of the Committee on Education, on an order of the Legislature, with bill "an act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws, [revised statutes] relating to employment of teachers," (Senate Doc. No. 25,) was taken from the table.

Same Senator moved to amend the report by substituting the minority report of said Committee, (Senate Doc. No. 39,) and that

motion was laid on the table, and to-morrow assigned for its consideration, on motion of the same Senator.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the vote was reconsidered, whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield, for an act to legalize the doings of said town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Same Senator presented a minority report of said Committee, and moved to amend the report by substituting therefor the minority report; pending this motion, on motion of the same Senator, the reports were laid on the table, and the minority report ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield was ordered to be printed in connection with the foregoing minority report.

Mr. NEALLEY asked to be, and was excused, from serving on the Committee on Senatorial and Representative Apportionment, and Mr. Hobson was appointed to the vacancy.

Mr. BARTLETT, from the Committee on Fisheries, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

Mr. FULLER, from the Committee on Pensions, made a similar report.

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Banks and Banking, made a similar report.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on Federal Relations, made a similar report.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, made a similar report.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee on Education, made a similar report.

Mr. PERLEY, from the Committee on Agriculture and the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, made a similar report.

Mr. HAYFORD, from the Committee on Reform School, made a similar report.

These reports were severally accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads,” (House Doc. No. 41);

“An act additional to chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to river fisheries,” (House Doc. No. 43);

“An act defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations,” (House Doc. No. 40);

“Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to institute certain legal proceedings”;

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 make valid the doings of the town of Burlington”;

“An act to amend section 15 of chapter 617, acts of 1868, entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company”;

“An act to incorporate the York Brick Company”;

“Resolve in favor of D. R. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers”;

“Resolve in favor of the State Reform School,” (Senate Doc. No. 37);

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 authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village, and for the completion of the same to Carratunk Falls”;

Which was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, was laid on the table, and Monday next assigned for its further consideration.

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

“An act to incorporate the town of Deering”;

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 at 1 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. NICKELS,

Ordered, That during the absence of the President, Hon. M. D. L. Lane be President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Lane was conducted to the chair by Mr. Nickels of Penobscot and Mr. Foster of Kennebec, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. LEFFINGWELL of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

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. M. D. L. Lane as President *pro tempore*.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Papers from the House :

Petition of the Selectmen of Lyndon for authority to set apart public lots in said town, was referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Petition of inhabitants of Liberty for an act to prevent the consolidation of railroad corporations, came from the House referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The Senate non-concurred in said reference and referred the petition to the next Legislature.

“Resolve requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to make efforts for laws to retrieve wrongs practiced upon

the Indians," came from the House, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

The Senate non-concurred in said reference and referred the resolve to the next Legislature.

Remonstrance of William F. Rundlet and others ;

Remonstrance of William Curtis and others ;

Remonstrance of John B. Curtis and others ;

Remonstrance of Moses Gould and others ;

Remonstrance of John A. Montgomery and others ;

Remonstrance of James Larrabee and others ;

Remonstrance of Leonard P. Thompson and others ;

Remonstrance of L. D. Cole and others ;

Remonstrance of Eliphalet Clark and others ;

Remonstrance of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railway Company—severally against any invasion of the rights of said Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railway Company ;

Severally came from the House referred to the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges.

The Senate non-concurred in said reference, and referred the several remonstrances to the next Legislature.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on resolve calling for the number of petitions and the whole number of names thereon, praying for the repeal of the law relating to the employment of teachers, that the documents had gone from the possession of the Committee before the resolve reached them. Therefore they are not able to report thereon ;

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order relating to amending chapter 77 of the revised statutes, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Joseph Howard, for the passage of bill an act concerning railroads, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Oliver Moses, for the incorporation of the Sagadahoc County Savings Bank, that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of the Birch Stream Dam Company, for increase of tolls, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Pensions, on the petition of Rufus G. Curtis, for aid from the State, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of John T. Hoffses and others, with "resolve for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation";

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Alonzo Colby and others, with bill "an act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts";

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking, on the petition of Arthur Sewall and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill "an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of D. F. Leavitt and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company";

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of N. S. Harlow and others, with bill "an act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company, with bill "an act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad";

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company," with the same in a new draft, and that it ought to pass";

Report of the same Committee on bill "an act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Phillip Mutual Fire Insurance Company," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of David Dudley, with "resolve in favor of David Dudley";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Daniel Getchell and others, with "resolve in aid of a road through township Letter F, Aroostook county";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of the town of Madawaska and others, with "resolve in relation to lands in the towns of Madawaska and Frenchville, and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass";

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the message of the Governor relating to the regimental colors in the Rotunda, with "resolve relating to the preservation of the colors in the Rotunda of the Capitol";

Report of the Committee on Finance, on "resolve amending the State valuation, and abating State tax on township No. 6, R. 5, Aroostook county," 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.

Bill "an act requiring blanks to be furnished to trial justices by the several counties," (Senate Doc. No. 42,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the Senate insisted on its former vote.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the heirs of the late Capt. Lewey," 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.

Mr. SPAULDING presented the petition of Josiah Merrow and others of Bowdoinham, for change of the law relating to the smelt fishery, which was referred to the next Legislature.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order relating to repealing all acts and resolves pledging the faith of the State to pay annually sums of money for the support of sectarian schools, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of Cherryfield for authority to said town to loan its credit to aid manufacturing enterprises therein, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature.

These reports were severally accepted. The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on the petition of inhabitants of the town of Grafton, reported bill "an act to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton."

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

Mr. SPAULDING, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill "an act giving additional remedies in matters of partnership and part owners of personal and real estates."

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on the report of the Trustees and Superintendent of that Institution, reported bill "an act additional to chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital."

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

Mr. GRAY, from the Committee on Interior Waters, to which was recommitted bill "an act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company," reported 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.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. PERLEY presented "resolve transferring the cabinets of geology and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," which, on motion of Mr. VOSE, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

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

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," (Senate Doc. No. 47,) which was read a second time.

Mr. PERLEY proposed amendment marked "A," and on the question of its adoption, on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, Cleaves, French of Somerset, Hayford, Hinks, Holland, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Torrey and Webber—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Foster, French of Franklin, Fuller, Gray, Lane,

Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer and Vose—13.
So the amendment was rejected.

The resolve passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to increase the fees of constables for the service and return of venires,” (Senate Doc. No. 44,) which was read a second time.”

Mr. MINOT proposed amendment marked “A,” which was adopted, and on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves :

“An act to amend section 9 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce,” (Senate Doc. No. 50);

“An act to establish the right to fish in small ponds,” (Senate Doc. No. 46);

“An act to promote immigration into this State,” (Senate Doc. No. 48);

“Resolve relating to an industrial school for girls,” (Senate Doc. No. 49);

“Resolve in favor of reducing the State Valuation of the town of Buckfield”;

“Resolve in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine,” (Senate Doc. No. 7);

“Resolve in favor of the correction of an error in the State valuation of the town of Oxford”;

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to incorporate the Jay Boom Co.,” 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 increase the number of the commissioners of fisheries,” (Senate Doc. No. 45,) which was read a second time and laid on the table on motion of Mr. MINOT.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act to prevent obstructions in Union river”;

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Water Power Company”;

“An act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the issue of bonds by railroad corporations,” (House Doc. No. 35);

“An act authorizing Darius Wellington to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor”;

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

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

“An act for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad,” (Senate Doc. No. 38);

“An act to incorporate the North Penobscot Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

“An act to establish a Municipal Court in the city of Lewiston”;

“An act authorizing John Locke, George W. Locke and Charles R. Locke, to maintain a dam and sluice across the Ballard brook in the town of Fryeburg”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society”;

“An act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company”;

“An act to make valid the doings of District No. 9, in the town of Burnham”;

“An act concerning bills in equity,” (House Doc. No. 34);

“An act to incorporate the Cumberland Air-Power Company”;

“An act to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown”;

“An act to repeal sections 48 to 53, inclusive, of chapter 47 of the revised statutes, relating to bank returns”;

“An act to amend section 116 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes,” (Senate Doc. No. 32);

“An act to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank”;

“An act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Pleasant river”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company”;

“An act to amend section 47 of chapter 27 of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates”;

“An act to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide waters in

Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company, and for other purposes”;

“An act to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in the town of Monson”;

“An act to incorporate the Vassalborough Woollen Mills”;

“An act in relation to the times of holding the sessions of the County Commissioners of the county of Penobscot”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company”;

“An act to amend chapter 348 of the private laws of 1870, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland”;

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. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

The Senate at 1 P. M. adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Petition of Asa H. Keene, for repeal of the law of 1870, relating to the employment of teachers, was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, on “resolve abating State tax, in part, of the town of Veazie, and assessing the same upon the city of Bangor,” that the same ought not to pass, came from the House referred to the next Legislature.

The Senate non-concurred in said reference and accepted the report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill “an act re-

lating to the rules of evidence," that the same be referred to the next Legislature ;

Report of the same Committee, on an order relating to amending section 18 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes of 1857, so as to allow a hearing to parties interested in laying out town ways, that legislation thereon is inexpedient ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill " an act to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes, relating to the election of town officers," that the same ought not to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of N. W. Hartwell and others, for the exclusive right to navigate Pushaw pond, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John Appleton and others, for " an act of incorporation for the improvement of the North branch of Piscataquis river, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of G. M. Burleigh and others, with " resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville in the county of Piscataquis," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once and laid on the table on motion of Mr. MAYO.

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on bill " an act additional to an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river," (House Doc. No. 29,) that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill " an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries," (House Doc. No. 38,) that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on the petition of Benjamin Ball and others, with bill " an act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill " an act to exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, (as amended per House amendment "A,") came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

“Resolve in favor of the road leading from Van Buren plantation to Grant Isle,” passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

The following bills :

“An act to amend section 4 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy,” (Senate Doc. No. 51) ;

“An act to amend chapter 48 of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies,” (Senate Doc. No. 52) ;

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

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 bill and resolves :

“An act to amend chapter 230, special laws of 1854, entitled an act to prevent obstructions on Narraguagus river” ;

“Resolves relating to the military stores at Portland” ;

“Resolve in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler” ;

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 Pemaquid Ice Company” ;

Which was read a second time, House amendment “A” adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, the report of the Committee on Education, on an order, with bill “an act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws, relating to the employment of teachers,” (Senate Doc. No. 25,) and the minority report of the same Committee, (Senate Doc. No. 39,) were taken from the table.

On the question of amending the report by substituting therefor the minority report, on motion of Mr. SMITH of Knox, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Fuller, Lane, Nickels, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Torrey—7.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Gray, Hinks, Holland, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Perley, Rolfe, and Webber—13.

So the amendment was rejected.

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

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the vote whereby the Senate accepted the report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the Selectmen of Houlton to be refunded money paid into the State treasury in 1864, that the same be referred to the next legislature, was reconsidered, and the report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, bill "an act to amend section 33, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses," (Senate Doc. No. 35,) was taken from the table.

Amendment "A," pending when the bill was laid on the table, was rejected.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted, and on motion of Mr. HINKS, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, the contract with Messrs. Sprague, Owen & Nash to do the State printing for the current year, was taken from the table and approved.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. MORRIS presented the following :

Ordered, That the Special Committee of the Senate, to whom was referred the examination and printing of the report and accompanying documents of "Paper Credit" Commission, be directed to place the report and accompanying documents in the care of the Secretary of State, and that the Committee be discharged from further duty in the matter.

Mr. HINKS moved to amend the foregoing by striking out all after the word "ordered," and inserting instead thereof the following :

"That the report of the Special Committee, to which was re-

ferred the papers accompanying the report of the Commissioners upon "Paper Credits" be printed for the use of the Legislature."

The amendment was adopted and the order passed.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee on Claims, on "resolve in favor of the widow of the late Major Gen. Hiram G. Berry of Rockland," reported that the same ought to pass.

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

Same Senator, from the same Committee, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them, and asked to be discharged from further duty.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to amend an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad, approved February 4, 1867";

"An act to amend the charter of the Wiscasset Bridge Company, approved January 30, 1846";

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

"An act giving the consent of the Legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this State for public purposes," (Senate Doc. No. 23);

"An act to authorize Nathan F. Houston to build a wharf into tide waters in Belfast";

"An act to amend chapter 538 of the special laws of 1868, entitled an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river";

"An act for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of titles to lands for sites of light stations on the coast and waters of the State," (Senate Doc. No. 22);

"An act to change the name of plantation No. 2, Range 2, west of the Kennebec river, to Highland";

"An act to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club";

"An act relating to instruction in industrial and mechanical drawing," (Senate Doc. No. 27);

"An act to incorporate the Segeunkedunk Water Power and Manufacturing Company";

"An act to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank";

“An act to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland to extend its wharf”;

“An act to incorporate the town of Eustis”;

“An act to prevent the destruction of fish in Penmaquon river in the town of Pembroke”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot number 129 in township No. 5, Range 3, in the county of Aroostook”;

“Resolve in favor of Zepheniah B. Starbird and others”;

“Resolve in favor of Lewis Scott and John Bishop”;

“Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Chambers,” (Senate Doc. No. 18);

“Resolve in favor of Salmon Jones”;

“Resolve laying a tax on the several counties in the State”;

“Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell lot No. 143, in the plantation of Castle Hill, Aroostook county”;

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to authorize jailors to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners,” (House Doc. No. 31);

Which was indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. CLEAVES.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

The Senate at 5.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

The PRESIDENT resumed the Chair.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. MORSE of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Alden Morse and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of James P. White and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company," (House Doc. No. 45,) was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. VOSE moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of Mr. HINKS, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Buffum, Carvill, Foster, French of Franklin, Fuller, Gray, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Nickels, Perley, Sawyer, Vose and Webber—14.

NAYS—Messrs. Cleaves, Dudley, French of Somerset, Hinks, Holland, Rolfe, Smart, Smith of Knox, and Torrey—9.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Washington County Delegation, on the petition of inhabitants of plantation No. 14, and others, with "resolve changing the valuation of towns in Washington county," was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The following bills and resolves :

"An act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district," (Senate Doc. No. 53);

“An act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands,” (Senate Doc. No. 55);

“An act relating to fencing railroads,” (Senate Doc. No. 56);

“An act additional to chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license,” (Senate Doc. No. 57);

“Resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg,” (Senate Doc. No. 54);

“Resolve in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 58);

Were each read once, and Monday assigned for their second reading.

On motion of Mr. MINOT, bill “an act to increase the number of the commissioners of fisheries,” (Senate Doc. No. 45,) was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “an act requiring blanks to be furnished to Trial Justices by the several counties,” (Senate Doc. No. 42,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate came from the House, that branch adhering to its former vote indefinitely postponing the bill.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

Report of the Penobscot County Delegation, on “resolve abating State tax in part of the town of Veazie, and assessing the same upon the city of Bangor,” that the same ought not to pass, accepted by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote referring the report to the next Legislature.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS,

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 1872, the Governor and Council, Heads of Departments, and Collegiate Institutions, and deposit the remaining copies in the State Library.

Mr. MINOT, from the Joint Select Committee on Councillor Apportionment, submitted the following report:

The Joint Select Committee to which was referred the order of the Legislature to arrange Councillor Districts for the ten years

ending 1882, and to make the assignments to each county, having attended to that duty, ask leave to submit the following report :

DISTRICTS.

The counties of York and Oxford, to constitute the first district

The county of Cumberland, to constitute the second district.

The counties of Androscoggin, Sagadahoc and Hancock, to constitute the third district.

The counties of Kennebec and Somerset, to constitute the fourth district.

The counties of Lincoln, Waldo and Knox, to constitute the fifth district.

The counties of Penobscot and Piscataquis, to constitute the sixth district.

The counties of Washington, Aroostook and Franklin, to constitute the seventh district.

Under this arrangement Councillors will be apportioned as follows :

York—1874, 1875, 1876, 1879, 1880, 1881.

Oxford—1872, 1873, 1877, 1878.

Cumberland—Each year.

Androscoggin—1872, 1873, 1878, 1879.

Sagadahoc—1876, 1877.

Hancock—1874, 1875, 1880, 1881.

Kennebec—1872, 1873, 1876, 1877, 1880, 1881.

Somerset—1874, 1875, 1878, 1879.

Lincoln—1872, 1877, 1878.

Waldo—1873, 1874, 1880, 1881.

Knox—1875, 1876, 1879.

Penobscot—1872, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881.

Piscataquis—1873, 1874.

Washington—1873, 1874, 1878, 1880, 1881.

Aroostook—1872, 1877, 1879.

Franklin—1875, 1876.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE E. MINOT, }
D. K. HOBART, } *Chairmen.*

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

Mr. MORRIS, from the Committee on Public Buildings, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them and ask 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 bill :

“An act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts,” which was read a second time.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill, and the same passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation,” which was read a second time.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and the same passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolve :

“An act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws, relating to the employment of teachers,” (Senate Doc. No. 25);

“An act to amend section 4 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy,” (Senate Doc. No. 51);

“An act to amend chapter 48 of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies,” (Senate Doc. No. 52);

“An act to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton”;

“Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Major Gen. Hiram G. Berry of Rockland”;

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

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society”;

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 authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association”;

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 bills and resolves :

“An act additional to an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river,” (House Doc. No. 29);

“An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

“An act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river Saint Croix and its tributaries”;

“An act to incorporate the Mechanics’ Savings Bank”;

“An act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad”;

“An act to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company”;

“An act to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company”;

“Resolve amending the State valuation and abating State tax on township No. 6, R. 5, Aroostook county”;

“Resolve relating to the preservation of the colors in the rotunda of the Capitol”;

“Resolve in favor of David Dudley”;

“Resolve in aid of a road through township Letter F, Aroostook county”;

“Resolve in relation to lands in the towns of Madawaska and Frenchville and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass”;

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 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries,” (House Doc. No. 38);

Which was read a second time.

Mr. CARVILL moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of Mr. FOSTER, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, Dudley, Foster, French of Somerset, Fuller, Perley, Smart, Torrey and Webber—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Buffum, Cleaves, French of Franklin, Hinks, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Nickels, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smith of Knox, and Vose—13.

So the motion was lost. The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,
Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet on Monday next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

On motion of Mr. HINKS,
 The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Remonstrance of Walter Corey and others ;

Remonstrance of J. B. Donnell and others—severally against any invasion of the rights of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company ;

Were each referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Change of Names, on the petition of A. C. Peavey, for change of name of Willie A. Ames, and for his adoption, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Otis Pugsley for change of name, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act to make valid the doings of the town of Milo," that the same ought not to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on bill "an act fixing the salary of the State Superintendent of Schools," (House Doc. No. 57,) that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once and laid on the table on motion of Mr. VOSE.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Moses Rowe and others, with "resolve in favor of the settlers in township number eleven in the third range west from the east line of the State";

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with "resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury, in aid of repairing road in said town";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of John H. Eveleth, with "resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the resolves each read once, and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on bill "an act authorizing any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes," with the same in a new draft and that it ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and on motion of Mr. HINKS, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed with House amendments "A," "B" and "C."

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill "an act giving additional powers to the railroad commissioners," (House Doc. No. 53);

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk," (House Doc. No. 55,) that the same ought to pass;

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill "an act fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations," (House Doc. No. 48);

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order, with bill "an act relating to costs," (House Doc. No. 54);

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company, and increase the capital stock thereof," that the same ought to pass;

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of Charles Donovan and others, with bill "an act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Eastern harbor";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Deering";

"Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell and dispose of the gun-house and lot of land on which the same is situate, in the town of Milo";

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.

- “Resolve making an appropriation for the State library,” (Senate Doc. No. 34,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate insisted on its former vote, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. French of Franklin, Vose of Waldo, and Carvill of Cumberland, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 59,) was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Chadbourne, its clerk, informing the Senate that in the absence of the Speaker, the House has made choice of Hon. Percival Bonney as Speaker *pro tempore*.

Mr. VOSE presented bill “an act to amend chapter 78 of the revised statutes, relating to meetings of the County Commissioners in Aroostook county.”

Same Senator presented bill “an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Damariscotta river in the towns of Nobleboro’ and Newcastle.”

These bills were each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, from the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of John E. Godfrey and others, for a Superior Court in Penobscot county, reported that the same be referred to the next Legislature. The report was accepted.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill “an act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in and for the county of Lincoln.”

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

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Same Senator, from the same Committee, on an order, reported bill “an act relating to the service of writs on towns and corporations.”

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

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

Ordered, That on and after this day the Senate hold two sessions each day, commencing in the forenoon at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock, until the close of the session.

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

“An act relating to fencing railroads,” (Senate Doc. No. 56);

Which was read a second time, and on motion of Mr. VOSE was indefinitely postponed.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves :

“An act additional to chapter 71 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of real estate by license,” (Senate Doc. No. 57);

“An act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district,” (Senate Doc. No. 53);

“An act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands,” (Senate Doc. No. 55);

“Resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg,” (Senate Doc. No. 54);

“Resolve in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 58);

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

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee on Legal Reform, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty. The report was accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

“Resolve changing the valuation of towns and plantations in Washington county,”

Which was finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

The Senate at 11.45 A. M. adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order, with "resolve providing for an amendment of the constitution so as to authorize the legislature to call a constitutional convention," (House Doc. No. 49,) was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M. was assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, with bill "an act relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another," (House Doc. No. 59);

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on bill "an act to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isles," that the same ought to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to establish the right to fish in small ponds," (Senate Doc. No. 46,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A" and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. HINKS, the bill was laid on the table.

Subsequently on motion of Mr. PERLEY, the foregoing bill was taken from the table, and the Senate receded and concurred with the House.

"Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," (Senate Doc. No. 47,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote passing the resolve to be engrossed, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Perley of Cumberland, Vose of Waldo, and Hinks of Hancock, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to authorize Henry McGilvery to extend and maintain his wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

The following bills and resolves :

“An act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes,” (Senate Doc. No. 61);

“An act giving additional remedy in matters of partnership and part owners of personal and real estates,” (Senate Doc. No. 64);

“An act additional to chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 65);

“Resolve relating to certain literary institutions,” (Senate Doc. No. 63);

“Resolve transferring the cabinets of geology and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,” (Senate Doc. No. 66);

Were each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

The following communication was received from the Governor :

To the President of the Senate :

In response to the order of the Senate requesting the Governor to furnish a statement of the expenses attending the immigration of the colony of Swedes into Aroostook county, the number of adults in the colony, its prospects and probable additional expense, I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the statement of expenditures made by the Board of Immigration. For information called for by the order, not furnished in this statement, the Senate is respectfully referred to the reports of the Board and Commissioner of Immigration which have been published since the passage of the order.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

STATEMENT.

Expense of the Board of Immigration for the year 1870.

Salary and entire expense of Commissioner of Immigration in Sweden and Maine.....	\$3,000 00
Printing documents and distributing same in Sweden...	500 00
Total expense of Commissioner.....	<u>\$3,500 00</u>
Provisions and tools furnished colonists and to be paid for by them in labor at \$1.00 per day.....	\$4,000 00
Expense of erecting 26 houses on State land and still owned by the State, at \$125 each.....	3,250 00
Expense of 25 stoves for the houses.....	554 63

Erecting a store-house on State land and owned by the State	2,000 00
Goods on hand in store-house	1,000 00
Felling 125 acres of trees	781 25
Opening roads and incidental expenses	538 86
Total expense beside Commissioner	<u>\$12,124 74</u>

It will be observed that of the above sum of \$12,124.74 there is to be reimbursed by the colonists \$4,000, and that the title to the property represented by the remaining sum \$5,124.74, is in the State for the term of five years, and \$3,000 is absolutely in the State, being the store-house and goods in the same.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the communication and accompanying statement were laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (See Senate Doc. No. 70.)

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

“An act to incorporate the Parker’s Bay Ice Company,” which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. HINKS.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries,” (House Doc. No. 38,) which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. CARVILL.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgement of deeds and other papers,” (Senate Doc. No. 33,) which was indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. CLEAVES.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve relating to the preservation of the colors in the rotunda of the Capitol.”

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed the foregoing resolve.

Same Senator proposed amendment marked “A,” which was adopted and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

“An act to prevent obstructions in Union river”;

“An act authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association”;

“An act to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others, to extend their wharf into tide waters in Belfast”;

“An act to incorporate the Pemmaquid Ice Company”;

“An act additional to chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to river fisheries,” (House Doc. No. 43);

“An act to amend chapter 230, special laws of 1854, entitled an act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river”;

“An act to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company”;

“An act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to railroads,” (House Doc. No. 41);

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company”;

“An act defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations,” (House Doc. No. 40);

“An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity,” (Senate Doc. No. 19);

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Damarscott Water Power Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Oldtown Water Power and Manufacturing Company”;

“An act authorizing Darius Wellington to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor”;

“An act to incorporate the Medway Railway Company,” (Senate Doc. No. 20);

“An act to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society”;

“An act to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, and for other purposes”;

“An act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries”;

“An act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad”;

“An act additional to an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river,” (House Doc. No. 29);

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of the heirs of the late Capt. Lewey”;

“Resolve in relation to lands in the towns of Madawaska and Frenchville and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass”;

“Resolve in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler”;

“Resolve amending the State valuation and abating State tax in township No. 6, Range 5, Aroostook county”;

“Resolve in favor of David Dudley”;

“Resolve in aid of a road through township letter F, Aroostook county”;

“Resolve relating to the military stores at Portland”;

“Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to institute certain legal proceedings”;

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.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed bill “an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company,” (House Doc. No. 45,) which motion was laid on the table and to-morrow at half-past ten o’clock A. M. assigned for its consideration on motion of Mr. CLEAVES.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, bill “an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village and for the completion of the same to Carratunk Falls,” was taken from the table and referred to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. MINOT, the report of the Committee on Councillor apportionment, (Senate Doc. No. 67,) was taken from the table and accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

The Senate at 5.00 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PARK of Gardiner.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on an order, with bill "an act in relation to conveyancers," (House Doc. No. 30);

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on an order, with bill "an act to authorize the taking by towns of eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments thereon," (House Doc. No. 32);

Report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, on the petition of Walter Clark and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company";

Report of the Committee on Interior Waters, on the petition of Edgar Day and others, with bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river";

Report of the Committee on Agriculture and State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, on bill "an act to amend an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Thomas Taylor, with bill "an act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips and other places," (House Doc. No. 37);

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Chandler Noyes and others, with bill "an act to authorize the county commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over the Sebasticook river in Clinton Gore";

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once, and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill "an act

authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for borrow and gravel pits," was accepted in concurrence, and on motion of Mr. LANE, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Report of the Committee on Change of Names, on the petition of Lozier V. T. Ritchie and others, with bill "an act to change the names of certain persons," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve relating to an Industrial School for Girls," (Senate Doc. No. 49,) 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 rejected House amendment "A."

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to incorporate a fire department in West Water-ville village," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A" and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate insisted upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Foster of Kennebec, Cleaves of Oxford, and Lane of Cumberland, conferees on its part.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve relative to wrongs practiced upon Indians," referred to the next Legislature by the Senate, came from the House passed to be engrossed.

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

Bill "an act relating to the service of writs on towns and corporations," (Senate Doc. No. 68,) was read once, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the communication from the Governor relative to the immigration of Swedes, (Senate Doc. No. 70,) was taken from the table and referred to the Joint Select Committee on Immigration.

Sent down for concurrence.

The hour assigned for the consideration of "resolve providing for an amendment of the Constitution so as to authorize the Legislature to call a constitutional convention," (House Doc. No. 49,)

having arrived, the same was taken from the table, and read a second time.

House amendment "A" was rejected.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the resolve.

Mr. MORRIS proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Vose and Webber—24.

NAYS—Messrs. Foster and Perley—2.

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of the Selectmen of Pittsfield for an act to legalize the doings of said town, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was taken from the table.

The question being on amending the report, by substituting the minority report of said Committee, submitting bill "an act to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein and for the benefit of the people of this State," (Senate Doc. No. 62,) on motion of Mr. MINOT, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Mayo, Minot, Nickels, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Spaulding, Vose and Webber—23.

NAYS—Messrs. Perley, Smith of Knox, and Smith of Lincoln—3.

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

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, bill "an act to incorporate the Jay Boom Company," was taken from the table.

Mr. NICKELS moved the reference of the bill to the next Legislature, and on that question, on motion of Mr. LANE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, French of Franklin, Fuller, Lane, Mayo, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart and Spaulding—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Cleaves, Dudley, Gray, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Minot, Roberts, Smith of Knox, Vose and Weber—13.

So the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them, and ask to be discharged from further duty.

The report was accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HINKS presented bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text-books," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company," was taken from the table, and passed to be enacted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, bill "an act to amend chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to fish and fisheries," (House Doc. No. 38,) was taken from the table.

Same Senator moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of the same Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, Dudley and Spaulding—3.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Cleaves, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Vose and Weber—25.

So the motion was lost.

The bill passed to be enacted in concurrence.

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

"An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank";

Which was 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. SMITH of Knox,

The Senate at 0.45 P. M. adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

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

On motion of Mr. WEBBER,

Ordered, That during the absence of the President, Hon. Reuben Foster be President *pro tempore* of the Senate.

Mr. Foster was conducted to the Chair by Mr. Webber of Somerset, and Mr. Fuller of Penobscot, and accepted the office in brief remarks.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

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. Reuben Foster as President *pro tempore*.

The message was conveyed by the Secretary.

Papers from the House :

Remonstrance of V. C. Hanson and others ;

Remonstrance of Deering, Milliken & Co. and others—severally against any invasion of the rights of the Portland, Rutland, Oswego and Chicago Railroad Company ;

Remonstrance of A. N. Milliken and others, against the consolidation of railroad corporations ;

Were severally referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act amendatory of section 14 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes," (House Doc. No. 50,) that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on bill "an act amendatory of section 27 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes," (House Doc. No. 51,) that the same ought to pass ;

Were severally accepted, the bills each read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed 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 additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company," (House Doc. No. 67,) 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 Interior Waters, on the petition of the Stillwater Canal Company, with bill "an act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation";

Report of the Committee on Fisheries, on the petition of inhabitants of Eastport and others, with bill "an act relative to the inspection of herring," (House Doc. No. 33);

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills each read once and to-morrow assigned for their second reading.

Bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," (House Doc. No. 17,) introduced in the House, amended per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgment of deeds and other papers," indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its former vote passing the bill to be enacted, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Carleton of Whitefield, Bliss of Washington, and White of Greenfield, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote, and concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Cleaves of Oxford, Vose of Waldo, and Hinks of Hancock, conferees on its part.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, requesting the return to the Senate of bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village and for the completion of the same to Carratunk Falls."

The message was conveyed by the Secretary, and in response thereto the bill was sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the report of the Committee on Claims, on the petition of the Selectmen of Houlton for the State to refund money paid into the State treasury in 1864, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was taken from the table.

Mr. DUDLEY proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by striking out the words "next Legislature," and inserting instead the words "Adjutant General."

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "B," to amend amend-

ment "A," by adding the words "with request to report the facts to the next Legislature;" which was adopted. Amendment "A" was adopted, and the report was accepted.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two houses on "resolve making an appropriation for the State library," (Senate Doc. No. 34,) reported that the House recede and concur with the Senate.

The report was accepted.

The foregoing sent down for concurrence.

Mr. PERLEY, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches on the adoption of House amendment "A" to "resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts," (Senate Doc. No. 47,) reported that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

The report was accepted, the Senate receded, House amendment "A" was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HINKS, bill "an act to authorize any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes," (House Doc. No. 23,) was taken from the table and read a second time, the rules being suspended.

House amendments "A," "B" and "C" were adopted.

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "D," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. MINOT, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate referred to the next Legislature, bill "an act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village and for the completion of the same to Carratunk Falls."

The question returning, on the motion of Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, to refer the bill to the next Legislature, on motion of Mr. HOLLAND the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Hinks, Hobson, Perley, Sawyer, Spaulding and Torrey—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Cleaves, Foster, Fuller, Hayford, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Roberts, Rolfe, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Vose—16.

So the motion was lost. The bill passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes,” (Senate Doc. No. 61);

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HINKS.

The same Committee also reported the following bill ;

“An act giving additional remedy in matters of partnership and part owners of personal and real estates,” (Senate Doc. No. 64);

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. VOSE.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve transferring the cabinets of geology and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,” (Senate Doc. No. 66);

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. PERLEY.

The same Committee also reported the following bill and resolves :

“An act additional to chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 65);

“Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 59);

“Resolve relating to certain literary institutions,” (Senate Doc. No. 63);

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 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk,” (House Doc. No. 55);

Which was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury in aid of repairing road in said town”;

Which was read a second time.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill, and the same passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following resolve :

“Resolve in favor of the settlers in township number 11 in the 3d range, west from the east line of the State”;

Which was read a second time.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and the same passed to be engrossed.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to amend chapter 338 of the private laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river”;

Which was read a second time and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. VOSE.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act in relation to conveyancers,” (House Doc. No. 30);

Which was read a second time, House amendments “A,” “B” and “C” were adopted, and the bill indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to authorize the taking by towns of eligible sites for the erection of soldiers’ monuments thereon,” (House Doc. No. 32);

Which was read a second time, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bills and resolves :

“An act fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations,” (House Doc. No. 48);

“An act relating to costs,” (House Doc. No. 54);

“An act to authorize a fish weir in the town of Cranberry Isles”;

“An act relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another,” (House Doc. No. 59);

“An act giving additional powers to the railroad commissioners,” (House Doc. No. 53);

“An act to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company, and increase the capital stock thereof”;

“An act to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Eastern harbor”;

“An act to authorize Henry McGilvery to extend and maintain his wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast”;

“Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth”;

“Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell and dispose of the gun-house and lot of land on which the same is situate, in the town of Milo”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of Deering”;

“An act to change the names of certain persons”;

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society”;

“An act to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire 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 to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over Sebasticook river in Clinton Gore”;

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 relating to the service of writs on towns and corporations,” (Senate Doc. No. 68);

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. VOSE.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips and other places,” (House Doc. No. 37);

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

Mr. MAYO, from the Committee on Manufactures, reported that they had acted on all matters referred to them and ask to be discharged from further duty.

The report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act amendatory of an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

“An act to incorporate the York Brick Company”;

“An act to make valid the doings of the town of Burlington”;
 “An act amendatory of chapter 51 of the revised statutes, relating to the issue of bonds by railroad corporations,” (House Doc. No. 35);

“An act to incorporate the Phillips Saving Bank”;

“An act to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction”;

“An act to incorporate the Warren Farmer’s Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company”;

“An act to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in relation to binding of the acts and resolves of this State,” (Senate Doc. No. 31);

“Resolve providing for the payment of the expenses of the Committee on Military Affairs”;

“Resolve directing the Superintendent of Common Schools to ascertain what school moneys may be due the State”;

“Resolve in favor of D. R. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers”;

“Resolve in favor of Parker P. Burleigh”;

“Resolve in favor of Riley plantation in the county of Oxford”;

Which were each finally passed in concurrence.

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

On motion of Mr. LANE,

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.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o’clock.

On motion of Mr. WEBBER,

The Senate at 6 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. PENNEY of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of William B. Merrill and others, with bill "an act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner," (House Doc. No. 42,) was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Bill "an act to amend section 54, item 2d of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools," (Senate Doc. No. 28,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A" and refused a passage.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Minot of Kennebec, Webber of Somerset, and Carvill of Cumberland, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following communication was received from the Governor :

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for such action as you may deem proper, a letter from Hon. Wm. W. Belknap, Secretary of War, with a communication from Lt. Col. James B. Fry, U. S. Army, formerly Provost Marshal General of the United States.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

War Department, Washington City, }
February 16th, 1871. }

To the Governor of the State of Maine, Augusta :

SIR,—I have the honor herewith to transmit, as requested by the writer, a communication from Lt. Col. James B. Fry, U. S. Army, formerly Provost Marshal General of the United States, defending himself from certain imputations upon his administration of the affairs of the Provost Marshal General's Department, contained in

the report of the Commissioners appointed by or under the authority of the Legislature of the State of Maine to inquire into the enlistment frauds committed in that State during the late war.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

WM. W. BELKNAP,

Secretary of War.

Louisville, Ky., February 13, 1871.

Brigadier General E. D. Townsend,

Adjutant General U. S. Army,

Washington, D. C.

GENERAL:—A few weeks since I received from some anonymous friend in Maine a copy of the daily "Portland Advertiser," containing an extract of a report made by certain commissioners acting under the authority of the Maine Legislature, in the investigation of enlistment frauds during the late war.

The tone of the report seemed to throw some responsibility for these frauds on me, in my capacity as Provost Marshal General of the United States. I immediately wrote to His Excellency the Governor of Maine for a copy of the official report, and have been assured by him that it should be furnished as soon as printed.

This copy has not yet been received, but I am in receipt of the Bangor Daily Whig containing the full text of the report, and I desire without further delay to make such comments thereon as seem to be imperatively demanded by the honor of the service, and my self respect.

The report fills me with profound surprise. I did not know that such an investigation was being prosecuted, and I had not the remotest hint that the doings of my office were under review and criticism. It is certainly a very singular circumstance that an investigation of this character, professing to deal with the transactions of my office, and throwing aspersions on my official character, should have been conducted without calling on me for any information or giving me the slightest opportunity to be heard. I was, perhaps, better prepared than any other person to give official information bearing upon the subject under investigation, yet for reasons best known to themselves the Commissioners did not see fit to call upon me.

My only resource, therefore, is to make this communication to

my proper military superiors, asking that it be laid before the Governor of Maine, and requesting that it be made as public, and a matter of as permanent record as the report to which it relates.

The Commissioners charge me with transcending the requirements of law in 1864, from which frauds resulted. Their report says, "We shall not, however, have fully discharged our duty, unless we indicate in some general way the conclusions we have unavoidably arrived at as to the persons upon whom the responsibility for these unauthorized credits rests." "When the Provost Marshal General in his letter of July 9, 1864, appointing Governor Cony and Major Gardiner to the Naval Commission, instructed them that, 'in determining the credits the State of Maine and the different sub-divisions of it were entitled to, the Secretary thinks it will be fair to assume that the state in which naval enlistments have been made is entitled to credit for the enlistments unless it shall appear by more direct evidence that the credits belong elsewhere,' he seems to us to have transcended the requirements of law. The terms and intendment of the act were to throw the burden of proving residence upon the towns; the effect of the instruction was to assume the residence to be at the place of enlistment, and throw the burden of disproving it upon the town making an adverse claim."

"The instruction from the same officer to Governor Cony and Major Littler, of December 10, 1864, authorizing the credit of 251 naval recruits is of the same force and refers to the foregoing instruction. The mere private endorsement upon the Marine Corps list in the hands of Messrs. Pike and Colby, authorizing a credit of the names it contained to districts and sub-districts of Maine, and the similar instructions for a like credit of about 200 names on a list held by G. P. Cochrane, to districts and sub-districts in the State of —, does not seem to us to have had the slightest pretext of law or propriety to vindicate it."

Whether the instructions of July 9 and December 10, 1864, above mentioned, be right or wrong, I am not responsible for them. They were *Mr. Stanton's, not mine*. This is plain from their terms, for I say, not that *I* think, but that "the Secretary thinks," &c., and this is confirmed by my final report (page 70) dated March 17, 1866, where I say, referring to this same matter, "the Secretary of War decided," &c. Under the law, my orders and decisions were made in my own name, and not in that of the Secretary, as

will appear by reference to them. When I, as his subordinate officer, communicated his decisions, as in this case, they were *his*, *in fact*, and not mine. But the terms of the instructions, and those of my final report, though sufficient proof, are not the only nor the strongest proof on this point. I have the original of my recommendation to the Secretary of War for carrying out this law. The whole tenor of these instructions as framed by me, was to throw restrictions around these credits, and the 4th Article of them was in the following terms :

IV. "Their *residence must* BE PROVED *to the satisfaction of the Secretary of War*. When the residence is established, *as required by the law*, the names of the men credited will be placed on the enrollment lists of the places to which the credits are allowed. It shall be the duty of the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General of the State to see to this."

It appears that in the opinion of the Commissioners this recommendation of mine would have fulfilled the requirements of the law and prevented frauds. But Mr. Stanton rejected it and substituted the paragraph which the Commissioners think transcended the law and produced evil results.

I am happy to have the Commissioners on my side of this question, but I must leave *them* to contest the correctness and wisdom of Mr. Stanton's construction of law. The issue is one for jurists to decide, and I let it rest between the Commissioners on the one side, and the deceased War Minister, Attorney General, and Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court on the other. I know the latter to have been an able jurist; of the former I know nothing. Besides the charge I have just explained, the Commissioners say that by mere private endorsement credit was allowed for a marine corps list, in the hands of Pike and Colby, to districts and sub-districts in Maine, and that by similar endorsement a like credit was allowed upon a list in the hands of G. P. Cochrane to districts and sub-districts in the State of ———.

The Commissioners say that there does not seem to them to have been the slightest "*pretext of law or propriety*" to vindicate the allowance of these two lots of credits. Let us see first as to the "law." The acts of July 4, 1864, section 8, governing on this subject, said, the men therein described *should* be credited "upon satisfactory proof of their residence made" (not to these Commissioners, but) "*to the Secretary of War.*" As the Commissioners do

not know, or even pretend to know, that "satisfactory proof was not made to the Secretary of War," their charge must be regarded as the mere assertion of a negative. Granting for the sake of the argument that with all that wisdom after the fact, acquired by the light of six years, the Commissioners have ascertained that the *truth* regarding some or all of these credits would not now justify their allowance, and still it will not follow that they ought not to have been allowed *at the time* on proof which was then satisfactory to the Secretary of War.

It is sufficient on the point of "propriety" to say, that the action in these cases cannot be properly passed upon without a full knowledge of the circumstances under which it was taken. The Commissioners lacked that knowledge and could not acquire it, even if they had tried so to do. So much for the general features of such credits as were allowed.

Now, in relation specially to the so called "marine corps list," and the "list held by G. P. Cochrane," which the Commissioners say were credited by "mere private endorsement."

I made no mere private endorsement on papers for the allowance of credits, and if I had done so my subordinates would not have been justified in regarding them. The "marine corps list" came to the War Department with an official letter dated October 7, 1864, from Major Nicholson, Inspector of the Marine Corps, a proper officer to give the facts in relation to these men. He desired that they be credited to the localities "set opposite their names." The list was forwarded to Major Littler, with directions to credit, "provided they have not been heretofore credited."

Of the Cochrane list I know nothing, having no recollection of any such list or transaction as that set forth, and I am informed that the records of my office furnish no information on the subject. I never knowingly ordered a credit in blank, and if there is a genuine signature of mine on the list described by the Commissioners as the Cochrane list, it was obtained through some misrepresentation, misunderstanding or fraud; but until I see the list and can determine as to the genuineness of it and of my signature, I shall certainly think there is a forgery in it. The Commissioners, it seems, have seen none of these mere private endorsements, but assert their existence on "verbal testimony." They say, "We have only verbal testimony of the special orders to credit the names borne on the Marine Corps list offered by Pike & Colby, and Coch-

rane." They do not say in terms that these mere private endorsements were mine, but I infer from the context that they meant it.

But in determining the responsibility for credits, and their consequences—which the Commissioners place entirely on my shoulders—there are some other points to be borne in mind. The State and town authorities sought and accepted these credits and knowingly paid bounties for them. The General Government could neither exact or regulate these payments; all it could do in this regard it did do, that is, set the example of paying bounties for and to actual recruits only. It is a significant fact, that there were few or no frauds in the matter of government bounties. It was clearly the duty of *the towns* to see that their bounties were honestly and properly disbursed. It was *my duty* to see that the men were obtained for the service. How well the former was performed is indicated by the Report of these Commissioners; how well the latter, may be inferred from the fact that the army was languishing for recruits when I entered on the duties of Provost Marshal General in 1863, and that, notwithstanding all its casualties, it contained more than a million of men when the war closed in 1865.

It looks like very sharp practice, to say the least of it, for the authorities in Maine to have sought and accepted paper credits, and to have openly and voluntarily paid large sums of money to scoundrels for their part in preparing them, and then long after the war, when the people are smarting under the pecuniary consequences of their own folly, for another class of authorities to come out and condemn the General Government as culpable, and as the cause of the burdens which they inflicted upon themselves.

Though I had no power to regulate local bounties or forestall frauds in them, I was, when the war closed, actively engaged in the prosecution of persons perpetrating these frauds. Some 30 or 40 of the worst cases were under arrest by my bureau, about 20 of which had been regularly tried by United States authority, convicted and sentenced to fine and imprisonment. One of these, G. M. Delany, a witness before these Commissioners, was found guilty among other things, of defrauding recruits of money voted by the towns and cities of Maine, and was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment and a fine of forty-five thousand dollars. I, at Washington, was comparatively withdrawn from the fraudulent practices carried on in the States under the very eyes of the State and town

officers, and as I understand the law within their jurisdiction. Yet I recall no arrests or punishments for these crimes in the State of Maine or elsewhere, except those by my bureau.

The disagreeable and unpopular duty of drafting men into the ranks of the army, after volunteering had become inadequate, was put upon me without agency or solicitation on my part, and at the sacrifice of more desirable employment in other fields of service. I know that I discharged it faithfully, industriously, honestly—to the satisfaction of my superior officers—and with the cordial concurrence, so far as I know, of Governor Coburn and Governor Cony, the two Executives of Maine with whom I had official intercourse. Yet when this duty was ended by the termination of the war, my services were by many measured rather by the extent of their annoyance to individuals, than by their importance to the nation. I have not complained of this, but have looked patiently and confidently to time for justice, and I shall continue so to look, notwithstanding the wrong done me so unexpectedly by these Commissioners in Maine. And I shall even hope for justice from them when this explanation reaches them—an explanation that never would have been necessary had they given me an opportunity to appear before them. This I should have gladly done, not merely in defence of my official course, but to aid them in detecting, and, if possible, punishing the perpetrators of those frauds in their State which I labored assiduously to prevent.

Yours respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES B. FRY,

Lt. Col. and Ass't Adj. Gen'l.

Which were severally read and sent down.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Chadbourne, its Clerk, requesting a return to that branch of bill "an act relative to the inspection of herring," (House Doc. No. 33.)

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate assigned this day for the second reading of the foregoing bill, and the same was sent to the House.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, bill "an act relating to the service of writs on towns and corporations," (Senate Doc. No. 68,) was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Senate indefinitely postponed bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company," (House Doc. No. 45,) was taken from the table, and the vote indefinitely postponing the bill was reconsidered.

The question returning on the motion of Mr. VOSE to indefinitely postpone the bill, on that question, on motion of the same Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Gray, Hobson, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Nickels, Perley, Sawyer, Torrey, Vose and Webber—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Cleaves, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hayford, Hinks, Holland, Roberts, Rolfe, Smart, Smith of Knox, and Spaulding—13.

So the motion was lost.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. LANE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hayford, Hinks, Holland, Roberts, Rolfe, Smart, Smith of Knox, and Spaulding—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Carvill, Gray, Hobson, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Sawyer, Torrey, Vose and Webber—15.

So the bill was refused a passage.

Bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text-books," (Senate Doc. No. 71,) was read once, and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented bill "an act relating to the Insane Hospital," which was laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

Mr. CLEAVES, from the Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches on bill "an act relating to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgments of deeds and other papers," (Senate Doc. No. 33,) reported that they were unable to agree with the Committee appointed on the part of the House, and ask to be discharged. The report was accepted.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

On motion of Mr. PERLEY, "resolve transferring the cabinets of geology and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," (Senate Doc. No. 66,) was taken from the table.

Mr. LANE proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE,
The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Samuel F. Hersey and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," (House Doc. No. 39,) was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once and to-morrow assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve in favor of the settlers in township number 11, in the third range west from the east line of the State," indefinitely postponed by the House, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its former vote.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

"Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury in aid of repairing road in said town," came from the House, that branch adhering to its former vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

The Senate adhered to its vote passing the resolve to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation," 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 Lincoln County Delegation, on the memorial of the municipal officers of Whitefield relating to the State valuation and asking a reduction thereof, that the same be referred to the next Legislature, was accepted in concurrence.

Bill "an act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in and for the county of Lincoln," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed by that branch.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and Cleaves of Oxford, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. LANE, from the Joint Select Committee on Immigration, submitted the following report:

The Joint Select Committee to which was referred the communication of the Governor concerning the expense of establishing the first Swedish Colony upon the soil of Maine, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report:

That the act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands, approved March 23, 1870, contained no provisions for making roads, felling trees, building houses, or for meeting many other expenses absolutely essential to the successful establishment of the colony.

This whole matter was laid before the Governor and Council on the 14th of May, 1870, who, after a full hearing, made the following report:

"STATE OF MAINE. IN COUNCIL, May 14, 1870.

The Standing Committee of the Council to which was referred the accompanying letter of William W. Thomas, Jr., relative to preparation of lots of land for Scandinavian immigrants, report: That the land agent be required to do in the premises what he deems best for the interests of the State, leaving to the land agent in his discretion whether he should fell three acres or five acres.

Signed,

J. W. PORTER, *Chairman.*'

In pursuance of the requirements of this report the land agent went to Aroostook county, selected a township of land, cut a road into it, felled five acres of trees on each twenty-five lots, erected twenty-six dwelling-houses, and one public building, purchased necessary tools and provisions, and incurred other expenses, amounting in all to twelve thousand one hundred twenty-four dollars and seventy-four cents (\$12,124.74), as shown by the subjoined statement:

Provisions and tools furnished colonists and to be paid for by them in labor at \$1.00 per day.....	\$4,000 00
Expense of erecting 26 houses on State land and still owned by the State, at \$125 each.....	3,250 00
Expense of 25 stoves for the houses.....	554 63
Erecting a store-house on State land and owned by the State.....	2,000 00
Goods on hand in store-house.....	1,000 00
Felling 125 acres of trees.....	781 25
Opening roads and incidental expenses.....	538 86
Total expense.....	\$12,124 74

It will be observed that of the above sum of \$12,124.74 there is to be reimbursed by the colonists \$4,000, and that the title to the property represented by the remaining sum \$5,124.74, is in the State for the term of five years, and \$3,000 is absolutely in the State, being the store-house and goods in the same.

Your Committee, therefore, ask leave to report the following resolve.

Per order,

M. D. L. LANE, *Chairman*.

“Resolve in favor of the land agent, to reimburse him certain moneys paid out in behalf of the Swedish colony.”

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

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, “resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society,” (Senate Doc. No. 43,) was taken from the table and read twice, the rules being suspended.

On the question of passing the resolve to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. SPAULDING, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Foster, French of Franklin, Gray, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Perley and Vose—14.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, French of Somerset, Fuller, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding and Torrey—12.

So the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, bill “an act to amend section 14

of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing costs," (Senate Doc. No. 61,) was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act giving additional remedy in matters of partnership and part owners of personal and real estates," (Senate Doc. No. 64,) was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed "resolve transferring the cabinets of geology and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts."

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "B," as a substitute for amendment "A." Amendment "B" was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE, bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for borrow and gravel pits," (Senate Doc. No. 72,) was taken from the table and read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. VOSE proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and on motion of the same Senator the bill was laid on the table.

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

"An act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," (House Doc. No. 17);

Which was read a second time. House amendments "A," "B" and "C" were adopted.

Mr. DUDLEY proposed amendment marked "D," which was adopted.

Mr. PERLEY proposed amendment marked "E," which was adopted.

Mr. LANE proposed amendment marked "F," which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. HOLLAND, the bill was laid on the table and ordered to be printed as amended, (Senate Doc. No. 74.)

The same Committee also reported the following bill:

"An act additional to an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation";

Which was read a second time, House amendment "A" adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relative to the inspection of herring," (House Doc. No. 33,) came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The bill was read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take land for borrow and gravel pits," (Senate Doc. No. 72,) was taken from the table.

On motion of the same Senator, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate adopted amendment "A."

Same Senator, by leave, withdrew the amendment.

Mr. SPAULDING proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted, and on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HINKS,

The Senate at 5.30 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

No chaplain present.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Remonstrance of W. H. Palmer and others ;

Remonstrance of John Wasson and others ;

Remonstrance of Stillman L. Howard and others ;

Remonstrance of J. G. Gott and others—severally against the consolidation of railroads, were each referred to the next Legislature in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for Lincoln county," that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Joseph Granger and others, with bill "an act relative to the salary of the County Attorney for county of Washington";

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill "an act regulating meetings of cities and towns, in aid of persons and corporations," (House Doc. No. 61);

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of James B. Leslie, with "resolve in favor of James B. Leslie";

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of the County Commissioners of Aroostook county, with "resolve in favor of the county of Aroostook";

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on "resolve in favor of the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum," (House Doc. No. 66,) that the same ought to pass ;

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield," that the same ought to pass ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence, the bills and resolves each read once, and this afternoon assigned for their second reading.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on an order, with bill "an act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Penobscot county," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to increase the number of the Commissioners of Fisheries," (Senate Doc. No. 45,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the private laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into Medomak river," passed to be engrossed by the House, and indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting on its vote and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Bliss of Washington, Wilson of Thomaston, and Carleton of Whitefield, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the conference, and appointed Messrs. Nickels of Penobscot, Vose of Waldo, and Smith of Knox, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of the revised statutes, relating to the repairs of highways," (Senate Doc. No. 26,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to further protect certain fishing interests in the Sandy river ponds and Lufkin pond," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, House amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation," indefinitely postponed by the House, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its former vote.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

Report of the Committee on Education, on an order relating to

uniformity of text-books, that legislation thereon is inexpedient, recommitted by the Senate with instructions to report a bill, came from the House, that branch adhering to its former vote accepting the report.

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

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of inhabitants of Letter "E" plantation, with "resolve in aid of roads in Letter E plantation in the county of Franklin," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

The Senate non-concurred in the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and the same passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of trustees of Presque Isle Academy for an appropriation from the State, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on the petition of Frederic A. Ward and others, with bill "an act to incorporate the trustees of the East Lebanon Academy," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on the petition of J. S. Hamilton and others, with bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 362 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," was accepted in concurrence, the bill read once, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. CLEAVES.

Bill "an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company, approved February 17, 1871," 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.

"Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus," introduced in the House, and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act relating to the Insane Hospital," (Senate Doc. No. 73,) was read once and referred to the Committee on Insane Hospital, on motion of Mr. HINKS.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. BARTLETT, bill "an act to repeal section 1, chapter 120 of the public laws of 1870, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden in the waters of Maine," (House Doc. No. 27,) was taken from the table.

House amendment "A" was adopted.

Mr. TORREY moved the indefinite postponement of the bill. And on that question, on motion of the same Senator, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Fuller, Nickels, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Torrey—5.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Hayford, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Sawyer, Smart, Spaulding, Vose and Webber—20.

So the motion was lost. The bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE, bill "an act to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury," was taken from the table and 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. DUDLEY,
The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Order from the House:

The Senate concurring, that in case the Senate fail from any cause to print the report and accompanying documents of the Commissioners of "Paper Credits," the Governor and Council be and are hereby authorized and directed to secure said report and all the accompanying documents, and cause two thousand copies of the same to be printed for general distribution.

The question being on giving the order a passage in concurrence, Mr. HINKS raised a point of order: that the Governor and Council could not be *instructed* to perform an act by an *order*, but that such instructions should be by *resolve* having the force of law.

The point of order was sustained.

Mr. LANE proposed amendment marked "A," to amend the order by substituting "resolve relating to the printing of the report of the Commissioners of "Paper Credits" and the accompanying documents," pending which, on motion of Mr. PERLEY, the order and amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. MORRIS presented the following:

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to cause to be printed in connection with the report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," *all* the accompanying documents not heretofore ordered to be printed.

Mr. SPAULDING proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by inserting before the word "ordered" the following:

"Whereas, it has appeared from the newspaper reports of the doings of the House of Representatives, that that branch on the 15th day of February spread upon its records certain resolutions relating to the action of the Senate in ordering the printing of the Report of the Commissioners on Paper Credits;

"And whereas, that action was taken by the House without any notice to the Senate of the cause of grievances or without complying with the parliamentary rules which should govern either branch when aggrieved at the action of the other branch;

"And whereas, it now appears by an order this day received from the House, that that branch desires that all of the documents accompanying said report be printed, Therefore be it" &c.

Mr. FOSTER proposed to amend amendment "A" as per sheet "B," by inserting at the end of the second clause, after the words "other branch," the words "*to wit*: by asking for a Committee of Conference," which was adopted.

Amendment "A" was adopted, and on the question of giving the order a passage, on motion of Mr. VOSE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hayford, Hobson,

Holland, Lane, Mayo, Morris, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Torrey and Webber—24.

NAYS—Messrs. Hinks and Vose—2.

So the order was passed.

Bill “an act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws [revised statutes], relating to the employment of teachers,” (Senate Doc. No. 25,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet “A,” by substituting bill “an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes,” (Senate Doc. No. 39,) and passed to be engrossed.

On the question of receding from the former vote of the Senate, on motion of Mr. CLEAVES, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Cleaves, Dudley, Fuller, Hayford, Hobson, Nickels, Roberts, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Torrey—11.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Gray, Hinks, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Minot, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer, Spaulding, Vose and Webber—16.

So the Senate refused to recede, and on motion of Mr. SPAULDING the Senate insisted upon its former vote, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Spaulding of Sagadahoc, Holland of Androscoggin, and French of Franklin, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill “an act relating to fencing railroads,” (Senate Doc. No. 56,) indefinitely postponed by the Senate, came from the House passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING, the Senate insisted upon its former vote.

“Resolve relating to certain literary institutions,” (Senate Doc. No. 63,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet “A” and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, House amendment “A” was adopted.

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked “B,” which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Bill “an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for

borrow and gravel pits," (Senate Doc. No. 72,) 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. Wilson of Thomaston, Harriman of Belfast, and Burgess of Portland, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Carvill of Cumberland, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and French of Franklin, conferees on its part.

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

"An act relative to salary of the County Attorney for the county of Washington";

"An act to increase the salary of the County Attorney for Lincoln county";

"An act to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy";

"Resolve in favor of the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum," (House Doc. No. 66);

"Resolve in favor of James B. Leslie";

"Resolve in favor of 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 bill :

"An act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner," (House Doc. No. 42,) which was read a second time and refused a passage in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act to establish State uniformity of text-books," (Senate Doc. No. 71);

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. HINKS.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

"An act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield";

Which was read a second time, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln.

The same Committee also reported the following bill :

“An act regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations,” (House Doc. No. 61);

Which was read a second time.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, 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 bill :

“An act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Damariscotta river in the towns of Nobleboro’ and Newcastle”;

Mr. FOSTER moved the reference of the bill to the next Legislature, and on that question, on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—MESSRS. Carvill, Cleaves, Foster, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hayford, Hinks, Holland, Mayo, Minot, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer, Spaulding and Webber—15.

NAYS—Messrs. French of Franklin, Lane, Morris, Nickels, Roberts, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Torrey and Vose—9.

So the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES, bill “an act to amend section 3 of chapter 362 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,” was taken from the table, read twice, the rules being suspended, and refused a passage.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

Ordered, The House concurring, that the annual report of the Insurance Commissioner be distributed by the State Librarian as follows:—One thousand copies to the Insurance Commissioner; three hundred copies to the departments and Library; twelve hundred copies to the members of the Legislature of 1871, in the same proportion to each branch, that documents are distributed under the rules.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. DUDLEY,

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. SPAULDING,
Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

On motion of Mr. NICKELS,
 The Senate at 6.00 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1871.

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 the Judiciary, on the petition of E. B. Patten and others, with bill an act to incorporate the Co-operative Store and Loan Company," was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Aroostook County Delegation, on the petitions of the inhabitants of various towns in Aroostook county, with "resolves in relation to the valuation of certain towns, plantations and townships in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes thereon," (House Doc. No. 46,) was accepted, the resolves read twice, the rules being suspended, and refused a passage in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of Jane A. Weeks, with "resolve in favor of Jane A. Weeks";

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with "resolve in aid of the military road";

Were severally accepted, the resolves each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with "resolve making an appropriation for the purpose of building a bridge over

the Molunkus stream on the military road in the county of Aroostook," was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the resolve, and the same passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the recommendations of the Superintendent of Common Schools, with bill "an act to amend section 54, clause 3, of the school laws [revised statutes], in relation to the powers and duties of superintending school committees, (House Doc. No. 63);

Report of the Franklin County Delegation, on the petition of the Assessors of Perkins plantation, with "resolve in favor of Perkins plantation in Franklin county";

Were severally accepted, the bill and resolve each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, on an order of the Legislature, that proposals were received by the Committee from Messrs. Sprague, Owen & Nash, Vickery & Rogers, and T. A. Chick; that a contract was made with Messrs. Sprague, Owen & Nash, which has been reported to the Legislature, and that the proposals received from other parties accompany this report, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Railroads, Ways and Bridges, on the petition of Elbridge Gerry and others, with bill "an act regulating railroad corporations," (House Doc. No. 62,) was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. PERLEY proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Printing and Binding, on an order, with "resolve fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be printed at the expense of the State";

Was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read once, and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

Report of the Committee on Legal Reform, on bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," (House Doc. No.

64,) that the same ought to pass, was accepted in concurrence, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed on motion of Mr. VOSE.

Sent down for concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the petition of the Trustees of the Children's Home at Bangor, with "resolve in aid of the Children's Home of Bangor," was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and laid on the table on motion of Mr. MINOT.

"Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Westbrook and Deering," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read once and this afternoon assigned for its second reading.

"Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen & Nash," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1871, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-five thousand four hundred fifty-one dollars and thirty six cents," 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.

"Resolve authorizing a temporary loan," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands," (Senate Doc. No. 55,) 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 fencing railroads," (Senate Doc. No. 56,) indefinitely postponed by the Senate and passed to be engrossed by the House, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its former vote and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Wilson of Thomaston, Robie of Gorham, and Harriman of Belfast, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs: Hinks of Hancock, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and Lane of Cumberland, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk," (House Doc. No. 55,) came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Rawson of Bangor, Sewall of Oldtown, and Pike of Calais, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Foster of Kennebec, and Vose of Waldo, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 362 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be engrossed, and proposing a conference, with Messrs. Atwell of Orono, Cram of Brunswick, and Carleton of Whitefield, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted on its former vote refusing the bill a passage, and concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Perley of Cumberland, Vose of Waldo, and French of Franklin, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle," (Senate Doc. No. 36,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House refused a passage.

The Senate insisted on its former vote.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district," (Senate Doc. No. 53,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheets "A," "B" and "C," and passed to be engrossed.

The Senate receded, House amendments "A," "B" and "C" were rejected, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve to aid in building a bridge over Moose river," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Webber of Somerset, Gray of Kennebec, and Holland of Androscoggin, conferees on its part.

Send down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Damariscotta river in the towns of Nobloboro' and Newcastle," referred to the next Legislature by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote passing the bill to be enacted, and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Colburn of Windsor, Reed of Waldoboro', and Keegan of Madawaska, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Foster of Kennebec, Spaulding of Sagadahoc, and French of Somerset, conferees on its part.

Bill "an act relative to pretended savings 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.

"Resolve in aid of roads in Letter E plantation in the county of Franklin," indefinitely postponed by the House, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its former vote.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

"Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Silver Ridge plantation in the county of Aroostook," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

"Resolve providing for an amendment of the constitution, so as to authorize the Legislature to call a constitutional convention," (House Doc. No. 49,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

"Resolve in aid of plantation number 11, range 1, in aid of building a new road," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

On motion of Mr. MAYO, "resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville, in the county of Piscataquis," was taken from the table and read a second time, the rules being suspended.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill, and the same passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. HINKS, the vote was reconsidered whereby this afternoon was assigned for the second reading of "resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Westbrook and Deering," and the same was read a second time, the rules being suspended. House amendments "A" and "B" were rejected.

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "C," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches on bill "an act to incorporate a fire department in West Waterville village," reported recommending that the House recede and concur with the Senate.

The report was accepted.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

Mr. VOSE, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches on bill "an act to amend section 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk," (House Doc. No. 55,) reported recommending that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

The report was accepted.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House on the passage of the bill to be engrossed.

Mr. MINOT, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches on bill "an act to amend section 54, item 2d of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools," (Senate Doc. No. 28,) reported that they are unable to agree with the Committee appointed on the part of the House, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

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 bill :

“An act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company,” (House Doc. No. 39);

Which was read a second time.

House amendments “A,” “B,” “C” and “D” were adopted. House amendments “E” and “F” were rejected, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DUDLEY presented the following :

Ordered, The House concurring, that both branches of the Legislature adjourn finally on Tuesday next at 12 o'clock meridian;

Which was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. MINOT.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That Hon. Henry Carvill, Senator from Cumberland county, be excused from attendance after this day, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

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

“An act to amend an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society”;

“An act to change the names of certain persons”;

“An act fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations,” (House Doc. No. 48);

“An act to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company”;

“An act to amend chapter 48 of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies,” (Senate Doc. No. 52);

“An act giving additional powers to the Railroad Commissioners,” (House Doc. No. 53);

“An act to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company”;

“An act to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isle”;

“An act to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company, and increase the capital stock thereof”;

“An act to amend sections 58 and 59 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts”;

“An act relating to costs,” (House Doc. No. 54);

“An act to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton”;

“An act to authorize the construction of a fish wier in Eastern harbor”;

“An act additional to chapter 143 of the revised statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 65);

“An act to amend an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation”;

“An act to amend section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, relating to form of actions,” (Senate Doc. No. 40);

“An act relative to inspection of herring,” (House Doc. No. 33);

“An act to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village, and for the completion of the same to Carratunk Falls”;

“An act additional to an act to incorporate the Stillwater Canal Corporation”;

“An act to authorize the County Commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over the Sebacicook river in Clinton Gore”;

“An act to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transfer passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips, and other places,” (House Doc. No. 37);

“An act to authorize Henry McGilvery to extend and maintain his wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast”;

“An act relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another,” (House Doc. No. 59);

“An act to promote immigration into this State,” (Senate Doc. No. 48);

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of reducing the State valuation of the town of Buckfield”;

“Resolve authorizing the Adjutant General to sell and dispose of the gun-house and lot of land on which the same is situate, in the town of Milo”;

“Resolve in favor of the town of Princeton”;

“Resolve in favor of John H. Eveleth”;

“Resolve making an appropriation for the State Library,” (Senate Doc. No. 34);

“Resolve relating to the preservation of the colors in the Rotunda of the Capitol”;

“Resolve in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine,” (Senate Doc. No. 7);

“Resolve in favor of the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts,” (Senate Doc. No. 47);

“Resolve in favor of the town of Deering”;

“Resolve relating to wrongs practised upon Indians”;

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. LANE,
The Senate at 0.30 P. M. adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Joint Select Committee on Apportionment of the State for Senators and Representatives, on an order, with “resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature,” (House Doc. No. 69,) was accepted in concurrence, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. FOSTER 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. Foster, French of Franklin, Hinks, Minot, Spaulding and Vose—6.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Torrey—20.

So the amendment was rejected, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with “resolve to apportion one hundred and fifty-one Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine,” (House Doc. No. 68,) was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in reference to the distribution of the revised statutes," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. HINKS proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company," (House Doc. No. 39,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate as amended per House amendments "A," "B," "C" and "D," with House amendments "E" and "F" rejected, came from the House, that branch having receded and concurred with the Senate in the rejection of House amendment "E," and insisted upon its vote adopting amendment "F," and proposed a conference, with Messrs. Sewall of Oldtown, Cram of Brunswick, and Bragdon of York, appointed conferees on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the Senate receded and concurred with the House in the adoption of amendment "F," and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, on bill "an act to amend chapter 338 of the private laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river," recommending that the Senate recede and concur with the House.

The report was accepted. The Senate receded, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, on bill "an act relating to fencing railroads," (Senate Doc. No. 56,) with the same amended as per sheet "A," and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted. Amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate rejected House amendment "A" to bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district," (House Doc. No. 53);

The amendment was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. LANE, bill "an act relating to the powers and duties of the constables of the town of Whitefield," was taken from the table.

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "A," which was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of the same Senator, bill "an act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations," (Senate Doc. No. 74,) was taken from the table.

Mr. HINKS moved the reference of the bill to the next Legislature.

And on that question, on motion of Mr. LANE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Cleaves, Fuller, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Mayo, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Rolfe and Vose—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Hayford, Lane, Minot, Roberts, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding and Torrey—14.

So the motion was lost.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. LANE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Hayford, Lane, Minot, Roberts, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding and Torrey—14.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Buffum, Cleaves, Fuller, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Mayo, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Rolfe, Vose and Webber—14.

So the bill was refused a passage.

Mr. SPAULDING, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, on bill "an act additional to section 54, chapter 11 of the school laws [revised statutes] relating to the employment of teachers," (Senate Doc. No. 25,) reported the same amended as per sheet "B," and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On the question of adopting amendment "B," on motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo,

Minot, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Spaulding, Torrey, Vose and Webber—23.

NAYS—Messrs. Cleaves, Hayford, Smith of Knox, and Smith of Lincoln—4.

So the amendment was adopted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. MINOT, bill "an act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw-mill in said city," was taken from the table.

The vote whereby the Senate passed the foregoing bill to be engrossed, was reconsidered.

The Senate non-concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. FOSTER proposed amendments marked "A" and "B," which were adopted.

On the question of passing the bill to be engrossed, on motion of Mr. SMITH of Knox, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hinks, Hobson, Mayo, Minot, Nickels, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Vose and Webber—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Carvill, Holland, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Spaulding—5.

So the bill passed to be engrossed.

Bill "an act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to county supervisors of schools," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended.

Mr. SPAULDING moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Foster, French of Franklin, Hayford, Hinks, Hobson, Holland, Mayo, Minot, Morris, Nickels, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer, Spaulding, Vose and Webber—19.

NAYS—Messrs. Dudley, Fuller, Roberts, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, and Torrey—7.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, by leave, presented bill "an act to authorize the town of Jay to loan its credit in aid of manufactures

therein, and for the benefit of the people of this State," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

"Resolve in favor of the land agent, to reimburse him certain moneys paid out in behalf of the Swedish colony," (Senate Doc. No. 75,) was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HAYFORD,

Ordered, That Hon. Thomas P. Cleaves, Senator from Oxford, be excused from further attendance, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Mr. PERLEY, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, on bill "an act to amend section 3 of chapter 362 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts," reported that they had been unable to agree with the Committee on the part of the House, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

Mr. CARVILL, from the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, on bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for borrow and gravel pits," (Senate Doc. No. 72,) reported that they had been unable to agree with the Committee on the part of the House, and ask to be discharged.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. FRENCH of Somerset,
The Senate at 6 P. M. adjourned.

EVENING.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on State Prison, on an order authorizing the Committee to visit said institution, with "resolve in favor

of the State Prison," (House Doc. No. 58,) was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended.

House amendment "A" was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. SPAULDING,

Ordered, That the Secretary of State be directed to cause to be forwarded to the selectmen of the several towns in the State, copies of bill "an act additional to section 54 chapter 11 of the school laws [revised statutes] relating to employment of teachers," immediately upon the approval of the same by the Governor.

"Resolve making an appropriation for the purpose of building a bridge over the Molunkus stream on the military road in the county of Aroostook," passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its vote indefinitely postponing the resolve.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

On motion of Mr. LANE, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate passed to be engrossed bill "an act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska district," (House Doc. No. 53);

On motion of the same Senator, the votes rejecting House amendments "B" and "C" to the foregoing bill were reconsidered. Said amendments were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Finance, on "resolve authorizing the Attorney General to adjust certain claims in favor of the State";

Minority report of the York County Delegation, on the petition of the County Commissioners of said county, with bill "an act to authorize the county of York to procure a loan";

Were severally accepted, the resolve and bill each read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Resolve providing for the distribution of the remaining copies of the "Water Power of Maine," 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 resolve, and passed the same to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. LANE, "resolve in aid of the Children's Home of Bangor," was taken from the table and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on State Lands and State Roads, on the petition of the inhabitants of Phillips, with "resolve in favor of the town of Phillips," was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society," (Senate Doc. No. 43,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to secure a lien on bricks," (Senate Doc. No. 41,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act giving additional remedy in matters of partnership and part owners of personal estates," (Senate Doc. No. 64,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Bill "an act to amend section 4 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy," (Senate Doc. No. 51,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. VOSE, the Senate insisted on its former vote, and proposed a conference, and appointed Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Cleaves of Oxford, and Spaulding of Sagadahoc, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes," (Senate Doc. No. 61,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote, and proposed a con-

ference, and appointed Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Nickles of Penobscot, and Vose of Waldo, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act to incorporate the Bangor Branch Railroad Company," (House Doc. No. 45,) refused a passage by the Senate, came from the House referred to the next Legislature.

The Senate non-concurred, and on motion of Mr. VOSE, the bill was laid on the table.

Bill "an act authorizing the sale of co-partnership property when a partner has deceased," introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended. House amendment "A" was adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act to amend section 9 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce," (Senate Doc. No. 50,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate insisted, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Vose of Waldo, Cleaves of Oxford, and Spaulding of Sagadahoc, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. HINKS, from the Committee on Insane Hospital, on bill "an act relating to the Insane Hospital," (Senate Doc. No. 73,) reported 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.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, reported the following resolve :

"Resolve fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be printed at the expense of the State";

Which was read a second time.

On the question of adopting House amendment "A," on motion of Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, Foster, French of Somerset, Fuller, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Nickels, Smith of Knox, Torrey, Vose and Webber—12.

NAYS—Messrs. French of Franklin, Gray, Minot, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart and Spaulding—8.

So the amendment was adopted.

Subsequently the foregoing vote was reconsidered, and amendment "A" was rejected.

Mr. PERLEY proposed amendment marked "B," which was adopted.

Same Senator proposed amendment marked "C," which was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

"Resolve relating to an industrial school for girls," (Senate Doc. No. 49,) House amendment "A" rejected, further amended as per sheet "B" and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch insisting upon its vote adopting amendment "A" and proposing a Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Burgess of Portland, Smith of Parsonsfield, and Chase of Augusta, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate insisted, concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Webber of Somerset, Hinks of Hancock, and French of Franklin, conferees on its part.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to amend chapter 16 of the revised statutes, relating to drains and common sewers," (House Doc. No. 56,) was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, House amendments "A" and "B" were adopted, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Mr. VOSE, by leave, presented bill "an act to amend section 47 of chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands," (Senate Doc. No. 55);

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,

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.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, with bill "an act to establish the school mill fund for support of common schools," (House Doc. No. 60,) was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, on "resolve relating to an industrial school for girls," (Senate Doc. No. 49,) with the same amended as per sheet "C," and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted, amendment "C" was adopted, and the resolve passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on the Judiciary, on bill "an act to repeal an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company," that the same ought not to pass, accepted by the Senate, came from the House amended as per sheet "A," by substituting the minority report of said Committee submitting bill "an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."

On the question of adopting House amendment "A," on motion of Mr. SMART, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Gray, Hayford, Hinks, Mayo, Minot, Nickels, Perley, Roberts, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Knox, Spaulding and Torrey—20.

NAYS—Messrs. Foster, Fuller, Hobson, Holland, Vose and Webber—6.

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

Report of the Committee on Education, on the report of the Superintendent of Common Schools, with "resolve relative to the Normal School at Castine," was accepted, the resolve read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the same Committee, on an order, with bill "an act in

aid of free high schools," (House Doc. No. 52,) was accepted, the bill read twice, the rules being suspended, and refused a passage in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. HINKS, bill "an act to establish State uniformity of text-books," (Senate Doc. No. 71,) was taken from the table and referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for borrow and gravel pits," (Senate Doc. No. 72,) came from the House, that branch proposing a Second Committee of Conference, with Messrs. Sewall of Oldtown, Bird of Rockland, and Robie of Gorham, appointed conferees on its part.

The Senate concurred in the proposed conference, and appointed Messrs. Lane of Cumberland, Sawyer of Washington, and Bartlett of Hancock, conferees on its part.

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing vote of the two branches, on bill "an act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in and for the county of Lincoln," that the House adhere to its vote refusing the bill a passage.

The report was rejected, and the Senate adhered to its vote passing the bill to be engrossed.

"Resolve relating to the inmates of the Reform School," 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.

On motion of Mr. CLEAVES,

Ordered, That Hon. Otis Hayford, Jr., Senator from Oxford county, be excused from further attendance, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

Mr. VOSE, by leave, presented bill "an act to enlarge the powers of constables of Elliot and Kennebunkport," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and indefinitely postponed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL,

The Senate at 12 o'clock midnight adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. UPJOHN of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

Order from the House :

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be directed to cause to be framed in a suitable manner and placed in the Library for preservation, a map "of the British and French Dominions in North America, with roads, distances, limits and extent of settlements," dated February, 1755, now hanging in Room No. 6, in the south end of the Capitol;

Was read and passed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Education, on the petition of the Trustees of Limerick Academy for aid from the State, that the petitions have leave to withdraw, was accepted in concurrence.

Report of the Second Committee of Conference, on bill "an act authorizing railroad corporations to take lands for borrow and gravel pits," (Senate Doc. No. 72,) with the same amended as per sheet "A," so as to apply to the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company, and that it ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the amendment adopted.

Mr. GRAY moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, and on that question, on motion of Mr. CARVILL, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Carvill, French of Franklin, Gray and Morris—4.

NAYS—Messrs. Bartlett, Dudley, Foster, French of Somerset, Fuller, Hinks, Holland, Lane, Minot, Nickels, Rolfe, Smart and Vose—13.

So the motion was lost, and the bill passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," (House Doc. No. 64);

"Resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville in the county of Piscataquis"—severally indefinitely postponed

by the House and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House, that branch adhering to its former vote.

The Senate adhered to its former vote.

“Resolve in relation to the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county, and, for the abatement of taxes therein,” introduced in the House and passed to be engrossed by that branch, was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill “an act relating to the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 73,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate insisted upon its former vote, and proposed a Committee of Conference, and appointed Messrs. Holland of Androscoggin, French of Somerset, and French of Franklin, conferees on its part.

Sent down for concurrence.

“Resolve transferring the cabinets of geology and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts,” (Senate Doc. No. 66,) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, came from the House indefinitely postponed.

The Senate receded and concurred with the House.

Mr. GRAY presented bill “an act concerning specie payments,” which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of the same Senator,

Ordered, That Hon. John G. Mayo, Senator from Piscataquis county, be excused from attendance on and after this day, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That Hon. Charles J. Morris, Senator from Cumberland county, be excused from further attendance, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

On motion of Mr. NICKELS,

Ordered, That Hon. Timothy Fuller, Senator from Penobscot county, be excused from further attendance, and that the Secretary make up his pay for the session.

Mr. MORRIS presented "resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Portland Press," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

"An act to repeal section 54 of chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1871, relating to the taking of porgies and menhaden";

"An act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company";

"An act to increase the salary of the County Attorney of Lincoln county";

"An act to establish the salary of the County Attorney for Penobscot county";

"An act regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations," (House Doc. No. 61);

"An act to amend section 54, clause 3 of the school laws, in relation to the powers and duties of superintending school committees," (House Doc. No. 63);

"An act additional to chapter 71 of the revised statutes relating to sales of real estate by license," (Senate Doc. No. 57);

"An act regulating railroad corporations," (House Doc. No. 62);

"An act to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy";

"An act relative to pretended savings banks";

"An act relating to fencing railroads," (Senate Doc. No. 56);

"An act to amend section 15 of chapter 617, acts of 1868, entitled an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company";

"An act authorizing any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes," (House Doc. No. 23);

"An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company, approved February, 1871";

"An act relative to the salary of County Attorney for the county of Washington";

"An act to amend section 46 of chapter 38 of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk," (House Doc. No. 55);

“An act to amend chapter 78 of the revised statutes, relating to meetings of County Commissioners in Aroostook county”;

“An act to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein,” (Senate Doc. No. 62);

“An act to further protect certain fishing interests in Lufkin pond”;

“An act to amend chapter 338 of the private laws of 1870, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of the correction of an error in the State valuation of the town of Oxford”;

“Resolve in favor of Jane A. Weeks”;

“Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Major General Hiram G. Berry”;

“Resolve in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash”;

“Resolve in favor of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture and the College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts”;

“Resolve providing for warming the State House by steam,” (Senate Doc. No. 29);

“Resolve in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg,” (Senate Doc. No. 54);

“Resolve in favor of James B. Leslie”;

“Resolve authorizing a temporary loan”;

“Resolve in aid of the Military road”;

“Resolve in favor of Perkins plantation in Franklin county”;

“Resolve in favor of the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 59);

“Resolve in aid of rebuilding bridge from Princeton to Indian township in the county of Washington”;

“Resolve in favor of the Proprietors of the Eastern Argus”;

“Resolve in aid of the road across Indian township in the county of Washington”;

“Resolve in favor of the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum,” (House Doc. No. 66);

“Resolve relating to certain literary institutions,” (Senate Doc. No. 63);

“Resolve in favor of 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.

On motion of Mr. LANE,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate at 0.45 P. M. adjourned.

EVENING.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Papers from the House :

Report of the Committee on Finance, on bill "an act to provide in part for the expenditures of government," 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 amend an act entitled an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charter of certain banks, approved January 28, 1871," 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.

"Resolve on the pay-roll of the House," 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.

"Resolve on the pay-roll of the Senate," was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

Mr. CARVILL presented "resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate," which was read twice, the rules being suspended, and passed to be engrossed.

The foregoing were sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the vote was reconsidered whereby the Senate adhered to its former vote indefinitely postponing bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," (House Doc. No. 64,) and the vote indefinitely postponing said bill was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. CARVILL, the bill was referred to the next Legislature.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

“An act to incorporate the Northern Aroostook Railroad Company,” (House Doc. No. 39);

“An act to continue in force an act to establish schools in the Madawaska District,” (House Doc. No. 53);

“An act to authorize the county of York to procure a loan”;

“An act relating to drains and common sewers in the cities of Portland and Bangor”;

“An act to amend section 47, chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison”;

“An act to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw-mill in said city”;

“An act additional to chapter 140 of the revised statutes, relating to the State Prison”;

“An act authorizing the town of Jay to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein and for the benefit of the people of this State”;

“An act relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield”;

“An act authorizing the sale of copartnership property when a partner has deceased”;

“An act concerning specie payments”;

“An act relating to the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 73);

“An act to amend an act entitled an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charters of certain banks, approved January 28, 1871”;

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

“Resolve in favor of the town of Phillips”;

“Resolve in favor of the Land Agent to reimburse him certain moneys paid out in behalf of the Swedish colony,” (Senate Doc. No. 75);

“Resolve relating to an industrial school for girls,” (Senate Doc. No. 49);

“Resolve in aid of the Children’s Home of Bangor”;

“Resolve on the pay roll of the Senate”;

“Resolve on the pay roll of the House”;

“Resolve fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be printed at the expense of the State”;

“Resolve relating to the Normal School at Castine”;

“Resolve in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the Insane Hospital,” (Senate Doc. No. 58);

“Resolve authorizing the Attorney General to adjust certain claims in favor of the State”;

“Resolve to apportion the State for Senators to the Legislature,” (House Doc. No. 69);

“Resolve relating to the inmates of the Reform School”;

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. LANE,

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it be to meet on Monday next at 8 o'clock A. M.

On motion of the same Senator,

The Senate at 11.45 P. M. adjourned.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1871.

Senate met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Moor of Augusta.

Journal of Saturday's proceedings read and approved.

Papers from the House :

Bill "an act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes," 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 Committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as truly and strictly engrossed the following bill :

"An act authorizing the Knox and Lincoln Railroad Company to take lands for borrow and gravel pits";

Which was laid on the table on motion of Mr. SMITH of Lincoln.

The same Committee also reported the following bills :

"An act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes";

"An act to provide in part for the expenditures of government";

"An act additional to section 54 of chapter 11 of the school laws relating to the employment of teachers";

"An act for the assessment of a State tax for the year 1871, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-four thousand four hundred fifty-one dollars and thirty-six cents";

Which were each passed to be enacted in concurrence.

The same Committee also reported the following resolves :

"Resolve in reference to the distribution of the revised statutes";

"Resolve in favor of the State Reform School," (Senate Doc. No. 37);

"Resolve in favor of the State Prison," (House Doc. No. 58);

"Resolve in relation to the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes therein";

"Resolve in favor of the Secretary of the Senate";

“Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Portland Press”;

“Resolve to apportion 151 Representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes in the State of Maine,” (House Doc. No. 68);

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. MOOR of Buckfield, 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. HINKS,

Ordered, That a message be sent to the House of Representatives, 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 Mr. HINKS.

On motion of Mr. VOSE,

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. Vose of Waldo, Nickels of Penobscot, and Carvill 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. Hobart of Dennysville, Martin of Rumford, Reed of Waldoboro', Bragdon of York, Bird of Rockland, Chase of Augusta, and Whitehouse of St. George, joined on the part of the House.

Mr. VOSE, 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 in writing.

Thereupon the Secretary of State, Hon. Franklin M. Drew, came in and laid before the Senate the following message from the Governor:

“To the President of the Senate :

“I transmit herewith a list of the Acts and Resolves passed during the present session of the Legislature, and approved by me, numbering 265 acts and 89 resolves. I have no further communication to make.

SIDNEY PERHAM.”

Mr. FRENCH of Somerset, presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be presented 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. NICKELS presented the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be extended to Jabez Marriner, Messenger, James H. Banks, Assistant Messenger, and Harry V. Rutherford, Page, for the alacrity and courtesy with which they have performed their duties.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin 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.

Mr. French said :

In tendering this resolution, Mr. President, allow me to say that I do not do it as a mark of formal respect merely, but as an expression of real appreciation of the faithful discharge of the, at times, extremely arduous duties that have devolved upon the officers therein named, and which have in no little degree conduced to make for us so fair a record, in the midst of the confusion that at times attended legislation—services the value of which we can only know when the want of them is learned by experience.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The SECRETARY responded as follows :

Mr. PRESIDENT :—Permit me for myself and my associate to return our heartfelt thanks for the generous sentiments of the resolve

you have adopted. I should do injustice to my feelings if I permitted this occasion to pass as a mere formal ceremony without expressing my gratitude for your kindness in designating me as your recording officer, and for the courtesy and cordiality which has characterized your intercourse with me during the entire session. Whatever the errors I have committed, and I shall be happy indeed if they are not numerous, I feel assured that Senators will look upon them as errors of judgment, sins of the ignorant, to be "winked at," and forgotten.

When you shall have gone forth from this chamber to mingle in other scenes, you will bear with you the kindest wishes for your future happiness, of him whose duty it has been often to call the roll of this band which so soon must part, never, probably, all to meet again. I hope and trust, as in after years you shall look back upon the events of this session, and shall turn with an honest pride to the record of your doings here, it shall afford you as true a satisfaction as it has been to me to record them. And permit me to hope, that from the associations of this session, which shall cling fondly to your hearts, my memory may not entirely fade.

Thanking you for your kind indulgence, Mr. President and Senators, I bid you all good-by.

Mr. SMITH of Lincoln, then rose and said :

MR. PRESIDENT:—We are about to separate. We soon go forth from this chamber never again to meet as a Senate. Emotions of sadness at parting arise now, but the remembrance of associations and relations as members of the Senate of 1871 will be pleasant and joyful.

The session has been unusually short, and our deliberations have been characterized by the greatest harmony and good feeling. The prevailing harmony has not been disturbed by acrimonious debate, and our kindly relations have not been interrupted by personal bickerings.

As we are dissolving these relations that have so pleasantly existed during the session now closing, I am very glad to say, Mr. President, your discreet, fair, and courteous discharge of your duties as presiding officer, has contributed in a great degree to this harmony and good fellowship.

I trust, sir, and Senators, that though we separate now, we may have frequent opportunity to renew and maintain the intimacies and friendships formed here.

I have, Mr. Secretary, a resolution that I ask leave to place on your table, and desire that the expression of the Senate on its adoption may be taken by rising.

The SECRETARY read the following resolve :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are tendered to Hon. Charles Buffum, for his discretion, fairness and courtesy in the discharge of his duties as President of the Senate.

Mr. FOSTER said :

Mr. SECRETARY :—I feel that my duty would be but partly performed without a few words upon the resolution. The office is a responsible one, in which a bad man might easily cause much mischief. In the discharge of its duties, our presiding officer has at all times been courteous, patient, prompt and entirely impartial. My respect for his manly qualities has constantly increased from the commencement of the session to this hour. He has discovered to us an anxiety for the right, and an honesty of purpose fit for any place. I therefore most heartily endorse the resolution. Our record here is now closed and to be submitted to public judgment. We may have made mistakes, but I entertain the hope that our course will be adjudged generally wise, straightforward and “for the benefit of the people of the State.” I desire to say here that our Secretary has been most efficient; that his Assistant Secretary, Reporter, the Messengers, and lively Page, have performed well their parts.

Mr. LANE said :

Mr. SECRETARY :—I cordially support the resolution presented by my esteemed friend, the Senator from Lincoln. I fully coincide with his statements. We can all bear witness to the uniform kindness, courtesy and impartiality of our presiding officer. His promptness in the dispatch of business, his untiring patience and great goodness of heart, have created a constant good feeling and hearty good will among us all. For this, and also for many kind words and acts conferred upon me personally, I desire to thank him. I hope his future life will be as happy and prosperous as he has made ours pleasant during our association here.

The session has been short, very busy, and marked by great unanimity of action. How well we have done our work, the future

must determine. If the results of our actions are as beneficial as our intentions have been good, I am sure the verdict of those who sent us here will be, "well done, faithful servants."

Mr. MORRIS said :

Mr. SECRETARY :—I wish to express my thanks to the President, subordinate officers and to every Senator, for the unvarying kindness and courtesy which has marked our intercourse from the commencement to the closing hour of the session.

With the assurance that I shall remember you with deep interest, rejoicing in your prosperity and sympathizing with you in adversity, I am prompted by the deep yearnings of my own heart for human love and sympathy, to express the hope that in the days and years to come I may not be wholly forgotten by you.

Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, said :

Mr. SECRETARY :—It is highly gratifying to me to be able to join in these testimonials of regard which through you are at this hour tendered to our presiding officer. The acquaintances here made, our associations together, and the esteem and confidence that has been inspired in each other as some individual trait of excellence of character has been developed, will not be easily forgotten.

Coming from the different vocations and avocations that represent the thought and industries of a State, met we here as legislators, to care for the public good; to-day we go out from this chamber as men to take our places again in that citizenship wherein we hold inalienable rights to watch the workings and feel the effects of those laws which we have helped to make, which will prove the wisdom or the foolishness of our acts. We live in the midst of intense activities, and it is our privilege to witness some of those great events that mark human progress from age to age; when governments are overthrown entirely to give place to better, or drift away from the old landmarks so far that new constitutions are necessary to give expression to the will of the governed. It therefore becomes us as men of a free State of the foremost republic among the nations, to study well our thoughts and weigh well our actions before throwing them into the great scale of life to tell upon human destinies. To-day we close our labors here and go to our homes, perhaps never all of us to join in such deliberations as called us to these halls, but in the great

business of life where men most do meet, may we be found acting well our part wherever duty calls, that the remembrance of the past may be as happy as the hope of the future is bright.

Mr. MINOT said :

Mr. SECRETARY :—I rise to express my heartfelt approval of the resolution of thanks to our worthy presiding officer, introduced by the honorable Senator from Lincoln. The hour has arrived when we who have been associated here together so pleasantly must say the farewell word, and bid adieu to those scenes which are filled with so many pleasant memories ; and in this hour there is a mingled feeling of sadness and joy—sadness arising from the thought that as we go hence from this chamber to-day, in all human probability we shall not all meet again together this side of “Time’s rolling river,”—joy at the thought that we are to return to our own firesides where loved ones eagerly wait for our coming.

The session now drawing to its close has been unusually short, though the amount of labor performed has been equal to, if not in excess of that of many of the longer sessions of our predecessors. How well that work has been performed, time only can determine ; but we are willing to trust it in the hands of an honest and intelligent constituency to whom we must answer for our actions here ; and of this I am satisfied, that each has endeavored to discharge his duty to his own conscience and to the best interest of the State. In our deliberations upon important questions, differences of opinion have naturally arisen, but at all times each has conceded to the other honesty of purpose ; and if in the heat of debate any word may have fallen that seemed to wound the tender sensibilities of another, it is forgotten at this parting hour, and to be remembered no more.

The beneficiaries of the State’s charity have received at our hands that aid which humanity prompts, consistent with the strictest economy. Those measures the tendency of which is to open and develop the vast resources of this State, have met with that encouragement from us which their importance to our future welfare imperatively demand.

I know that the resolution of thanks will meet with the approval of every member of this body. He has presided over our deliberations with the strictest impartiality and with marked ability. To each and every officer of this body I tender my warmest thanks for

the faithful manner in which they have discharged their respective duties. As we go from here to mingle in the busy scenes of life, and to participate in its active duties, we shall ever fondly turn back to the hours that we have spent here together as the happiest of our lives. But the consciousness forces itself upon us that we shall not all meet here on earth again ; yet in that all-hail hereafter to which earth's weary pilgrims fondly turn, may we there meet to go out from thence no more forever.

Mr. VOSE said :

Mr. SECRETARY:—I can do no less than re-echo the sentiments of those Senators who have preceded me and do justice to my feelings.

The pleasures of association are among our greatest blessings. And the association of intelligent minds to consider and provide for the public good, will, by the aid of memory, add to our stock of pleasures through life; its degree to be measured by the consciousness of duty done.

My high appreciation of the honest manliness of him who so successfully presided over our deliberations in this chamber, the warm and generous impulses of my associates at this board, and the efficiency and kindness of those officers assisting us in the discharge of our duties, is not to be estimated by words at this time ; but they may be assured, that whether fortune smiles or frowns upon me, the latch string of my door will be found on the outside, and the friendly hand of me and mine inside to give them welcome at all times.

Mr. DUDLEY said :

Mr. SECRETARY:—As is usual on occasions like this, when friends and associates like ourselves are about to separate, (some of us at least, and perhaps all, until we shall be summoned to stand before our final Judge,) after having taken sweet council together ; and, Mr President and fellow Senators, as I will not act enough of the Pharisee to thank God that I am not as other men, I deem it proper for me, too, to give some expression to the interest which this occasion inspires. But a few short weeks have elapsed since we, for the most part strangers, came, in response to the votes of our several districts, to serve them in the capacity of Senators. There were, Mr. President, but three Senators of the Board, yourself of

that number, with whom I had any personal acquaintance. We met as such, we are to part I trust without exception as friends, not soon to be forgotten. For the urbanity and personal kindness of each and every one of my fellow Senators, Secretary, Messenger and Reporter, and their several assistants, which I gladly would acknowledge, I feel that I have language inadequate to convey. In yourself, Mr. President, the friend of my youth, I have found, as I expected, a genial and fit companion for my riper years, and I have also with happily increased interest, from day to day, felt almost proud to be *one of thirty-one* Senators who through all the varying interests and course of debate have not heard one word expressed of bitterness, or acrimonious feeling manifested. And in this respect, if in no other, we can with laudable pride of our record, say to our successors *be you followers of us*, and a speedy harvest shall be yours. For without waiting for the usual time of harvest, you shall reap while you sow, for this is such good seed as will always spread undivided and operate unspent. And I have thought during our almost unprecedented pleasant intercourse, that the sentiment of the very gifted English poet (whom our own Whittier so much resembles) had been very strikingly verified to us when he said :

“Tis woven in the world's great plan, and fixed by heaven's decree,
That all the true delights of man must spring from sympathy.”

Mr. President, and fellow Senators, our work for the session is now about to close ; and though possibly falling short of so good results as we could wish, still in all good conscience I trust each one of us can say, I have tried to do my duty ; and if through human weakness we have come short, or through frailty stepped aside, trusting that Infinite Father who *is* and *is to be* our final judge, *ever* merciful, *never* tyrannical, that he will judge us more by our upright intent, than by our weakness or our frailty, and thanking him who has not suffered death or sickness to enter our borders, and for so unusual a preservation of our health, and of our families, with but a single exception, and wishing you each a happy return to your families and homes, and assuring you of a friend in your associate from Aroostook, permit me to express my true interest in your welfare, in the expressive eloquence of the great apostle to the Gentiles in closing his last epistle to his Corinthian brethren. “Finally, brethren, farewell, be perfect, be of

good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of peace shall live with you."

The resolution was unanimously adopted by rising.

Mr. BUFFUM, President of the Senate, responded as follows :

SENATORS :—Our official duties are ended ; the time for our separation has come ; we are now to dissolve the pleasant relations which have existed during this session.

The very generous and complimentary expressions of your kindly feelings towards me, are not only appreciated, but most cheerfully reciprocated. If my efforts in presiding over your deliberations have been attended with success, it is to be attributed, in a great degree, to your generous coöperation and to the prompt and gentlemanly manner in which you have severally discharged your Senatorial duties ; courtesy and harmony having characterized all of your deliberations.

While I express my personal obligations to Senators at this Board, I am desirous of expressing my indebtedness to the able and experienced gentleman who has served as Secretary, for the assistance he has so cheerfully rendered me in the discharge of my duties.

It is with the greatest pleasure I bear testimony to the fact that you have investigated all matters committed to your charge with patience and fidelity, only desirous that the rights of all parties should be respected and the interest and welfare of our noble State promoted. You have proved yourselves worthy of the high trust committed to your keeping. And now, gentlemen, as we are about to separate and return to our several homes, around which cluster so many of the sacred recollections of life, I bid you all good-by.

On motion of Mr. MINOT,

The Senate at 9.50 A. M. adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

TITLES OF ACTS

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1871.

PUBLIC LAWS.

- An act to authorize railroad companies to fix the number of directors.
- empowering towns, cities and village corporations to make by-laws and ordinances in certain cases.
- authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.
- to repeal an act entitled "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the state."
- to amend an act entitled "an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the state," approved January twenty-five, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.
- additional to chapter forty-three of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to true meridian lines.
- additional to an act entitled "an act to enable the banks of this state to become banking associations under the laws of the United States," approved February twenty-four, eighteen hundred and sixty-five.
- to amend section twenty-nine of chapter eighty-one of the revised statutes, relating to attachment of personal property.
- fixing the time when acts of incorporation shall become null and void.
- concerning the liability of railroads for defective crossings.
- additional to and amendatory of chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes in regard to the formation of corporations.
- additional to section twenty-five of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes, in relation to petitions for increase of damages by reason of the laying out, altering or widening of town ways.

An act to amend section forty-seven of chapter twenty-seven of the revised statutes, concerning recognizances in appeals from magistrates.

concerning bills in equity.

to repeal sections forty-eight to fifty-three, inclusive, of chapter forty-seven of the revised statutes, relating to bank returns.

to amend section one hundred and sixteen of chapter six of the revised statutes, relating to the collection of taxes.

in relation to the times of holding sessions of the county commissioners, of the county of Penobscot.

relating to instruction in industrial or mechanical drawing. defining the notice on petitions for assessment of damages for lands taken by railroad corporations.

additional to chapter forty of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to river fisheries.

amendatory of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to railroads.

amendatory of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, relating to the issue of bonds by railroad corporations.

to amend chapter forty of the revised statutes of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, relating to fish and fisheries.

to amend sections fifty-eight and fifty-nine of chapter forty of the revised statutes, relating to the taking of smelts.

to promote immigration into this state.

to amend chapter forty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to manufacturing, mining and quarrying companies. relating to transfer of prisoners from one county jail to another.

giving additional powers to the railroad commissioners.

fixing the liability of stockholders in corporations.

relating to costs.

to amend section ten of chapter twenty-six of the revised statutes, relating to form of actions.

additional to chapter one hundred and forty-three of the revised statutes, relating to the insane hospital.

relative to the inspection of herring.

An act to promote immigration and facilitate the settlement of the public lands.

to repeal section fifty-four of chapter forty of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relating to the taking of porgies or menhaden.

additional to chapter seventy-one of the revised statutes, relating to sales of real estate by license.

to amend chapter seventy-eight of the revised statutes, relating to meetings of county commissioners in Aroostook county.

to increase the salary of the county attorney for Lincoln county.

to amend section fifty-four, clause three, of the school laws, in relation to the powers and duties of superintending school committees.

regulating meetings of cities and towns in aid of persons and corporations.

to amend section forty-six of chapter thirty-eight of the revised statutes, relating to the sale of milk.

relating to fencing railroads.

authorizing any railroad company to locate and construct branches in the towns through which it passes.

to establish the salary of the county attorney for Penobscot county.

relative to salary of county attorney for county of Washington.

relative to pretended savings banks.

regulating railroad corporations.

additional to chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, relating to the state prison.

authorizing the sale of copartnership property when a partner has deceased.

to amend section forty-seven, chapter one hundred and forty of the revised statutes, relating to the state prison.

concerning specie payments.

relating to the insane hospital.

additional to section fifty-four of chapter eleven of the school laws, relating to employment of teachers.

additional for the assessment and collection of taxes.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS.

- An act to authorize certain cities and towns to aid in the construction and equipment of the Knox and Lincoln Railroad.
- authorizing P. S. J. Talbot and Company to maintain a wharf in tide waters in East Machias.
- to incorporate the Kennebec and Chelsea Ice Company.
- to authorize the Lincoln Ice Company of Richmond, to increase their capital stock and to legalize the wharf built by said company into the tide waters of Kennebec river.
- to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company.
- to make valid the doings of Josiah True, as a justice of the peace.
- to make valid the acts and doings of the town of Denmark.
- to incorporate the Boothbay Ice Company.
- to increase the stock of the Laconia Company.
- to change the name of the town of Dickeyville.
- to set off John Walker and his estate from the South Paris Village Corporation.
- to incorporate the Peak's Island Steamboat Company.
- granting further time to the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company to complete their road.
- additional to an act to incorporate the Calais Railroad Company, and the several acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof.
- to incorporate the Passadumkeag Railroad Company.
- to confirm the doings of the Maine Missionary Society, and to incorporate said society.
- to authorize Zenas F. Yates, Joseph S. Woodbury and their associates to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Muscongus harbor.
- to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of "an act to renew the charters of certain bank," approved March seventeen, eighteen hundred and seventy.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."
- to incorporate the Old Orchard Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Kennebec and Moosehead Ice Company.

- An act to authorize William H. Danforth to erect and maintain a wharf in tide water in Bristol.
- to make valid the transfer of the Bangor, Oldtown and Milford Railroad, to the European and North American Railway Company.
- to incorporate the Little River Dyking Company.
- to make valid the doings of the inhabitants of the plantation of Castle Hill, in the county of Aroostook.
- to incorporate the Maine Medical Eclectic Infirmary.
- to authorize John E. and Hiram Colewell to construct a fish weir in tide waters, in front of their land in Pigeon Hill bay, in the town of Steuben.
- authorizing the county commissioners of the county of Oxford to reassess certain taxes.
- to authorize Joshua M. Leighton to construct a fish weir in the tide waters in front of his own land on Clarks island, in the town of Millbridge.
- to authorize J. B. Swanton and William Godfrey to construct a fish weir in tide waters at the lower side of Stover's cove, in the town of Millbridge.
- to incorporate the Penobscot and Lake Megantic Railroad Company.
- to incorporate the Knox Masonic Temple Company.
- to authorize the Eastport Hotel Company to hire money, and secure the payment of the same by a mortgage on the company's property.
- to authorize the treasurer of the county of Cumberland to pay the judge and register of probate for said county certain sums of money.
- to incorporate and prescribe the duties and powers of the Penobscot County Poultry Society.
- to incorporate the Richmond Savings Bank.
- to continue the powers of the president, directors and company of the Alfred Bank.
- to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Bristol to change the location of the northerly end of the bridge leading on to Rutherford's island, over tide waters in said town.
- to change the name of the Portland Tenement House Company, and to grant further powers to the same.

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- An act to incorporate the Bar Harbor and Mt. Desert Telegraph Company.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to extend the charter of the Rockland Fire and Marine Insurance Company."
- to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company.
- to incorporate the Eastern Marble Company.
- to authorize the selectmen of the town of Wells to locate and build a way across Webhannet river in said town.
- to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation.
- authorizing M. E. Pierce and Company to extend and maintain their wharf.
- to authorize A. L. Frohock and others to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Penobscot bay, in the town of Lincolnville.
- to authorize the Wesleyan Methodist Society of Augusta to borrow money.
- to authorize R. A. and W. A. Friend to extend their wharf into the tide waters of Center Harbor.
- to incorporate St. Mark's Home for Poor and Indigent Women, in the city of Augusta.
- extending the time within which the Pushaw Dam Company may complete works, as per charter granted by legislature of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.
- to incorporate the Squirrel Island Association.
- to reduce the valuation of the town of Veazie, and add the amount of such reduction to the valuation of the city of Bangor.
- to incorporate the West Branch Dam and Improvement Company.
- to incorporate the Madagascal Dam Company.
- to incorporate the Bucksport Young Men's Mutual Life Insurance Company.
- authorizing A. P. Atherton to construct a fish weir at Moose island, in Tremont.
- authorizing Ezra D. Reed and George Reed to construct a fish weir at Moose island, in Tremont.
- additional to the acts establishing the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company.

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- An act to incorporate the Katahdin Dam Company.
to incorporate the Cobbossee Ice Company.
to legalize the doings of the proprietors of the Free Baptist meeting-house of the town of Gray.
authorizing I. F. McClench, Abbie E. McClench and Sally McClench, and their associates, to extend a wharf at Sheppard's point, Hallowell, into the tide waters of the Kennebec river.
to authorize Charles B. Sanford and Hugh Ross to extend their wharf into Penobscot river.
authorizing Eliza Morton or her heirs to construct a fish weir in Johnson bay, Lubec.
to make valid the doings of John T. Robinson as a notary public.
authorizing Isaac West to build and maintain a weir in tide waters of Pigeon Hill bay.
to incorporate the United Trustees of the Free and Accepted Masons at Bath.
to extend the limits of the Bangor Boom Company.
to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation.
additional to "an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company."
to authorize the construction of a wharf in the town of York.
to legalize the doings of the town of Madawaska, in voting money for school purposes.
to incorporate the Kennebunk Savings Bank.
to change the name of the York County Five Cents Savings Institution.
to incorporate the Pembroke Savings Bank.
to incorporate the Penobscot Pond Stream Dam Company.
to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Maine.
authorizing Zina H. Hodgdon to extend and maintain his wharf in Boothbay.
to change the corporate name of the Second Universalist Society of the city of Portland.
authorizing Ephraim K. Smart to extend a wharf into the tide waters of Camden harbor.

An act to amend "an act to incorporate the Camden Village Corporation," approved February fourteen, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

to incorporate the Piscataquis Reservoir Dam Company.

to authorize Hatcil Delano to extend a wharf into tide waters at Verona.

to enlarge the powers of constables in the town of Eastport.

additional to the charter of the National Insurance Company of Bangor.

authorizing D. N. Bray to build and maintain a weir in the tide waters of Herrick's bay in Brooklin.

to amend "an act to authorize Charles E. Dole to build a wharf in Brewer," approved February seventeen, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

additional to the charter of the Eastern Insurance Company of Bangor.

authorizing Henry A. DeWitt and J. Manchester Haynes to extend and maintain their wharf in Richmond.

to authorize the Leeds and Farmington Railroad Company to issue its bonds to stockholders.

to authorize the town of Cape Elizabeth to lay out, construct and maintain a highway into the tide waters of Portland harbor.

in relation to the Literary Fraternity and the Philomathean Society.

surrendering the charter of the Maine State Seminary.

to incorporate the Buxton and Bonny Eagle Branch Railroad Company.

authorizing C. Wasgatt of Swan Island to extend his fish weir into the tide waters of Old Harbor.

to incorporate the Piscataqua Marine Railway Company.

to amend the charter of the city of Auburn.

to make valid the doings of the town of Prentiss.

to incorporate the Carroll Trotting Park Association.

additional to and amendatory of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad Company."

to amend "an act to incorporate the Merchants' Warehouse Company," approved March ten, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

- An act to authorize E. K. Harding and others to build and maintain a wharf in Small Point harbor.
- in relation to collection of taxes in the town of Brownfield.
- additional to "an act to incorporate the 'Penobscot Log Driving Company."
- to incorporate the Fairfield Savings Bank.
- to provide in part for the expenditures of government.
- to amend chapter two hundred and four of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Augusta."
- to extend the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad.
- to amend the four hundred and eighth chapter of the private laws of eighteen hundred and seventy.
- to set off certain territory from Baldwin and annex the same to Sebago.
- to authorize the Somerset and Kennebec Railroad Company to connect its railroad with the Maine Central Railroad in the town of Waterville.
- to incorporate the Fort Point Hotel Company.
- additional to "an act to incorporate the Sebec Railroad Company."
- additional to the charter of the Portland and Rochester Railroad Company, authorizing the extension of its road in Portland.
- to incorporate the Northeast Pond Dam Company.
- giving to the inhabitants of that part of Frankfort annexed to Monroe by act of eighteen hundred and sixty-three, chapter two hundred and twenty-six, their portion of the money paid by the State to Frankfort, under act of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter two hundred and twenty-five.
- to incorporate the town of Deering.
- to incorporate the Alfred and South Berwick Railroad Company.
- for the extension of the Boston and Maine Railroad.
- to incorporate the Vassalborough Woollen Mills.
- to incorporate the Ellsworth Boom Company.
- to make valid the doings of district number nine in the town of Burnham.

An act to incorporate the Kennebec Ice Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Rockland and Thomaston Gas Light Company."

to establish a municipal court in the city of Lewiston.

to incorporate the North Penobscot Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to incorporate the Eureka Slate Company in the town of Monson.

to incorporate the Cumberland County Savings Bank.

to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Pleasant river.

to set off a part of a small island from Alton and annex the same to the town of Oldtown.

authorizing John Locke, George W. Locke and Charles R. Locke, to maintain a dam and sluice across the Ballard brook in the town of Fryeburg.

to incorporate the Cumberland Air-Power Company.

to amend "an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company."

to authorize the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company to construct wharves and piers into tide water in Belfast, and to amend the charter of said company, and for other purposes.

to amend "an act to incorporate the St. John Agricultural Society."

to amend chapter three hundred and forty-eight of the private laws of eighteen hundred and seventy, conferring certain powers on the city of Portland.

giving the consent of the legislature of Maine to the purchase by the United States of land within this state for public purposes.

for the relinquishment to the United States in certain cases of title to lands for sites of light stations on the coast and waters of the state.

to incorporate the town of Eustis.

to incorporate the Portland Rossini Club.

to amend the charter of Wiscasset Bridge Company, approved June thirty, eighteen hundred forty-six.

to incorporate the Segeunkedunk Water Power and Manufacturing Company.

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- An act to amend "an act to authorize a further extension of the Androscoggin Railroad," approved February fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.
- to amend chapter five hundred thirty-eight of the special laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "an act to authorize Abernethy Grover and others to improve Sunday river."
 - to authorize Nathan F. Houston to build a wharf into tide water in Belfast.
 - to change the name of plantation number two, range two, west of the Kennebec river, to Highland.
 - to incorporate the Cherryfield Savings Bank.
 - to incorporate the Cooper Brook Dam Company.
 - to prevent the destruction of fish in Penamaquon river, in the town of Pembroke.
 - to authorize the Franklin Wharf Company of Portland, to extend its wharf.
 - to authorize the city of Belfast to purchase the first mortgage bonds of the Belfast and Moosehead Lake Railroad Company, and for other purposes.
 - to incorporate the Mechanics' Savings Bank.
 - to incorporate the Parker's Bay Ice Company.
 - to incorporate the Oldtown Water-Power and Manufacturing Company.
 - to incorporate the Lewiston School for Medical Instruction.
 - to incorporate the Phillips Savings Bank.
 - to incorporate the Medway Railway Company.
 - to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Warren Manufacturing Company."
 - authorizing Darius Wellington to construct and maintain a fish weir in Haycock harbor.
 - to prevent obstructions in Union river.
 - to incorporate the Pemaquid Ice Company.
 - to amend chapter two hundred and thirty, special laws of eighteen hundred fifty-four, entitled "an act to prevent obstructions in the Narraguagus river."
 - to authorize Edward L. Whittier and others to extend their wharf into tide water in Belfast.
 - to incorporate the Trustees of the Bangor Masonic Fraternity.

An act to enable the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor and Piscataquis Railroad Company in the extended construction of its railroad.

to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse material into the river St. Croix and its tributaries.

amendatory of "an act to incorporate the Phillips Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

authorizing the city of Bangor to aid the Bangor Mercantile Association.

additional to "an act to provide for more free navigation of Penobscot river."

to incorporate the East Branch Dam and Improvement Company.

to incorporate the Calais Tug Boat Company.

to incorporate the Penobscot Central Agricultural Society.

to incorporate the Orono Horticultural Society.

to incorporate the York Brick Company.

to incorporate the Saco Water Supply Company.

to make valid the doings of the town of Burlington.

to incorporate the Warren Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

to make valid the acts and proceedings of the town of Kingsbury.

to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Damariscotta Water-Power Company."

to incorporate the Somerset Boom Company.

to legalize the doings of the town of Grafton.

to authorize a fish weir in Cranberry Isles.

to authorize Henry McGilvery to extend and maintain his wharf into tide waters in the city of Belfast.

to authorize the construction of a fish weir in Eastern harbor.

to change the name of the Cape Elizabeth Steam Ferry Company and increase the capital stock thereof.

to authorize the county commissioners of Kennebec county to appropriate money to rebuild or repair a bridge over the Sebastook river, in Clinton Gore.

to incorporate the Poland and Minot Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

- An act to amend "an act to incorporate the East Oxford Agricultural Society."
- to authorize Thomas Taylor to employ and use steam power to transport passengers and freight in the towns of Farmington, New Sharon, Phillips and other places.
- to change the names of certain persons.
- additional to "an act to establish the Stillwater Canal Corporation."
- to authorize the extension of the Somerset Railroad to Bingham village, and for the completion of the same to Carratunk falls.
- to amend "an act to authorize the inhabitants of the town of Norway to exempt certain property from taxation."
- to amend chapter three hundred thirty-eight of the private laws of eighteen hundred and seventy, relating to the throwing of sawdust and shavings into the Medomak river.
- to further protect certain fishing interests in Lufkin pond.
- to incorporate the Trustees of the East Lebanon Academy.
- to amend an act entitled "an act to amend an act to incorporate the Auburn Aqueduct Company," approved February seventeen, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.
- to authorize the town of Pittsfield to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein.
- to amend section fifteen of chapter six hundred and seventeen, acts of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, entitled "an act to incorporate the Penobscot Bay and River Railroad Company."
- to incorporate the Northern Arrostook Railroad Company.
- to continue in force "an act establishing schools in the Madawaska district."
- to authorize the county of York to procure a loan.
- to authorize the city of Hallowell to aid in the construction of a steam saw mill in said city.
- relating to the powers and duties of the constable of the town of Whitefield.
- to authorize the town of Jay to loan its credit in aid of manufactures therein, and "for the benefit of the people of this state."

An act relating to drains and common sewers in the cities of Portland and Bangor.

to amend an act entitled "an act to extend the time for the Lime Rock Bank to accept the provisions of an act to renew the charter of certain banks," approved January twenty-eight, eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

for the assessment of a state tax for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, amounting to eleven hundred twenty-five thousand four hundred fifty-one dollars and thirty-six cents.

to provide in part for the expenditures of government.

to repeal an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Cobb Lime Company."

TITLES OF RESOLVES.

PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1871.

Resolve relating to the commission to investigate all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the state and general government for men not actually put into the service.

in favor of Charles E. Avery.

in favor of John Gaubriel.

in favor of Newel Neptune.

providing for furnishing the Maine State Year Book and Annual Register for the use of the legislature and several departments.

to authorize the county of Penobscot to procure a loan.

in relation to the completion of the publication of the revised statutes.

in favor of Abigail Davis.

in favor of the joint standing committee on the state prison.

making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians.

in favor of Joshua Chamberlain.

authorizing the land agent to locate certificate number thirty-one, issued under resolves of the legislature, approved March twenty, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

in favor of the town of Fort Kent.

in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation, in the county of Oxford.

in favor of the inhabitants of number five, range one, in the county of Oxford.

making appropriations for the Penobscot tribe of Indians.

in favor of John S. Arnold and Warren S. Dwinell.

- Resolve for the effectual destruction of bonds and coupons of the State of Maine after the same shall have been registered.
in favor of the town of New Portland.
in favor of the joint standing committee on state reform school.
in favor of Zepheniah B. Starbird and others.
authorizing the land agent to sell lot number one hundred and twenty-nine, in township number five, range three, in the county of Aroostook.
authorizing the land agent to sell lot number one hundred forty-three, in the plantation of Castle Hill, Aroostook county.
in favor of Lewis Scott and John Bishop.
in favor of Salmon Jones.
laying a tax on the several counties in the state.
in favor of Joseph A. Chambers.
changing the valuation of towns and plantations in Washington county.
authorizing the attorney general to institute certain legal proceedings.
in favor of the heirs of the late Captain Lewey.
relating to the military stores at Portland.
in favor of Prentiss M. Fogler.
in relation to lands in the towns of Madawaska and Frenchville, and the plantations of St. John, St. Francis and Wallagrass.
in favor of David Dudley.
in aid of a road through township letter F, Aroostook county.
amending the state valuation and abating state tax on township number six, range five, Aroostook county.
providing for the payment of the expenses of the committee of military affairs.
in favor of D. R. Stockwell and George S. Chalmers.
directing the superintendent of common schools to ascertain what school moneys may be due the state.
in favor of Parker P. Burleigh.
- Resolves in favor of the inhabitants of Riley plantation, in the county of Oxford.

- Resolves in relation to the binding of the acts and resolves of this state.
- in favor of a system of storm warnings in the State of Maine.
- Resolve relative to wrongs practiced upon Indians.
- in favor of reducing the state valuation of the town of Buckfield.
 - in favor of the town of Princeton.
 - in favor of the state college of agriculture and the mechanic arts.
 - in favor of John H. Eveleth.
 - authorizing the adjutant general to sell and dispose of the gun house and lot of land on which the same is situated, in the town of Milo.
 - in favor of the town of Deering.
 - making an appropriation for the state library.
 - relating to the preservation of the colors in the rotunda of the capitol.
 - in favor of the insane hospital.
 - in favor of Mrs. Isabella Fogg.
 - in aid of rebuilding the bridge from Princeton to Indian township, in the county of Washington.
 - in favor of the county of Aroostook.
- Resolves providing for warming the state house by steam.
- Resolve in favor of Perkins plantation in Franklin county.
- in aid of the military road.
 - relating to certain literary institutions.
 - in favor of the joint standing committee on agriculture and the college of agriculture and the mechanic arts.
 - in aid of the road across Indian township, in the county of Washington.
 - in favor of the widow of the late major general Hiram G. Berry of Rockland.
 - in favor of the Bath Naval and Military Orphan Asylum.
 - in favor of James B. Leslie.
 - in favor of the proprietors of the Eastern Argus.
 - in favor of the correction of an error in the state valuation of the town of Oxford.
 - in favor of Jane A. Weeks.
 - in favor of Sprague, Owen and Nash.

- Resolve authorizing a temporary loan.
resolve to apportion the state for senators to the legislature.
authorizing the attorney general to adjust certain claims in favor of the state.
in favor of the town of Phillips.
in aid of the children's home in Bangor.
in aid of the erection of a chapel building for the insane hospital.
relating to an industrial school for girls.
relative to the normal school at Castine.
in favor of the land agent, to reimburse him certain moneys paid out in behalf of the Swedish colony.
- Resolves fixing the number of copies of certain reports to be printed at the expense of the state.
- Resolve relating to the inmates of the reform school.
in favor of the state reform school.
to apportion one hundred and fifty-one representatives among the several counties, cities, towns, plantations and classes, in the State of Maine.
in reference to the distribution of the revised statutes.
- Resolves in relation to the valuation of certain towns and plantations in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes therein.
in favor of the state prison.
- Resolve in favor of the proprietors of the Portland Press.
in favor of the secretary of the senate.
on the pay roll of the house.
on the pay roll of the senate.

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	2	“ A. C. Peavey.
Claims.....	3	“ selectmen of Milo.
	4	“ Timothy Downing.
	5	“ Sephroy Nadeau.
	6	“ David W. Dinsmore.
Cumb'd Co Delegation	7	“ selectmen of Naples.
	8	“ Oliver D. Dike.
Division of Counties..	9	“ David Townsend and others.
	10	“ Orrin Gilpatrick and others.
Division of Towns....	11	“ Francis Milliken.
	12	“ John B. Coyle and others.
	13	“ inhabitants of Limington.
Education	14	“ G. A. Wilson and others.
	15	“ trustees of Paris Hill Academy.
	16	“ O. N. Bradbury and others.
	17	“ trustees of Lee Normal Academy.
	18	“ trustees of Bridgton Academy.
	19	“ trustees of Fort Fairfield High School.
	20	“ trustees of Mattanawcook Academy.
	21	“ A. O. Noyes and others.
	22	“ Ira A. Philbrick and others.
	23	“ trustees of Presque Isle Academy.
	24	“ trustees of Limerick Academy.
Fisheries.....	25	“ Hiram A. Balch.
	26	“ Joseph Weeks and others.
	27	“ Joseph Weeks and others.
	28	“ J. L. Bartlett and others.
	29	“ George L. Hall and others.
Incorpora'n of Towns.	30	“ Joseph E. Shorey and others.
	31	“ J. G. Mosher and others.
	32	“ assessors of Independence plantation.
Interior Waters	33	“ Calvin Kingman and others.
	34	“ Charles Fairbanks.
	35	“ William Conner and others.
	36	“ George W. Hammond and others.
	37	“ N. W. Hartwell and others.
	38	“ Whitman A. Holt.
	39	“ John Appleton and others.
	40	“ Thomas F. Rowe and others.
	41	“ Thomas S. Jones and others, Birch Steam Dam Company.
Judiciary	42	“ Silas Mitchell and others.
	43	“ D. F. Leavitt and others.

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	45	Francis Bacon and others.
	46	Greenlief Emery and others.
	47	J. S. Bennoch and others.
	48	John Hodgdon and others.
	49	S. R. Carter and others.
	50	N. B. Nutt and others.
	51	O. R. Bachelder and others.
	52	Thomas McSorley and others.
	53	J. W. Johnson.
	54	Paul Curtis and others.
	55	John Hanson and others.
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	58	Lewis Davis and others.
	59	Bickford C. Mathews.
	60	J. A. Johnson and others.
	61	inhabitants of Oxford.
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	66	A. W. Hoyt.
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	69	selectmen of Corinth.
	70	selectmen of Greenbush.
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	72	Walker Darling.
	73	William W. Quimby.
	74	Rufus G. Curtis.
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	76	Joseph Nickerson and others.
	77	A. W. Dam and others.
	78	selectmen of Cape Elizabeth.
	79	Nathaniel Wilson.
	80	Jotham Allen and others.
	81	George Goodwin and others.
	82	George Fickett and others.
	83	Androscoggin Railroad Company.
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	86	George W. Knight.
	87	Augustine Daigle and others.
	88	inhabitants of St. John plantation.
	89	Vital Daigle and others.
	90	Jesse Smith.
	91	citizens of Wallgrass plantation.
	92	inhabitants of Grant Isle.
	93	John Ware and others.
	94	Edward Guy and others.
	95	M. L. Stuart and others.
	96	Jotham Hilton and others.
	97	Vital Tribideau and others.
	98	Henry O. Perry and others.
	99	James A. Drew.
	100	Jackson Dockendorff.
Wash. Co. Delegation.	101	county commissioners of Washington county.

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	3	“ “ taxing surplus profits in banks.
	4	“ “ investment of deposits in savings banks.
	5	“ “ amending section 5, chapter 60 laws of 1869.
	6	“ “ the delivery of certain bonds to the town of Alna
Claims.....	7	“ “ claims of settlers to lands conveyed to the European and North American Railway Company.
	8	“ “ election of superintending school committees.
Education	9	“ “ raising money for the support of graded schools, and making the chairman of school committees supervisors of schools.
	10	“ “ introducing military tactics into common schools.
Indian Affairs.....	11	“ “ report of the school committee of Greenbush relating to Penobscot Indians.
Interior Waters.....	12	“ “ protecting bridges over Aroostook river.
Judiciary	13	“ “ recovery of damages on account of defective highways.
	14	“ “ power of sale in mortgages of real estate.
	15	“ “ appeals from joint boards of county commissioners.
	16	“ “ Maine General Hospital.
	17	“ “ town meetings relating to laying out or altering town ways.
	18	“ “ liens on railroads.
	19	“ “ authorizing county commissioners to order the grading down of hills and the filling of ravines on highways.
	20	“ “ recording orders for the payment of wages.
	21	“ “ repeal of laws authorizing towns to loan credit to railroads.
	22	“ “ lien in favor of persons cutting and hauling hemlock bark.
	23	“ “ claims against insolvent estates.
	24	“ “ changing the poor debtor laws.
	25	“ “ amending chapter 77 of the revised statutes.
	26	“ “ authorizing towns to aid manufactures.
	27	“ “ amending section 5, chapter 6 of the revised statutes.
	28	“ “ restraining spendthrifts from wasting their estates.
	29	“ “ partition of real estate.
	30	“ “ cattle running at large.
31	“ “ repealing section 3, chapter 25 of the revised statutes	
32	“ “ costs for travel of witnesses from beyond the State.	
33	“ “ binding certain copies of the revised statutes with blank inter-leaves.	
34	“ “ amending sections 11 and 13 of chapter 87 of the revised statutes.	
35	“ “ the election of police officers of towns.	
36	“ “ the rights of mill owners.	

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	38	“ “ requiring same judge to preside two successive terms in same county.
	39	“ “ actions of soldiers for equalization script.
	40	“ “ confinement of jurors when unable to agree.
Legal Reform.....	41	“ “ protecting forests against destruction by fire.
	42	“ “ the age of jurors.
	43	“ “ widow's dower in woodlands.
	44	“ “ repairs of county roads and bridges by the several counties.
	45	“ “ hearings to parties interested in laying out town ways.
	46	“ “ powers of constables.
	47	“ “ repealing the law authorizing bounties on wolves and bears.
	48	“ “ appointment of highway surveyors.
	49	“ “ exempting cows from taxation.
	50	“ “ manner of furnishing blanks for election purposes.
Merc. Affairs and Ins.	51	“ “ removing fences on highways in winter.
	52	“ “ time for insurance companies to report.
	53	“ “ protecting insurance companies against embezzlement by sub-agents.
	54	“ “ exempting town insurance companies from taxation.
55	“ “ taxing foreign insurance companies for the benefit of fire companies.	
Military Affairs.....	56	“ “ expenses of adjutant general's department.
Oxford Co. Delegation	57	“ “ expense of arrest of Truman F. Young.
Pensions	58	“ “ granting a pension to the widow of William M. Jordan.
R. R., Ways & Bridges	59	“ “ consolidation of railroads.
	60	“ “ fog signals for railroad trains
St. Lands & St. Roads.	61	“ “ selling certain lands in Oakfield plantation.

PACKAGE NUMBER THREE.

Ought Not to Pass.

Claims.....	1	Resolve in favor of the city of Bangor.
Education.....	2	An act to increase the common school tax, and to establish select free schools.
Interior Waters	3	Resolve in favor of the Etna High School.
	4	An act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and refuse lumber into the waters of Violette brook in Van Buren plantation.
Judiciary	5	“ relating to reviews and new trials.
	6	“ to amend section 13 of chapter 18 of the revised statutes.
	7	“ regulating the transfer of actions from the State courts to courts of the United States.
	8	“ to enable women to whom a divorce is granted upon their own libels to resume their maiden names.
	9	“ relating to the powers of moderators of town meetings.
	10	“ in relation to offers to be defaulted.
	11	“ further defining the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of the county of Cumberland.

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Committee.	No.	
Judiciary	12	An act to amend chapter 151 of the public laws of 1868.
	13	“ relating to divorce.
Legal Reform	14	“ to amend section 17 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes relating to disturbing religious assemblies.
	15	“ to make valid the doings of the town of Milo.
	16	“ to amend section 10 of chapter 3 of the revised statutes relating to the election of town officers.
	17	“ to provide for calling a convention to revise or amend the constitution of the State of Maine.
	18	“ additional to chapter 92 of the revised statutes relating to flowing lands.
York Co. Delegation..	19	Resolve to correct the valuation of York county.

PACKAGE NUMBER FOUR.

Indefinitely Postponed.

Education	1	An act to amend section 33, chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the location of school-houses.
	2	“ to establish the school mill fund for the support of common schools.
Fisheries	3	“ to increase the number of commissioners of fisheries.
	4	“ to establish the right to fish in small ponds.
Interior Waters	5	“ to incorporate the Jay Boom Company.
Judiciary	6	“ to incorporate the co-operative store and loan company.
	7	“ to amend chapter 456 of the special laws of 1870, entitled an act to procure the enforcement of an act to prevent the throwing of slabs and other refuse into Penobscot river.
	8	“ to exempt females from arrest for debt.
	9	“ to increase the fees of town clerks and constables.
	10	“ amendatory of section 14 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to the assessment of taxes.
	11	“ amendatory of section 27 of chapter 6 of the revised statutes, relating to taxes.
Legal Reform	12	“ in relation to conveyancers.
	13	“ relating to the service of writs on towns and corporations.
	14	“ to authorize jailors to administer oaths to poor debtors and poor prisoners.
	15	“ giving additional remedy in matters of partnership and part owners of personal and real estate.
	16	Resolve providing for an amendment of the constitution so as to authorize the legislature to call a constitutional convention.
Manufactures	17	An act to secure a lien on brick.
R. R., Ways & Bridges	18	“ additional to an act to incorporate the Portland and Rutland Railroad Company.
Military Affairs	19	“ authorizing the taking by towns of eligible sites for the erection of soldiers' monuments.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	20	Resolve in aid of roads in Letter E plantation, in the county of Franklin.
No Committee	21	An act additional to chapter 18, section 1 of the revised statutes, relating to repairs of highways.
	22	An act to enlarge the powers of constables of Elliot and Kennebunkport.
	23	Order providing for a Committee on State Valuation.
	24	Order relating to changes in the school laws.
	25	Resolve in favor of the Maine State Agricultural Society.
	26	Resolve transferring the cabinets of geology and mineralogy from the State House to the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

PACKAGE NUMBER FIVE.
Next Legislature.

Committee.	No.	
Agriculture.....	1	Petition of J. G. Cummings and others.
Aroostook Co. Delega.	2	Petition of C. F. A. Johnson and others.
Banks and Banking..	3	Petition of Oliver Moses and others
	4	Orders relating to limiting dividends of savings banks, prohibiting savings banks from loaning funds out of the State; regulating the investment of funds of savings banks; compensation for presidents of savings banks; taxing deposits in savings banks in excess of certain sums; bonds of treasurers of savings banks.
Claims.....	5	Petition of Selectmen of Bradley.
Division of Towns....	6	Petition of Louis Cormier.
	7	Petition of Isaac Bearce.
	8	Petition of Asa Stockwell and others.
Fisheries.....	9	Petition of R. T. Osgood and others.
Incorporation of Towns	10	Petition of D. D. Thompson and others.
	11	Petition of James Farmer and others.
	12	An act to incorporate the town of Codyville.
Interior Waters.....	13	Petition of William H. Hemenway and others.
	14	An act to prevent the throwing of slabs, edgings and other refuse into the Kennebec river.
Judiciary.....	15	Petition of Sewall W. Hoskins and others.
	16	Memorial of George M. Weston.
	17	Report of the Commissioners on Jail System.
	18	Governor's message relating to biennial sessions.
	19	An act to regulate the qualifications of practitioners in medicine and surgery.
Legal Reform.....	20	Petition of John E. Godfrey and others.
	21	Petition of inhabitants of Cherryfield.
	22	Order relating to repealing resolves relating to sectarian schools.
	23	An act additional for the assessment and collection of taxes.
	24	An act relating to rules of evidence.
Lincoln Co. Delegation	25	Memorial of municipal officers of Whitefield, and petition of Samuel E. Smith and others.
Manufactures.....	26	Petition of R. B. Shepherd and others.
Piscataquis Co. Deleg..	27	Petition of town of Atkinson.
R. R., Ways & Bridges	28	Petition of citizens of Gorham.
	29	Petition of Charles Deering and others.
	30	Petition of Joseph Howard and others.
	31	An act to authorize the formation and regulation of railroad corporations.
	32	Resolve for a post road and national highway from Portland to Chicago.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	33	Petition of Henry Rolfe.
No Committee.....	34	An act to prevent the throwing of edgings and other refuse into the waters of the Damariscotta river in the towns of Nobleboro' and Newcastle.
	35	An act to authorize the towns of Benton and Fairfield to make free the Fairfield bridge
	36	An act to establish State uniformity of text-books.
	37	Petition of Charles and George Wilbur.
	38	Petition of Selectmen of Lyndon.
	39	Petition of Henry Rolfe.
	40	Petition of Josiah Merrow and others.
	41	Petition of John Wasson and others.
	42	Remonstrance of Walter Corey and others.

PACKAGE NUMBER SIX.

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Committee.	No.	
Education.....	1	An act to amend section 54, item 2d, of chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to the branches taught in public schools.
Judiciary.....	2	An act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1871. An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and consolidate the public laws of the State, approved January 25, A. D. 1871.
	3	An act to repeal an act entitled an act to repeal the acts consolidated in the revised statutes of the year 1870.
	4	An act to amend section 4 of chapter 124 of the revised statutes, relating to polygamy.
	5	An act to amend section 9 of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, relating to divorce.
	6	An act to protect bridges from injury by droves of cattle.
	7	An act to incorporate a fire department in West Waterville village.
	8	An act requiring blanks to be furnished to trial justices by the several counties.
Legal Reform.....	9	An act to establish a January term of the Supreme Judicial Court in the county of Lincoln.
	10	An act relative to the administration of oaths and the acknowledgement of deeds and other papers
	11	An act to amend section 3 of chapter 362 of the private and special laws of 1867, entitled an act additional to an act to establish the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.
Penobscot Co. Deleg'n.	12	Resolve abating State tax in part of the town of Veazie, and assessing the same upon the city of Bangor.
R. R., Ways & Bridges	13	An act to exempt railroad companies from liability in certain cases.
St. Lands & St. Roads.	14	Resolve in aid of the road leading from Monson to Greenville in the county of Piscataquis.
	15	Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Castle Hill plantation.
	16	Resolve in favor of the settlers in township No. 11, in the third range west from the east line of the State.
	17	Resolve in favor of the road leading from Van Buren plantation to Grant Isle.
	18	Resolve in favor of the town of Kingsbury, in aid of repairing road in said town.
	19	Resolve in favor of plantation No. 11, Range 1, in aid of building a new road.
	20	Resolve in aid of building a bridge over Moose river.
	21	Resolve making an appropriation for the purpose of building a bridge over the Molunkus stream on the military road in the county of Aroostook
	22	Resolve for an appropriation on a road in Silver Ridge plantation in the county of Aroostook.
No Committee.....	23	An act to amend section 14 of chapter 116 of the revised statutes, relating to taxing costs.
	24	An act to authorize the formation of railroad corporations.
	25	Resolve establishing the valuation of the towns of Westbrook and Deering.
	26	An act to amend chapter 11 of the revised statutes, relating to County Supervisors of Schools.

Refused a Passage.

Committee.	No.	
Aroostook Co. Deleg'n.	26	Resolves in relation to the valuation of certain towns, plantations and townships in Aroostook county, and for the abatement of taxes thereon.
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Legal Reform.....	28	An act to repeal an act creating a State Liquor Commissioner.
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- 2 Order relating to furnishing the Daily Kennebec Journal and Daily Eastern Argus for the use of the Senate.
- 3 Order relating to the division of Westbrook.
- 4 Order requesting the opinions of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, relating to the legality of the consolidation of certain railroads.
- 5 Orders relating to sessions of the Senate.
- 6 Orders relating to final adjournment
- 7 Order relating to repealing chapter 282 of the special laws of 1870.
- 8 Order relating to printing documents relating to "paper credits."
- 9 An act fixing the salary of the State Superintendent of Schools.
- 10 Report of the Committee on Education on an order relating to uniformity of text-books.
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 - 7 F. Correspondence through the Governor with the War and Navy Departments.
 - 8 G. Copies of correspondence between the Naval Commission and A. A. P. M. General of Maine with the Provost Marshal General of the United States.
 - 9 H. Copy of distribution of the 251 naval list.
 - 10 I. Communication of A. B. Farwell to the Portland Advertiser of October 5, 1869.
 - J. Specimen copy of return of men in Navy, claimed to be residents of the town of Mercer.
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	3	“ “ Treasurer's Accounts.
	4	“ “ Governor's Message.
	5	“ “ Printing and Binding.
	6	“ “ Councillor Apportionment.
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	9	Communications from State officers signifying their acceptance.
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ERRATA.

Page 247—13th line, for “*wills*” read *bills*.

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